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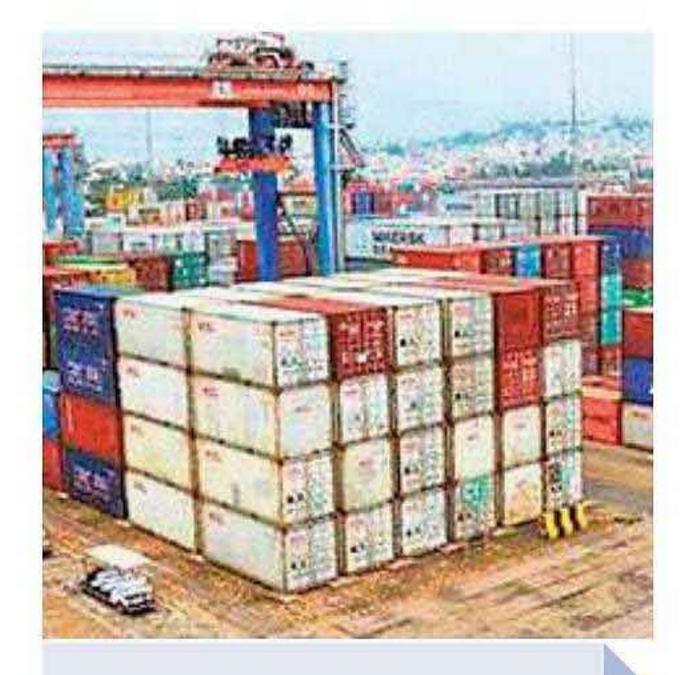
New Delhi, December 15

Exports in the first two weeks of December posted an increase of 44.41 per cent to \$16.46 billion from the comparable period last year per early estimates shared by the government.

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this period by 32.90 per cent over the same period of 2020-21.

The figures have been put together based on data received during the first and second week of Decem-

ber (December 1-14 2021), including both EDI and SEZ.

India's goods exports in November posted a 27.16 per cent (year-on-year) rise to \$30.04 billion while imports increased 56.58 per cent to \$52.94 billion.

## **April-November stats**

Exports for April-November increased 51.34 per cent to \$263.57 billion over the same period last year, inching towards the annual \$400 billion target set by the Commerce & Industry Ministry.

Imports in the April-November period posted a sharp 74.84 per cent increase to \$384.34 billion, widening the trade deficit to \$120.76 billion compared to \$45.66 billion in the same period last year.