



Trade between Tanzania and Afghanistan

- **Existing Trade between Tanzania and Afghanistan**

Trade between Tanzania and Afghanistan is in favor of Tanzania for the past five years (2018 to 2022). Tanzania export to Afghanistan an average of **545.2 Thousand USD** per year and the main exports are Candles, modeling pastes, prepared glues and other prepared adhesives, matches, Ferro-cerium and other pyrophoric alloys, chemical preparations for photographic uses, artificial graphite

Likewise, Tanzania imports an average of **0.0264 Thousand USD** per year and the main imports are Carpets and other textile floor coverings, air or vacuum pumps, grapes, mate, vanilla.

Tab.1 Trade between Tanzania and Afghanistan (USD thousand)

Year	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Exports	1	2,725	0	0	0
Imports	1	11	0	1	16
Trade Balance	0	2,714	0	-1	-16

Source – Trade Map

- **Tanzania Main Exports to Afghanistan**

Tab. 2: Tanzania Main Exports to Afghanistan (**Value in thousand USD**)

No	Product	2022 Value in thousand	% Annual growth in value between 2018-2022	% Share of Exports	Equivalent ad valorem tariff faced by Tanzania
1	Candles	0	0	0	10
2	Modelling pastes	0	0	0	3
3	Prepared glues and other prepared adhesives	0	0	0	5
4	Matches	0	0	0	5
5	Ferro-cerium and other pyrophoric alloys	0	0	0	10
6	Chemical preparations for photographic uses	0	0	0	10
7	Artificial graphite	0	0	0	5

Source - ITC Data 2022

- **Underutilized Exports Potential in the Afghanistan**

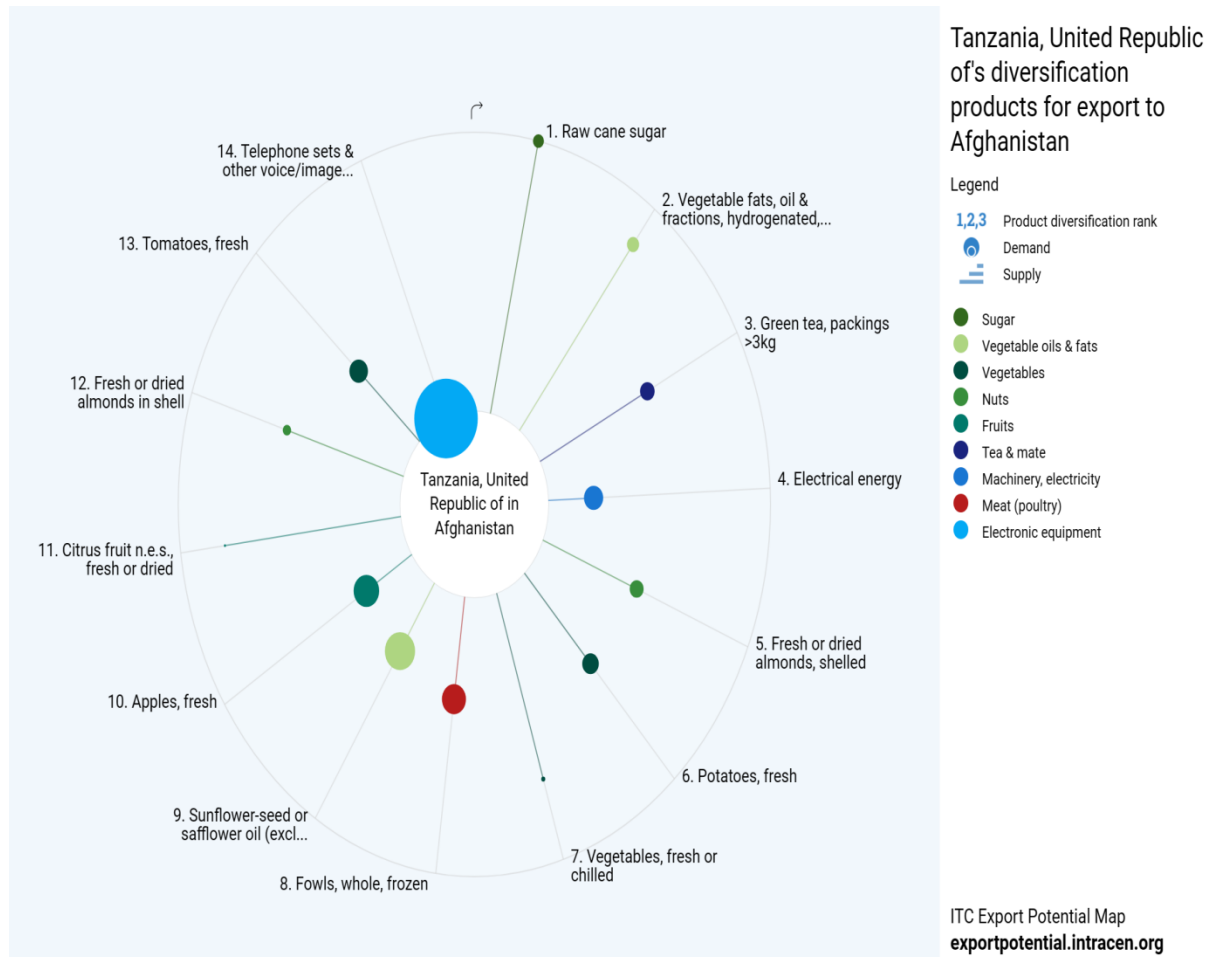
There is underutilized export potential of Tanzanian products to the Afghanistan market. This gives an opportunity for Tanzania to increase exports of existing products such as wheat, black tea, Portland, exercise books of paper, vegetable seeds for sowing, cloves, soap and organic surface (as shown in table below)

Tab. 3 Underutilized Export Potential in Afghanistan (Value in USD thousand)

S/N	Product	Export potential	Actual potential	Untapped potential
1.	Wheat	97	0	97
2.	Black tea	84	0	84
3.	Portland	25	0	25
4.	Exercise books of paper	22	0	22
5.	Vegetable seeds for sowing	18	0	18
6.	Cloves	14	0	14
7.	Soap and organic surface	14	0	14

Source - ITC Data 2022

Likewise, there is potential for Tanzania to diversify export products such as sugar, vegetable oils and fats, vegetables, nuts, fruits, tea and mate, machinery, electricity, meat and electronic equipment.



- **Key Recommendations to Strengthen trade between Tanzania and Afghanistan**

- Speed up the process of signing a bilateral agreement between Tanzania and Afghanistan to reduce tariff rates for exporting in Comoro.
- Facilitates simplification direct transportation means between Tanzania and Comoro by both air and marine transport.

- Organise special campaign to promote Tanzania building materials, vegetable, roots and tubers, oil seeds, spices and other related products in Comoro considering that there is high consumption of above products.
- Capacitate Tanzania Embassy in Comoro with samples and specification of products with high demand potential in order to promote them in order to increase market share in Comoro.
- Promote joint venture with Tanzania companies in order to improve the capacities of the industries:
 - Oil seeds Industries (palm, sesame and sunflower oils)
 - Fruits, Spice and Legumes process industries