## Monthly Report

Report of Trade Defence Wing (TDW) for the month of May 2021.

## **Submission of Questionnaire responses:**

During the month of May, 2021, Trade Defence Wing (TDW) submitted questionnaire responses in the following Countervailing Duty (CVD) Investigations initiated by other WTO member countries against exports from India:

- a. On May 10, 2021, TDW submitted Government of India (GOI) response before the United States Department of Commerce (USDOC) in Administrative Review of Countervailing Duty Order on *Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel* from India (C-533-874).
- b. On May 21, 2021, TDW submitted GOI response before the USDOC in CVD Investigation on *Granular PTFE* exported from India (C-533-900).
- c. On May 24, 2021, TDW submitted GOI response before the USDOC in CVD Investigation on *Glycine* from India (C-533-884). However, response to some questions was filed within the extended date i.e., May 28, 2021.
- d. On May 28, 2021, TDW submitted GOI response to new subsidy allegation (NSA) Questionnaire issued by the USDOC in CVD Investigation on *Utility* Scale Wind Towers from India (C-533-898).

## <u>Initiation of Trade Remedy investigations against India and issue of questionnaires:</u>

During the month of May, 2021, following CVD, ADD and SG investigations were initiated by other WTO member countries:

- a. On May 03, 2021, the USDOC issued an NSA questionnaire in the CVD investigation on *Utility Scale Wind Towers* (C-533-898) exported from India.
- b. On May 03, 2021, TDW was informed that the Office of the Technical Secretariat for Combating Harmful Practices in International Trade of the General Secretariat of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (the Technical Secretariat Office) announced the initiation of an anti-dumping investigation against imports of the product of batteries of the piston motors, with a capacity of 32 to 225 ampere, falling under the customs tariff heading (85071000), exported from Spain, Turkey and India

- c. On May 04, 2021, the USDOC issued a supplemental questionnaire in the Countervailing Duty Investigation on imports of *Granular Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) Resin* from India (C-533-900).
- d. On May 05, 2021 the KPPI (Indonesian Trade Safeguard Committee) intimated its decision to initiate an investigation on the extension of safeguard measures on *Ceramic Tiles* exported from India. TDW approached CAPEXCIL, EP (CAP) Division of DOC, Tiles Association etc requesting them to ensure registration of exporters of tiles as interested parties in the said investigation. Resultantly, many Indian producers/ exporters participated in the Public Hearing conducted by Indonesian investigating Authority on May 24, 2021.
- e. On May 11, 2021, the USDOC initiated an Anti-dumping Investigation against imports of *Raw Honey* from Argentina, Brazil, India, Ukraine, and Vietnam (A-533-903).
- f. On May 14, 2021, the Argentine Republic published its decision to initiate an Anti-dumping Investigation against imports of "Ball bearings, radial, single row ball, outside diameter greater than or equal to 30 mm but less than or equal to 120 mm, and more than 0.025 kg / unit, except: typified as RST and those with extended inner ring", from the Republic of India.
- g. On May 27, 2021, the USDOC issued a questionnaire for the Government of India in the Countervailing duty investigation on imports of *Organic Soybean Meal* from India (OSBM) (C-533-902).

## <u>Issuance of final/provisional findings against exports from India:</u>

During the month of May, 2021, following provisional/final findings were issued by other WTO member countries in investigations against exports from India:

a. On May 1, 2021, the Indian High Commission, Canada informed TDW that on April 30, 2021, CBSA issued preliminary determination in Countervailing Duty and Anti-Dumping Investigation on *Certain Grinding Media Balls* from India and imposed the following subsidy and anti-dumping rates:

Producer/Exporters	Estimated Margin of Dumping	Estimated Amount of Subsidy
AIA Engineering Ltd.	25.4%	6.8%
All other exporters	54.3%	35.2%

b. On May 03, 2021, the Embassy of India, Brussels informed TDW that on April 30, 2021, the European Commission issued a Pre-disclosure in the Anti-dumping Investigation being conducted on imports of *Stainless-steel* Cold-rolled Flat Products originating in India (AD670). The rate of duty has been determined as follows:

Company	Dumping Margin	Underselling Margin	Proposed anti- dumping duty
Jindal Stainless Limited and Jindal Stainless Hisar Limited	13.4%	24.5%	13.4%
Chromeni Steels Private Limited	36.9%	34.6%	34.6%
All other companies	36.9%	34.6%	34.6%

And, on May 28, 2021, the European Commission published in the Official Journal of the European Union the amount of the provisional Anti-dumping Duty it decided to impose on the Indian Exporters. The rate of provisional anti-dumping duty is as follows:

Company	Provisional Anti-dumping Duty
Jindal Stainless Limited and Jindal Stainless Hisar Limited	13.6%
Chromeni Steels Private Limited	34.6%
All other companies	34.6%

a. On May 05, 2021, TDW was informed that the USDOC had on April 27, 2021 published in the Federal Register, the Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review *Finished Carbon Steel Flanges* from India (C-533-872). The subsidy rates determined are as follows:

Company	Subsidy rate (percent ad valorem)
Norma (India) Ltd	5.61
R.N. Gupta & Co. Ltd	5.04
All others	5.32

b. On May 11, 2021, the USDOC issued the Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review of *Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and*  Strip from India (C-533-825). The net countervailable subsidy rate for the period January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018 is as follows:

Manufacturer/Exporter	Subsidy valorem)	Rate	(percent	ad
Jindal Poly Films Limited of India	11.67			

c. On May 12, 2021, the USDOC issued a Preliminary Determination in Administrative Review of Countervailing Duty on *Fine Denier Polyester Staple Fiber* from India (C-533-876). The rates determined are as follows:

Company	Subsidy valorem)	rate	(percent	ad
Reliance Industries Limited	4.89			

d. On May 19, 2021, the USDOC issued a Preliminary Determination in the Anti-dumping Duty Investigation on *Utility Scale Wind Towers* from India (A-533-897). The duty determined is as follows:

Company	Dumping Margin (percent)	Cash Deposit Rate (percent)
Vestas Wind Technology India Private Limited	54.03	50.65
Acciona Wind Power India Pvt. Ltd.	54.03	50.65
Nordex India Pvt. Ltd.	54.03	50.65
Prommada Hindustan Private Ltd.	54.03	50.65
Vinayaka Energy Tek	54.03	50.65
Zeeco India Pvt. Ltd.	54.03	50.65
All Others	54.03	50.65

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