

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duties in the amounts shown for each company listed above on shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of these final results of this administrative review.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
- II. Background
- III. Scope of the *Order*
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- VIII. Discussion of the Issues
 - Comment 1: Whether the Duty Drawback Program Is Countervailable
 - Comment 2: Whether the Export Promotion of Capital Goods Scheme Is Countervailable
 - Comment 3: Whether the Interest Equalization Scheme Is Countervailable
 - Comment 4: Whether Commerce Correctly Found the Merchandise Export From India Scheme and the Status Holder Incentive Scheme To Be Countervailable
 - Comment 5: Whether Commerce Correctly Analyzed the Electricity Duty Exemption Under the State Government of Uttar Pradesh Investment Promotion Scheme/

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*

Economic Development (Economic Development Plan) for public comment.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by April 5, 2024 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may download the draft Overview of the NADP and the draft Economic Development Plan at <https://www.ars.usda.gov/sca/>.

Submitting Comments: Interested persons may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- **Electronic Submissions:** Submit electronic public comments to AquacultureEcoDev@usda.gov.

Mail: Gabriela McMurtry, Attn: Aquaculture Economic Development Plan Comments, Office of Policy, F/AQ, 1315 East-West Highway, 14th Floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Comments sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or received after the end of the comment period, may not be considered by the SCA. All comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be made available for public viewing upon request. Please note that personal identifying information (e.g., name, address, etc.), confidential business information, or other sensitive information submitted by the sender can be publicly accessible.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. national policy on aquaculture states that Congress declares that aquaculture has the potential for reducing the U.S. trade deficit in fisheries products, for augmenting existing commercial and recreational fisheries, and for producing other renewable resources, thereby assisting the United States in meeting its future food needs and contributing to the solution of the world resource problems. It is, therefore, in the national interest, and it is the national policy, to encourage the development of aquaculture in the United States. (National Aquaculture Act of 1980, (Pub. L. 96-362, 94 Stat. 1198, 16 U.S.C. 2801, *et seq.*)

The SCA, previously known as the Interagency Working Group on Aquaculture and the Joint Subcommittee on Aquaculture, is a statutory subcommittee that operates

under the Committee on Environment of the NSTC under the Office of Science and Technology Policy in the Executive Office of the President. It is co-chaired by the Department of Agriculture, Department of Commerce, Department of the Interior, and the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. Members include the Department of Agriculture, Department of Commerce, Army Corps of Engineers, Department of the Interior, Food and Drug Administration, Department of State, Environmental Protection Agency, and the Office of Management and Budget. The SCA serves as the Federal interagency coordinating group to increase the overall effectiveness and productivity of Federal aquaculture research, regulation, technology transfer, and assistance programs. This interagency coordinating group has been functioning since before the National Aquaculture Act was signed into law in 1980.

Originally published in 1983, NADP encouraged domestic aquaculture development. While the National Aquaculture Act called for periodic updating, a comprehensive update to the 1983 NADP has not yet been completed. Nearly four decades have passed since the NADP, and the original NADP does not capture the progress the Federal Government and the U.S. aquaculture community have made to adopt and promote sustainable aquaculture growth and uses nor guidance for next steps for the Federal Government in that evolution.

During the past several years, the SCA has invited public input and then published strategic plans covering scientific and technological advances and outlining efficiencies for the Federal regulatory framework for aquaculture in the United States. Using the same process of public engagement, the Economic Development Task Force of the SCA prepared the draft Economic Development Plan using input from industry and other stakeholders and in collaboration with relevant experts from numerous Federal agencies.

The draft Economic Development Plan outlines actions that Federal agencies can take within their existing statutory authorities and budgetary resources to support a robust, resilient, globally competitive, and environmentally sustainable domestic aquaculture sector. The Economic Development Plan is intended to support both the viability and expansion of existing operations and to encourage new entrants, addressing needs across the seafood supply chain and diverse production systems. The proposed actions serve as points of

intersection between climate-smart food production, private-public partnerships, blue economy, community resilience and health, workforce development, working waterfronts, urban and rural development, and seafood supply chains (both farmed and wild-caught). The Economic Development Plan complements two other finalized thematic strategic plans—the *Strategic Plan to Enhance Regulatory Efficiency in Aquaculture* and the *National Strategic Plan for Aquaculture Research*.

The Overview to the NADP serves as introduction and provides policy context to the three thematic strategic plans. Once finalized, together these four documents will comprise an updated NADP that provides a holistic framework describing how federal agencies are advancing the contributions of aquaculture to support public health and nutrition, resilient communities, a strong economy, and a healthy planet.

These draft plans are being issued under the following authorities: National Aquaculture Act of 1980 (Pub. L. 96-362, 94 Stat. 1198, 16 U.S.C. 2801, *et seq.*) and the National Aquaculture Improvement Act of 1985 (Pub. L. 99-198, 99 Stat. 1641).

Next Steps

The public is encouraged to review and comment on the draft Economic Development Plan and the draft Overview to the NADP. After the public comment period ends, the SCA will consider and address the comments received before publishing the final work plan.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: 11:30 a.m. EST, Wednesday, February 28, 2024.

PLACE: CFTC headquarters office, Washington, DC.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Matters relating to the selection of a candidate to serve as the Inspector General of the Commission. In the event that the time, date, or location of this meeting changes, an announcement of the change, along with the new time, date,