

United States Senate

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The Honorable Brooke Rollins
Secretary
U.S. Department of Agriculture
1400 Independence Avenue SW
Washington, D.C. 20250

Dear Secretary Rollins:

As you know, Georgia continues to be the leading state for pecan production in the United States and India is a significant and growing market for U.S. pecans. Therefore, as the United States finalizes a bilateral trade agreement with India, I urge you to request that India grant market access for U.S. in-shell pecans as part of the forthcoming trade agreement.

As a result of our successful efforts to negotiate a 70 percent reduction in India's tariff on U.S. pecans, pecan exports from the United States to India are expected to grow from approximately \$1.3 million in 2022 up to \$5 million annually.¹ The opportunity to export pecans in-shell allows pecans to travel in a more shelf-stable state, providing an opportunity for U.S. pecan shippers to continue growing their exports to the Indian market.

To ensure that the U.S. pecan industry can continue feeding our nation and the world, I strongly urge you to request that market access is granted for U.S. in-shell pecans in a U.S.-India bilateral trade agreement. Thank you for your efforts on behalf of American agriculture.

Sincerely,



Jon Ossoff
United States Senator

¹ <https://apps.fas.usda.gov/newgainapi/api/Report/DownloadReportByFileName?fileName=Success%20Story%20-%20It%27s%20Been%20a%20Tough%20Nut%20to%20Crack%20but%20India%20is%20all%20in%20on%20Pecans%20with%20the%20Tariff%20Reduction%20New%20Delhi%20India%20IN2023-0013.pdf>