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**DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUE OF DRY COCONUT/ DRY COPRA
UNDER SECTION 25-A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969**

(VALUATION RULING NO. 1368/2019)

No. Misc/15/2009-I

Dated: April 30, 2019

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs values of Dry Coconut/ Dry Copra are determined as follows:-

2. **Background of the Valuation Issue:** The customs values of Dry Coconut/ Dry Copra were earlier determined vide Valuation Ruling No. 1134/2017 dated 18.04.2017 under Section 25-A of the Customs Act 1969. There were several representations from importers as well as Pakistan Kiryana Merchants Association wherein they stated that the existing valuation ruling is more than two years old and customs values determined therein are not reflective of prevailing prices in international markets. They requested to determine the customs values afresh in accordance with the trend of values in the international markets. Keeping this in view, the Directorate General initiated an exercise for re-determination of the Customs Values of subject goods in terms of Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969.

3. **Stakeholders' participation in determination of Customs Values:** Meeting of the stakeholders including Pakistan Kiryana Merchants Association was held on 11.04.2019 to discuss the international price trends of the subject goods. The importers / stakeholders were requested to submit the following documents before or during the course of stakeholders meetings so that customs values could be determined:

- i) Invoices of imports during last three months showing customs value.
- ii) Websites, names and E-mail addresses of known foreign manufacturers of the item in question through which the actual current value can be ascertained.
- iii) Copies of Contracts made / LCs opened during the last three months showing the value of item in question.
- iv) Copies of Sales Tax Invoices issued during last four months showing the difference in price (excluding duty and taxes) to substantiate their contentions.

4. During the meeting the stakeholders stated that the subject item is an agriculture produce and its prices vary from season to season; hence custom values in the existing valuation ruling are not true reflective value in international markets. They contended that the prices of subject items have decreased in the international markets considerably which may be verified from the well reputed international publication, "Public Ledger". They also produced documentary evidence to substantiate their view point. The view point of all participants was heard in detail and considered to arrive at Customs values of Dry Coconut/ Dry Copra.



5. **Method adopted to determine Customs values:** Valuation methods provided in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were duly applied in their sequential order to arrive at customs values of subject goods. The transaction value method as provided in Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 was found inapplicable due to wide variations in the declared values. Hence requisite information required under law was not available to arrive at the correct transaction values. Therefore, identical / similar goods value methods as provided in Sub-Sections (5) & (6) of Section 25 ibid were examined for applicability to the valuation issue in the instant case but due to wide variation in declarations, the said valuation methods could not be exclusively relied on. In line with the statutory sequential order of Section 25, this office conducted market inquiries under Sub-Section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. As there were certain differences in prices in different markets therefore, a number of surveys were conducted to arrive at customs values. Resultantly, Customs values of Dry Coconut/ Dry Copra have been determined under section 25(7) of the Customs Act, 1969.

6. **Customs Values for Dry Coconut/ Copra:** Dry Coconut/ Dry Copra *hereinafter specified* shall be assessed to duty / taxes at the following Customs Values:

S. No	Description of goods	H.S. Code	PCT for WEOC	Origin	Customs Values (C&F) USS/KG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1	Dry Coconut/ Dry Copra	1203.0000	1203.0000.1000	India	1.25
2	Dry Coconut/ Dry Copra	1203.0000	1203.0000.1100	Sri Lanka	1.20
3	Dry Coconut/ Dry Copra	1203.0000	1203.0000.1200	Indonesia /Malaysia	1.00
4	Dry Coconut/ Dry Copra	1203.0000	1203.0000,1300	Other Origins	1.20
5	Dry Coconut/ Dry Copra Estate No.1	1203.0000	1203.0000.1400	Sri Lanka	1.60
6	Dry Coconut/ Dry Copra Estate No.1	1203.0000	1203.0000.1500	Other Origins	1.50

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. In case imported items are not specifically fall under any of above mentioned brands, the same may be assessed under Section 25-A, otherwise if appropriate the same may be referred to Directorate of Customs Valuation for necessary action at their end.



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 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969. In case imported items are not specifically fall under any of above mentioned brands, the same may be assessed under Section 25-A, otherwise if appropriate the same may be referred to Directorate of Customs Valuation for necessary action at their end.

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. Customs values determined in the ruling are for the description and specification as mentioned herein. PCT Codes are mentioned for illustrative purpose so that valuation ruling values are made accessible to the assessing officer. The assessment shall be finalized on the basis of correct classification after fulfilling requisite formalities related to importability or any other certification required thereon. In addition to this, it is further necessary to verify that there is no mis-declaration of any sort or violation of Import Policy Order or Section 15 of the Customs Act, 1969 or any other law in vogue therein.

11. *This Valuation Ruling is issued in supersession of Valuation Ruling No 1134/2017 dated 18.04.2017.*


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Director

Copy for information to:

1. Member (Customs), F.B.R., Islamabad.
2. Director General, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.
3. Chief Collector of Customs, South (Appraisalment), Custom House, Karachi.
4. Chief Collector of Customs, South (Enforcement), Custom House, Karachi.
5. Chief Collector of Customs (Central), Lahore.
6. Chief Collector of Customs (North), Islamabad.
7. Director General, Intelligence and Investigation-FBR, Islamabad.
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09. Director General, Post Clearance Audit (PCA), Islamabad.
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11. Directors, Intelligence & Investigation, Karachi / Lahore / Islamabad/ Quetta, Peshawar/ Faisalabad.
12. Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation (Camp Office), Lahore.
13. Deputy Director (HQ), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in One Customs & WeBOC database system and deleting Valuation Ruling No. 1134//2017 dated 18.04.2017, from the system on the date of issue of this ruling.
14. Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.