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Trade News Highlights- June 2017

1. India takes U.S. to WTO for failing to drop steel duties

India said the United States had failed to meet an April 2016 deadline to comply with a WTO ruling that faulted it for imposing countervailing duties on hot-rolled carbon steel flat products from India. The non-compliance complaint, effectively a new trade dispute, could lead to India asking to impose trade sanctions if the United States is found not to have complied. India brought the original complaint to the WTO in April 2012, after the U.S. Commerce Department set an import duty of nearly 286 percent on a circular welded carbon-quality steel pipe from India to offset government subsidies. The Commerce Department did this after a petition from Allied Tube and Conduit, JMC Steel Group, Wheatland Tube and United States Steel Corp.

2. Tesla seeks import relief till it builds e-cars in India

Tesla founder and CEO Elon Musk on June 15th said the company has sought “temporary relief” on import restrictions so that it could bring its cars to India. Tesla is in discussion with the Government of India requesting temporary relief on import penalties/restrictions until a local factory is built”.

Trade Figures:

Given below are the trade figures for the states in this Post’s jurisdiction for half yearly of 2016 and 2017

States	Jan 2017- June 2017		Jan 2016 – June 2016	
	India's Exports (values in USD)	India's Imports (values in USD)	India's Exports (values in USD)	India's Imports (values in USD)
Alaska	623,449	586,179	2,541,556	1,013,142
Arizona	127,876,202	87,091,265	103,308,913	57,184,354
California	1,824,719,770	2,334,771,525	1,764,901,858	2,564,643,058
Hawaii	3,763,157	5,946,376	2,742,433	7,654,055
Idaho	6,593,084	18,202,453	5,575,620	16,952,415
Montana	2,096,897	17,517,919	1,318,388	26,075,210
Nevada	335,265,339	1,045,976,320	209,216,333	406,089,625
Oregon	71,822,063	54,735,961	65,023,946	61,503,029
Utah	51,162,710	26,932,108	46,884,238	50,729,594
Washington	203,297,478	330,642,311	173,147,926	408,090,235
Wyoming	922,652	9,765,160	2,020,574	6,456,192

Trade Delegations and Events

1. Prime Minister of India visit: June 25th & 26th 2017.

Shri. Narendra Modi visited United States of America on June 25th and 26th 2017. The two leaders resolved to expand and deepen the strategic partnership between the countries and advance common objectives. Joint objectives include combating terrorist threats, promoting stability across the Indo-Pacific region, increasing free and fair trade, and strengthening energy linkages.

2. Union Minister of State for Science & Technology Delegation Visit: June 19th 2017

The Union Minister of State for Science & Technology Y.S Chowdary visited the San Diego, CA from June 19th - 21st 2017. The visit included meetings with Hon Minister of Lithuania, meeting with Hon Dy Minister of Russia, meeting with President Bio, Mr. James Greenwood, meeting with Hon Minister of Argentina Mr. Baranao and also meeting with Hon Minister of Queensland. The MOS also participated in Yoga Day celebrations in San Francisco.

3. ISRAEL AND INDIA: 25 YEARS OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS Event: June 2nd 2017

Consul General Andy David and Ambassador Venkatesan Ashok had shared the stage together in celebrating Israel and India's 25 years of diplomatic relations and their centuries-long historical and cultural connections. The two Consuls General discussed about the growing partnership and collaboration between the two countries as well as shared interests and mutual goals for the future. They even explored themes such as technology, democracy, and the future of India-Israel partnerships.

Trade Enquiries

Here are some of the trade enquiries that this post received during these months and they have been attended to appropriately.

Yashrajsinh Dixit	Clothing and Textile
Shri Maruthi Exports	Kitchenware & Food Processing
Pinnacle Exim	Agro Products