GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF CUSTOMS VALUATION
7TH FLOOR, CUSTOM HOUSE
KARACHI
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No. Misc/33/2016-VII/Dir-51 Dated:08.10.2026

Valuation Ruling No. 2113 / 2026

1. This Ruling shall be applicable until the same is rescinded or revised in terms of sub-section (4) of Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969.
2. 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, Karachi.

Subject: **DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUE OF STAPLER MACHINES UNDER SECTION 25A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969.**

1.	Valuation Ruling	This Ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No. 995/2016 dated 14.12.2016
2.	Date of meeting with stakeholders	The meeting with relevant stakeholders was conducted on 28.09.2026

3. **Background**: The Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, observed that the existing Valuation Ruling is now 10 years old and the value of subject goods had massively changed in the local and international market. In order to ensure uniformity in valuation and safeguard government revenue, the Directorate initiated proceedings for determination of the customs values of the subject goods under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969. Accordingly, notices were issued to the importers and other concerned stakeholders, inviting them to participate in the valuation proceedings and submit relevant documentary evidence, including import documents, invoices, and other information considered necessary for determination of the customs values.

4. **Stakeholders' participation in determination of Customs values**: Meeting was conducted on 28.09.2026 to deliberate in detail upon the issues relating to the valuation of the subject goods. During the meeting, the participants were required to submit documents, in support of their contentions, including sales tax invoices and verified export documents from the country of purchase. However, no documents were provided by the stakeholders.

5. **Analysis / Exercise done to determine Customs Values**: The viewpoints of all relevant stakeholders were carefully analyzed, and a detailed examination of import data for the preceding ninety (90) days was conducted. Accordingly, the 90 days import data, along with the supporting import documents was comprehensively evaluated to determine prevailing price trends. Furthermore, market surveys were conducted in accordance with the prescribed procedure laid down in Office Order No. 17/2014 dated 19.03.2014. The findings of the said survey revealed that the prices of subject items are higher in the local markets.

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6. **Method (s) adopted to determine Customs values:** Considering the foregoing, the valuation methods prescribed under Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969, were examined and applied in their prescribed sequence for determination of the customs value of the subject goods. The transaction value method envisaged under sub-section (1) of Section 25 could not be adopted, as adequate and verifiable information relating to the adjustments contemplated under Section 25(2) was not available for arriving at an accurate transaction value. Thereafter, the identical goods method provided under sub-section (5) of Section 25 was evaluated. Although the available import data offered certain indicative references, such data was not considered sufficient for exclusive reliance because complete and verifiable particulars regarding quality, specifications, quantities, commercial level, brand, and other comparable characteristics were not available. The similar goods method stipulated under sub-section (6) of Section 25 was likewise considered; however, the available references did not provide an adequate basis for determination of value exclusively under this method. The deductive value method under sub-section (7) was also explored through market surveys. However, since the subject goods are stationery items sold in a wide range of brands, qualities, and pack sizes, and comparable local market prices could not be reliably matched to the imported goods, this method could not be applied exclusively. Likewise, the computed value method under sub-section (8) was considered but could not be resorted to due to the absence of authenticated and verifiable information concerning production costs, processing/conversion expenses, and other associated manufacturing costs in the country of export. Consequently, after exhausting the preceding valuation methods in sequential order, the customs values of the subject goods have been determined under sub-section (9), read with sub-sections (6) and (7), of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969, by taking into account the most appropriate and reliable information available on record.

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7. **Customs values for Stapler Machines** hereinafter specified shall be assessed to duty / taxes at the following Customs values:

S. No	Description	PCT Heading		Origin	C&F (US$/Pc)
1	Stapler Machine - Plastic (#10)	8472.9090	8472.9090.1000	China	0.38
2			8472.9090.1100	Other Origins	0.46
3	Stapler Machine - Metal (#10)	8472.9090	8472.9090.1200	China	0.42
4			8472.9090.1300	Other Origins	0.55
5	Stapler Machine - Plastic 24/6 & 26/6, up to 125 grams	8472.9090	8472.9090.1400	China	0.50
6			8472.9090.1500	Other Origins	0.60
7	Stapler Machine - Metal 24/6 & 26/6, up to 125 grams	8472.9090	8472.9090.1600	China	0.54
8			8472.9090.1700	Other Origins	0.66
9	Stapler Machine - Plastic 24/6 & 26/6, 126-180 grams	8472.9090	8472.9090.1800	China	0.66
10			8472.9090.1900	Other Origins	0.84

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11	Stapler Machine - Metal 24/6 & 26/6, 126-180 grams	8472.9090	8472.9090.2000	China	0.72
12			8472.9090.2100	Other Origins	0.86
13	Stapler Machine - Plastic 24/6 & 26/6, 181 grams & above	8472.9090	8472.9090.2200	China	0.78
14			8472.9090.2300	Other Origins	0.94
15	Stapler Machine - Metal 24/6 & 26/6, 181 grams & above	8472.9090	8472.9090.2400	China	0.86
16			8472.9090.2500	Other Origins	1.06
17	Stapler Machine - Heavy Duty - 2310/2313	8472.9090	8472.9090.2600	China	3.90
18			8472.9090.2700	Other Origins	4.68
19	Stapler Machine - Heavy Duty - 2317	8472.9090	8472.9090.2800	China	5.22
20			8472.9090.2900	Other Origins	6.26
21	Stapler Machine - Heavy Duty - 2324	8472.9090	8472.9090.3000	China	7.98
22			8472.9090.3100	Other Origins	12.54
23	Stapler Gun Tracker (#10), Above 200 grams	8472.9090	8472.9090.3200	China	2.40
24			8472.9090.3300	Other Origins	3.00
25	Stapler Gun Tracker 24/6 & 26/6, Above 200 grams	8472.9090	8472.9090.3400	China	3.90
26			8472.9090.3500	Other Origins	4.88
27	Stapler Gun Tracker 23/10, 23/13 & 23/17, Above 200 grams	8472.9090	8472.9090.3600	China	4.23
28			8472.9090.3800	Other Origins	5.28
29	Staple Remover	8472.9090	8472.9090.3900	China	0.26
30			8472.9090.4000	Other Origins	0.36

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8. In cases, where declared values or values in invoice retrieved from the consignment, as the case may be, are higher than the customs values determined in this valuation ruling, the assessment shall be made on such higher values in terms of sub-section (l) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 and the same may be referred to this Directorate General.

9. The Valuation Ruling shall be applicable for the descriptions and specifications of goods as mentioned in the aforementioned table. HS Codes are mentioned for illustrative purposes.

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10. The Collectorates of Customs shall ensure the implementation of this Valuation Ruling and in case of any anomaly the same may be brought into the notice of this Directorate immediately.

(Tahir Abbas)
Director

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4) The Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation, Lahore / Quetta / Peshawar.
5) All Collectors / Directors of respective Collectorates and Directorates.
6) The Deputy Director (MIS), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in WeBOC database system.
7) The Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
8) The Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Hyderabad, Quetta & Peshawar.
9) The Karachi Customs Agents Group, Bohri Road, Karachi.
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