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**DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUES OF HIGH TENSILE NUTS,  
BOLTS & WASHERS (PCT 7318.1510, 7318.1610) UNDER SECTION 25A  
OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969.**

**(VALUATION RULING NO. 1548/2021)**

No. Misc/28/2010-VI/681.

Dated: 31-08-2021

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969, the Customs values of High Tensile Nuts, Bolts & Washers are determined as follows:

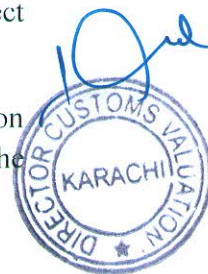
2. **Background of the valuation issue:** Earlier the customs values of High Tensile Nuts, Bolts & Washers were determined vide Valuation Ruling No. 949/2016, dated 06-10-2016. Representations were received from traders/ stakeholders that there is an increase in the prices of this commodity and therefore Valuation Ruling needs revision. This Directorate General, therefore, initiated a fresh exercise for determination of custom values of the subject goods in terms of Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969.

3. **Stakeholders' participation in determination of values:** Meetings were held on 07-07-2021 & 30-07-2021 with stakeholders. The stakeholders were requested to submit the following documents so that fair customs values could be determined:

- i) Invoices of imports during last three months showing factual value.
- ii) Websites, names and E-mail addresses of known foreign manufacturers of the item in question through which the actual current value can be ascertained.
- iii) Copies of Contracts made / LCs opened during the last three months showing the value of item in question.
- iv) Copies of Sales Tax Invoices issued during last four months showing the difference in price (excluding duty and taxes) to substantiate that the benefit of difference in price is passed on to the local buyers.

4. The meeting was attended by stakeholders. During the meeting importers informed that international market has showed a mixed trend of prices over the period of time but no supportive documents were submitted in this regard. However, the manufacturers contended that the values of the subject goods should be determined on the basis of LMB prices as the values of raw material used in the making of their goods is available in LMB, adding conversion cost. They also submitted documents in this regard.

5. **Method adopted to determine Customs values:** Valuation methods provided in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were duly applied in their regular sequential in order to





arrive at custom value of subject goods. Transaction value method provided in Section 25 (1) of the Act *ibid* was found inapplicable because no substantial import documents were provided by the stakeholders to prove that their declared values were true transactional values. Moreover, different values were determined by different importers for same product according to different origins. Therefore, Identical and Similar goods valuation methods as provided in sub-section (5) & (6) of Section 25 *ibid* were examined for applicability to determine custom values of the subject goods. The same provided some reference values but could not be exclusively and solely relied upon due to variation in data. In line with the statutory sequential order of Section 25, this office conducted market inquiries under Sub-Section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969, but could yield no results as prices varied significantly according to selling point in the market. Therefore, valuation method *vide* section 25(8) was examined for valuation but the same could not be applied due to non-availability of conversion and processing cost of exporting country. Finally, clearance data of similar/ identical goods, market information from surveys, online information as well as values from internationally acclaimed publications, periodicals, bulletins etc. as provided under section 25A *ibid* so gathered were utilized and analysed for determination of custom values of the subject goods under section 25(9) of the Customs Act, 1969.

6. **Customs values for High Tensile Nuts, Bolts & Washers *hereinafter specified*** shall be assessed to duty / taxes at the following minimum Customs Values:-

Sr. No.	Description of goods	PCT	Proposed PCT for WBOC	Customs Values (C&F) in US\$/Kg		
				China	Taiwan	Others
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1.	Galvanized high tensile nuts, bolts & washers ZX/LJ (Upto 10mm thickness)	7318.1510	7318.1510.1000	1.47	1.62	1.78
		7318.1610	7318.1610.1000			
2.	Galvanized high tensile nuts, bolts & washers ZX/LJ (Above 10mm thickness)	7318.1510	7318.1510.1100	1.37	1.51	1.66
		7318.1610	7318.1610.1100			
3.	Galvanized high tensile nuts, bolts & washers ZX/LJ (Above 20mm thickness)	7318.1510	7318.1510.1200	1.27	1.40	1.54
		7318.1610	7318.1610.1200			
4.	Non-Galvanized high tensile nuts, bolts & washers ZX/LJ (Upto 10mm thickness)	7318.1510	7318.1510.1300	1.19	1.31	1.44
		7318.1610	7318.1610.1300			
5.	Non-Galvanized high tensile nuts, bolts & washers ZX/LJ (Above 10mm thickness)	7318.1510	7318.1510.1300	1.12	1.23	1.35
		7318.1610	7318.1610.1300			
6.	Non-Galvanized high tensile nuts, bolts & washers ZX/LJ (Above 20mm thickness)	7318.1510	7318.1510.1300	1.05	1.15	1.26
		7318.1610	7318.1610.1300			



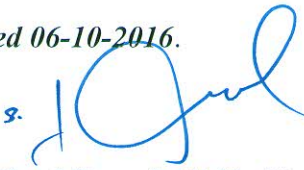
7. In cases where declared/ transaction values are higher than the Customs values determined in this Ruling, the assessing officers shall apply those values in terms of Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. In case of consignments imported by air, the assessing officer shall take into account the differential between air freight and sea freight while applying the Customs values determined in this Ruling.

8. **Validity of this Valuation Ruling:** The values determined vide this Ruling shall be the applicable Customs value for assessment of subject imported goods until and unless it is rescinded or revised by the competent authority in terms of Sub-Section (4) of Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969.

9. **Revision of the value determined with this Valuation Ruling:** A revision petition may be filed against this Ruling, as provided under Section 25-D of the Customs Act, 1969, within 30 days from the date of issuance of this ruling, before the Director General, Directorate General of Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.

10. The Collectors of Customs may kindly ensure that the values given in this Valuation Ruling for the given description of goods are applied by the concerned staff without fail. Any anomaly observed may kindly be brought to the notice of this Directorate General immediately. Customs values determined in the ruling are for the description and specification as mentioned in the tables above of this Ruling. HS Codes are mentioned for illustrative purposes so that valuation ruling values are made accessible to the assessing officers. The assessment shall be finalized on the basis of correct classification after fulfilling requisite formalities related to importability or any other certification required thereon. In addition to this, it is further necessary to verify that there is no mis-declaration of any sort or violation of Import Policy Order or Section 15 of the Customs Act, 1969 or any other law in vogue therein.

11. ***This ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No.949/2016 dated 06-10-2016.***

  
(Syed Fawad Ali Shah)  
Director

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- 4) The Chief Collector of Customs, South (Enforcement), Custom House, Karachi.
- 5) The Chief Collector of Customs (Central), Lahore.
- 6) The Chief Collector of Customs (North), Islamabad.
- 7) The Chief Collector of Customs, (Enforcement), Custom House, Quetta.
- 8) The Director General, Intelligence and Investigation-FBR, Islamabad.
- 9) The Director General, PCA& Internal Audit, Karachi.
- 10) The Director General, IOCO, Karachi
- 11) The Director General, Transit Trade, Custom House Karachi
- 12) The Directors, Intelligence & Investigation, Karachi / Lahore / Islamabad/ Quetta/ Peshawar/ Faisalabad.
- 13) The Director, Transit Trade, Custom House Karachi
- 14) The Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation, Lahore.

- 15) The Deputy Director (HQ), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in One Customs & WEBOC database system.
- 16) The Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
- 17) The Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Hyderabad, Quetta & Peshawar.
- 18) The Karachi Customs Agents Group, Bohri Road, Karachi.
- 19) The Webmaster, Federal Board of Revenue, Islamabad.
- 20) Guard File.