

Particulars of the organisation, function and duties.

The Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence & Statistics (DGCI&S), a subordinate office under Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India has been performing the duties of collection, compilation and dissemination of India's trade statistics and commercial information. The merchandise trade data both for exports and imports are processed centrally in this directorate using state-of-art technology and expertise. The Directorate also compiles and publishes on regular basis the Inland trade statistics inter alia Interstate Movements of Goods by Rail, River and Air, Inland coastal trade statistics, Statistics of India's customs and excise revenue collection according to tariff Heads, Shipping statistics and Selected statistics of foreign trade of India on annual basis. DGCI&S publishes the Indian Trade Journal, a weekly publication which is a repository of material of commercial interest as well as a major channel for flow of information on tenders at the National and International level since 1906 without any break. The commercial Library of DGCI&S serves a vast clientele. DGCI&S' data are used mainly by most of the organizations and institutions engaged in export promotion works viz, Commodity Boards, Export Promotion Councils, Indian Trade Promotion Organisation, Federation of Indian Export Organisations etc.

The website of DGCI&S is www.dgciskol.gov.in. Various information related to trade are disseminated through the website of DGCI&S.

The DGCI&S functions under the charge and overall guidance of the Director General of Commercial Intelligence & Statistics. Manned by Indian Statistical Service (ISS) and Indian Economic Service (IES) Officers, the DGCI&S has mainly seven divisions as follows :-

1. Foreign Trade Export Data Processing and Dissemination Division
2. Foreign Trade Import Data Processing and Co-ordination Division
3. Computer Division
4. Ancillary & Derived Statistics Division
5. Commercial Intelligence Division
6. Administrative Division including Hindi Unit
7. Commercial Library.

In addition to this set up in Kolkata, DGCI&S has its officers posted in major Customs House at Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata and Kochi to monitor the flow of data from Customs to DGCI&S.