ANTI-DUMPING / INITIATION

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According to the applicant, an earlier investigation into the same product and country ended with final findings dated August 27, 2025 recommending duty, but no duty was imposed. The Authority notes that no duty is in force, treats the new application as an original investigation and states that the earlier determinations do not remove the need for fresh prima facie evidence for the new period of investigation, April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026.

The product covers solid T-shaped guide rails up to and including 127 mm cross-sectional width, excluding cold-drawn rails and hollow rails, and excluding fishplates. It is classifiable under tariff items 8431 31 00, 8431 39 10 and 8431 39 90, with some imports reported under 7308 90 90. The applicant proposes PCNs by model, from T70 to T127-2/B, with an 'Other' category.

On the prima facie evidence, the Authority finds a dumping margin above de minimis, subject imports holding the predominant share of a growing Indian market, significant price undercutting, and declining and negative profitability for the domestic industry. The applicant's own imports and affiliations will be examined during the investigation. Comments on scope and PCNs are due within 15 days, and other submissions within 37 days, of transmission of the intimation letters.

Measure	Anti-dumping
Stage	Initiation
Case number	SETU CASE ID-AD/OI/046/2026
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Product	T-Shaped Elevator/Lift Solid Guide Rails

What it covers	T-Shaped Elevator/Lift Solid Guide Rails of all types and dimensions up to and including 127 mm cross-sectional dimensional width, irrespective of customer-specific dimensions or nomenclature. Excluded are cold-drawn guide rails (usually designated T65/A, T45/A and T50/A) and all hollow guide rails, including guide rails made from formed sheet metal. Fishplates imported with the rails are not part of the product under consideration.
Customs codes	8431 31 00, 8431 39 10, 8431 39 90, 7308 90 90
Countries	China
Applicant	Savera India Riding Systems Company Private Limited, supported by N. Liftee Engineers
Period of investigation	1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026 (12 months)
Injury period	the financial years 2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25 and the period of investigation
Findings	• According to the applicant, an earlier anti-dumping investigation on the same product and country, initiated on June 29, 2024, led to final findings dated August 27, 2025 recommending duty, but no duty was imposed; the Authority notes that no duty is in force, treats the present application as an original investigation under Rule 5 and has examined it afresh. • The applicant imported limited quantities from China and is affiliated with certain Chinese producers/exporters; for initiation, the Authority prima facie considers that excluding it from the domestic industry is not warranted, and will examine these imports and relationships during the investigation. • For initiation, normal value for China was based on the applicant's weighted average cost of production with a reasonable profit margin; compared with the ex-factory export price, it prima facie shows a positive dumping margin above the de minimis level. • The evidence prima facie shows that subject imports rose each year, remained several times total Indian production and held the predominant share of the Indian market in the POI, with significant price undercutting. • The domestic industry's market share declined, its selling price fell below its cost of sales in the last two years of the injury period, and its profit before tax, PBIT and return on capital employed turned negative; the Authority prima facie finds material injury and a causal link.

Recommendation	The Authority initiates an anti-dumping investigation under Section 9A of the Act read with Rule 5 of the AD Rules to determine the existence, degree and effect of the dumping and to recommend the anti-dumping duty that would be adequate to remove the injury. The applicant's requests for preliminary findings with provisional duty and for retrospective duty will be considered at the appropriate stage.
Time limits	• Comments on the scope of the PUC and the proposed PCN methodology: within 15 days from the date of transmission of the intimation letters, containing, inter alia, the non-confidential version of the application and the respective questionnaire(s), to the known interested parties and the diplomatic representative(s) of the subject country/countries • Interested parties to upload information and questionnaire responses, both confidential and non-confidential versions, on the SETU portal: within 37 days from the date of transmission of the intimation letters, containing, inter alia, the non-confidential version of the application and the respective questionnaire(s), to the known interested parties and the diplomatic representative(s) of the subject country/countries • Requests for extension of time: through the SETU portal at least one day before the original deadline • Comments on issues of confidentiality: within 7 days from the date of circulation of the non-confidential version of the documents

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