

High Commission of India

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TONGA- FACTSHEET

<u>GENERAL</u>	
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 (with %age of speakers, if available)	Tongan and English
Religions (with %age, if available)	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\$ 0.4127 (February 2025) TOP\$ 1 = Rs. 36.02 (February 2025)
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)	<i>Hon Dr 'Aisake Valu Eke</i> (Prime Minister), Minister for Finance, Minister for Fisheries and Minister for Prisons
Minister for Foreign Affairs	HRH, The Crown Prince Tupouto'a 'Ulukalala: Minister for Foreign Affairs; Minister for His Majesty's Armed Forces
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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
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	beans, and yams are the main crops. Agricultural exports, including fish, make up two-thirds of total exports. The country 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\$ 518.18 mn (2022)
GDP per capita	US\$ 4933.1 (2022)
GDP Growth Rate	-2.3% (2022) [https://data.worldbank.org/country/tonga]
Total Trade Imports Exports	US\$ 263.8 mn (2022) US\$ 251 mn (2022) US\$ 12.8 mn (2022) https://oec.world/en/profile/country/ton/
Bilateral Trade Exports from India Imports to India	US\$ 1.61 mn (2023-24) US\$ 1.59 mn (2023-24) US\$ 0.02 mn (2023-24)

INDIA SPECIFIC INFORMATION	
Indian Origin/ Permanent Resident	Total: 200 (Major Indo-Fijians)
Indian Expatriates <i>(composition and any pertinent information that may be of interest)</i>	Total: 20 (Estimate)
Indian Organizations	Banks Nil
	PSUs Nil
	Government Organizations Nil
	Others Nil

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