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Determination of Custom Values of Water Based Acrylic Type Self Adhesive Tape (BOPP/OPP) and Hot Melt Rubber Based Self Adhesive Tape in Jumbo/Log Roll / Retail Packing Under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969

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In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs values of different types of Self Adhesive Tape are determined as follows :-

2. **Background of the valuation issue:** Customs values of Self Adhesive Tape (BOPP/OPP) in Jumbo/Log Roll and Self Adhesive Tape (BOPP/OPP) in retail packing were determined under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969 through Valuation Ruling No.791/2016, dated 11-01-2016. A representation was received from M/s. Advance Packing Product (Private) Limited wherein they have pointed out that there are two main types of self adhesive tapes, i.e., water based acrylic type and hotmelt rubber based type. They contended that the existing ruling covers only water based acrylic type self adhesive tapes but has not accounted for hotmelt rubber based self adhesive tapes. They also submitted evidences of actual imports, indicating that rubber based adhesive tapes are comparatively much expensive. They also submitted technical specifications showing differences in the two types of tapes. Therefore, this Directorate General initiated an exercise for determination of customs values of Water Based Self Adhesive Tape (BOPP/OPP) in Jumbo, Log Roll and Retail Packing and Hot Melt Rubber Based Self Adhesive Tapes in Jumbo, Log Roll and Retail Packing.

3. **Stakeholders' participation in determination of Customs values:** Meeting with stakeholders was held on 25-01-2015. Different stakeholders including importers and manufacturers of water based self adhesive tape were present along with the representatives of importers of hotmelt rubber based self adhesive tape. All issues related to the controversy were discussed in detail. There was a unique consensus amongst the participants that there are two types of self adhesive tapes, i.e., Water Based Self Adhesive Tapes and Hot Melt Rubber Based Self Adhesive Tapes, and that the later, due to its chemical composition, characteristics and use, are expensive than the earlier. All the participants urged that Hotmelt Rubber based self adhesive is manufactured by only a handful of companies; in Pakistan, it is being supplied and imported by only one company namely Ms Alpha Beta Global Tapes and Adhesives Co Lts, Taiwan. They unanimously urged that mentioning the name of supplier will keep the matter simple at



examination and assessment stage, otherwise all their imports would be subjected to physical and chemical examinations which would increase their cost unnecessarily.

4. **Method adopted to determine Customs values:** There are two different types of self adhesive tapes, water based acrylic type and hotmelt rubber based type. After detailed deliberations, valuation methods given in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were followed to arrive at customs values of Water Based Self Adhesive Tape (BOPP/OPP) in Jumbo/Log Roll and Self Adhesive Tape (BOPP/OPP) in retail packing. Transaction value method provided in Section 25 (1) was found inapplicable due to different grades and non-availability of resources to verify the declared specifications. Identical/similar goods value Methods provided in Section 25 (5) & (6) were examined for applicability to the valuation issue in the instant case which provided some reference values of the subject goods but the same could not be exclusively relied upon due to wide variety in the material and absence of authentic sources. Secondly, in presence of Valuation Ruling declarations of importers were in accordance with the existing Valuation Ruling. Thereafter, market enquiry as envisaged under Section 25 (7) of the Customs Act, 1969 was conducted. There were significant differences in the market values of different brands, on the one hand and prices also varied from one market to the other. Computed Value Method as provided in Section 25 (8) could not be applied for valuation of the aforementioned goods as the cost of raw materials and conversion charges under clause (a) and amount of profit and general expenses under clause (b) of Section 25 (8) of the Act, in the country of export, could not be ascertained. Online values of the subject item were also examined. All the information so gathered was evaluated and analyzed for the purpose of determination of customs values. Consequently, the Customs values of Self Adhesive Tape (Transparent BOPP/OPP) in Jumbo/Log Roll and Self Adhesive Tape (BOPP/OPP) in retail packing have been determined under Section 25 (9) of the Customs Act, 1969.

5. As far as Customs values of hotmelt rubber based self adhesive tapes are concerned, valuation methods given in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were followed to arrive at fair values. Transaction value method provided in Section 25 (1) was found inapplicable due to different grades and specifications. Identical/similar goods value Methods provided in Section 25 (5) & (6) were examined for applicability to the valuation issue in the instant case which provided enough evidential values of the subject goods, therefore customs values of hotmelt rubber based self adhesive tapes are determined under sub-section 25(5 & 6) of the Customs Act, 1969.

6. **Customs values of Water Based Self Adhesive Tape (BOPP/OPP) in Jumbo, Log Roll and Retail Packing and Hot Melt Rubber Based Self Adhesive Tapes in Jumbo, Log Roll and Retail Packing:** Water based Acrylic type Self Adhesive Tape (BOPP/OPP) in Jumbo/ Log Roll /Retail packing and Hot Melt Rubber Base Self Adhesives Tapes in Jumbo/ Log Roll /Retail packing *hereinafter specified* are determined as under:



S. No	Description of goods	PCT Heading	Propose PCT for WeBOC	Origin	Customs Value (C&F) USS/Kg	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
A	Water Based Acrylic Type Self Adhesive Tapes					
1.	Self Adhesive (BOPP/OPP) Tape-Width exceeding 20cm- (Jumbo Rolls)	3919.9010 3919.9090	3919.9010.1000	China/	1.60	
			3919.9090.1000	Malaysia		
			3919.9010.1100	Korea/UAE/	1.68	
			3919.9090.1100	Taiwan		
			3919.9010.1200	Europe	2.08	
			3919.9090.1200			
			3919.9010.1300	All other origins	1.70	
			3919.9090.1300			
2.	Self Adhesive (BOPP/OPP) Tape-Width exceeding 20cm-(Log Rolls)	3919.9010 3919.9090	3919.9010.1400	China/	1.65	
			3919.9090.1400	Malaysia		
			3919.9010.1500	Korea/UAE/	1.73	
			3919.9090.1500	Taiwan		
			3919.9010.1600	Europe	2.14	
			3919.9090.1600			
			3919.9010.1700	All other origins	1.75	
			3919.9090.1700			
3.	Self Adhesive (BOPP/OPP) Tape-Width not exceeding 20cm- in retail packing with paperboard spool.	3919.1090	3919.1090.1000	China/	1.68	
				3919.1090.1100	Malaysia	
				3919.1090.1200	Korea/UAE/	1.76
				3919.1090.1300	Taiwan	
				Europe	2.18	
				All other origins	1.79	
4.	Self Adhesive (BOPP/OPP) Tape-Width not exceeding 20cm- in retail packing with plastic spool.	3919.1090	3919.1090.1400	China/	1.72	
				3919.1090.1500	Malaysia	
				3919.1090.1600	Korea/UAE/	1.80
				3919.1090.1700	Taiwan	
				Europe	2.24	
				All other origins	1.85	
5.	Self Adhesive Tape (BOPP/OPP) "Scotch" brand-Width not exceeding	3919.1030	3919.1030.1000	China/	5.40	
				3919.1030.1100	Malaysia	
				Korea/UAE/	5.60	
				Taiwan		



	20-cm in retail packing		3919.1030.1200	Europe	7.00
			3919.1030.1300	All other origins	5.80
B	Hot Melt Rubber Based Self Adhesive Tape (Imported from Ms Alpha Beta Global Tapes and Adhesives Co Lts)				
6.	Self Adhesive (BOPP/OPP) Tape-Width exceeding 20cm- (Jumbo Rolls)	3919.9010 3919.9090	3919.9010.1800 3919.9090.1800	Taiwan	2.70
7.	Self Adhesive (BOPP/OPP) Tape-Width exceeding 20cm-(Log Rolls)	3919.9010 3919.9090	3919.9010.1900 3919.9090.1900	Taiwan	2.78
8.	Self Adhesive (BOPP/OPP) Tape-Width not exceeding 20cm- in retail packing with paperboard spool.	3919.1090	3919.1090.1800	Taiwan	2.84
9.	Self Adhesive (BOPP/OPP) Tape-Width not exceeding 20cm- in retail packing with plastic spool.	3919.1090	3919.1090.1900	Taiwan	2.90
10	The Customs Values as specified in the Column (6) have been determined after duly accounting for the aspects of tare weights regarding spools / wrappings etc. At assessment stage no further allowance is admissible on any account.				

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 (4) of Section 25-A 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 25-D of the Customs Act, 1969, within 30 days from the date of issue of this ruling, before the Director General, Directorate General of Customs Valuation, 7th 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 Directorate General immediately.

11. This Valuation Ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No.791/2016, dated 11-01-2016.


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13. Deputy Director (HQ), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in One Customs & WeBOC database system and deleting Valuation Ruling No.791/2016, dated 11-01-2016.
14. Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
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