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The product is seamless tubes, pipes and hollow profiles of iron, alloy or non-alloy steel (other than cast iron and stainless steel), whether hot finished or cold drawn or cold rolled, of an external diameter not exceeding 355.6 mm or 14″ OD, including boiler pipes or line pipes used in the hydrocarbon industry. The findings list ten products excluded from it. Six were excluded in the original investigation: seamless pipes and tubes made of cast iron and stainless steel; seamless alloy-steel pipes, tubes and hollow profiles of ASTM A213/ASME SA 213 and ASTM A335/ASME SA 335 or equivalent specifications; Non-API and Premium Joints, Premium Connections and Premium Threaded Tubes & Pipes as prescribed at serial number 356 of Customs Notification No. 12/2012, dated March 17, 2012; all 13 Chromium (13CR) grade tubes and pipes; drill collars; and high pressure seamless steel pipe or tube used for manufacturing gas cylinders by producers approved by the Chief Controller of Explosives. The other four are oil country tubular goods (OCTG), on which duties were earlier in force and which DGTR excluded at the applicants' request when it initiated the review: seamless tubing and seamless casing of a kind used in drilling for oil or gas; seamless mother hollows, coupling stock and blanks/pup joints; and seamless drill pipes. The goods are classified under heading 7304, a classification the findings call indicative only.

The period of investigation was October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025. The sole responding Chinese producer was Jiangsu Chengde Steel Tube Share Co. Limited; its exports were about 5% of the 153,069 MT imported from China in that period, and no importer or user took part. DGTR determined dumping margins of 5-15% for Jiangsu Chengde and 65-75% for any other producer, and injury margins that are negative and 30-40% respectively. Over the injury period, imports from China rose 53% while demand rose 23%, their market share rose from 16% to 20% as the domestic industry's fell from 72% to 68%, and the industry operated at less than 50% of its installed capacity throughout. Its selling price fell 18% against an 8% fall in its cost of sales,

and its profit per MT fell about 94%. Citing a market research agency report, the findings put idle capacity in China in 2024 at 8.28 million MT, 1103% of demand in India.

The duty in force is a reference price: where the landed value of an import is below it, the difference is levied as duty. The findings note that the reference price was set on the cost and price conditions of January to December 2014 and that most subject imports during the period of investigation entered at landed values at or close to it. DGTR deemed it appropriate to change the form to a fixed duty expressed in US$ per MT, "being the lesser of the dumping margin and injury margin determined in the present review". It recommends, for a further five years from the date of the notification to be issued by the Central Government, NIL for Jiangsu Chengde Steel Tube Share Co., Ltd., and US$268 per MT for goods originating in China from any other producer and for goods of any other origin exported from China. The NIL rate depends on a valid commercial invoice carrying the declaration set out in the findings being presented to Customs; without it, the duty for "Any" applies.

The findings state that continuing the duties would have a "negligible impact of only 0.09%" on the costs of downstream users, using the example of the HPCL Rajasthan Refinery Limited project, in which the goods are 1% of the project cost, and that at the duties recommended the impact would still be negligible. The findings are a recommendation: the duty is recommended from the date of the notification to be issued by the Central Government, and an appeal against the determination lies before the Customs, Excise and Service Tax Appellate Tribunal. They do not state the amount of the reference price now in force, and give the margins only as ranges. They make no determination on whether imports from the USA, Saudi Arabia, Singapore and the UAE, which entered in significant volumes at prices below those of the subject imports, are dumped or injurious, and say that whether imports from Singapore and the UAE circumvent the duty is a separate matter under Rule 25.

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Applies to	Seamless tubes, pipes and hollow profiles of iron, alloy or non-alloy steel (other than cast iron and stainless steel), of an external diameter not exceeding 355.6 mm or 14” OD, originating in or exported from China

Excluded	Ten products listed in the findings; four of them, oil country tubular goods (tubing, casing, mother hollows, coupling stock and blanks/pup joints, and drill pipes), are excluded from the duty for the first time in this review
Tariff heading	7304 (indicative only)
Recommended duty	US$268 per MT; NIL for Jiangsu Chengde Steel Tube Share Co., Ltd.
Form of duty	A fixed duty in US$ per MT, in place of the reference price
Takes effect	Recommended from the date of the notification to be issued by the Central Government, for a further five years
Present duty	Notification No. 64/2021-Customs (ADD) of October 28, 2021, extended by Notification No. 16/2026-Customs (ADD) of July 6, 2026; set to expire on January 27, 2027
Period of investigation	October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025
Dumping margin	5-15% for Jiangsu Chengde; 65-75% for any other producer
Injury margin	Negative for Jiangsu Chengde; 30-40% for any other producer
Domestic industry	Jindal Saw Limited, Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited and Maharashtra Seamless Limited, 93% of Indian production

Recommended anti-dumping duty

S.N	Heading	Description	Country of origin	Country of export	Producer	Amount	Unit	Currency
1.	7304	Seamless tubes, pipes & hollow profiles of iron, alloy or non-alloy steel (other than cast iron and stainless steel), whether hot finished or cold drawn or cold rolled of an external diameter not exceeding 355.6 mm or 14″ OD	China PR	Any country including China PR	Jiangsu Chengde Steel Tube Share Co., Ltd.	NIL	MT	USD
2.	-do-	-do-	China PR	Any country including China PR	Any producer other than at Sl. No. 1	268	MT	USD
3.	-do-	-do-	Any country other than China PR	China PR	Any	268	MT	USD

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