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The duty was first recommended in final findings dated September 30, 2016 and levied by Notification No. 54/2016-Customs (ADD) dated November 29, 2016. After the first sunset review, the Authority recommended continuation in final findings dated October 27, 2021, and the Ministry of Finance imposed the duty by Notification No. 04/2022-Customs (ADD) dated January 24, 2022. The duty is in force until January 23, 2027.

The product covers all variants of trailer axles and is classified under sub-heading 87169010, which is indicative only and not a dedicated classification. The period of investigation is October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025, and the injury period covers financial years 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25 and the period of investigation.

On the evidence in the application, the Authority found prima facie that the dumping margin is positive and that the information shows a likelihood of continuation of dumping and consequent injury if the duty ceases. The review will cover all aspects of the final finding of October 27, 2021. Interested parties are to register on the SETU portal and file responses within 37 days, with comments on the PUC/PCN methodology within 15 days of initiation.

Measure	Anti-dumping
Stage	Sunset review initiation
Case number	CASE No. AD (SSR)-02/2026
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Product	Axle for Trailers
What it covers	Axle for Trailers, manufactured and sold in different variants; all types of trailer axles are covered, as they share the same basic product

	characteristics and end use. The scope is the same as in the original investigation and the first sunset review.
Customs codes	87169010
Countries	China
Applicant	M/s York Transport Equipment (India) Pvt. Ltd.
Period of investigation	1st October, 2024 to 30th September, 2025
Injury period	financial year 2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25 and the period of investigation
Findings	• The applicant's production accounts for a major proportion of domestic production of the like article; it constitutes the domestic industry under Rule 2(b) and satisfies the standing criteria of Rule 5(3). It has certified that it did not import the subject goods during the injury period and is not related to any producer or importer of the subject goods. • The Authority states that the applicant's proposal to use its own export price to South Africa, and South Africa as the market economy third country for China, needs further substantiation; the applicant alternatively claimed normal value on the basis of the price actually paid or payable in India, using its adjusted cost of production in India with a reasonable profit margin. • The comparison of normal value and export price at the ex-factory level prima facie shows a positive dumping margin. • The applicant provided prima facie evidence of likelihood of continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury if the duties expire, citing large production capacities in China and India remaining a price attractive market.
Recommendation	The Authority initiates a sunset review to examine the need for continued imposition of the anti-dumping duty on axles for trailers from China, and whether its expiry is likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury to the domestic industry.
Time limits	• Comments on the PUC/PCN methodology: within 15 days from the date of initiation, 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/SSR/001/2026: 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 country as per Rule 6(4) of the AD Rules, 1995

- Requests for extension of time: 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

The notification (PDF, 845 KB)

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