## GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF CUSTOMS VALUATION 7<sup>TII</sup> FLOOR, CUSTOM HOUSE, KARACHI

No. Misc/09/2016-IX  $\sqrt{\frac{\text{VALUATION RULING NO.}1925}{1286}}$ 

- Dated: 05-12-2024
- 1. This ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No. 1888/2024 dated 31-05-2024.
- 2. This Ruling shall be applicable until the same is rescinded or revised in terms of sub-section (4) of Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969.
- 3. The revision petition against this Valuation Ruling, can be filed under Section 25D of the Customs Act, 1969, within 30 days before the Director General, Customs Valuation.
- 4. The values in valuation ruling shall be applicable to the given description and specification of goods.

## <u>DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUES OF ADULT / PATIENT DIAPERS</u> UNDER SECTION 25A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969

		Redetermination / revision of values of earlier Valuation			
1.	Valuation Ruling				
		Ruling No. 1888//2024 dated 31-05-2024			
2.	Date of meetings with	The meeting with relevant stakeholders were conducted			
	stakeholders	on 03.12.2024.			

- 2. Background of the valuation issue: Previously, the customs values of Adult / Patient Diapers were determined under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969 vide Valuation Ruling No.1888//2024 dated 31-05-2024. This valuation ruling was subsequently challenged under Section 25D before the Director General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, who issued Order in Revision No.42/2024 dated 29-07-2024, directing to re-evaluation undertook an exercise to determine the customs values of the relevant goods in accordance with the Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969.
- 4. Analysis / Exercise done to determine Customs Values: The importers contended that the Customs values assigned to Adult / Patient Diapers in disputed Valuation Ruling No. 1888/2024 dated 31-05-2024 are excessively high and requires revision. They submitted proposals, import and Export GDs and copies of sales tax invoices to substantiate their claim. Thereafter, market inquiry has been conducted and examined in the light of this Directorate's Office Order No.17/2014 dated 19-03-2014 and in terms of Section 25 (7) read with Section 25(9) of the Customs Act, 1969.
- 5. **Method (s) adopted to determine Customs values:** Valuation methods specified in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969, were duly applied in sequential order to arrive at the 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 absence of information as required under sub-section (2) of Section 25 of Customs Act, 1969. Therefore, identical goods value method provided in Section 25(5) was examined for applicability to determine Customs values of subject goods. The data provided some reference; however, it was found that the same could not be solely relied upon due to absence of absolute demonstrable evidences of quantities and qualities. Information available was, hence, found

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incomplete. Subsequently, similar goods value method provided in Section 25(6) was examined for applicability to determine Customs value of subject goods. However, Declared Values of similar goods had shown consistent variations. Hence, this method was also found inapplicable. Market enquiry as envisaged under Sub-Section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 was also conducted but could only yield results to some extent because of variations in market prices. In line with statutory sequential order of section 25, Computed value method, as provided in Section 25(8) of the Customs Act, 1969 was examined, but the same also could not be applied as the conversion cost from the constituent materials and allied expenses, in the country of export, were not available for manufacturing of Adult / Patient Diapers. Finally, the Customs values of the subject goods have been determined under Section 25(9), read with Section 25(7), and Customs Rule 121(2) of Customs Rules, 2001 which provides that the methods of valuation, to be employed under sub-section (9) of section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 may be inclusive of those laid down in sub-sections (1), (5), (6), (7) and (8) of the said section, but a reasonable flexibility in the application of such methods would be in conformity with the aims and provisions of sub-section (9) of that section.

6. Customs values of Adult / Patient Diapers: Adult / Patient Diapers hereinafter specified, shall be assessed to duty / taxes at the Customs values as per the following table:-

Hig	h Value Brands of Adult/ Se		rs: E.Q, Canbebe, Hu ling 'Pampers' brand		rbi. Flex and
S.No.	Description of goods	PCT		Origin	Customs Value (C&F) US\$/Kg
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1.	Adult/Patient Diapers	9619.0010	9619.0010.1000	All origins	3.39
	Low	end Brands o	f Adult/Patient Diap	ers:	
2.	Adult/Patient Diapers	9619.0010	9619.0010.1100	China	2.35
3.	, k	9619.0010	9619.0010.1200	Indonesia/ Malaysia/ U.A.E	2.97
4.		9619.0010	9619.0010.1300	Turkey	2.45
5.		9619.0010	9619.0010.1400	Vietnam	2.40
6.		9619.0010	9619.0010.1500	Others	3.00

- 7. In cases, where declared 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 officers shall take into account the difference between air freight and sea freight while applying the Customs values in this Ruling.
- 8. **Validity** of this Valuation Ruling: This Ruling, containing the Customs values for assessment of subject imported goods, shall be applicable until and unless the same is rescinded or revised by the competent authority in terms of sub-section (4) of Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969.

- 9. **Revision of the values determined vide this Valuation Ruling:** If aggrieved, 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 its issuance, 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 this Valuation Ruling are applied by the concerned staff without fail. Any anomaly observed may kindly be brought to the notice of this Directorate immediately. Customs values determined in the Ruling are for the description and specification as mentioned in the table above of this Ruling. PCT Codes are mentioned for illustrative purposes so that Valuation Ruling values are made accessible to the assessing officers. The assessment shall be finalized on the basis of correct classification after fulfilling requisite formalities related to importability or any other certifications 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 Ruling supersedes the Valuation Ruling No. 1888//2024 dated 31-05-2024

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- 1) The Member Customs (Operations), Federal Board of Revenue, Islamabad.
- 2) The Director General, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.
- 3) The Chief Collector of Customs, Appraisement (South), Custom House, Karachi.
- 4) The Chief Collector of Customs, Enforcement (South), Custom House, Karachi.
- 5) The Chief Collector of Customs, Appraisement (Central), Custom House, Lahore.
- 6) The Chief Collector of Customs, Enforcement (Central), Custom House, Lahore.
- 7) The Chief Collector of Customs (North), Custom House, Islamabad.
- 8) The Chief Collector of Customs, Baluchistan, Custom House, Quetta.
- 9) The Chief Collector of Customs, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Custom House, Peshawar.
- 10) The Director General, Intelligence and Investigation (Customs), FBR, Islamabad.
- 11) The Director General, PCA & Internal Audit, Karachi.
- 12) The Director General, IOCO, Karachi
- 13) The Director, Intelligence & Investigation, Karachi / Lahore / Islamabad/ Quetta/ Peshawar/ Faisalabad.
- 14) The Director, Transit Trade, Custom House Karachi
- 15) The Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation, Lahore/Quetta/Peshawar.
- 16) The Deputy Director (HQ), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in One Customs &WeBOC database system.
- 17) The Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
- 18) The Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Hyderabad, Quetta & Peshawar.
- 19) The Karachi Customs Agents Association (KCAA), Bohri Road, Karachi.
- 20) The Webmaster, Federal Board of Revenue, Islamabad.
- 21) Guard File.