ANTI-DUMPING / FINAL FINDINGS

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The product covers only the CBS and NS forms of sulphenamide accelerators, which are treated as two product types; the MOR and DCBS forms are excluded. The customs codes listed in the duty table are indicative only.

No Chinese producer took part. LANXESS Belgium and LANXESS Corporation USA filed responses. The Authority found dumping margins from 30-40% for China to 110-120% for non-cooperating US producers, and price undercutting by imports from all three sources. It found that the domestic industry's prices were suppressed, that it lost market share and incurred losses from 2022-23 into the period of investigation, and that the injury was caused by the dumped imports. Injury margins range from 0-10% for the USA to 50-60% for non-cooperating EU producers.

Applying the lesser duty rule, the Authority recommends duties of US$ 974 per MT on China, US$ 1257 per MT on Lanxess Belgium N.V. and US$ 1748 per MT on other EU producers, and US$ 75 per MT on Lanxess Corporation and US$ 192 per MT on other US producers, for five years from the date of the Central Government's notification. An appeal lies before the Customs, Excise and Service Tax Appellate Tribunal.

Measure	Anti-dumping
Stage	Final findings
Case number	Case No. AD (OI) – 49/2024
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Product	Sulphenamides Accelerators
What it covers	The product under consideration is Sulphenamides Accelerators, limited to the CBS (N-cyclohexyl-2-benzothiazolesulfenamide) and NS (N-tert-butyl-2-benzothiazole sulfenamide) forms, which are treated as two product control numbers. MOR (N-oxydiethylene-2-benzothiazole sulphenamide) and DCBS (N,N'-Dicyclohexyl-2-benzothiazole sulfenamides) accelerators are excluded.
Customs codes	29215190, 29303000, 29319090, 29342000, 29349990, 38121000, 38122090, 38123100, 38123910, 38123920, 38123930, 38123990
Countries	China, European Union, United States
Applicant	NOCIL Limited
Period of investigation	1st April 2023 to 30th June 2024
Injury period	April 2020 to March 2021, April 2021 to March 2022, April 2022 to March 2023 and 1st April 2023 to 30th June 2024
Findings	• NOCIL Limited accounts for more than 50% of Indian production and constitutes the domestic industry; Finorchem Limited, the other Indian producer, expressed support but did not provide information, so its support was not considered. • No producer from China participated; normal value for China was based on the price payable in India calculated from the cost of production in India, and export price on DGCI&S data. LANXESS Belgium (EU) and LANXESS Corporation USA filed questionnaire responses. • Dumping margins are in the range of 30-40% for all producers and exporters from China, 80-90% for LANXESS Corporation USA, 110-120% for any other US producer, 70-80% for LANXESS Belgium and 100-110% for any other EU producer. • Imports were assessed cumulatively; landed prices remained below the domestic industry's cost of sales and selling price, and price undercutting for the product as a whole was 10-20% for China, 0-10% for the EU, 20-30% for the USA and 10-20% on a weighted average basis in the POI. • The domestic industry's selling price was suppressed, its market share fell in the POI, its production and domestic sales declined in the POI, its profit and PBIT turned to losses in 2022-23 and remained in losses in the POI, its cash profit turned negative in 2022-23 and was positive but much lower in the POI, and its ROCE turned negative in 2022-23 and remained negative in the POI.

- Injury margins are in the range of 30-40% for China, 0-10% for LANXESS Corporation USA and any other US producer, 30-40% for LANXESS Belgium and 50-60% for any other EU producer.
- The Authority found that the injury was caused by dumped imports and not by other factors, that the impact of the duty on downstream producers is insignificant, and that the cumulative impact of anti-dumping duties on the downstream tyre industry is negligible.

Recommendation

The Authority recommends anti-dumping duty equal to the lesser of the dumping margin and the injury margin on imports of Sulphenamides Accelerators originating in or exported from China, the EU and the USA, for 5 years, at the amounts in the duty table.

Duty expressed as

Fixed amount in US$ per MT

For how long

A period of 5 years from the date of notification to be issued in this regard by the Central Government

What happens next

The duty would apply from the date of a notification to be issued by the Central Government. Individual rates require a commercial invoice carrying the producer declaration set out in the findings. An appeal lies before the Customs, Excise and Service Tax Appellate Tribunal.

The duty table

Country	Producer	Duty
China PR (country of origin), exported from any country including China PR	Any	US$ 974 per MT
Any country other than China PR, EU and USA (country of origin), exported from China PR	Any	US$ 974 per MT
EU (country of origin), exported from any country including EU	Lanxess Belgium N.V.	US$ 1257 per MT
EU (country of origin), exported from any country including EU	Any producer other than serial number 3	US$ 1748 per MT
Any country other than China PR, EU and USA (country of origin), exported from EU	Any	US$ 1748 per MT
USA (country of origin), exported from any country including USA	Lanxess Corporation	US$ 75 per MT
USA (country of origin), exported from any country including USA	Any producer other than serial number 6	US$ 192 per MT

Any country other than China PR, EU and USA (country of origin), exported from USA	Any	US$ 192 per MT

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