ANTI-DUMPING / MID-TERM REVIEW INITIATION

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The duties were recommended in final findings dated March 28, 2024 in an investigation covering China, the European Union, Japan and South Korea, and imposed by Customs Notification No. 10/2024-Customs (ADD) dated June 27, 2024 for five years, up to June 26, 2029. The duties on Japan and South Korea are outside this review, which covers all producers and exporters from China and the European Union.

The product is sodium cyanide, classified principally under tariff item 2837 11 00 and also reported under other tariff items of heading 2837, which are indicative only. The applicant, a wholly owned subsidiary of UPL Limited, accounts for more than 70% of domestic production. It alleges that import prices have fallen without a matching fall in input costs, that producers in China have added significant capacity, and that the dumping and injury margins have increased.

For initiation, the comparison of normal value and export price prima facie shows a dumping margin above de minimis, and the applicant's information prima facie shows that subject imports have increased since the duties were imposed, with price undercutting, and that the domestic industry continues to suffer financial losses. The period of investigation is April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026.

The existing duties remain in force during the review. Interested parties are to comment on product scope within 15 days of the notification and file responses on the SETU portal within 37 days from circulation of the non-confidential application.

Measure	Anti-dumping
Stage	Mid-term review initiation
Case number	SETU ID - AD/MTR/006/2026
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Product	Sodium Cyanide
What it covers	Sodium cyanide, a moderately strong base and a poisonous, white, water-soluble solid with the formula NaCN, used for extraction of gold and silver from their ores, in electroplating, heat treatment of metals (case hardening), manufacturing insecticides, dyes, pigments and bulk drugs, and in organic syntheses, agrochemicals, nylon intermediates, ore flotation and pharmaceutical intermediates. The scope is the same as in the original investigation; no product control numbers were adopted there and the applicant has not proposed any.
Customs codes	2837, 2837 11 00
Countries	China, European Union
Applicant	Superform Chemistries Limited
Period of investigation	1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026 (12 months)
Injury period	April 2022 to March 2023, April 2023 to March 2024, April 2024 to March 2025 and the POI
Findings	• The applicant is a wholly owned subsidiary of UPL Limited and has submitted that UPL Limited's specialty chemicals business, including the manufacture of sodium cyanide, was transferred to it with effect from May 12, 2025; it accounts for more than 70% of domestic production in the period of investigation and constitutes the domestic industry under Rule 2(b). • For initiation, normal value for China was constructed on the cost of production of the like article in India with selling, general and administrative expenses and a reasonable profit margin, and normal value for the European Union was based on the applicant's cost of production. • The comparison of normal value and export price at the ex-factory level prima facie shows a dumping margin above the de minimis level. • The applicant's information prima facie shows that subject imports have increased since the duties were imposed, in absolute terms and relative to production and consumption in India, and that import prices have declined without a corresponding decline in raw material and utility costs, resulting in price undercutting. • The applicant's information also shows that the domestic industry's selling price has declined over the injury period and remained below its cost of sales, and that it continues to suffer financial

losses and a negative return on capital employed despite the duties in force.
- The applicant claims that the injury margins have increased significantly compared with the original investigation and that the existing duties are not adequate to remove the injury.

Recommendation

The Authority initiates a mid-term review to examine the dumping margin and injury margin afresh for imports from China and the European Union, and to recommend the modification, if any, of the anti-dumping duties presently in force.

Time limits

- Comments on the scope of the product under consideration: within 15 days from the date of this notification, running concurrently with the main time limit
- Interested parties to intimate interest and file questionnaire responses and submissions (confidential and non-confidential versions) on the SETU portal under case ID AD/MTR/006/2026: within 37 days from the date on which the non-confidential version of the application is circulated by the Authority or transmitted to the appropriate diplomatic representative of the exporting countries under Rule 6(4)
- Requests for extension of time: at least one day before the original deadline
- Comments on confidentiality claims: within seven days from the date of circulation of the non-confidential version of the documents

What happens next

The anti-dumping duties presently in force continue to remain in force during the pendency of the review.

The notification (PDF, 737 KB)

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