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Ministry of Commerce & Industry Department of Commerce

Directorate General of Trade Remedies

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To,

All interested parties

Subject: Final list of sampled and non-sampled responding exporters in the sunset review of the anti-dumping duties in force on the imports of "Jute Products" (Jute Yarn/twine, Sacking cloth, Sacking bag and Hessian Fabric) originating in or exported from Bangladesh and Nepal.

- 1) The Authority had informed regarding the sampled list of responding producers/ exporters in the captioned investigation and sought comments on the same. The proposed list was placed on DGTR's website.
- 2) Various comments received on the proposed sampling have been examined and the clarifications on relevant comments are provided here under for benefit of all concerned.

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- a) The Authority has adopted stratified and purposive sampling methodology as was adopted in the original investigation.
- b) In the said methodology, the Authority has selected responding exporters for sample amongst the highest, middle and lower band of export volumes to India of different type of jute products.
- c) Along with the criteria of responding exporters from the three categories of volumes as above, it has been ensured that there is complete coverage of different PCNs as well.
- d) In the original investigation where there were a large number of exporter responses, in many responses the data was grossly deficient for various reasons including the capacity constraint on data compilation and its presentation.
- e) The Authority at that time also had resorted to sampling post the receipt of responses to ensure that sample of exporters chosen are not only sufficiently reasonable on representativeness but also to ensure choice of EQRs which are complete and are of higher quality.
- f) Since the situation over past years has by and large remained the same the Authority has retained the same methodology.

- 4) The Authority has disclosed through DGTR's website list of all interested parties in the subject investigation identifying interested parties who have filed EQRs. Hence the responding exporters who have filed EQRs and have not been selected in the sample automatically fall under the non-sampled category.
- 5) One of the interested parties has stated that the Authority has delayed sample selection beyond the time prescribed by it. The Authority notes that many interested parties had sought extension on few occasions to file their various submissions. The Authority does not consider this argument as justified as on the one hand various interested parties (primarily exporters) sought extensions and at the same time exporters are raising concerns regarding delay in sampling. It should be well appreciated that if timelines got impacted for filing of EQR/deciding PCNs due to global pandemic, the impact on sampling is consequential.

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- a) The Government of Bangladesh and some consulting firms have requested to include some additional exporters as well in the sample. It is clarified that globally the sampling size is in fact largely below 1% of the total responses filed by the exporters. In this present case the sampled exporters constitute more than 35% of the total responses which is well above the global practice.
- b) Some exporters have requested inclusion in the sampled list citing reasons of their participation or their exports being of higher than other sampled exporters. It is clarified that since exporters in three bands i.e. high, medium and low quantum of exports covering all PCNs are part of the sample, non-inclusion of any cooperating exporter should not be construed as unjustified since the measure for non-sampled category is the weighted average margin of sampled category only. The Authority has not merely restricted the sample selection to highest exports but has covered the universe of cooperating exporters over a continuum of quantum and PCN coverage.
- 7) Requests have been received from few interested parties for further extension of time for submitting the necessary documents for online desk verification. In this regard it is clarified that the Authority has already provided sufficient extensions and had through its last communication dated 24th December 2021 hosted on DGTR's website intimated to begin the aforementioned verification from 10th January 2022.
- 8) However keeping in view the said requests the Authority is once again granting relief to all the interested parties to file verification documents by 19th January 2022 so as to begin the online verification by 20th January 2022 for which the schedules/modalities will be intimated separately.
- 9) It may be noted that failure to submit the information will lead to declaration of such a party as non-cooperative and the same will be placed in the residual category.
- 10) The final list of sampled and non-sampled exporters is given below.

Responding exporters who have filed Exporter's Questionnaire Response					
SAMPLED		NON-SAMPLED			
S.No.	Name of the Exporter	S.No.	Name of the exporter		
1.	Hasan Jute Mills Limited	1.	Mirza Jute Mills Ltd.		
2.	Hasan Jute Spinning Mills Limited	2.	Gem Jute Mill		

3.	Alijan Jute Mills Limited	3.	Afzal Fibre Processing Industries
4.	Arnu Jute Mills Limited,	4.	Anam Jute Products Ltd.
	Bangladesh		
5.	A.M. Jute Industries Limited	5.	Asha Jute Industries Ltd.
6.	Sagar Jute Spinning Mills Ltd.	6.	Usha Jute Spinners Limited
7.	Sidlaw Textiles Ltd.	7.	Bonanza Jute Composite & Diverse
			Factory Ltd.
8.	Oriental Jute Mills	8.	Jamuna Jute Industries Ltd
9.	Nawab Abdul Malek Jute Mills	9.	Rahman Jute Mills (Pvt.) Ltd.
	(Bangladesh) Limited		
10.	Nawhata Jute Mills Ltd	10.	Joy Jute Mills Limited
11.	Rabeya Jute Mill	11.	Jute Textile Mills Limited
12.	Bogra Jute Mills Ltd	12.	Golden Jute Industries Limited
13.	Ranu Agro Industries Limited,	13.	Pride jute Mills Limited
	Bangladesh		
14.	Sonali Aansh Industries Limited.	14.	Rajbari Jute Mills Limited
15.	Mouna Jute Mills Ltd	15.	Hasen Jute Industries Limited
16.	Erans Trade International Ltd	16.	Janata Jute Mills Limited
17.	Ecotrade International	17.	Sadat Jute Industries Ltd.
18.	Arihant Multi-Fibres Ltd	18.	Baba Jute Mills
19.	Shree Raghupati Jute Mills Ltd.	19.	Swastik Jute mills Pvt. Ltd
		20.	Nepal Jute industries Pvt. Ltd.
		21.	Glory Jute Limited
		22.	Madina Jute Industries Limited
		23.	Mazeda Jute Industries Limited
		24.	Reliance Jute Mills Ltd.
		25.	Salim Agro Industries Limited
		26.	Shamsher Jute Mills Limited
		27.	Wahab Jute Mills
		28.	Akij Jute Mills Ltd.
		29.	Lovely Jute Mills Ltd.
		30.	Nowapara Jute Mills Ltd.
		31.	Nowapara Packaging Industries Ltd.
		32.	Bangla Pat Diversified Mills
			Limited

^{**} Row no. 17 in both sampled and non-sampled columns was inadvertently missed in the earlier uploaded list. The error has now been rectified.

11) This issues with the approval of the Designated Authority.

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