



Italian textile machine export decreased 6% to Bangladesh in first half of 2025

Over 100 Italian companies are set to participate at ITMA ASIA + CITME Singapore 2025, taking place from October 28 to 31, showcasing the innovation, quality, and technical expertise that define Italy's textile machinery industry.

Occupying around 4,000 square meters, Italy remains one of the top exhibiting countries, with 53 Italian exhibitors presenting their latest technologies under the National Sector Groups, organized by ACIMIT (Association of Italian Textile Machinery Manufacturers) and the Italian Trade Agency.

The Asian market continues to be the largest destination for Italian textile machinery exports. In 2024, exports from Italy to Asia totaled €664 million, with a modest growth rate of 1% during the first half of 2025, reaching €317 million.

However, shipments to Bangladesh—one of Italy's key export destinations alongside China, India, and Pakistan—declined by 6% in the same period.

Despite this dip, Italian manufacturers maintain a strong presence in the Bangladeshi market, driven by ongoing modernization and sustainability efforts within the country's textile sector.

Globally, Asia absorbs about 50% of all textile machinery exports, amounting to €8.8 billion in 2024. China and India remain the largest importers, with a combined total of €4.3 billion worth of machinery purchases.

ACIMIT President Marco Salvade highlighted the strategic importance of the Singapore event, and said, "ITMA ASIA + CITME Singapore is a further occasion for Italian textile machinery manufacturers to display their updated technological supply. The choice of Singapore allows Italian exhibitors to engage with many Southeast Asian markets, which are becoming increasingly important manufacturing hubs."

Salvadé further noted that, despite geopolitical and market fluctuations, the strong participation of Italian companies in Singapore reaffirms the vitality of Italy's textile machinery sector. Exhibitors will present a wide range of advanced solutions, including digitalization tools, automation systems, and sustainable technologies aimed at optimizing energy and water use while ensuring high-quality results.

Italian manufacturers remain committed to blending traditional textile knowledge with cutting-edge innovation, ensuring continued leadership in global textile machinery excellence.