

ADC No. 59/2021/NTC/PSF
National Tariff Commission
Government of Pakistan

Notice of Initiation of Anti-dumping Investigation against Alleged Dumped Imports of Polyester Staple Fiber Originating in and/or Exported from Chinese Taipei, Indonesia and Thailand

National Tariff Commission (the “Commission”) has received an application under Sections 20 and 24 of the Anti-Dumping Duties Act, 2015 (the “Act”) on December 14, 2020 from M/s. ICI Pakistan Limited and M/s Ibrahim Fibres Limited (the “Applicants”). The Applicants are producers of Polyester Staple Fiber (Not Exceeding 2.0 Denier & Excluding Colored Polyester Staple Fiber and Regenerated Polyester Staple Fiber) (“PSF”) and have alleged that PSF is being exported to Pakistan at dumped prices from Chinese Taipei, Republic of Indonesia, Republic of Korea and Kingdom of Thailand.

Upon initial examination and assessing accuracy of the evidence and information provided in application in accordance with Section 23 of the Act, the Commission is satisfied that the evidence and information provided in the application is sufficient to justify initiation of an investigation on PSF from Chinese Taipei, Republic of Indonesia and Kingdom of Thailand (the “Exporting Countries”) into the matter. The volume of alleged dumped imports of PSF from Republic of Korea found to account for less than three percent of the total imports of PSF i.e. 2.03 percent, therefore, anti-dumping investigation shall not be initiated against alleged dumped imports of PSF from Republic of Korea.

Initiation of Investigation: The Commission hereby initiates an investigation under Section 23 of the Act. The investigation will determine whether PSF originating in and/or exported from the Exporting Countries is being dumped into Pakistan and whether such dumping has caused or is causing material injury to the domestic industry of PSF. The Commission will, during the course of this investigation, call for any information/data deemed necessary for the purposes of this investigation.

Product under Investigation: The investigated product is PSF imported from the Exporting Countries. It is classified under Pakistan Customs Tariff Heading No. 5503.2010. Investigated product is used for blended yarn and pure polyester sewing thread. The blended yarn is used to produce woven and knitted fabrics.

Period of Investigation:

For determination of dumping:	From October 01, 2019 to September 30, 2020
For determination of injury:	From October 01, 2017 to September 30, 2020

Interested Parties: Interested parties, as defined in Section 2(j) of the Act, are requested to make themselves known to the Secretary, National Tariff Commission, State Life Building No. 5, Blue Area, Islamabad, Tel: +9251-9202839 Fax: +9251-9221205 not later than 15 days after the publication of this notice. An interested party applying for registration with the Commission in this investigation should submit: the name of the company, its line of business, name of authorized person, address, email address, telephone number and fax number.

All interested parties are further invited to make their views/comments known to the Commission, and to submit information and documents (if any) not later than 45 days of the date of publication of this notice in the press in Pakistan.

Investigation Schedule:

Date of initiation of investigation:	The date of publication of this notice in the newspapers in Pakistan.
Date of preliminary determination:	Not earlier than 60 days and not later than 180 days from the date of initiation of the investigation.
Date of final determination:	Within 180 days of the preliminary determination.

Further Information: For further information please contact Director (Investigation-I), Tel: +92-51- 9201188, Fax: +92-51-9212521. General information may also be obtained by accessing the Commission's official website www.ntc.gov.pk

By order of the Commission.

(Ali Muhammad Shah)
Secretary
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