

WHICH INDIAN PORT SHOULD YOU USE?

Pick the right port. Save time. Cut costs. Grow your export business.

MUNDRA PORT

(GUJARAT)

- ✓ Best for: North & West India
- ✓ Strengths: 24/7 operations, deep draft, largest private port (Adani Group)
- ⚠ Watch out: Congestion in peak season



5 MAJOR PORTS.
5 STRATEGIC ADVANTAGES.
NATIONWIDE IMPACT.

KOLKATA PORT

(SYAMA PRASAD MOOKERJEE PORT)

- ✓ Best for: West Bengal, Bihar, Jharkhand, NE states, Nepal/Bhutan transit
- ⚠ Watch out: Long river channel adds 24–48 hrs transit

WESTERN HUB

NHAVA SHEVA (JNPT)

(MUMBAI)

- ✓ Best for: Mumbai, Pune, Western Maharashtra, Central India
- ✓ Strengths: Excellent global connectivity, frequent sailings
- ⚠ Watch out: Higher shipping line costs, occasional detention issues

EASTERN HUB

INDIA

VIZAG PORT

(VISAKHAPATNAM)

- ✓ Best for: Andhra, Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Eastern India
- ✓ Strengths: Natural deep harbor, excellent for bulk cargo (iron ore, coal)
- ⚠ Watch out: Fewer container sailings compared to West Coast

SOUTHERN HUB

CHENNAI PORT

(TAMIL NADU)

- ✓ Best for: Tamil Nadu, Karnataka (Bengaluru), Andhra Pradesh
- ✓ Strengths: Lower cost than Mumbai, good for auto/engineering exports
- ⚠ Watch out: Shallow draft restricts some large vessels



QUICK COMPARISON

PORT	CARGO HANDLED (MILLION TEUs)	BEST FOR REGION	AVG SHIP WAITING TIME
Mundra	~7.0	North/West India	Low
Nhava Sheva	~6.5	Mumbai & West	Medium
Chennai	~2.0	South India	Medium
Vizag	~1.0	East Coast	Low
Kolkata	~1.2	Eastern India	Medium

*Figures are indicative and vary by year. Source: Port Authorities India (2023–24)



INDIAN CONTEXT

New exporters often default to Nhava Sheva because it's famous – but if your factory is in Ahmedabad or Ludhiana, Mundra is closer, cheaper, and faster. A container moving from Delhi to Mundra saves 2 days vs Nhava Sheva.



PRO TIP

Ask your freight forwarder for "port options" – don't accept the first suggestion. Compare ocean freight rates, export trucking cost, and transit time. For small shipments under 15 CBM, consider ICDs (Inland Container Depots) like Tughlakabad (Delhi) or Whitefield (Bengaluru) instead of direct seaports.



? QUESTION FOR YOU

Which Indian port do you use most often?
And what's your biggest frustration with it – congestion, cost, or transit time?



THE RIGHT PORT = MORE PROFIT



Lower Logistics Cost



Faster Deliveries



Happier Buyers



Stronger Exports

SMARTER PORT CHOICE. STRONGER EXPORTS. GROW YOUR BUSINESS. 🌐

