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The duty under review was imposed by Notification No. 47/2021-Customs (ADD) dated August 26, 2021, and enhanced after a mid-term review by Notification No. 13/2023-Customs (ADD) dated November 22, 2023. It was in force until August 25, 2026, and was extended to November 25, 2026 by Notification No. 09/2026-Customs (ADD) and then to February 25, 2027 by Notification No. 21/2026-Customs (ADD) dated August 21, 2026. The product, unchanged as no participating party sought an exclusion, is chemically a titanium dioxide coated, lustrous pearlescent pigment, commercially known as "Titanium Dioxide or Iron Oxide coated Mica Pearl Pigment", "Pearl Lustre Pigments" or "Pearl Pigments", used for coating, inks and plastics. The duty covers the natural form for industrial and automotive applications; cosmetic grade is excluded and synthetic forms are not covered.

The period of investigation was October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025. DGTR determined dumping margins of 30-40% for Fujian Kuncai Material Technology Company Limited, 40-50% for Rika Technology Company Limited and 60-70% for all others, and injury margins of 10-20%, 20-30% and 30-40%. Imports from China, 809 MT in the period of investigation, declined over the injury period but still undercut the domestic industry's prices by 10-20%, and the industry's losses declined. Fujian Kuncai's idle capacity alone is more than twice India's demand, and producers in China have undertaken capacity expansions of 42,000 MT. On one user's data, the duty adds less than 1% to the total cost of the downstream product.

DGTR recommends continuing the existing duty, without re-quantifying it, for five years from the date of the Central Government's notification: USD 299 per MT for Fujian Kuncai Material Technology Company Limited, and USD 3,144 per MT for all other producers in China and for goods originating in any other country and exported from China. The rates stay the same, except that producers accorded an individual duty rate in the original investigation that filed no questionnaire response in this review move to the residual duty. The findings do not list them. Their table of dumping margins shows Zhejiang Coloray Technology Development Company Limited and Henan Lingbao New Materials Technology Company Limited as "Not participated" in the original investigation and in this review, at 70-80% each in the mid-term review; the findings

record that Henan Lingbao New Materials Technology Company Limited and Henan Lingbao New Materials Company Limited registered in this review but filed no exporter questionnaire response.

DGTR declined Rika Technology Company Limited's request for an individual rate, as it had none under the measure in force, and said the remedy for a producer that did not export the goods to India during the original investigation's period of investigation is a review under Rule 22. The individual rate for Fujian Kuncai applies only on a commercial invoice carrying the declaration set out in the findings; otherwise the residual duty applies. DGTR says the continued duty is to be given effect consistently with the final findings and corrigendum of its countervailing duty investigation on effect pearlescent pigments or mica pearlescent pigments from China (that duty was imposed by Notification No. 04/2025-Customs (CVD) dated June 26, 2025), so that the goods are "not subjected to both duties to compensate for the same situation". The findings are a recommendation: the duty continues only if the Central Government notifies it. An appeal lies before the Customs, Excise and Service Tax Appellate Tribunal.

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Product	Natural Mica based Pearl Industrial Pigments excluding Cosmetic Grade, from China
Tariff items in the duty table	3206 49 90, 3206 19 00, 3204 17 59, 3204 17 39, 3204 17 20, 3204 17 90, 3207 10 40, 3206 11 10 and 3206 11 90; indicative only
Recommended duty	USD 299 per MT for Fujian Kuncai Material Technology Company Limited; USD 3,144 per MT for all others
Duration	Five years from the date of the Central Government's notification
Existing duty	Notification No. 47/2021-Customs (ADD) of August 26, 2021, modified by Notification No. 13/2023-Customs (ADD) of November 22, 2023
Existing duty extended to	February 25, 2027, by Notification No. 21/2026-Customs (ADD) of August 21, 2026
Moved to the residual rate	Producers accorded an individual rate in the original investigation that filed no questionnaire response in this review; the findings do not list them. Their dumping margin table shows Zhejiang Coloray Technology Development Company Limited and Henan Lingbao New

	Materials Technology Company Limited as "Not participated" in this review
Period of investigation	October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025
Domestic industry	Sudarshan Chemical Industries Limited, the sole producer in India
Signed by	Amitabh Kumar, Designated Authority

Recommended anti-dumping duty

SN	Producer/exporter	Country of origin	Country of export	Amount (US$ per MT)
1	Fujian Kuncai Material Technology Company Limited	China PR	Any country including China PR	299
2	Any producer other than at SN 1	China PR	Any country including China PR	3,144
3	Any producer	Any other country other than China PR	China PR	3,144

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