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The product is a four-carbon primary alcohol used as a solvent and converted into derivatives that serve as solvents in coatings and printing inks, classified under tariff item 2905 13 00. The period of investigation is April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025.

Formosa Plastics Corporation of Taiwan cooperated and received a dumping margin of 10-20%. The Saudi producer groups' information was held insufficient, and Saudi Arabia was assessed on facts available at 30-40%, as were other Taiwan producers. Subject imports rose from 2,138 MT in the base year to 25,695 MT in the period of investigation, and undercut domestic prices; the Authority found material injury, with falling production, sales and market share and profitability negative from 2022-23 onwards. Injury margins are 0-10% for Formosa and 20-30% for all others.

Applying the lesser duty rule, the Authority recommends duties for five years from the Central Government's notification of USD 71 per MT for Formosa Plastics Corporation, USD 240 per MT for other Taiwan producers and USD 225 per MT for Saudi Arabia, including goods of other origin exported from those countries. An appeal lies before the Customs, Excise and Service Tax Appellate Tribunal.

Measure	Anti-dumping
Stage	Final findings
Case number	Case No. AD (OI)- 30/2025
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Product	Normal Butanol or N-Butyl Alcohol

What it covers	The product under consideration is Normal Butanol, also known as N-Butyl Alcohol, a primary alcohol with a 4-carbon structure and molecular formula C4H9OH. It is a solvent for acid-curable lacquers and baking finishes, and a large part of it is converted into derivatives used as solvents in coating industries and printing inks; it is also used as an extractant in the production of drugs and natural substances and as a starting material for butyl acetate and other products. No PCN methodology was adopted.
Customs codes	2905 13 00
Countries	Taiwan, Saudi Arabia
Applicant	The Andhra Petrochemicals Limited
Period of investigation	1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025
Injury period	2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24 and the period of investigation
Findings	• The application also named China, but the investigation was not initiated against China as the volume of imports from China was negligible. • Formosa Plastics Corporation, Taiwan cooperated and was given an individual dumping margin in the range of 10-20%; the dumping margin for any other producer or exporter from Taiwan is in the range of 30-40%. • The information filed by the Saudi producer and exporter groups was held insufficient for an individual determination, as Sadara Chemical Company did not participate and SABIC did not furnish adequate information on its cost of producing propylene; the dumping margin for any producer or exporter from Saudi Arabia, determined on facts available, is in the range of 30-40%. • Subject imports increased from 2,138 MT in the base year to 25,695 MT in the period of investigation, and price undercutting is in the range of 10-20% for Saudi Arabia and 0-10% for Taiwan. • The domestic industry's production, domestic sales and capacity utilization declined in the period of investigation, its market share declined, inventories increased and profitability turned negative from 2022-23 onwards. • Imports from Malaysia, South Africa and the USA, already subject to anti-dumping measures, raw-material supply constraints, maintenance shutdowns, the entry of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited and international price movements were examined and held not to break the causal link. • The injury margin is in the range of 0-10% for Formosa Plastics Corporation and 20-30% for all other producers and exporters

from Taiwan and Saudi Arabia.

Recommendation	The Authority recommends anti-dumping duty equal to the lesser of the dumping margin and the injury margin on Normal Butanol originating in or exported from Taiwan and Saudi Arabia, for five years: USD 71 per MT for Formosa Plastics Corporation, USD 240 per MT for other Taiwan producers and USD 225 per MT for Saudi Arabia.
Duty expressed as	Fixed amount in US$ per MT
For how long	A period of five (5) years from the date of notification to be issued by the Central Government
What happens next	The duty would apply from the date of a notification to be issued by the Central Government; the individual rate for Formosa Plastics Corporation applies only on presentation of a commercial invoice carrying the prescribed declaration. An appeal lies before the Customs, Excise and Service Tax Appellate Tribunal.

The duty table

Country	Producer	Duty
Taiwan (country of origin), exported from any country including Taiwan	Formosa Plastics Corporation	US$ 71 per MT
Taiwan (country of origin), exported from any country including Taiwan	Any producer other than S. No. 1	US$ 240 per MT
Any country other than subject countries (country of origin), exported from Taiwan	Any	US$ 240 per MT
Saudi Arabia (country of origin), exported from any country including Saudi Arabia	Any	US$ 225 per MT
Any country other than Saudi Arabia (country of origin), exported from Saudi Arabia	Any	US$ 225 per MT

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