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DGTR's August 14, 2026 remand follows CESTAT's order setting aside the 2022 nil-duty finding for five exporters of semi-finished ophthalmic lenses from China.

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The notice records that the Customs, Excise and Service Tax Appellate Tribunal (CESTAT), by Final Order No. 50782/2026 dated April 27, 2026, in GKB Ophthalmics Limited V/s Designated Authority & Ors., set aside the Final Findings dated September 29, 2022, to the extent nil anti-dumping duty was recommended or imposed on five participating exporters. They are Conant Optics (Jiangsu) Co., Ltd., Shanghai Conant Optics Co., Ltd., Zhejiang Weixing Optical Co., Ltd., Carl Zeiss Vision (China) Limited and Daejeon Daemyung Optical (Hangzhou) Co., Ltd. The Tribunal sent the matter back to the Designated Authority for a fresh determination of the Non-Injurious Price (NIP). That determination comes after GKB Ophthalmics Limited, the domestic industry and appellant, has had a reasonable opportunity to respond on the manner in which the NIP was determined.

DGTR says it has taken up the remand proceedings from the stage it considers appropriate in light of the Tribunal's observations. It will examine the relevant information on record afresh, give all interested parties an opportunity to present submissions under the Anti-Dumping Rules, and determine the NIP afresh in accordance with law. The notice does not explain how the NIP is worked out.

All interested parties must register on the SETU portal (https://setu.dgtr.gov.in) and upload every communication and submission there under their registered name and Case ID AD/AA/002/2026. The narrative part must be in searchable PDF or MS-Word format, and data files in MS-Excel format. Parties are asked to make all submissions within fifteen days from the date the notification is published on the SETU platform; the notice does not give that date. A party making a confidential submission must make a non-confidential version available to the other parties. A party that refuses access to necessary information, does not provide it in time, or significantly impedes the investigation may be declared non-cooperative, with findings recorded on the facts available.

The notice does not name the customs notification under which the duty applies, states no duty amount, and sets no date for the outcome. The duty was imposed by the Ministry of Finance's Notification No. 32/2022-Customs (ADD) dated December 27, 2022, for five years from its publication: "Nil" for each of the five exporters, and USD 0.15 per piece for any other producer in

China and for goods exported from China that originate in another country. On October 28, 2026, DGTR's case page listed no remand findings.

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| Product | "Semi-Finished Ophthalmic Lens" originating in or exported from China |
| Tribunal order | CESTAT Final Order No. 50782/2026 dated April 27, 2026, GKB Ophthalmics Limited V/s Designated Authority & Ors. |
| Set aside | Final Findings dated September 29, 2022, to the extent nil anti-dumping duty was recommended or imposed on five participating exporters |
| Exporters concerned | Conant Optics (Jiangsu) Co., Ltd.; Shanghai Conant Optics Co., Ltd.; Zhejiang Weixing Optical Co., Ltd.; Carl Zeiss Vision (China) Limited; Daejeon Daemyung Optical (Hangzhou) Co., Ltd. |
| 2022 findings for the five | Dumping margin and injury margin each "Negative" (Final Findings dated September 29, 2022) |
| To be determined afresh | The Non-Injurious Price (NIP) |
| Applies to | All interested parties in the investigation; at issue is the nil duty for the five exporters |
| Submissions | On the SETU portal under Case ID AD/AA/002/2026, within fifteen days from the date the notification is published on SETU |
| Duty in force | Notification No. 32/2022-Customs (ADD) dated December 27, 2022, for five years from its publication: "Nil" for the five exporters; USD 0.15 per piece for others |
| Oral hearing | September 22, 2026, 3:30 PM IST, hybrid mode (notice dated September 16, 2026) |
| Separate remand | Case ID AD/AA/001/2026, July 14, 2026, under CESTAT Final Order Nos. 50783–50793/2026: the Essilor Group's dumping margin, as a |

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| | cooperative exporter/producer; not this proceeding |
| Status | No remand findings on DGTR's case page on October 28, 2026 |
| Signed by | Amitabh Kumar, Designated Authority |

## The duty in force: Notification No. 32/2022-Customs (ADD)

| S. No. | Producer | Country of origin | Country of export | Duty amount (USD per piece) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Conant Optics (Jiangsu) Co., Ltd. | China PR | Any country including China PR | Nil |
| 2 | Shanghai Conant Optics Co., Ltd. | China PR | Any country including China PR | Nil |
| 3 | Zhejiang Weixing Optical Co., Ltd. | China PR | Any country including China PR | Nil |
| 4 | Carl Zeiss Vision (China) Limited | China PR | Any country including China PR | Nil |
| 5 | Daejeon Daemyung Optical (Hangzhou) Co., Ltd. | China PR | Any country including China PR | Nil |
| 6 | Any producer other than those mentioned at S. Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 | China PR | Any country including China PR | 0.15 |
| 7 | Any | Any country other than China PR | China PR | 0.15 |

The remand proceeding notification (PDF, 788 KB)

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