

Notice of Initiation of Anti-Dumping Investigation on Alleged Dumped Imports of Cold Rolled Coils/Sheets Originating in and/or Exported from the European Union, Republic of Korea, Chinese Taipei and Vietnam into Pakistan

National Tariff Commission (the "Commission") has received an application on December 28, 2020 under Section 20 of Anti-Dumping Duties Act, 2015 (the "Act") from M/s Aisha Steel Mills Limited, Karachi and M/s International Steel Limited, Karachi (the "Applicants"). The Applicants are producer of flat- rolled products of iron or non- alloy steel, cold- rolled (cold- reduced), not clad, plated or coated coils and sheets ("CR Coils/Sheets"). The Applicants have alleged that CR Coils/Sheets are being exported to Pakistan at dumped prices from the European Union, Republic of Korea, Chinese Taipei and Vietnam (the "Exporting Countries"), which have caused and are causing injury to the domestic industry producing domestic like product.

Upon initial examination and assessing accuracy and adequacy of the evidence and information provided in application in accordance with Section 23 of the Act, the Commission is satisfied that the evidence and information provided in the application is sufficient to justify initiation of an investigation into the matter.

Initiation of Investigation: The Commission hereby initiates an investigation pursuant to Section 23 of the Act. The investigation will determine whether CR Coils/Sheets originating in and/or exported from the Exporting Countries is dumped into Pakistan and whether such dumping has caused and /or is causing injury to the domestic industry within the meaning of provisions of the Act. The Commission, during the course of this investigation, will call further information/data from the interested parties deemed necessary for the purposes of this investigation.

Product under Investigation: The product allegedly being dumped into Pakistan is flat-rolled products of iron or non- alloy steel of a width of 600mm or more, cold- rolled (cold- reduced), not clad, plated or coated ("CR Coils/Sheets"), of prime and secondary quality, of a thickness ranging from 0.15 mm to 3.00 mm in rolls or slit to length sheets, excluding CR Coils/ Sheets used in auto skins/auto grade (the "investigated product"). The investigated product is classified under Pakistan Customs Tariff1 ("PCT") Heading Nos. 7209.1510, 7209.1590, 7209.1610, 7209.1690, 7209.1710, 7209.1790, 7209.1810, 7209.1891, 7209.1899, 7209.2510, 7209.2590, 7209.2610, 7209.2690, 7209.2710, 7209.2790, 7209.2810, and 7209.2890. It is used for fabrication of steel products for construction, storage racks, highway products, transmission towers, transmission poles, pipes, household products, firearms, various types of equipment etc.

Period of Investigation (POI): For determination of dumping and injury, the POI is as follows:

For determination of dumping:	From October 01, 2019, to September 30, 2020
For determination of injury:	From October 01, 2017, to September 30, 2020

Interested Parties: Interested parties, as defined in Section 2(j) of the Act, are requested to identify themselves to the Secretary, National Tariff Commission, State Life Building No. 5, Blue Area, Islamabad, Tel: +9251-9202839 Fax: +9251-9221205 not later than 10 days after publication of this notice. An interested party applying for registration with the Commission in this Review should submit; the name of the company, its line of business, name of authorized person, address, telephone number, email and fax number.

All interested parties are invited to make their views/comments known to the Commission, and to submit information and documents (if any) not later than 45 days of the date of publication of this notice in the press in Pakistan. All written submissions provided by interested parties on a confidential basis must be marked "Confidential" and in accordance with Section 31 of the Act, shall be accompanied by a non-confidential version/summary, which will be placed in the public file. All data and information in this regard should be submitted to the Director General (Investigation-II), National Tariff Commission, Statelife Building No.5, Blue Area, Islamabad. Tel: +92 51 9218961, Fax: +92 51 922 1205. Email: Khizar.ntc@gmail.com

Investigation Schedule:

Date of initiation of investigation:	The date of publication of this notice in the press in Pakistan.
Date of preliminary determination:	Not earlier than 60 days and not later than 180 days from the date of initiation of the investigation.
Date of final determination:	Within 180 days of the date of publication of notice of preliminary determination in the press in Pakistan

Public File: In accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules, the Commission has established and shall maintain a public file at its office, which shall be available to interested parties for review and copying from Monday to Thursday between 1100 hours to 1300 hours (except public holidays) throughout the review.

Further Information: For further information please contact, Mr. Khizar Hayat, Director General, Tel: +92-51-9218961, Fax: +92-51-9221205, Email: khizar.ntc@gmail.com. General information may also be obtained by accessing the Commission's official website www.ntc.gov.pk

By order of the Commission.

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(Ali Muhammad Shah)
Secretary (NTC)
February 25, 2021