

**A.D.C. No. 63/2023/NTC/PBF**  
**Government of Pakistan**  
**National Tariff Commission**

**Notice of Preliminary Determination and Imposition of Anti-Dumping Duty against Dumped Imports of Paint Brush Filament into Pakistan Originating in and/or Exported from the People's Republic of China**

The National Tariff Commission (the "Commission") initiated an anti-dumping investigation on January 20, 2024, under Section 23 of the Anti-Dumping Duties Act, 2015 (the "Act") after establishing that the application lodged by M/s Universal Brushwares Private Limited, Karachi (the "Applicant") was in accordance with Section 20 and 24 of the Act. The investigation is being conducted against dumping of Paint Brush Filament into Pakistan originating in and/or exported from the People's Republic of China ("China"), which has caused and/or is causing material retardation to the establishment of Pakistan's domestic industry producing Paint Brush Filament. In accordance with provisions of the Act, and Anti-Dumping Duties Rules, 2022 (the "Rules"), the Commission has, after investigation, determined the following on preliminary basis:

**Product under Investigation:** The product being dumped into Pakistan is Paint Brush Filament imported from China (the "investigated product"), which is classified under Pakistan Customs Tariff ("PCT") Codes 5404.1900, 5404.9000 and 5406.0000. The investigated product is used in manufacturing of paint brushes.

**Period of Investigation ("POI"):** For determination of dumping and injury, the POI is as follows:

For determination of dumping:	From October 01, 2022 to September 30, 2023
For determination of injury:	From January 01, 2022 to September 30, 2023

**Determination of Dumping:** The Commission did not receive requisite data/information from any of the exporters/ foreign producers of Paint Brush Filament from China in this investigation that is necessary to determine dumping in accordance with provisions of the Act. Therefore, preliminary determination of dumping of the investigated product is on the basis of the best information available in terms of Section 32 of the Act.

**Injury to the Domestic Industry:** The Commission has, on a preliminary basis, determined that domestic industry has not been fully established yet and has not achieved production level and market share that commensurate with their targets given in the feasibility report. Its establishment was materially retarded during the POI. Therefore, the domestic industry has suffered injury due to dumped imports of the investigated product on account of price undercutting, price depression, profit and profitability, output, capacity utilization, return on investment, and inventories.

**Imposition of Provisional Anti-dumping Duty:** In reaching affirmative preliminary determination, the Commission is satisfied that the investigated product has been imported into Pakistan at dumped prices. In order to prevent injury to the domestic industry during the course of this investigation, the Commission, pursuant to the powers conferred upon it under Section 43 of the Act, has decided to impose provisional anti-dumping duty at the rate of 34.48 percent *ad valorem* on dumped imports of the investigated product importable from China under PCT code 5404.1900, 5404.9000 and 5406.0000. However, in accordance with Section 51(ea) of the Act, provisional anti-dumping duty will not be levied on imports of the investigated product

that are used as inputs in products destined solely for exports or for use in the foreign grant-in-aid projects and are covered under any scheme exempting customs duties for exports or foreign grant-in-aid projects under the Customs Act, 1969 (IV of 1969).

**Hearing:** Any party registered as an interested party in this investigation may, if it so wishes, request a hearing in accordance with Rule 14 of the Rules within 30 days of the publication of this notice by contacting the Secretary, National Tariff Commission, State Life Building No.5, Blue Area, Islamabad. Telephone No. +92-51-9218961, Fax No.+92-519221205.

**Final Determination:** In terms of Section 39 of the Act, the Commission is required to make final determination within 180 days of publication of the notice of Preliminary Determination.

**Further Information:** A non-confidential version of the detailed report of preliminary determination is issued in accordance with Rule 12 of the Rules and is placed in the public file established and maintained by the Commission. The same is also posted on the Commission official website [www.ntc.gov.pk](http://www.ntc.gov.pk).

**Authority under Law:** This notice is published pursuant to Section 37 of the Act by order of the Commission.

(Ali Muhammad Shah)  
Secretary, NTC  
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