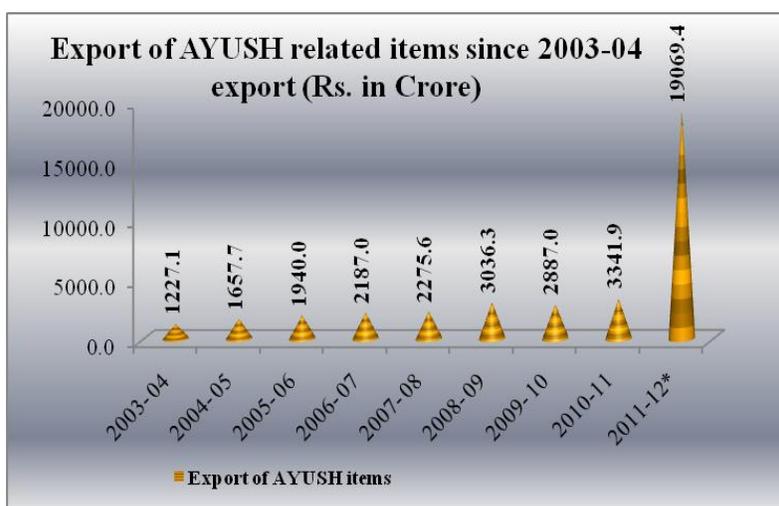


SECTION 9: AYUSH RELATED FOREIGN TRADE

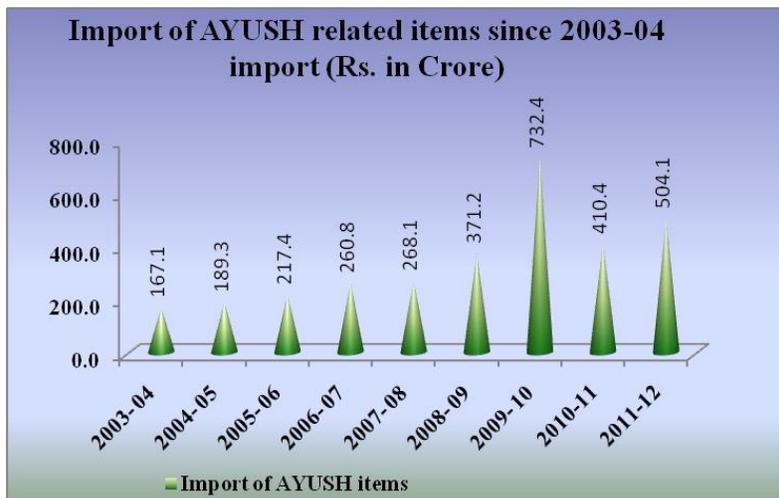
AYUSH medicaments, medicinal plants and their by-products constitute an important part of the Indian Foreign Trade. This section on AYUSH related foreign trade provides a brief overview of India's foreign trade in respect of these AYUSH related products. A continuous growth in Export over Import as related to AYUSH Products has been observed during last ten years that signify the continuous increasing interest in AYUSH system of medicines outside the boundary of the territory.

Prior to 2003-04, for the purpose of foreign trade, AYUSH medicants and medicaments were categorized in two heads i.e., "AYURVEDIC & UNANI MEDICINES" and "HOMOEOPATHIC MEDICINE" only. However, 2003-04 onwards, medicants and medicaments of Ayurveda, Unani, Siddha, Homoeopathic and Bio-chemic systems have been differentiated and the import-export data related to foreign trade in respect of all these items is being recorded separately.

The export of AYUSH products has increased from 2887.01 Crores in 2009-10 to 3341.90 Crores in 2010-11 with showing an annual growth rate of 16% whereas it has increased to 19069.39 crores in 2011-12 with an annual growth rate is 471%. It has happened due to the high growth rate of OIL SEEDS AND OLEA. FRUITS; MISC. GRAINS, SEEDS AND FRUIT; INDUSTRIAL OR MEDICINAL PLANTS; STRAW AND FODDER which has Increased from 565,252.24 lakhs in year 2010-2011 to 962, 895.39 lakhs in year 2011-12 (growth rate is 70.35%), LAC; GUMS, RESINS AND OTHER VEGETABLE SAPS AND EXTRACTS. has increased from 388, 147.80 lakhs in year 2010-11 to 1,809,187.75 in year 2011-12 (growth rate is 366.11%) and PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS has increased from 3,038,322.05 lakhs in year 2010-11 to 4,081,685.87 lakhs in year 2011-12 (growth rate is 34.34%).

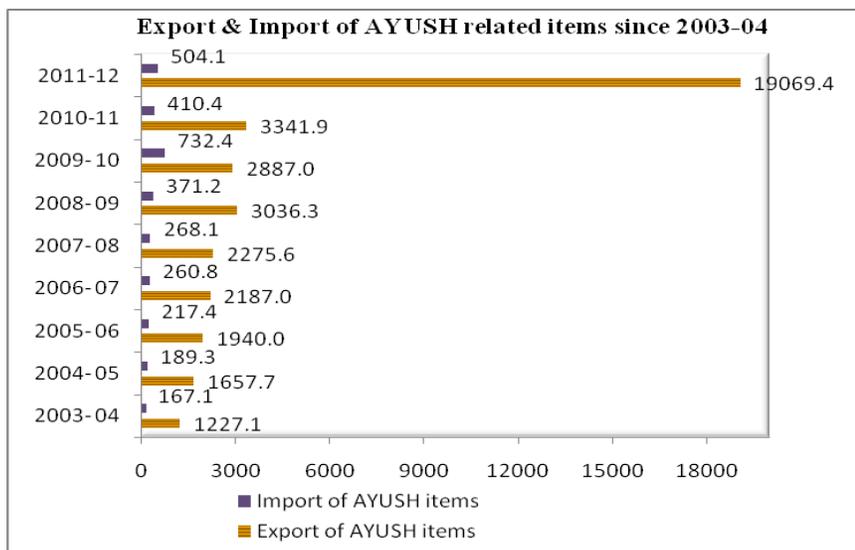


However, the import of AYUSH products has decreased by 44% annually from 732.44 Crores in 2009-10 to 410.40 Crores in 2010-11. However, it has increased to 504.06 crores in 2011-12 with an annual growth rate is 23%. Thus, during this period (year 2011-12), the total trade of AYUSH products has increased substantially from 3752.30 Crores in 2010-11 to 19573.45 Crores in 2011-12 with an annual growth rate is 422%. The high growth rate of total trade of AYUSH items is due to the export of AYUSH items for the year 2011-12 is 471% [the growth rate of OIL SEEDS AND OLEA.



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Since 2003-04, a continuous growing trend has been observed in India's foreign trade with respect to AYUSH related items in respect of export as well as import except for the year 2009-10 for export of AYUSH related items and for the year 2010-11 for import of AYUSH related items. During the year 2011-12 a sharp increasing trend has been observed in respect of export and Total Trade of AYUSH related Items mainly due to high growth rate of



LAC; GUMS, RESINS AND OTHER VEGETABLE SAPS AND EXTRACTS whereas, Import has been increased but not as the rate of export of AYUSH related items.

During 2011-12, percentage share of AYUSH products in the total trade of India was 0.51% compared to 0.13% in 2010-11. Similarly, AYUSH products shared 1.30% of Export and 0.02% of Import of India in 2011-12 compared to 0.29% of export and 0.02% of import in India respectively. All India Balance of Trade have always been negative since the ninth plan period 1996-97, while AYUSH related products always shown a positive balance of Trade, indicating that AYUSH products are having significant role in foreign trade of the country.
