

GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
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DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUES OF THERMAL PAPER / FAX MACHINE
PAPER IN ROLL UNDER SECTION 25-A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969

(VALUATION RULING NO. 1388/2019)

No. Misc/06/2019-III/2348

Dated: 5th September, 2019

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs values of Thermal Paper / Fax Machine Paper in Rolls are determined as follows:-

2. Background of the valuation issue: It was brought to the notice of this Directorate General by M/s Pakistan Association of Printing and Graphic Arts Industry, Karachi that Thermal Paper / Fax Machine Paper in Rolls is being assessed at lower values. The examination and analysis of import data showed vast variation in declarations and therefore, an exercise was initiated to determine the Customs values of subject items in the light of current international market price.

3. Stakeholders' Participation in Determination of Customs Values: A meetings with stakeholders including All Pakistan Paper Merchants Association was held on 22.08.2019. The issues pertaining to the valuation of subject goods were deliberated upon in detail. The stakeholders were requested to furnish the following documents before or during the course of above said meeting:-

- a) Invoices of imports during last three months showing factual value.
- b) Websites, names and E-mail addresses of known foreign manufacturers of the item in question through which the actual current value can be ascertained.
- c) Copies of Contracts made / LCs opened during the last three months showing the value of item in question.
- d) Copies of Sale Tax Invoices issued during last four months showing the values of supplies (excluding duty and taxes) to substantiate their contentions.

4. During the course of meeting, the stakeholders admitted that certain importers are declared values of Thermal Paper are lower than actual transaction values. The participants were requested to submit all related evidences in support of their claims.

5. Method adopted to determine Customs values: Valuation methods given in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were followed to arrive at customs values of Thermal Paper. Transaction value method provided in Section 25 (1) was found inapplicable because the requisite information was not available. 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 on. Thereafter, market enquiries as envisaged under section 25(7) of the Customs Act, 1969, were conducted which gave values for most of the Thermal Paper bought and sold in the local market. The Thermal Paper of some specifications was not readily available in the market; therefore, different markets were surveyed repeatedly. Online values of subject goods were also obtained. All the information so gathered was evaluated and analyzed for the purpose of determination of customs values. Consequently, the Customs values of Thermal Paper / Fax Machine Paper in Rolls have been determined under Section 25(7) of the Customs Acts, 1969.

6. Customs values for Thermal Paper / Fax Machine Paper in Rolls: Thermal Paper / Fax Machine Paper in Rolls hereinafter specified shall be assessed to duty/taxes at the following minimum Customs values:

S#	Description of goods	PCT	Proposed PCT for WeBOC	Origin	C&F Customs Values US\$/Kg
1	Thermal Paper in Roll <u>Length upto 500 meter</u> , Width less than 210 mm	4811.5910	4811.5910.1000	China	2.00
			4811.5910.1100	Korea	2.05
			4811.5910.1200	Others	2.10
2	Thermal Paper/ Fax paper in Roll (for fax machines) <u>Length upto 500 meter</u> , Width 210 mm	4811.5910	4811.5910.1300	China	1.80
			4811.5910.1400	Korea	1.85
			4811.5910.1500	Others	1.90
3	Thermal Paper / Fax Paper in Jumbo Roll <u>Length more than 500 meters</u> of any width.	4811.5910	4811.5910.1600	China	1.60
			4811.5910.1700	Korea	1.65
			4811.5910.1800	Others	1.70
Note: Any kind of Printing on any size of Roll, US\$ 0.50/kg will be added in the C&F Customs value.					

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 and the same may be communicated to this Directorate General forthwith. 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 of the Customs Act, 1969.

9. Revision of the value determined vide this Valuation Ruling: This Valuation Ruling is appealable under the law and a revision petition may be filed against this Ruling, 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. The Custom values determined in the Valuation Ruling are for the descriptions and specifications as mentioned herein, HS Codes are mentioned for illustrative purposes so that Valuation Ruling values are made accessible to the assessing officers. The assessment shall be finalized in the correct classifications after fulfilling requisite formalities relating to importability or 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 of the Customs Act, 1969 or any other law in vogue therein.

(SHAFIQUE AHMED LATKI)
Director

Copy for information to:-

1. The Member (Customs), F.B.R., Islamabad.
2. The Director General, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.
3. The Chief Collector of Customs, South (Appraisal), Custom House, Karachi.
4. The Chief Collector of Customs, South (Enforcement), Custom House, Karachi.
5. The Chief Collector of Customs (Central), Lahore.
6. The Chief Collector of Customs (North), Islamabad.
7. The Director General, Intelligence and Investigation-FBR, Islamabad.
8. The Director General, Audit (Customs & Petroleum), 1st Floor, PT & T Audit Building, Mauje-Darya Road, Lahore.
9. The Director General, Post Clearance Audit (PCA), Islamabad.
10. The Director General, Internal Audit (Customs), Karachi.
11. The Directors, Intelligence & Investigation, Karachi / Lahore / Islamabad / Quetta / Peshawar / Multan.

12. The Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation (Camp Office), Lahore.
13. The Deputy Director (HQ), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in One Customs & We BOC database system and deleting Valuation Ruling No. 1362/2019 dated 25.04.2019.
14. The Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
15. The Chambers of Commerce-& Industry, Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Hyderabad, Quetta, Gujranwala, Faisalabad, Sialkot, Rawalpindi & Peshawar.
16. The Law Section, Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
17. The Review Section, Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
18. The Karachi Customs Agents Group, Bohri Road, Karachi.
19. The CHO, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.
20. The Notice Board, Customs Valuation 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi / MCC, Appraisement, 1st Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
21. The Webmaster, Federal Board of Revenue, Constitution Avenue, Islamabad, for uploading on FBR Website.
22. Guard File.