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TONGA- FACTSHEET

GENERAL	
Official Name	Kingdom of Tonga
Capital	Nuku'alofa
Land Area	748 sq. kms.
Current Weather	Maximum temperature: 33 °C Minimum temperature: 23 °C
Population	107,306 (2021)
Population Density	140/km ²
National Day	04 November (Constitution Day)
Languages (<i>with %age of speakers, if available</i>)	Tongan and English
Religions (<i>with %age, if available</i>)	Protestant 64.1% (includes Free Wesleyan Church 35%, Free Church of Tonga 11.9%, Church of Tonga 6.8%, Assembly of God 2.3%, Seventh Day Adventist 2.2%, Tokaikolo Christian Church 1.6%, other 4.3%), Mormon 18.6%, Roman Catholic 14.2%, other 2.4%,
Exchange rate - US\$ & INR	Tongan Pa'aga TOP\$ 1 = US\$ 0.42 (April 2024) TOP\$ 1 = Rs. 35.20 (April 2024)
Political Structure	Constitutional Monarchy: 30-member assembly (17 people's representative, 9 from Nobility and 4 appointed by King)
Head of State	His Majesty King Tupou-VI since 08 March 2012
Head of Government (Prime Minister)	Hon. Siasia 'Ofakivahafolau Sovaleni Hu'kavemeiliku
Minister for Foreign Affairs	Hon. Fekitamoeloa Katoa 'Utoikamanu
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ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Economy	Tonga has a small, open, South Pacific Island economy. It has a narrow export base in agricultural goods. Squash, vanilla beans, and yams are the main crops. Agricultural exports, including fish, make up two-thirds of total exports. The country
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	imports a high proportion of its food, mainly from New Zealand and remains dependent on external aid and remittances from Tongan communities overseas to offset its trade deficit. Tourism is the second-largest source of hard currency earnings following remittances.
GDP	US\$ 469.22 mn (2021)
GDP per capita	US\$ 4,426 (2021)
GDP Growth Rate	-2.7% (2021)
Total Trade	US\$ 151.2 mn (2020)
Imports	US\$ 141 mn (2020)
Exports	US\$ 10.2 mn (2020)
	https://oec.world/en/profile/country/ton/
Bilateral Trade	US\$ 1.48 mn (2022-23)
Exports from India	US\$ 1.45 mn (2022-23)
Imports to India	US\$ 0.03 mn (2022-23)
	[According to Ministry of Commerce, Government of India]

INDIA SPECIFIC INFORMATION		
Indian Origin/ Permanent Resident	Total: 200 (Majority Indo-Fijians)	
Indian Expatriates <i>(composition and any pertinent information that may be of interest)</i>	Total: 10 (Estimate)	
Indian Organizations	Banks	Nil
	PSUs	Nil
	Government Organizations	Nil
	Others	Nil

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