

U.S. Customs and Border Protection will continue to collect AD and CVD cash deposits at the rates in effect at the time of entry for all imports of subject merchandise.

The effective date of the continuation of the *Orders* will be February 7, 2024.⁸ Pursuant to section 751(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(c)(2), Commerce intends to initiate the next five-year reviews of the *Orders* not later than 30 days prior to fifth anniversary of the date of the last determination by the ITC.

Administrative Protective Order (APO)

This notice also serves as a final reminder to parties subject to an APO of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3), which continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials, or conversion to judicial protective order, is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

Notification to Interested Parties

These five-year (sunset) reviews and this notice are in accordance with sections 751(c) and 751(d)(2) of the Act, and published in accordance with section 777(i) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(f)(4).

Dated: February 13, 2024.

Ryan Majerus,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Negotiations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-533-872]

Finished Carbon Steel Flanges From India: Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2021

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that Norma (India) Ltd. (Norma) and R.N. Gupta & Co. Ltd. (RNG) received countervailable subsidies during the

period of review (POR), January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021.

DATES: Applicable February 20, 2024.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On August 17, 2023, Commerce published the *Preliminary Results* of this administrative review in the **Federal Register** and invited interested parties to comment.¹ In September 2023, Commerce conducted verification of the information reported in the questionnaire responses of Norma (India) Limited (Norma) and R.N. Gupta & Co. Ltd. (RNG).² On November 6, 2023, we received a timely filed case brief from the Government of India (GOI).³ On November 15, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline for issuing these final results to February 1, 2024.⁴ On January 23, 2024, we further extended the deadline for these final results to February 13, 2024.⁵ For a complete description of the events that occurred since the publication of the *Preliminary Results*, see the Issues and Decision Memorandum.⁶

Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by the *Order* is finished carbon steel flanges. For a complete description of the scope of the *Order*, see the Issues and Decision Memorandum.⁷

¹ See *Finished Carbon Steel Flanges from India: Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2021*, 88 FR 56000 (August 17, 2023) (*Preliminary Results*), and accompanying Preliminary Decision Memo (PDM).

² See Memorandum, "Report on Verification of Norma (India) Limited, USK Exports Private Limited, Uma Shanker Khandelwal & Co., and Bansidhar Chiranjilal," dated October 25, 2023; see also Memorandum, "Report on Verification of R.N. Gupta & Co., Ltd.," dated October 25, 2023.

³ See GOI's Letter, "Case Brief on behalf," dated November 6, 2023.

⁴ See Memorandum, "Extension of Deadline for Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2021," dated November 15, 2023.

⁵ See Memorandum, "Extension of Deadline for Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2021," dated January 23, 2024.

⁶ See Memorandum, "Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Final Results of the Countervailing Duty Administrative Review of Finished Carbon Steel Flanges from India; 2021," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Issues and Decision Memorandum).

⁷ *Id.* at 2-3.

Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised by the GOI in its case brief are addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum. A list of topics discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum is provided in Appendix I. The Issues and Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

Changes Since the Preliminary Results

Based on our analysis of comments from interested parties and the information on the record, there have been no changes made from the *Preliminary Results*. For a full discussion of the issues, see the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

Methodology

Commerce conducted this administrative review in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). For each of the subsidy programs found to be countervailable, we find that there is a subsidy, *i.e.*, a government-provided financial contribution that gives rise to a benefit to the recipient, and that the subsidy is specific.⁸ For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, including our reliance on adverse facts available pursuant to sections 776(a) and (b) of the Act, see the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

Companies Not Selected for Individual Examination

We made no changes to the methodology used in the *Preliminary Results*⁹ for determining a rate for companies not selected for individual examination. Therefore, we have made no changes to the subsidy rate calculated for companies not selected for individual examination. The companies for which a review was requested and that were not selected as mandatory respondents or found to be cross-owned with a mandatory respondent are listed in Appendix II.

⁸ See sections 771(5)(B) and (D) of the Act regarding financial contribution; see also section 771(5)(E) of the Act regarding benefit; and section 771(5A) of the Act regarding specificity.

⁹ See *Preliminary Results* PDM at 25-26.

⁸ See *ITC Final Determination*.

Final Results of Administrative Review

As a result of this review, we determine that the following net countervailable subsidy rates exist for the period January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021:

Producer/exporter	Subsidy rate (percent <i>ad valorem</i>)
Norma (India) Ltd. ¹⁰	2.98
R.N. Gupta & Co. Ltd	3.20
Non-Selected Companies Under Review ¹¹	3.09

Disclosure

Normally, Commerce discloses its calculations and analysis performed in connection with the final results to interested parties within five days of its public announcement, or if there is no public announcement, within five days of the date of publication of this notice, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b). However, because we have made no changes to the calculations used in reaching the *Preliminary Results*, the countervailable subsidy rates are unchanged from the rates assigned in the *Preliminary Results*, and there are no calculations to disclose.

Cash Deposit Requirements

Pursuant to section 751(a)(1) of the Act, Commerce intends to instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties in the amounts shown for each company listed above on shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of these final results of this administrative review. For all non-reviewed firms, we will instruct CBP to continue to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties at the all-others rate or the most recent company-specific rate applicable to the company or the non-selected companies rate, as appropriate. These cash deposit instructions, effective upon the publication of these final results, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Assessment Requirements

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.212(b)(2), Commerce has determined, and CBP shall assess,

¹⁰ As discussed in the *Preliminary Results* PDM, Commerce has found the following companies to be cross-owned with Norma (India) Ltd.: USK Export Private Limited; Uma Shanker Khandelwal and Co.; and Bansidhar Chiranjilal. This rate applies to all cross-owned companies.

¹¹ See Appendix II for a list of companies not selected for individual examination.

countervailing duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review for the above-listed companies at the applicable *ad valorem* assessment rates. Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after publication of the final results of this review in the **Federal Register**. If a timely summons is filed at the U.S. Court of International Trade, the assessment instructions will direct CBP not to liquidate relevant entries until the time for parties to file a request for a statutory injunction has expired (*i.e.*, within 90 days of publication).

Administrative Protection Order (APO)

This notice also serves as a final reminder to parties subject to an APO of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3), which continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order, is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

Notification to Interested Parties

These final results are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 351.221(b)(5).

Dated: February 13, 2024.

Ryan Majerus,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Negotiations, Performing the Non-exclusive Functions and Duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix I—List of Topics Discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum

- I. Summary
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 - Comment 3: Whether the Interest Equalization Scheme Is Countervailable
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Infrastructure and Industrial Investment Policy (SGUP-EDE) Scheme
IX. Recommendation

Appendix II—Companies Not Selected for Individual Examination

1. Adinath International
2. Allena Group
3. Alloyed Steel
4. Balkrishna Steel Forge Pvt. Ltd.
5. Bebitz Flanges Works Private Limited
6. C.D. Industries
7. Cetus Engineering Private Limited
8. CHW Forge
9. CHW Forge Pvt. Ltd.
10. Citizen Metal Depot
11. Corum Flange
12. DN Forge Industries
13. Echjay Forgings Limited
14. Falcon Valves and Flanges Private Limited
15. Heubach International
16. Hindon Forge Pvt. Ltd.
17. Jai Auto Pvt. Ltd.
18. Kinnari Steel Corporation
19. M F Rings and Bearing Races Ltd.
20. Mascot Metal Manufacturers
21. Munish Forge Private Limited
22. OM Exports
23. Punjab Steel Works (PSW)
24. R.D. Forge
25. Raaj Sagar Steel
26. Ravi Ratan Metal Industries
27. Rolex Fittings India Pvt. Ltd.
28. Rollwell Forge Engineering Components and Flanges
29. Rollwell Forge Pvt. Ltd.
30. SHM (ShinHeung Machinery)
31. Siddhagiri Metal & Tubes
32. Sizer India
33. Steel Shape India
34. Sudhir Forgings Pvt. Ltd.
35. Tirupati Forge
36. Umashanker Khandelwal Forging Limited

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Draft Overview of the National Aquaculture Development Plan and Draft Strategic Plan for Aquaculture Economic Development

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: On behalf of the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC)'s Subcommittee on Aquaculture (SCA), NMFS announces the availability of the draft Overview of the *National Aquaculture Development Plan* (NADP) and draft *Strategic Plan for Aquaculture*