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No. 1752. TRADE AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN INDIA AND BURMA. SIGNED AT RANGOON, ON 29 SEPTEMBER 1951

In order to promote mutual friendship, economic co-ordination and trade between the two countries, the Government of India and the Government of the Union of Burma have entered into a trade agreement in three parts as follows :—

PART I

Article I

The period of the agreement under this part shall be from 1st May 1951 to 31st December 1951.

Article II

The Government of the Union of Burma agrees to supply to India 240,000 tons of rice in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract to be executed separately.

Article III

The Government of India agrees to permit the exportation of 25,000 tons of gunny bags to Burma.

Article IV

The Government of India further agrees to permit the exportation of the following commodities :

<i>Commodity</i>	<i>Quantity</i>
Groundnut oil	10,000 tons
Cotton Yarn	2,000 bales of 400 lbs each
Galvanized Iron Sheets	3,000 tons.

PART II

Article I

The period of the agreement under this part shall be from the 1st January 1952 to the 31st December 1955.

¹ Came into force on 29 September 1951 by signature, with retroactive effect as to Part I from 1 May 1951 and with effect as to Part II on 1 January 1952.

Article II

The Government of the Union of Burma agrees to permit the exportation to India during each year of 350,000 tons of rice of which 230,000 tons shall be supplied on a Government to Government basis.

Article III

The Government of India agrees to permit the exportation to Burma during each year of a minimum of 15,000 tons of gunny bags, 8,000 tons of groundnut oil, 2,000 bales of cotton yarn of 400 lbs. each and 4,000 tons of iron and steel products.

Provided that if the Government of India buys from the Government of the Union of Burma the total quantity of 230,000 tons referred to in Article II hereof, the Government of India shall raise the limit of exportation to Burma of gunny bags from 15,000 tons to 20,000 tons.

Article IV

The price of rice to be supplied on a Government to Government basis shall be settled by mutual agreement in advance for each half year.

PART III

GENERAL

The following articles are applicable to both Part I and Part II :—

Article I

In respect of such commodities and goods as are, or may be, subject to export or import licence, the two Governments agree to grant upon application duly made export or import licences up to the quantities or monetary limits specified in the Schedule in accordance with the laws and regulations and administrative practices of the Government granting the licence.

Article II

The two Governments agree not to permit the re-export of any of the commodities mentioned in this agreement except gunny bags used for packing produce for external trade.

Article III

This agreement shall not have the effect of restricting the flow of trade between India and Burma to the commodities or quantities mentioned in Parts I and II.

Article IV

The two Governments agree that export and import facilities granted by each country to the other shall be no less favourable than those applied to any other country in the Soft Currency Area.

Article V

The two Governments agree to permit the exportation and the importation from one country to the other of the commodities and goods specified in the Schedule attached to this agreement.

Article VI

In order to facilitate the implementation of this agreement, the two Governments agree to hold periodical consultations with each other in respect of any matter arising from or in connection with the supply of commodities or goods between the two countries during the currency of and in accordance with this agreement.

(Signed) M. A. RAUF
29.9.51

Signed on behalf of the
Government of India :

Dr. M. A. RAUF
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary for India in Rangoon

In the presence of
H. N. VIBHAKAR
First Secretary (Commercial)
Embassy of India, Rangoon

(Signed) KYAW MYINT
29.9.51

Signed on behalf of the
Government of the Union of Burma :

U KYAW MYINT
Minister for Commerce

In the presence of
U KYAW THEIN
Secretary to the Govt. of the
Union of Burma
Ministry of Commerce

SCHEDULE

A. EXPORTS FROM INDIA TO BURMA

<i>Commodity</i>	<i>Rs.</i>	<i>Value</i>
Cotton Piecegoods	Rs.	400 lakhs
Hosieries		50 "
Rayon Piecegoods		50 "
Coir Manufactures		15 "
Leather Manufactures		40 "
(Including Boots & Shoes)		
Rubber Manufactures		30 "
Electric goods		10 "
Chemicals		50 "
Coal & Coke		45 "
Paper and Paper Manufactures		30 "
Tea		25 "
Spices		15 "
Soaps & Toilet Requisites		20 "
Fish		50 "
Fruits & Vegetables		10 "
Provision & Oilman Stores		20 "
Tobacco		10 "
Miscellaneous Items		1 Crore.
(Roof Tiles, Glassware, Hurricane Lanterns, etc.)		

B. EXPORTS FROM BURMA INTO INDIA

Gram and Pulses	Rs.	50 lakhs
Seed Potatoes	Rs.	30 "
Lead		2,000 tons
Teakwood		20,000 "
Other Articles	Rs.	50 lakhs.
(including Tin, Wolfram, Hides and Skins, Raw, etc)		