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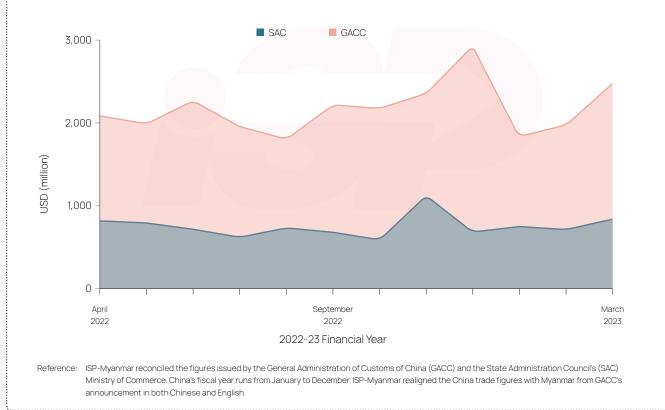
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Almost USD 17 Billion Gap in Myanmar-China Trade

(April 2022 - March 2023)

The comparison between the data of SAC and the General Administration of Customs of China (GACC) reveals a **nearly USD 17 billion** gap in the 2022-23 financial year. The SAC figures indicate that Myanmar's trade with China was valued at **more than USD 9 billion** in the 2022-23 financial year. However, figures released by the GACC indicate that trade between Myanmar and China was valued at **more than USD 26 billion** in the same period. A monthly trade value gap ranges **from USD one to USD two billion**.



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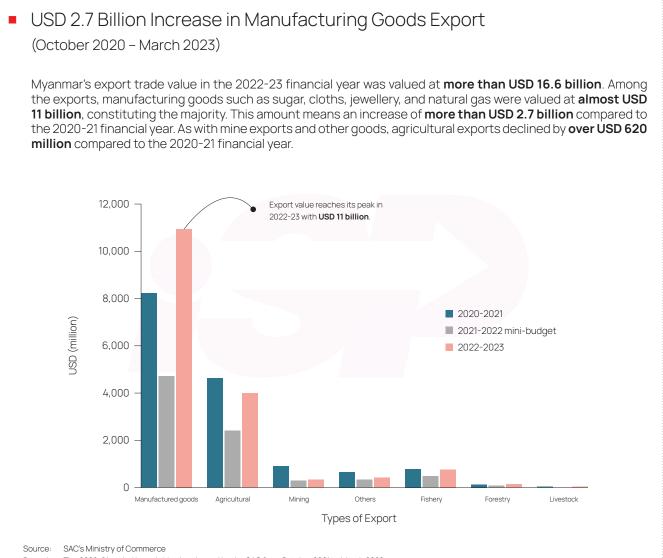
Biggest trade value between Myanmar and China (April 2022 - March 2023) Myanmar's total foreign trade in 2022-2023 was valued at approximately USD 34 billion. China is Myanmar's largest trading partner, with a trade volume exceeding USD 9.2 billion, which accounts for more than 27% of the total value of foreign trade. Secondly, Myanmar's trade with Thailand was valued at almost USD 6 billion, followed by more than USD 4 billion with Singapore. Myanmar's trade with the top ten trading partners was valued at more than USD 27 billion, constituting more than 81% of the total trade value. Thailand China 4,630.61 million 9,280.15 million 5.998.80 million Indonesia 1,168.11 million 6,378.25 million India 1,363.42 million

Source: SAC's Ministry of Commerce

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Remark: The 2020-21 period is a mini-budget issued by the SAC from October 2021 to March 2022

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More than USD 8 Billion in Border Trade Value (October 2020 – March 2023) During the 2022-23 financial year, Myanmar traded with four countries that operate cross-border trading with Myanmar for more than USD 8 billion. Myanmar engaged in border trade with Thailand, resulting in a trade value surpassing USD 5.3 billion, marking the highest amount exchanged between the two countries. This means a more than USD one billion increase compared to the 2020-21 financial year. As the second ranking, the border trade with China was valued at more than USD 3.1 billion, representing a decrease of more than

USD 1.9 billion compared to the 2020-21 financial year.

USD (million) 2021-2022 (Mini) 2020-2021 2022-2023 Country China 5.022.01 858 61 3.101 55 4.295.85 2,705.74 Thailand 5.355.39 Bangladesh 622.59 42.56 123.18 India 200.15 8.14 16.39

Source : SAC's Ministry of Commerce

Remark : The 2020-21 period is a mini-budget issued by the SAC from October 2021 to March 2022. Border trade value with Laos is not counted for the abovementioned financial years.