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NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.1(B) OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS ON FINDING A SERIOUS INJURY OR THREAT THEREOF CAUSED BY INCREASED IMPORTS

NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.1(C) OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS ON TAKING A DECISION TO APPLY A SAFEGUARD MEASURE

NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 9, FOOTNOTE 2 OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS

India

Isopropyl Alcohol

Supplement

The following communication, dated and received on 5 April 2023, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of India.

In continuation to WTO document G/SG/N/8/IND/33 - G/SG/N/10/IND/24 - G/SG/N/11/IND/19 dated 3 February 2022 notifying the finding of serious injury or threat thereof caused by increased imports of the product Isopropyl Alcohol (IPA), India notifies the final decision to impose definitive safeguard measure (Quantitative Restriction) on import of Isopropyl Alcohol.

1 PROVIDE EVIDENCE, CITING RELEVANT DATA AND THE APPLICABLE PERIOD OF INVESTIGATION OF SERIOUS INJURY OR THREAT THEREOF CAUSED BY INCREASED IMPORTS

Provided in the notification dated 3 February 2022.

2 PROVIDE INFORMATION ON WHETHER THERE IS AN ABSOLUTE INCREASE IN IMPORTS OR AN INCREASE IN IMPORTS RELATIVE TO DOMESTIC PRODUCTION

Provided in the notification dated 3 February 2022.

3 PROVIDE THE PRECISE DESCRIPTION OF THE PRODUCT INVOLVED

Provided in the notification dated 3 February 2022.

4 PROVIDE PRECISE DESCRIPTION OF THE MEASURE

Import Policy condition on Isopropyl Alcohol has been amended from "free" to "country-wise quantitative restriction" (QR). The country-wise quantitative restriction (QR) for import of Iso Propyl Alcohol is as under:

Country	Quantitative Restriction (in MT)			
Financial Year Quarter▶	>	2023-24		
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
China PR	9,924	9,924	10,526	10,526
Germany	2,116	2,116	2,244	2,244
Japan	1,496	1,496	1,587	1,587
Korea RP	6,290	6,290	6,672	6,672
Netherlands	2,421	2,421	2,568	2,568
Singapore	2,668	2,668	2,830	2,830
Chinese Taipei	4,296	4,296	4,557	4,557
USA	2,214	2,214	2,348	2,348
Other Countries	710	710	753	753
Grand Total	32,134	32,134	34,085	34,085

The quantitative restrictions for import of IPA shall be subject to the following conditions:

- (i) Imports would be permitted through the Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) ports only to facilitate electronic/ real-time monitoring of QR;
- (ii) The QR would be monitored on quarterly basis;
- (iii) The total imports allowed in any quarter shall not exceed the total of that quarter and the next quarter. Accordingly, any excessively utilised QR for a quarter shall be deducted from the QR for the next quarter;
- (iv) Any unutilised QR for a quarter shall be added to next quarter;
- In case, the countries with specific quantity exhaust their allocated QR, such countries may use the available residual quantity, as may be notified subsequently; and
- (vi) If necessary, further modalities will be notified separately governing such QR, in accordance with relevant legal provisions.

5 PROVIDE PROPOSED DATE OR ACTUAL DATE OF INTRODUCTION OF THE MEASURE AND EXPECTED DURATION OF THE MEASURE

The country-wise Quantitative Restrictions(QR) on import of Isopropyl Alcohol (IPA) have been notified for a period of one year i.e. 2023-24, effective from 01.04.2023 up to 31.03.2024 and will cease automatically on 31.03.2024. Further, India reserves the right to review and make any changes in the said safeguard measures at any point of time, as deemed fit.

6 IF THE NOTIFICATION RELATES TO A DECISION TO APPLY OR EXTEND A SAFEGUARD MEASURE, MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: (I) THE MAJOR EXPORTING MEMBERS OF IMPORTS OF THE PRODUCT INVOLVED

The product is being imported into India from various countries, with major quantities being imported from China PR, Korea RP, Singapore and Chinese Taipei.

(II) IF THERE ARE ANY EXPORTING MEMBERS TO WHICH THE MEASURE DOES NOT APPLY FOR ANY REASON OTHER THAN THE APPLICATION OF ARTICLE 9.1, THE NAMES OF SUCH EXPORTING MEMBERS AND REASONS FOR NON-APPLICATION OF THE MEASURE

Not Applicable.

7 MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTACH, IN AN ELECTRONIC FORM, PUBLICLY AVAILABLE DOCUMENT(S) CONTAINING THE RELEVANT DECISION(S) MADE BY THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY

The decision is notified vide Directorate General of Foreign Trade, Notification No. 64/2015-20, dated 31.03.2023.* The notification can be seen at: https://www.dqft.gov.in/CP.

^{*} This notification has been submitted electronically. To consult this document, please contact Ms Anne Richards of the Rules Division (anne.richards@wto.org).