Dear all,

Directorate General of Trade Remedies proposes to introduce the enclosed Public Interest Questionnaire for Anti-Dumping/Countervailing Duty investigations. All stakeholders who may like to provide their comments may do so latest by 31.12.2021. The comments may be sent to the email id: dd12-dgtr@gov.in

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PUBLIC INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE FOR INVESTIGATION OF [*AD/CVD*] IN RESPECT OF [*NAME OF PUC*]

I. GENERAL SECTION

1. Name and details of the company/association/consumer group/others.
   a. Name
   b. Address
   c. Name and designation of contact person
   d. Contact No.
   e. Email address
   f. Website
   g. Details of legal representative

2. Status of the interested party.

Domestic producer	Importer
Trader	Distributor or dealer
Downstream user	Consumer
Upstream producer	Association
Consumer groups	Government body
Others (please specify)	

3. Please indicate whether you are a part of any association concerning the product under consideration, downstream products or upstream products. Please provide details.
4. Please provide details of whether your industry consists majorly of micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) or Small Scale Industries (SSI).
5. Please specify the relevance/ uses of the product under consideration in your operations.
6. Please provide reasons for your participation and whether you support/oppose the imposition/continuation of duties, with reasons and evidence.
7. Please indicate how the imposition/continuation or non-imposition of duties would impact your operations. Please quantify such impact.
8. (a) Please explain how the alleged dumping or subsidization or increased imports has affected your company's operations. Please quantify such impact.
   (b) In case of sunset review, please explain how the imposition of duties has affected your company's operations. Please quantify such impact.

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1	**Production (MT)**				
2	**Sales volume (MT)**				
a	Domestic sales				

b	Export sales				
c	Captive consumption				
3	**Sales value (Rupees)**				
a	Domestic sales				
b	Export sales				
c	Captive consumption				
4	**Profits / loss**				
5	**Return on investment**				
6	**Employment**				
7	**Any other parameters**				

9. Please explain whether the duration of the duty should be less than five years. Please provide reasons for the same.
10. Please explain which form of duty would be appropriate considering the facts of the present case, with reasons.
11. Please specify the following regarding the product under consideration –
    (a) Whether the product under consideration is an essential commodity?
    (b) Whether the product under consideration has any effect on the health and safety of the public at large?
    (c) Whether the product under consideration is of importance to national security?
12. Please indicate the contribution of the Indian industry producing the product under consideration to the growth of the India economy. (eg. Contribution in the GDP of India, balance of trade, etc.)
13. Please provide details of the domestic producers of the product under consideration in the country along with details of total installed capacity. Also provide information with regard to the total production quantity of the product under consideration in the country.

Name of producer	**Details of producer**	**Installed capacity during POI**	**Production during POI**

14. Please substantiate how the proposed duty is likely to impact the downstream users and final consumers of the product. Please substantiate such impact in terms of increase or reduction in the cost and price of the immediate downstream product and eventual end product. Please provide relevant calculation and supporting evidence.
15. Please provide details of any other parties who might be interested in this public interest analysis.

Name of interested party	Details of interested party (address and phone no.)	Email id

16. Please provide any other information that may be relevant for the present investigation.

II. DOMESTIC PRODUCERS

1. (a) Please provide details how the product under consideration is manufactured. Also specify whether the manufacturing process used by the exporters in the subject country(s) is different. If so, please specify how.
   (b) Please substantiate the impact of the difference in manufacturing process, if any, on the cost of production, quality of the product, use of the product, price of the product, etc. Please provide relevant evidence.
2. Please specify all raw materials used in the manufacturing process. Also provide details of the main suppliers of the raw materials used in the manufacturing of the product under consideration.

Name of supplier	Details of supplier (address and phone no.)	Email ID	Volume of supply (MT)

3. Please provide details of whether the product under consideration can be substituted by any other product. Also indicate the degree of the substitution.
4. Please provide details of alternate sources of supply of the product under consideration in case of imposition of duty.
5. Please provide details whether your company has undertaken or will be undertaking any R&D concerning the product under consideration. Please provide details of expenses incurred in this regard over the injury period, along with relevant evidence.
6. Please explain whether the product under consideration is subject to any national or international standards and whether the domestically produced goods meet such standards. Please provide list of standards applicable, the specifications to be met under the respective standard and compare the domestic products to such standards.

Standard applicable	Technical specifications under the standard	How domestic product compares to the standard

7. Please provide details of the total consumption (including captive consumption) of the product under consideration in the country, with details of consuming industry / segment.

S. N.	Impact on	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	POI
	Consumption (MT)				
1	Segment 1				
2	Segment 2				
3	Segment 3				

8. Please provide details of your main users of the product under consideration in India and the share of each user in the total consumption of the product.

Name of user	Details of user (address and phone no.)	Email ID	Quantity of product consumed (MT)

9. Please specify whether the producers in the subject country(s) are receiving certain advantages or incentives with regards the production of the product under consideration. (eg. grants, government support, etc.). Please provide evidence.
10. Please provide details of any recent capacity expansions or newly set up plants for the production of the product under consideration by your company or other producers in the Indian industry.

Producer undertaking expansion	Fresh capacity installed (MT)	Date of commencement of production	Investment made (Rupees)	Desired return on investment (Rupees or %)

11. Please provide details of any future investments or expansions or forecasted changes that your company or other domestic producers are planning in the next five years with regards to product under consideration.

Producer planning expansion	Expected capacity (MT)	Expected time line (Months)	Expected investment (Rupees)	Desired return on investment (Rupees or %)

12. Please provide details of the number of employees employed directly and indirectly by (a) your company and (b) Indian industry involved in the production and sales of the product under consideration, and the impact of levy and non-levy of duty thereon.
13. Please provide details of your biggest competitors in the market and their market share. Also specify whether such competitors are situated in India or are foreign entities.

Name of competitor	**Country of operation**	**Details of competitor (address and phone no.)**	**Email ID**	**Market share of competitor**

14. Please provide details of the factors affecting competition in the market including prices, quality, delivery terms, packaging, brand name, etc.
15. Please provide evidence regarding the prevailing prices of the product under consideration in the market. Also provide details of how the prices of the product under consideration have evolved in the last 5 years, including but not limited to in comparison to cost of production.
16. Please provide details of the sales terms used in India for the sale of the product under consideration. Please provide samples of agreed sales terms in the market.
17. Please provide information on capacity, production and demand situation of product under consideration in other countries globally. In the absence of such information, please provide details of sources which can make such information available.

Country	**Capacity (MT)**	**Production (MT)**	**Demand (MT)**

18. Please indicate the trends of imports of the product under consideration from third countries in the last five years.

Country	**Year 1**	**Year 2**	**Year 3**	**Year 4**	**Year 5**

19. Please give details of the volume and value of the major exporting countries of the product under consideration.

Exporting country	**Volume of exports**	**Value of exports**	**Major importing countries**

20. Please specify whether your company exports like article. Please provide details of volume and value of such exports. Also indicate whether your company is under any export obligation for exports of such like article.
21. Please provide details of exports of like article made by the Indian industry producing the product under consideration.
22. Please provide details of any entry barriers for the product under consideration in India. (investment cost, niche market, price sensitive market, etc.)
23. Please provide details of whether any tariff or non-tariff barriers have been imposed on the product under consideration in India and globally. Also indicate how such measures have impacted your operations.
24. Please provide details of whether any trade remedial measures exist or are proposed on any upstream, downstream, joint, substitute or otherwise related products in India or outside, which might impact your operations or the operations of the downstream user industry.
25. Please provide details of any interruptions in the production of the product under consideration in the last five years in India. Please substantiate whether such interruptions impacted the cost and price of the product under consideration along with relevant evidence or calculations. Also indicate forecasted factors (currency fluctuation, raw material shortages, government policy, etc.) that may affect production in the future.
26. Please indicate whether the industry for the product under consideration is majorly located in a particular geographical region. Please explain the impact thereof on the user industry.
27. Please specify whether the product under consideration is a part of any current or future government policies or programs or is subject to government support.
28. Please specify the impact of the production process of the product under consideration on the environment. Also specify if the production process of the exporters in the subject country(s) is more environmentally viable.
29. Please provide details of whether India's bi-lateral relationships in the form of FTAs, PTAs or any other programs have affected your operations.
30. Please substantiate whether the costs and prices of any related industry is likely to be impacted due to the imposition of duties.
31. Please provide any other information that may be relevant for the present investigation.

III. IMPORTERS AND / OR DOWNSTREAM USERS

1. (a) Please provide details of the major suppliers of the product under consideration, in India as well as internationally.

Name of supplier	Details of supplier (address and phone no.)	Email ID	Volume of supply

(b) Please indicate whether you have entered into any long-term contracts with such suppliers. Also specify whether you can switch suppliers in case of imposition of duties.

2. Please substantiate whether the downstream industry would bear or pass on the increase or reduction in the costs due to the proposed duty. Please provide relevant calculations and evidence in support of your response.
3. Please substantiate as to how the previous or current duties on the product under consideration imported from subject country or other countries have impacted the costs and prices of the Downstream Product.
4. Please provide details of the long-term viability of the Indian industry producing the product under consideration if measures are not imposed and the impact on the market in case the domestic producers exit.
5. Please provide details of whether there are any substitutes available for the product under consideration, locally as well as internationally. Please specify whether your company can switch to such substitute products.
6. Please provide evidence regarding the prevailing prices of the product under consideration in the market. Also provide details of how the prices of the product under consideration in the have evolved in the last 5 years.
7. Please provide details of the sales terms used in India for the sale of the product under consideration. Please provide samples of agreed sales terms in the market.
8. Please substantiate whether the demand of the product under consideration is price sensitive.
9. Please provide details of whether the producers in the subject country(s) have any competitive advantage over the producers in India.
10. Please provide details whether the production technology used by the producers in India is obsolete. Whether difference in the technology has led to product being unviable? Please provide evidence.
11. Please provide details of whether there is a difference in the quality of product under consideration and domestic like article. Please quantify the impact of such difference in quality on your operations.
12. Please provide details of whether the product under consideration is subject to any national or international standards and whether the domestically produced goods meet such standards.

Standard applicable	Technical specifications under the standard	How domestic product compares to the standard

13. Please provide details of your company's consumption (in MT) of the product under consideration for the last five years.

Particulars	**Year 1**	**Year 2**	**Year 3**	**Year 4**	**Year 5**
Downstream product name					

14. Please provide details of the number of employees employed directly and indirectly by (a) your company and (b) the Indian industry consuming the product under consideration in India, and the impact of levy or non-levy of duty thereon.
15. Please provide details of any future investments or expansions or forecasted changes that your company and the Indian industry consuming the product under consideration in India is planning in the next five years with regards to product under consideration.

Producer planning expansion	**Expected capacity (MT)**	**Expected time line**	**Expected investment (Rupees)**	**Desired return on investment (Rupees or %)**

16. Please specify whether the downstream user industry for the product under consideration is majorly located in a particular geographical region.
17. Please provide details of alternate sources of supply of the product under consideration in case of shortage caused due to the imposition of duty.
18. Please indicate the trends of imports of the product under consideration from third countries in the last five years.

Exporting country	**Year 1**	**Year 2**	**Year 3**	**Year 4**	**Year 5**

19. Please provide information on capacity, production, and demand situation of products under consideration in other countries globally. In the absence of such information, please provide details of sources which can make such information available.

Country	**Capacity**	**Production**	**Demand**

20. Please provide information along with evidence whether you are aware of any anti-competitive or customer discriminatory behaviour adopted by the producers in India.
21. Please provide details of whether you anticipate any supply shortages of the product under consideration in the near future due to prioritization of certain market segments (captive consumption, related sales, domestic market, export obligations, etc.) by the domestic producers of the product under consideration.
22. Please provide details of volume of exports made by your company and major exports markets. Also specify whether such exports can be made using duty exemption or remission schemes.
23. Please indicate the entry barriers for the product under consideration in India. (investment cost, niche market, price sensitive market, etc.)
24. Please provide details of whether any trade remedial measures exist or are proposed on any upstream, downstream, joint, substitute or otherwise related products which might impact your operations.
25. Please provide details of any interruptions in the domestic production of the product under consideration in the last five years. Please substantiate whether such interruptions impacted the cost and price of the product under consideration along with relevant evidence or calculations. Also indicate forecasted factors (currency fluctuation, raw material shortages, government policy, etc.) that may affect production in the future.
26. Please provide details of whether any related industry is likely to be impacted due to the imposition of duties.
27. Please provide any other information that may be relevant for the present investigation.

IV. UPSTREAM INDUSTRY

1. Please provide details of the major users of your product and their market share of the product under consideration.

Name of user	**Details of user (address and phone no.)**	**Email ID**	**Share of user in market for product under consideration**

2. Please indicate the volume of sales made by your company and Indian industry producing the upstream product in the last five years.

Name of producer	**Year 1**	**Year 2**	**Year 3**	**Year 4**	**Year 5**

3. Please indicate the percentage share of the product used in the product under consideration in the total revenue of your company.
4. Please explain the level of your company's dependency on the domestic production of the product under consideration. Please provide volume of sales of your product made to the Indian industry producing product under consideration.
5. Please provide details of any future investments or expansions or forecasted changes that your company or Indian industry producing upstream product is planning in the next five years with regards to product used in product under consideration.

Producer planning expansion	**Expected capacity (MT)**	**Expected time line**	**Expected investment (Rupees)**	**Desired return on investment (Rupees or %)**

6. Please provide details of the number of employees employed directly and indirectly by (a) your company and (b) the Indian industry with regard to the upstream product, and the impact of levy or non-levy of duty thereon.
7. Please indicate any entry barriers for the product under consideration in India. (investment cost, niche market, price sensitive market, etc.)
8. Please provide details of whether any trade remedial measures exist or are proposed on any upstream, downstream, joint, substitute or otherwise related products to the product under consideration which might impact your operations or the operations of the downstream user industry.
9. Please substantiate along with relevant calculations the impact of dumping of the product under consideration on the performance of your company and the Indian industry producing the upstream product, if any.
10. (a) Please explain how the alleged dumping or subsidization or increased imports has affected operations of the downstream users of the product under consideration. Please quantify such impact.

    (b) In case of sunset review, please explain how the imposition of duties has affected operations of the downstream users of the product under consideration. Please quantify such impact.

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11. Please provide any other information that may be relevant for the present investigation.