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Government of Pakistan
National Tariff Commission

Notice of Conclusion of Sunset Review and Continuation of Anti-Dumping Duties Imposed on Dumped Imports of One-Sided Coated Duplex Board- Grey Back into Pakistan Originating in and/ or Exported from the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Indonesia and the Republic of Korea

The National Tariff Commission (the "Commission") has conducted a sunset review of anti-dumping duties levied on dumped imports of One-Sided Coated Duplex Board- Grey Back (Duplex Board) into Pakistan Originating in and/or Exported from the People's Republic of China ("China), the Republic of Indonesia ("Indonesia") and the Republic of Korea ("Korea") commonly referred as "Exporting Countries", under Section 58 the Anti-Dumping Duties Act, 2015 (the "Act"). The sunset review was initiated on April 22, 2022 upon receipt of an application under Section 58(3) of the Act from M/s. Century Paper & Board Mills Ltd. and M/s Bulleh Shah Packaging (Pvt.) Ltd. (the "Applicants"), the domestic producers of Duplex Board. The Commission had imposed anti-dumping duties at the rate of 18.57%, 16.22% and 14.98% percent *ad valorem* on dumped imports of Duplex Board imported from the China, Indonesia and Korea respectively w.e.f. May 12, 2017 for a period of five years.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act and the Anti-Dumping Duties Rules, 2001 (the "Rules"), the Commission has conducted and concluded the Sunset Review as follows:

Product under Review:

The product under review is One Side Coated Duplex Board (Grey Back) ranging from 225 to 400 grams. Paperboard produced from recycled wastepaper (Recycled Fibre) and one side clay coated is considered as the above product and is commonly known as Coated Duplex Board (Grey Back), "Coated Duplex Board", "One Side Coated Duplex Board with Grey Back", "1SC Duplex Board with Grey Back" or just "Duplex Board". The said product is classified under Pakistan Customs Tariff ("PCT") codes. 4810.9200 and 4810.9900.

Period for the Review ("POR"):

POR for this Sunset Review was from January 01, 2019 to December 31, 2021.

Likelihood of Recurrence of Dumping from Exporting Countries:

The Commission has determined that there is a likelihood of recurrence and/or continuation of dumping of the product under review from Exporting Countries if anti-dumping duty imposed on dumped imports of the product under review is terminated as owing to anti-dumping duties, dumped imports became uncompetitive and the exporters of the Exporting Countries stopped their exports of the product under review to Pakistan. Further, Exporters/ producers of the product under review have surplus capacities, which would likely be used to export into Pakistan at dumped prices if anti-dumping duties are terminated.

Likely Continuation and Recurrence of Injury to the Domestic Industry:

Likelihood of continuation and recurrence of injury to the domestic industry has been determined by the Commission in accordance with Section 58 (3) of the Act. The Commission has determined that, in case the anti-dumping duty is terminated, the domestic industry would be likely to suffer material injury on account of volume of dumped imports, price undercutting, price depression and price suppression, decline in production, capacity utilization, sales, market share and negative effects on profits, cash flow, return on investment, productivity etc.

Continuation of Definitive Anti-Dumping Duty:


In view of the analysis and conclusions with regard to likely recurrence and/or continuation of dumping of the product under review from Exporting Countries and likely material injury to the domestic industry, there is a need to continue imposition of definitive anti-dumping duties on dumped imports of the product under review. Thus, the Commission has decided to continue definitive anti-dumping duties for another period of 5 years with effect from May 12, 2022, as per following rates:

Exporting Country	Anti-dumping Duties Rates (%)
China	18.57
Indonesia	16.22
South Korea	14.98

In accordance with Section 51 of the Act, the anti-dumping duties shall take the form of ad valorem duty and be held in a non-lapsable personal ledger account established and maintained by the Commission for this purpose. Release of the dumped imports of the product under review for free circulation in Pakistan shall be subject to imposition of such anti-dumping duties. The product under review is classified under PCT codes 4810.9200 and 4810.9900. In accordance with Section 51(e) of the Act, antidumping duties will not be levied on imports of the product under review that are used as inputs in products destined solely for exports and are covered under any scheme exempting customs duty for exports under the Customs Act, 1969. Definitive anti-dumping duties levied would be in addition to other taxes and duties leviable on import of the product under review under any other law. The definitive anti-dumping duty would be collected in the same manner as customs duty is collected under the Customs Act, 1969 (IV of 1969) and would be deposited in Commission's Non-lapsable PLD account No. 187 with Federal Treasury Office, Islamabad.

Further Information:

A non-confidential version of the report on Conclusion of the Sunset has been placed in public file established and maintained by the Commission for this Review. The report has also been posted on the Commission's website: www.ntc.gov.pk. The public file shall be available to the interested parties, registered with the Commission for the purposes of this sunset review for copying at the office of the Commission, from Monday to Thursday (except public holidays) between 1100 hrs to 1300 hrs.
By order of the Commission.


(Ali Muhammad Shah)
Secretary, NTC
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