

C. No. Misc/27/2017-II/422

Dated: 26-03-2025

VALUATION RULING NO. 1992 / 2025

1. This ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No. 1151/2017 dated 04-05-2017.
2. This Ruling shall be applicable until the same is rescinded or revised in terms of sub-section (4) of Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969.
3. The revision petition against this Valuation Ruling can be filed under Section 25D of the Customs Act, 1969, within 30 days before the Director General, Customs Valuation.
4. The values in valuation ruling shall be treated as minimum benchmark values and shall be applicable to the given description and specification of goods.

Subject: DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUE OF SILICON DIOXIDE, MICRO SILICA, FUMED SILICA AND IRON OXIDE UNDER SECTION 25A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969.

1.	Valuation Ruling	Determination / revision of customs values of earlier Valuation Ruling No. 1151/2017 dated 04-05-2017.
2.	Date of meeting with stakeholders	The meeting with relevant stakeholders was conducted on 22.01.2025

Background of the Issue: Several representations were received by the stakeholders for the determination of customs values of the Micro Silica / Silica Fumes with a contention that the values of impugned item are on a very lower side than the values mentioned therein in the existing Valuation Ruling for Silicon Dioxide and that the customs values of Micro Silica / Silica Fumes may be separately determined in the upcoming Valuation Ruling. In view of the aforesaid this Directorate initiated an exercise for the determination of customs values of subject goods under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969.

2. Analysis/Exercise done to determine Customs Values: Meeting for the determination of customs values was held on 22.01.2025 that was attended by the relevant stakeholders. Their viewpoints were heard in detail in view for the determination of customs values of the subject goods under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969. The stakeholders were requested to submit relevant import documents to substantiate their contentions.

For the determination of customs values of subject goods, ninety (90) days' data was retrieved and the same was thoroughly scrutinized. Some references of declared values were available. Subsequently, market inquiry has also been conducted and examined in the light of this Directorate's Office Order No.17/2014 dated 19-03-2014 and in terms of Section 25(7) of the Customs Act, 1969.

3. Method(s) adopted to determine Customs values: Valuation methods specified in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969, are duly considered in sequential order to arrive at the Customs values of subject goods. The transaction value method as provided in sub-section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969, was found inapplicable due to absence of information as required under sub-section (2) of Section 25 of Customs Act, 1969. Therefore, identical goods value method provided in Section 25(5) was examined for applicability to determine Customs values of subject goods. However, it was found that the same could not be solely relied upon due to absence of absolute demonstrable evidence of quantities and qualities.



Information available was, hence, found incomplete. Subsequently, similar goods value method provided in Section 25(6) was also examined for applicability to determine Customs values of subject goods and was not considered (for application) due to afore-stated reasons. Moreover, Declared Values (DV) of similar goods had showed consistent variations. Hence, this method was also found inapplicable. Market enquiry as envisaged under Sub section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 was also conducted but could not be solely relied upon in view of variation in market prices. In line with statutory sequential order of section 25, Computed value method, as provided in Section 25(8) of the Customs Act, 1969 was examined, but the same also could not be solely applied as the conversion cost from the constituent materials and allied expenses, in the country of export, were not available for manufacturing of the said goods. Finally, the Customs values of the subject goods have been determined under Section 25(9) of the Customs Act, 1969 and Customs Rule 121(2) of Customs Rules, 2001.

4. Customs Values for Silicon Dioxide, Micro Silica, Fumed Silica and Iron Oxide - hereinafter specified shall be assessed to duty / taxes at following Customs Values:

Sr. No.	Description of Goods	Origin	PCT Code	Proposed PCT for WeBOC	Customs Values (C&F) USS/Kg
1	Silicon Dioxide (other than Pharma grade)	China	2811.2200	2811.2200.1000	1.63
		Germany		2811.2200.1100	2.52
2	Silicon Dioxide (Micro Silica)	China	2811.2200	2811.2200.1200	0.35
3	Silicon Dioxide (Fumed Silica)	China		2811.2200.1300	3.50
		Europe		2811.2200.1400	7.09
4	Iron Oxide (Red)	China	2821.1010	2821.1010.1000	0.96
5	Iron Oxide (Yellow)	China		2821.1010.1100	1.00
6	Iron Oxide (Black)	China		2821.1010.1200	1.22
7	Iron Oxide (Brown)	China		2821.1010.1300	1.16
8	Iron Oxide (Orange)	China		2821.1010.1400	1.03
9	Iron Oxide Yellow (BAYFERROX)	China		2821.1010.1500	1.67
10	Iron Oxide Brown (BAYFERROX)	China		2821.1010.1600	1.36
11	Iron Oxide Black (BAYFERROX)	China		2821.1010.1700	1.50


5. The values determined in this Valuation Ruling shall be treated as minimum benchmark values. In cases, where declared values or values in invoice retrieved from the consignment, as the case may be, are higher than the customs values determined in this valuation ruling, the assessment shall be made on higher values in terms of sub-section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969.

6. In case of consignments imported by air, the difference between air freight and sea freight shall be added for the assessment of value.



7. The Valuation Ruling shall be applicable for the descriptions and specifications of goods as mentioned in the aforementioned table. HS Codes are mentioned for illustrative purposes.

8. The Collectorates of Customs shall ensure the implementation of Valuation Ruling and in case of any anomaly may be brought to the notice of this Directorate immediately.


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The Collectors / Directors of Customs, Collectorates / Directorates of Customs (Headquarters-South)/ Appraisement-West / East / SAPT / PMBQ / JIAP / Enforcement/, Karachi / Hyderabad / (Appraisement / Enforcement / Ports), Quetta / Gwadar / Khuzdar (Appraisement / Enforcement / AIIA), (Appraisement-East / West, Lahore / Faisalabad Appraisement / Enforcement, Sargodha / Enforcement & Appraisement, Sambrial (Sialkot) / Enforcement, Multan / Islamabad / Gilgit-Baltistan / (Appraisement/ Enforcement), Peshawar / Enforcement, Dera Ismail Khan / Exports (Port Qasim/Custom House, Karachi) / Transit Trade, Karachi.

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- 2) The Director General, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.
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- 4) All Collectors / Directors of Customs, Karachi / Lahore / Islamabad/ Quetta/ Peshawar/ Faisalabad.
- 5) The Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation, Lahore / Quetta / Peshawar.
- 6) The Deputy Director (MIS), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in One Customs & WEBOC database system.
- 7) The Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
- 8) The Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Hyderabad, Quetta & Peshawar.
- 9) The Karachi Customs Agents Group, Bohri Road, Karachi.
- 10) The Webmaster, Federal Board of Revenue, Islamabad.
- 11) Guard File.