



GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN  
DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF CUSTOMS VALUATION  
CUSTOM HOUSE KARACHI.

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Determination of Customs Values of Plastic House Hold Items Under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969

(VALUATION RULING NO. <sup>763</sup> 2015)

No. Misc/03/2010-II <sup>19451</sup>

Dated: September 22, 2015

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs values of Plastic House Hold Items are determined as follows:-

2. **Background of the valuation issue:** This Directorate General had issued Valuation Ruling No.576 dated 30-08-2013. An importer namely M/s. Anwar Traders, Lahore, who has imported a consignment of lunch boxes, filed a constitutional petition in the Lahore High Court against the said ruling. Honorable Lahore High Court vide Order No. WP-8978/2014 dated 18-6-2015 directed the Respondent Department to treat the petition as an application under section 25A(4) of the Customs Act, 1969 and consider the objections of the petitioner against the Valuation Ruling and decide the matter in accordance with law through a speaking order after hearing all the necessary parties. Consequently proceedings for redetermination of customs values of household items including lunch boxes were initiated. Stakeholders, including petitioners, were invited to attend meetings at this Directorate General. In spite of three scheduled stakeholders meetings on 05-08-2015, 24-08-2015 and finally on 31-08-2015, petitioners abstained from participating in the meetings. Moreover, no written submissions were received from the stakeholders. Therefore, the Directorate initiated exercise on its own to comply with the directions of the Honorable Court.

3. As the customs values could not be determined under primary valuation methods, due to wide range and variety of items under consideration, therefore, this Directorate conducted market surveys to determine customs values of plastic household items. For the purpose different markets were surveyed including Gul Plaza, M.A Jinnah Road, Hyperstar, Clifton, Imtiaz Store, Bahadarabad, Bohri Bazaar, Saddar, Karachi. The prices of different plastic items varied from one market to the other. The lowest prices were taken into consideration, which were generally available at Bohri Bazaar, Karachi. The customs values of different



plastic house hold items (H.S Code. 3924.1000, 3924.9000 and 3926.9099) have been determined under section 25(7) of the Customs Act, 1969.

4. **Stakeholders' participation in determination of Customs values:** For the purpose of re-determination of customs values of plastic household items including lunch boxes, airtight containers, bowls, baskets, dust bins, cups, mugs and trays and other household items, stakeholders meetings were scheduled on 05-08-2015, 24-08-2015 and finally on 31-08-2015 at this Directorate General. No one attended the meetings.

5. **Method adopted to determine Customs values:** Valuation methods given in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were applied sequentially to address the valuation issue at hand. Transaction Value Method under Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 was found inapplicable because required information under the law was not available. Identical and Similar Goods valuation methods provided in Sub-Sections (5) and (6) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 provided some reference values but due to wide variations the same could not be relied upon. Consequently market survey in terms of Sub-Section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 was conducted. The market survey revealed that prices vary from one market to the other. Therefore, a number of markets were surveyed for the purpose. The lowest values, appearing in any survey, were taken into consideration while deducting customs values under section 25(7) of the Customs Act, 1969.

6. **Customs values for Plastic House Hold Items:** Plastic House Hold Items including lunch boxes, airtight containers, bowls, baskets, dust bins, cups, mugs, trays and other household items, of different specifications *hereinafter specified* shall be assessed to duty / taxes at the following Customs Values :-

S. No	Description of goods	PCT Code	Proposed PCT for WEOC	Origin	Customs Values (C&F) USS/KG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1	Airtight container	3924.1000 3924.9000	3924.1000.1000 3924.9000.1000	China	2.90
2	Bowl (with or without lid)	3924.1000 3924.9000	3924.1000.1010 3924.9000.1010	China	2.32
3	Basket / Dust Bin	3924.1000 3924.9000	3924.1000.1020 3924.9000.1020	China	3.71





4	Cup / Mug (with or without lid)	3924.1000 3924.9000	3924.1000.1030 3924.9000.1030	China	3.47
5	Tray (all types)	3924.1000 3924.9000	3924.1000.1040 3924.9000.1040	China	2.17
6	Tub / Buckets	3924.1000 3924.9000	3924.1000.1050 3924.9000.1050	China	2.61
7	i) Plastic Colored Lunch Box (Single box)	3924.1000 3924.9000	3924.1000.1060 3924.9000.1060	China	2.43
	ii) Plastic Lunch Box Transparent (Single box)				2.60
	iii) Plastic Lunch Box (medium size)				3.00
	iv) Plastic Lunch Box with metal bowl (medium/ large size)				3.10
8.	Other Kitchen ware / table ware etc.	3924.1000 3924.9000 3926.9090	3924.1000.1070 3924.9000.1070 3926.9090.1000	China	3.00

7. In cases where declared / transaction values are higher than the Customs values determined in this Ruling, the assessing officers shall apply those values in terms of Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. In case of consignments imported by air, the assessing officer shall take into account the differential between air freight and sea freight while applying the Customs values determined in this Ruling.

8. **Validity of this Valuation Ruling:** The values determined vide this Ruling shall be the applicable Customs value for assessment of subject imported goods until and unless it is rescinded or revised by the competent authority in terms of Sub-Sections (1) or (3) of Section 25A or section 25-D of the Customs Act, 1969.

9. **Revision of the value determined vide this Valuation Ruling:** A revision petition may be filed against this Ruling, as provided under Section 25D of the Customs Act, 1969, within 30 days from the date of issuance of this Ruling, before the Director General, Directorate General of Customs Valuation, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Custom House, Karachi.



10. The Collectors of Customs may kindly ensure that the values given in the Ruling for the given description of goods are applied by the concerned staff without fail. Any anomaly observed may kindly be brought to the notice of this Directorate General immediately for redressal.

11. *This Ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No. 576/2013 dated 30-08-2013*

  
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Director

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