

Anti-dumping duty on 5 Chinese goods

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THE GOVERNMENT HAS imposed anti-dumping duties on the import of five products from China at below normal prices to reduce harm to the local industry.

The products on which the duties have been imposed are cellophane transparent film, isopropyl alcohol, sulphur black, thermoplastic polyurethane and unframed glass mirror. These additional duties will be levied for five years.

On thermoplastic polyurethane, which is extensively used in automotive, medical and electronics sectors, a duty of \$1.58 per kg has been imposed. In the last financial year, India imported around \$330 million worth of this key raw material.

On isopropyl alcohol which has medical and industrial uses, a duty of up to \$217 per metric tonne has

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Item (anti-dumping duty)

Isopropyl alcohol (\$ per metric tonne)	217
Sulphur black (\$ per metric tonne)	389
Unframed glass mirror (\$ per metric tonne)	234

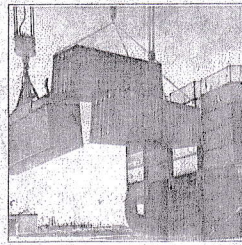


Thermoplastic
polyurethane
(\$ per kg)

1.58

Cellophane
transparent film
(\$ per kg)

1.34



been imposed. Isopropyl alcohol is used as an antiseptic for skin and instrumentation, and hand sanitizer. In industry it is used as a solvent and last year's imports of the commodity was \$89.25 million.

The anti-dumping duty on cellophane transparent film, which is used as a packing material, has

been kept at \$1.34 per kg. In 2023-24, the total import of the product hovered around \$60 million. Sulphur black, whose total imports in 2023-24 was \$4.3 million, the duty of \$389 per metric tonne has been imposed. The commodity is used for dyeing textile, paper and leather. On unframed glass mir-

rors, the anti-dumping duty of \$234 per metric tonne has been imposed. Total imports of this item last year was \$25 million.

The notification for anti-dumping duties on these five products was issued by the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs, the department of revenue. The decision was based on the recommendation of the Directorate General of Trade Remedies which investigated complaints of below-cost imports by local producers of these products.

According to the complaints, material injury is being caused to the domestic industry due to the dumped imports of these products originating in or exported from China into India. They sought imposition of anti-dumping duty on these imports with a view to guard them from cheap imports. China is India's second-largest trading partner.

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