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Final Affirmative Determination in the Countervailing Duty Investigation of Paper File Folders from India

On October 2, 2023, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced its affirmative final determination in the countervailing duty (CVD) investigation of paper file folders from India.

Final Subsidy Rates

Exporter/Producer	Subsidy Rate
Navneet Education Ltd.	3.78%
Lotus Global Pvt. Ltd.	90.98%*
All Others	3.78%

^{*}Commerce has assigned a rate to Lotus Global Pvt. Ltd. based entirely on facts available, using adverse inferences, in accordance with section 776 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).

Case Calendar

Event	Date
Petition Filed	October 12, 2022
Commerce Initiation Date	November 1, 2022
ITC Preliminary Determination	November 28, 2022
Commerce Preliminary Determination	March 13, 2023

Event	Date
Commerce Final Determination	September 29, 2023
ITC Final Determination**	November 13, 2023
Issuance of Order***	November 20, 2023

NOTE: Commerce's preliminary and final determination deadlines are governed by statute. For CVD investigations, the deadlines are set forth in sections 703(b) and 705(a)(1) of the Act.

India Import Statistics

	2019	2020	2021
Volume (KG)	2,397,001	2,090,530	3,156,567
Value (USD)	\$5,502,709	\$4,661,927	\$7,144,905

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, accessed through Global Trade Atlas (Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheading 4820.30.0040).

Other Case Information

- The petitioner is the Coalition of Domestic Folder Manufacturers, the members of which are Smead Manufacturing Company, Inc. (Hastings, MN) and TOPS Products LLC (Naperville, IL).
- To date, Commerce maintains 670 antidumping duty and CVD orders that provide relief to American companies and industries impacted by unfair trade.

^{**}This will take place only in the event of a final affirmative determination from Commerce.

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