



India's Tea Industry

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The [Tea industry in India](#) has experienced a boost in profits during the September quarter, driven by **higher prices** despite a **decline in production** caused by [climate change](#).

- A dry spell and erratic rainfall led to a production loss of **76.73 million kg (mkg) compared to 2023**.
- Policies of [Tea Board of India](#) including **early garden closures** and **quality compliance**, helped align stakeholder interests and improve market signals, while cost management and quality focus **boosted profitability for some companies**.
- India is one of the **top 5 tea exporters**, accounting for 10% of global exports. In 2023-24, it exported 250.73 million kg of tea, with Assam, Darjeeling, and Nilgiri teas renowned globally.
- **Tea Board of India: It was** established under the **Tea Act of 1953** as a **statutory body** of the Central Government under the **Ministry of Commerce**, has its **head office in Kolkata, West Bengal**, also has three overseas offices in **London, Dubai, and Moscow**.
- The [Indian Tea Association](#) established in **1881**, cautioning that rising wages and production costs may erase **fourth-quarter (October - December)** profits due to halted production.

Read more: [Tea Board of India](#)

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