

Customs value of aluminium utensils revised

Directorate General Customs Valuation (DGCV) on Friday revised the customs value of Aluminum utensils under section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969. According to details, the Directorate earlier issued a valuation ruling 1060/2017 of Aluminum utensils under section 25A of the Customs Act 1969. Following the said valuation ruling, some importers have filed revision petition before the Director General under section 25D of the Act.

After hearing the petitioners, an order in revision was issued by the Director General of Customs Valuation Karachi under section 25D of the Customs Act. The case was remanded back to the Director of Customs valuation Karachi to conduct afresh investigation and issue a fresh valuation ruling for Chinese origin Aluminum non-stick kitchen ware with or without lid so that the value reflects properly the weight of the glass lid.

Accordingly, the Directorate General investigated and issued for glass lid separately through valuation ruling 1198/2017. Therefore the Directorate has initiated an exercise afresh for determination of custom values of Chinese origin Aluminum nonstick kitchenware with or without lids under section 25-A of the Customs Act 1969.

For the purpose, a meeting was scheduled with the importers on June 1, 2017 where the stakeholders were requested to submit the relevant documents in order to determine the value.

During the meeting, the importers were of the view that aluminum utensils with or without glass lid cannot be equated as the individual utensil without glass lid is more expensive as compared to those of utensils with glass lid.

However no corroborative documents have been submitted by the importers. All Pakistan Aluminum Utensils Manufacturing Association submitted that Chinese aluminum utensils are of high value and value may be determined as per international market trends.

The Directorate after adopting all relevant methods conducted a local market survey of the above mentioned goods. Later, all the information collected through relevant methods was evaluated and analyzed and then the customs value of aluminum utensils have been determined under section 25-A of the Act.

The said goods shall now be assessed to duty/taxes at new revised customs value, which are as follow: Aluminum component of non-stick kitchen ware (with/without lid) origin from China at USD 5.00/kg while the Chinese Aluminum cooking ware (simple/plane and anodized) at USD 3.50/kg.

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