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Dated: 21st January, 2025

VALUATION RULING NO.1960/2025)

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 This Ruling shall be applicable until the same is rescinded or revised in terms of sub-section (4) of Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969.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.
3. The values in valuation ruling shall be applicable to the given description and specification of goods.

SUBJECT: DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUES OF SPICES, HERBS AND EDIBLE/NATURAL GUMS UNDER SECTION 25A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969.

1.	Valuation Ruling	This Valuation Ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No. 1817/2023 dated 18.10.2023
2.	Date of meetings with stakeholders	The meetings with relevant stakeholders were conducted on 13.01.2025

3. Background of the Issue: In pursuance of analysis of import data, current market trends, the difference in market prices and customs values, an exercise for the determination of customs values of subject goods was initiated under Section 25 and 25A of the Customs Act, 1969.

4. Analysis to determine Customs Values: Meeting for the determination of customs values was scheduled on 13.01.2025 that was attended by the relevant stakeholders. Their viewpoints were heard in detail in view for the determination of customs values of the subject goods under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969. They were requested to submit relevant import documents to substantiate their contentions. For the determination of customs values of subject goods, ninety (90) days' data was retrieved and the same was thoroughly scrutinized. Some references of declared values were available.

5. Method(s) adopted to determine Customs values: To determine the transaction value of goods, the valuation methods, provided in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969, were applied in sequential order. The transaction value method as provided in sub-section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969, was found inapplicable as declared values did not correspond to market prices. Similarly, the data of identical and similar goods as per sections 25(5) & (6) *ibid* provided some references of demonstrable evidence of qualities and quantities of the same commercial level; however, it could not be solely relied upon. Meanwhile, a market inquiry as envisaged under sub-Section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 was also conducted as per procedure of Office Order No. 17/2014 dated 19-03-2014 wherein various markets were visited and the actual prices of subject goods were acquired. As a result, after adjusting the amounts of profits, the C&F value was determined under Section 25(7) of the Customs Act, 1969 read with customs rule 121(2) of the Customs Rules, 2001, which are as under:

6. Customs values of Spices, Herbs and Edible/Natural Gums: - In view of above the transaction value of the following goods has been determined and hereinafter specified shall be the Customs value for assessment of duty & taxes given against them in the Table below:

S. No.	Description Of Goods	Origin	PCT Code	Proposed PCT for WeBOC	Customs Value (C&F) US\$/Kg
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1	Log Pepper	All Origins	0904.1190	0904.1190.1000	2.6
2	Black Pepper (Whole)	All Origins	0904.1110	0904.1110.1000	2.54
3	White Pepper (Whole)	All Origins	0904.1120	0904.1120.1000	3.3
4	Cloves	All Origins	0907.1000	0907.1000.1000	5.01
5	Small Cardamoms	All Origins	0908.3120	0908.3120.1000	5.6
6	Big Cardamoms	All Origins	0908.3110	0908.3110.1000	3.36
7	Mace	All Origins	0908.2100	0908.2100.1000	7.35
8	Cassia/Cinnamon	All Origins	0906.1100	0906.1100.1000	1.55
9	Nutmeg	All Origins	0908.1100	0908.1100.1000	3.09
10	Star Anise	All Origins	0909.6100	0909.6100.1000	2.93
11	Black Seed (Kalonji)	All Origins	0909.6100	0909.6100.2000	1.18
12	Coriander Seed (Dhania)	All Origins	0909.2100	0909.2100.1000	0.72
13	Isabgol	All Origins	1211.9000	1211.9000.1000	3.61
14	Asalia Seeds	All Origins	1211.9000	1211.9000.2000	0.93
15	Gum Arabic / (Skoto) Gum Talah	All Origins	1301.2000	1301.2000.1000	0.54
16	Gum Copal	All Origins	1301.9090	1301.9090.1000	0.72
17	Gum Kamarkas	All Origins	1301.9090	1301.9090.2000	0.45
18	Gum Aloe (Elva)/ Musabbar	All Origins	1301.9090	1301.9090.3000	0.72
19	Tej Patta	All Origins	0910.9910	0910.9910.1000	0.80
20	Tamarind with Seed	All Origins	0813.4010	0813.4010.1000	0.33
21	Seed Lac (Lakh Dana)	All Origins	1301.9020	1301.9020.1000	5.9
22	Dry Ginger/Garlic	All Origins	0910.1100	0910.1100.1000	1.24
23	Carawy Seeds	All Origins	0909.6100	0909.6100.1000	1.05
24	Fennel Seeds	All Origins	0909.6100	0909.6100.2000	0.62
25	Turmeric	All Origins	0910.3000	0910.3000.1000	0.52
26	Linseed	All Origins	1204.0000	1204.0000.1000	0.21

Note: Reduction of 10% shall be admissible on above determined values on account of freight charges, if goods are imported through land route and thereafter actual land freight charges incurred for respective land import station shall be added.

7. 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 higher values in terms of sub-section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969.

8. In case of consignments imported by air, the difference between air freight and sea freight shall be added for the assessment of value.

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

10. The Collectorates of customs shall ensure the implementation of VR and in case of any anomaly may be brought to the notice of this Directorate immediately.

(DR. TAHIR QURESHI)
Director

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- 2) The Director General, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.
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- 4) All Collectors / Directors of Customs, Karachi / Lahore / Islamabad / Quetta / Peshawar / Faisalabad.
- 5) The Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation, Lahore / Quetta / Peshawar.
- 6) The Deputy Director (MIS), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in One Customs & 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.
- 10) The Webmaster, Federal Board of Revenue, Islamabad.
- 11) Guard File.