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**INITIATION NOTIFICATION**

**(Case No. AD (SSR) - 04/2026)**

**(SETU Case ID - AD/SSR/004/2026)**

**Subject: Initiation of sunset review of anti-dumping duty on imports of Seamless Tubes, Pipes & Hollow Profiles of Iron, Alloy or Non-Alloy Steel originating in or exported from China PR**

**F. No. No. 7/08/2026-DGTR** - Jindal Saw Limited, Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited and Maharashtra Seamless Limited (hereinafter also referred to as the ‘applicants’) have filed an application before the Designated Authority (hereinafter also referred to as the ‘Authority’), in accordance with the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 as amended from time to time (hereinafter also referred as the ‘Act’) and the Customs Tariff (Identification, Assessment, and Collection of Anti-Dumping Duty on Dumped Articles and for Determination of Injury) Rules, 1995, as amended from time to time (hereinafter also referred to as the ‘Rules’), for initiation of sunset review of anti-dumping duties on imports of “Seamless tubes, pipes & hollow profiles of iron, alloy or non-alloy steel (other than cast iron and stainless steel), whether hot finished or cold drawn or cold rolled of an external diameter not exceeding 355.6 mm or 14” OD” but excluding Oil Country Tubular Goods (hereinafter also referred to as “subject goods” or “product under consideration) originating in or exported from China PR (hereinafter referred to as the “subject country”). The applicants have submitted that imports of OCTG from the subject country are not likely to be dumped and cause injury to the domestic industry, in case of cessation of duties, and thus there is no requirement for continuation of duties on imports of such goods.

2. The applicants have alleged that dumped imports of the subject goods have continued in spite of anti-dumping duties in force, and have continued to cause injury to the domestic industry. Further, it has been claimed that there is likelihood of continuation of dumping and injury in case of cessation of duties. Further, the applicants have requested for change in the form of duty and enhancement in the quantum of duty in order to address the current injury.

## **A. BACKGROUND**

The Authority initiated the anti-dumping investigation into imports of subject goods, vide notification dated 8<sup>th</sup> July 2015. The Authority recommended imposition of provisional duty, vide notification dated 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016. Provisional duties were imposed vide Notification No. 18/2016-Customs (ADD), dated 17<sup>th</sup> May 2016. The Authority issued its final findings on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2016, recommending imposition of definitive duties. Definitive anti-dumping duties were imposed vide Notification No. 7/2017-Customs (ADD), dated 17<sup>th</sup> February 2017.

On 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021, the Authority initiated a sunset review of the anti-dumping duties. Pending conclusion of the investigation, the duties were extended till 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021, vide Notification No. 29/2021-Customs (ADD), dated 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021. Based on the review conducted, the Authority determined that cessation of duties would lead to continuation of dumping and injury to the domestic industry, and recommended continuation of duties for a further period of five years, vide final findings dated 30<sup>th</sup> July 2021. The anti-dumping duties were continued vide Notification No. 64/2021-Customs (ADD), dated 28<sup>th</sup> October 2021. The current anti-dumping duties will expire on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2026.

## **B. PRODUCT UNDER CONSIDERATION**

The scope of the product under consideration as defined in the original investigation is as below.

*“The product under consideration in the present investigation is “Seamless tubes, pipes & hollow profiles of iron, alloy or non-alloy steel (other than cast iron and stainless steel), whether hot finished or cold drawn or cold rolled of an external diameter not exceeding 355.6 mm or 14” OD”. It includes boiler pipes or line pipes used in hydrocarbon industry and casing and tubing of a kind used in drilling for oil and gas exploration. The following products have been excluded from the scope of product under consideration:*

- i. Seamless pipes & tubes made of cast iron and stainless steel.*
- ii. Seamless alloy-steel pipes, tubes and hollow profiles of specifications of ASTM A213/ASME SA 213 and ASTM A335/ ASME SA 335 or equivalent BIS/DIN/BS/EN or any other equivalent specifications.*
- iii. Non - API and Premium Joints / Premium Connections / Premium Threaded Tubes & Pipes as prescribed under Customs Notification No. 12/2012, dated 17<sup>th</sup> March 2012 at serial number 356.*
- iv. All 13 Chromium (13CR) Grade Tubes and Pipes.*
- v. Drill Collars.*

- vi. *High pressure seamless steel pipe/tube used for manufacturing gas cylinders by producers approved by the Chief Controller of Explosives, Petroleum and Explosives Safety Organisation, Government of India.*”

The applicants have submitted that the scope of the subject goods in the present review should not include Oil Country Tubular Goods (OCTG) covered under PCNs A-1-1, A-1-2, A-1-3 and A-1-4 as defined by the Authority in the original investigation. The applicants have claimed that there is no need for continuation of duties with respect to imports of such goods in absence of likelihood of continuation of dumping or injury due to such goods.

In view of the same, for the purpose of the present review, the product under consideration is as defined in the original investigation, excluding the following –

- i. Seamless Tubing, of a kind used in drilling for oil or gas, Carbon/ Non-Alloy / Alloy, hot finished or cold drawn or cold rolled of an external diameter not exceeding 355.6 mm or 14" OD.
- ii. Seamless Casing, of a kind used in drilling for oil or gas, Carbon/ Non-Alloy/ Alloy, hot finished or cold drawn or cold rolled of an external diameter not exceeding 355.6 mm or 14" OD
- iii. Seamless Mother Hollows, Coupling stock, blanks/ Pup Joints, Carbon/ Non-Alloy/ Alloy, hot finished or cold drawn or cold rolled of an external diameter not exceeding 355.6 mm or 14" OD.
- iv. Seamless Drill Pipes, of a kind used in drilling for oil or gas, Carbon/ Non alloy, hot finished of an external diameter not exceeding 355.6 mm or 14" OD.”

The product under consideration is classified under Chapter 73, heading 7304 of Schedule I to the Customs Tariff Act, 1975. The Customs classification mentioned above is indicative only and is not binding on the scope of the product under consideration for the present review.

The applicants have proposed the adoption of Product Control Number (PCN) methodology as determined by the Authority in the original investigation excluding PCNs A-1-1, A-1-2, A-1-3 and A-1-4.

PCN	Description of PUC
A-1-5	Seamless Tubes, Pipes and hollow profiles including Line pipes of Carbon/Non alloy steel, hot finished of an external diameter not exceeding 355.6 mm or 14" OD
A-1-6	Seamless Tubes, Pipes and hollow profiles of circular cross section including Line pipes of Carbon/Non alloy steel, cold drawn or cold rolled or cold reduced of an external diameter not exceeding 355.6 mm or 14" OD
A-1-7	Seamless Tubes, Pipes and hollow profiles of circular cross section including Line pipes and Bearing tubes of Alloy steel, hot finished, of an external diameter not exceeding 355.6 mm or 14" OD

PCN	Description of PUC
A-1-8	Seamless Tubes, Pipes and hollow profiles of circular cross section including Line pipes and Bearing tubes of Alloy steel, cold drawn or cold rolled or cold reduced, of an external diameter not exceeding 355.6 mm or 14" OD

The interested parties in the subject investigation may provide their comments on the PUC/PCN methodology, if any, within 15 days from the date of initiation of this investigation.

### C. LIKE ARTICLE

The applicants have claimed that there are no significant differences in the products produced by the domestic industry and the ones imported from the subject country. The products produced by the domestic industry are comparable to the imported goods from the subject country in terms of physical & chemical characteristics, technical specifications, manufacturing process & technology, functions & uses, pricing, distribution & marketing and tariff classification of the goods. The two are technically and commercially substitutable and should be treated as 'like article' under the Rules. The issue of like article has already been examined by the Authority in the original investigation. Therefore, for the purpose of the present review, the subject goods produced by the applicants are being treated as 'like article' to the product under consideration being imported from the subject country.

### D. DOMESTIC INDUSTRY

The application has been filed by Jindal Saw Limited, Kirloskar Ferrous Limited and Maharashtra Seamless Limited. The applicants have claimed that they have not imported the subject goods from the subject country. Further, the applicants have submitted that they are not related to any exporter in the subject country or any importers in India. Other than the applicants, there are 6 other known producers of the subject goods.

On the basis of the information available, the Authority notes that the applicants account for more than 90% of the total domestic production in India, and thus, constitute domestic industry within the meaning of Rule 2(b) of the Rules. Further, it is noted that the application satisfies the requirements of Rule 5(3) of the Rules.

### E. PERIOD OF INVESTIGATION

The applicants have proposed 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025 (12 months) as the period of investigation. The Authority has considered the period proposed by the applicant as the period of investigation for the present review. Accordingly, the injury period will cover the period 2022-23, 2023-24-, 2024-25 and the period of investigation.

## **F. SUBJECT COUNTRY**

The subject country for the purpose of the present review is China PR.

## **G. LIKELIHOOD OF CONTINUATION OR RECURRENCE OF DUMPING**

### **i. Normal value**

The applicant has claimed that in terms of Article 15 (a) (i) of China's Accession Protocol, the normal value for Chinese producers may be determined based on the domestic selling price or costs prevailing in China PR, only if the responding Chinese producers demonstrate that their cost and price information are based on market driven principles and allow for fair comparison in terms of Paras 1 to 6 of Annexure I to the Rules, failing which, the normal value for the Chinese producers must be determined as per Paras 7 and 8 of the Rules.

In the present case, the applicants have calculated the normal value based on price paid or payable in India, plus reasonable profits. The applicants have submitted that such approach has been adopted as they do not have access to information with regard to prices or costs in an appropriate market economy third country, or price of exports from an appropriate market economy country to other countries.

### **ii. Export price**

The export price for the subject goods has been computed based on the DG Systems transaction-wise import data. Adjustments have been made on account of ocean freight, marine insurance, commission, handling charges, inland freight expenses, port expenses and bank charges to determine the net export price.

### **iii. Dumping Margin**

The normal value and the export price have been compared at the ex-factory level, which *prima facie* shows that the dumping margin is above de-minimis and positive. Thus, there is *prima facie* evidence that the product under consideration is continued to be dumped in the Indian market.

## **H. LIKELIHOOD OF CONTINUATION OR RECURRENCE OF INJURY**

The applicants have provided prima facie evidence establishing that the subject imports have continued to cause injury to the domestic industry. The applicants have claimed that the volume of imports has continued to increase over the injury period. The subject imports are entering the market at low prices, resulting in stiff price competition in the market, and have suppressed and depressed the prices of the domestic industry. The continued presence of the dumped

imports has resulted in decline in profits, cash profits and return on investments. Further, the domestic industry has faced significant underutilization of capacities.

Further, the applicants have claimed that there is likelihood of continuation of dumping and injury to the domestic industry if the duties are allowed to expire. In this regard, the applicants have submitted that the exporters in subject country have continued to dump the subject goods despite duties. The volume of imports has increased when compared to period of investigation of the first sunset review. Further, the exporters in the subject country have significant idle capacities which are in excess of demand, are planning upcoming capacity additions, have a high degree of export orientation and are also facing trade remedial measures and other tariff measures imposed by third countries.

There is *prima facie* evidence demonstrating likelihood of continuation of dumping and injury to the domestic industry in the event of cessation of current anti-dumping duties.

#### **I. INITIATION OF SUNSET REVIEW**

On the basis of the duly substantiated application filed by the applicants, and having satisfied itself, on the basis of the prima facie evidence substantiating the likelihood of continuation/recurrence of dumping and injury, and in accordance with Section 9A(5) of the Act read with Rule 23 (1B) of the Rules, the Authority hereby initiates a sunset review investigation to review the need for continued imposition of the duties in force in respect of the subject goods, originating in or exported from subject country to examine whether the expiry of existing anti-dumping duty is likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury to the domestic industry.

#### **J. PROCEDURE**

The provisions of Rules 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20 of the Rules shall be mutatis mutandis applicable in this review.

#### **K. SUBMISSION OF INFORMATION**

All the interested parties are required to register themselves on SETU Portal (<https://setu.dgtr.gov.in>). All communications and submissions from the interested parties shall be uploaded on the SETU portal under their registered name and corresponding case ID. It should be ensured that the narrative part of the submission is in searchable PDF/MS-Word format and data files are in MS-Excel format.

The known producers/exporters in subject country, the government of the subject country through its Embassy in India, and the importers and users in India who are known to be associated with the product under consideration are being informed separately to enable them

to file all the relevant information within the time limits mentioned in this initiation notification. All such information must be filed in the form and manner as prescribed by this initiation notification, the Rules, and the applicable trade notices issued by the Authority.

Any other interested party may also make a submission relevant to the present investigation in the form and manner as prescribed by this initiation notification, the Rules, and the applicable trade notices issued by the Authority within the time limits mentioned in this initiation notification.

Any party making any confidential submission before the Authority is required to make a non-confidential version of the same available to the other interested parties.

The interested parties are further advised to keep a regular watch on the official website of the Directorate General of Trade Remedies at [www.dgtr.gov.in](http://www.dgtr.gov.in) and SETU portal(<https://setu.dgtr.gov.in>) for any updated information with respect to this investigation. Interested parties are directed to regularly visit the website of DGTR (<https://www.dgtr.gov.in/>) to stay apprised with the further developments in the subject investigation and remain informed regarding notices that may be issued from time to time regarding questionnaire formats, PCN methodology, PCN discussion/meeting schedule, notice of oral hearing, corrigendum, amendment notifications, and other such information.

#### **L. TIME LIMIT**

Any information relating to the present investigation should be uploaded on the SETU portal (<https://setu.dgtr.gov.in>) under their registered name and corresponding case ID **AD (SSR) - 04/2026**. Both versions of each submission, the confidential version (CV) and the non-confidential version (NCV) must be uploaded in the respective designated columns within 30 days from the date on which the non-confidential version of the application filed by the domestic industry would be circulated by the Authority or transmitted to the appropriate diplomatic representative of the exporting country as per Rule 6(4) of the Rules. If no information is received within the stipulated time limit or the information received is incomplete, the Authority may record its findings based on the facts available on record and in accordance with the Rules.

All the interested parties are hereby advised to intimate their interest (including the nature of interest) in the instant matter and file their questionnaire responses within the above time limit as stipulated in this notification through SETU portal only.

The prescribed time limit to file comments on the scope of the PUC/ PCN Methodology shall run concurrently with the time limit mentioned in this Initiation Notification.

Extension due to Modification of PUC/PCN: An extension of time by 15 days shall be granted if the Authority, through a subsequent notice, modifies the PUC, and PCN that was not previously proposed or is different from the initiation notification. This extension of 15 days shall be granted from date of such notification of modified PUC and PCN. Extension of time by 15 days stated in this paragraph is not applicable in instances where there is no change in the PUC, and PCN methodology after initiation of investigation. Requests for a further extension of time, beyond the 15-day extension (if granted), will ordinarily not be considered except in case of exceptional circumstances, in line with the Rule 6(4) of the AD Rules.

Any request for an extension must be submitted by the concerned parties through the SETU portal at least one day before the original deadline. Requests submitted after this time will not be considered.

#### **M. SUBMISSION OF INFORMATION ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS**

Where any party to the present investigation makes confidential submissions or provides information on a confidential basis before the Authority, such party is required to simultaneously submit a non-confidential version of such information in terms of Rule 7(2) of the Rules and in accordance with the relevant trade notices issued by the Authority in this regard. Failure to adhere to the above may lead to rejection of the response/submissions.

The parties making any submission (including Appendices/ Annexures attached thereto), before the Authority including questionnaire responses, are required to file confidential and non-confidential versions separately.

Such submissions must be clearly marked as 'confidential' or 'non-confidential' at the top of each page. Any submission that has been made to the Authority without such markings shall be treated as 'non-confidential' information by the Authority, and the Authority shall be at liberty to allow other interested parties to inspect such submissions.

The confidential version shall contain all information which is, by nature, confidential, and/or other information, which the supplier of such information claims as confidential. For the information which is claimed to be confidential by nature, or the information on which confidentiality is claimed because of other reasons, the supplier of the information is required to provide a good cause statement along with the supplied information as to why such information cannot be disclosed.

The non-confidential version of the information filed by the interested parties is required to be a replica of the confidential version with the confidential information preferably indexed or blanked out (where indexation is not possible) and such information must be appropriately and adequately summarized depending upon the information on which confidentiality is claimed.

The non-confidential summary must be in sufficient detail to permit a reasonable understanding of the substance of the information furnished on a confidential basis. However, in exceptional circumstances, the party submitting the confidential information may indicate that such information is not susceptible to summary, and a statement of reasons containing a sufficient and adequate explanation as to why such summarization is not possible, must be provided to the satisfaction of the Authority.

The interested parties can offer their comments on the issues of confidentiality within 7 days from the date of circulation of the non-confidential version of the documents.

The Authority may accept or reject the request for confidentiality on examination of the nature of the information submitted. If the Authority is satisfied that the request for confidentiality is not warranted or if the supplier of the information is either unwilling to make the information public or to authorize its disclosure in generalized or summary form, it may disregard such information.

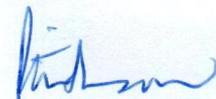
Any submission made without a meaningful non-confidential version thereof or a sufficient and adequate cause statement in terms of Rule 7 of the Rules, and appropriate trade notices issued by the Authority, on the confidentiality claim shall not be taken on record by the Authority.

#### **N. INSPECTION OF PUBLIC FILE**

All non-confidential versions of submissions made by any interested party will be accessible to other interested parties through their respective login on the SETU portal.

#### **O. NON-COOPERATION**

In case any interested party refuses access to and otherwise does not provide necessary information within a reasonable period, or within the time stipulated by the Authority in this initiation notification, or significantly impedes the investigation, the Authority may declare such interested party as non-cooperative, record its findings based on the facts available and make such recommendations to the Central Government as it deems fit.



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