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**Report Highlights:**

Weekly report as of July 10, 2020, of COVID-19 impact on Indian port operations.



## India Port Situation Update as of Friday, July 10, 2020

**1. Mumbai:** According to an official press release, Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT) handled 289,000 twenty-foot equivalent (TEUs) containers in June, 5 percent higher compared to the previous month, demonstrating a slow recovery in trade. According to the All India Port Association, JNPT saw a drop in cargo volume of 31 percent during April-June to 12.1 million tons, compared to 17.63 million tons during the same period last year. Overall, trade volumes for India's top 12 state-run ports fell by 19.68 percent during April-June to nearly 142 million tons, compared to 177 million tons during the same period last year. Local media continues to report clearance delays for Chinese cargo at multiple ports, which has increased freight costs for local importers.

**2. Mundra:** Mundra Port, the country's largest privately owned port, surpassed JNPT as India's largest container port during April-June. Mundra handled 970,940 TEUs, while JNPT handled 847,844 TEUs during that period.

**3. Tuticorin:** V.O. Chidambaranar Port Trust saw a drop in cargo volume of 14 percent during April-June to 7.57 million tons, compared to 8.84 million tons during the same period last year.

**4. Kandla:** Deendayal Port Trust saw a drop in cargo volume of nearly 20 percent during April-June to 25.05 million tons, compared to 31.12 million tons during the same period last year.

**5. Chennai:** Chennai Port Trust saw a drop in cargo volume of 40 percent during April-June to 7.28 million tons, compared to 12.12 million tons during the same period last year.

**6. Mangalore:** New Mangalore Port Trust is one of the few ports that saw an increase in trade these past three months. The port saw an increase in cargo volume of 4 percent during April-June to 9.29 million tons, compared to 8.94 million tons during the same period last year.

**7. Kolkata:** Syama Prasad Mukherjee Port Trust saw a drop in cargo volume of 27 percent during April-June to 11.72 million tons, compared to 16.11 million tons during the same period last year.

**8. Cochin:** Cochin Port Trust saw a drop in cargo volume of 34 percent during April-June to 5.64 million tons, compared to 8.51 million tons during the same period last year. According to local media reports, the port saw a 30 percent decline in Chinese imports over the past month, and local traders are reducing their imports of Chinese products due to market uncertainty caused by delayed clearances of Chinese cargo.

**Note:** Each featured port includes air freight imports arriving at that city.

**Attachments:**

No Attachments.