



BUDGET SNAPSHOT

2024-25

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INTRODUCTION

Union Budget 2024-25: A Comprehensive Overview

Historic Achievement and Vision for 'Viksit Bharat':

With the third consecutive victory of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Bharatiya Janata Party, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has made history by presenting the budget for the seventh consecutive time, surpassing Morarji Desai's record of six consecutive budgets. This budget, under the vision of 'Viksit Bharat,' envisions a developed India on the path of robust development and comprehensive prosperity. PM Modi's resolute efforts to rejuvenate the manufacturing sector in India have come to fruition with the presentation of Budget 2024.

Budget 2024: Strategic Priorities

The Union Budget 2024-25 aligns with the strategy outlined in the interim budget and envisages sustained efforts on the following nine priorities to generate ample opportunities across all sectors:

1. Productivity and Resilience in Agriculture
2. Employment and Skilling
3. Inclusive Human Resource Development and Social Justice
4. Manufacturing and Services
5. Urban Development
6. Energy Security
7. Infrastructure
8. Innovation, Research, and Development
9. Next-Generation Reforms

Economic Context and Growth Prospects

Despite global economic uncertainties, India's economic growth remains strong, with projections indicating continued momentum. The nation's inflation rate is low, steady, and gradually converging toward the desired 4 percent target. The current core inflation rate, which excludes food and fuel prices, stands at 3.1 percent. Measures are being implemented to ensure sufficient supply of perishable items to markets.

With real GDP increasing steadily from ₹125 lakh crore in 2020-21 to a projected ₹155 lakh crore in 2023-24, the budget aims to build on this positive trajectory. However, it also acknowledges the risks posed by escalating geopolitical conflicts and renewed inflationary pressures, which could disrupt supply chains and hinder economic stability over time.

Macroeconomic Fundamentals and Fiscal Strategy

India has managed its macroeconomic fundamentals better than most emerging economies, but the road ahead remains challenging. In its macro-fiscal strategy, the budget prioritizes farmers, the poor, women, and the youth, with a focus on employment, skilling, MSMEs, and the middle class. The fiscal deficit for the year is estimated at 4.9% of GDP, with the

Government of India aiming to reduce it below 4.5% of GDP by continuing sustained efforts to balance fiscal responsibility with economic growth.

Indirect Fiscal Laws and Policies:

Enhancing Global Supply Chain Participation

To attract global value chains to India, the finance minister has announced duty exemptions on 25 critical minerals. This initiative aims to bridge the gap in downstream manufacturing capabilities and support technological advancements, as these critical minerals are essential for sectors such as electric vehicles, green energy, and semiconductors.

Boosting Domestic Manufacturing

The Finance Minister's budget speech highlighted a three-fold increase in domestic production and a near hundred-fold increase in mobile phone exports over the past six years. The budget proposes reducing basic customs duties on mobile phones, mobile printed circuit board assemblies, and mobile chargers to 15 percent. Maintaining the momentum of domestic manufacturing, the budget aims to bring stability to fiscal policies, including incentives, attracting foreign direct investment, and fuelling exports.

Indirect Tax

1. **GST law:** The intended benefits of the GST regime include decreased tax incidence on the common man, reduced compliance burden and logistics costs for trade and industry, and enhanced revenues for the Central and State Governments. Though there have been umpteen number of teething issues plaguing the GST regime ever since it has been introduced, it is expected that in the times to come all these issues will be ironed out, once the appellate tribunal is up and running.
2. **Change in Customs Duties:**
 - Full exemption of Basic Customs Duty (BCD) on cancer drugs Trastuzumab, Deruxtecan, Osimertinib, and Durvalumab.
 - Reduction in BCD on X-ray tubes and flat panel detectors for medical X-ray machines.
 - Reduction in customs duties on gold, silver, and platinum.
 - Reduction in BCD on mobile phones, mobile PCBA, and mobile chargers to 15%.
 - Exemption of certain capital goods used in the manufacture of solar cells and panels.
 - Exemption of customs duty on inputs for shrimp and fish feed manufacture.
 - Reduction in BCD on methylene diphenyl diisocyanate (MDI) for spandex yarn manufacture.
 - Removal of BCD on oxygen-free copper for resistor manufacture and certain parts for connector manufacture.
 - Increase in BCD on PCBA for specified telecom equipment to 15%.

Direct Tax

1. **Simplified Tax Regime:**

Benefits with 58% of corporate tax revenue coming from the new regime and more than two-thirds of taxpayers availing the new personal income tax regime last fiscal year.

2. **Tax Exemptions and Reductions:**

- Merging of two tax exemption regimes for charities.
- Merging several 5% TDS payments into a 2% TDS rate.
- Withdrawal of the 20% TDS rate on repurchase of units by mutual funds or UTI.
- Reduction of TDS rate on e-commerce operators to 0.1%.
- Decriminalization of delays in TDS payment up to the due date of filing the statement.
- Reduction of corporate tax rate for foreign companies from 40% to 35%.
- Assessment reopening beyond three years only if escaped income is INR 50 lakh or more.
- LTCG on all financial and non-financial assets taxed at 12.5%.
- Introduction of Vivad Se Vishwas Scheme 2024 for resolving income tax disputes.
- Increase in monetary limits for filing appeals related to direct taxes.
- Abolishment of the angel tax for all investor classes.
- Increased deduction for NPS contributions by employers to 14% of salary.
- Increased standard deduction for salaried employees and enhanced deduction on family pension for pensioners.

Conclusion

The Union Budget 2024-25, presented on July 23, 2024, by the Hon'ble Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, outlines the Government of India's fiscal plans and economic policies for the financial year 2024-2025. It reflects the ongoing focus on addressing key structural economic challenges and fostering equitable growth, with a strategic emphasis on enhancing India's participation in global supply chains, boosting domestic manufacturing, and ensuring macroeconomic stability.

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX ('GST')

CENTRAL GOODS AND SERVICES TAX ACT, 2017

Amendments in the Central Goods & Services Tax Act, 2017 ("CGST Act") as per the Finance Bill, 2024

- ⇒ Section 9 is proposed to be amended to take Extra Neutral Alcohol used in manufacture of alcoholic liquor for human consumption out of purview of CGST Act. Similar amendments are also proposed in the Integrated Goods and Service Tax Act, 2017 ["**IGST Act**"] and the Union Territory Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 ["**UTGST Act**"] by way of respectively amending Section 5(1) and Section 7(1) thereof. **(Clause 110, 147 and 151)**
- ⇒ Section 11A is being inserted to empower the Government to regularize non-levy or short levy of central tax due to any general practice prevalent in trade. Similar power is being proposed in IGST Act, UTGST Act and GST (Compensation to States) Act, 2017. This is similar to the erstwhile Section 11C in the Central Excise Act, 1944 which empowered the Central Government to regularise such industry practices. **(Clause 112, 148, 152 and 153)**
- ⇒ Amendment is proposed in sub section (3) of Section 13 of CGST Act to specify the time of supply of services in cases where the invoice is required to be issued by the recipient of services in case of reverse charge supplies. **(Clause 113)**
- ⇒ The following amendments are proposed to be made retrospectively with effect from 01.07.2017:
 - Insertion of sub-section (5) under Section 16 is proposed to provide relaxation regarding the limitation period to avail ITC as stipulated under Section 16(4). With the said amendment, ITC pertaining to invoices or debit notes for supply of goods or services or both pertaining to FY 2017-18 to FY 2020-21 would be considered valid if availed in a return for tax period up to November 30, 2021. The limitation period for availment of ITC for relevant invoices or debit notes stands amended.
 - Insertion of sub-section (6) under Section 16 is proposed to allow the availment of ITC in respect of an invoice or debit note in a return filed for the period from the date of cancellation of registration or the effective date of cancellation of registration, as the case may be, till the date of order of revocation of cancellation of registration, filed within thirty days of the date of order of revocation of cancellation of registration. This is subject to the condition that the time-limit for availment of credit in respect of the said invoice or debit note should not have already expired under sub-section (4) of the said section on the date of order of cancellation of registration. There have been a number of cases, where the Department has cancelled registration on some ground or other, which cancellation was revoked based on a representation / appeal or in writ. This insertion is to save ITC for the assesses in such cases.

It has been clarified that the above amendments will not be applicable where the tax has already been paid or the ITC has already been reversed i.e. no refund of the same shall be admissible. **(Clause 114)**

- ⇒ Section 17(5)(i) restricts eligibility of ITC in respect to the tax paid under Section 74, Section 129 and Section 130. Under the proposed amendment to Section 17(5)(i) of the CGST Act, any tax paid under Section 74 is not a blocked credit and the recipient can avail the input tax credit for the Financial Year 2023-24. This is a bold step inasmuch as the assessee can now take ITC even in respect of cases where the GST has been eventually paid in cases involving fraud, misrepresentation etc. **(Clauses 115)**
- ⇒ The proposed amendment to Section 30(2), empowers the Central Government to prescribe conditions and restrictions for revocation of cancellation of registration by way of rules. **(Clause 117)**
- ⇒ Clause (f) of sub-section (3) of Section 31 of the CGST Act is proposed to be amended, so as to incorporate an enabling provision for prescribing the timelines for issuance of invoice by the recipient in case of supplies under reverse charge mechanism. Further, an explanation in sub-section (3) of the said section is also proposed to be inserted to provide that a supplier registered solely for the purposes of tax deduction at source under Section 51 of the CGST Act shall not be considered as a registered person for the purpose of Section 31(3)(f) of the CGST Act. **(Clause 118)**
- ⇒ Sub-section (3) of Section 39 of the CGST Act is being substituted, so as to mandate the electronic furnishing of return for each month by the registered person required to deduct tax at source, irrespective of whether or not any deductions have been made during the said month. In this regard, the amendment also empowers the Government to prescribe by rules, the form, manner and the time within which such return shall be filed. **(Clause 120)**
- ⇒ An amendment is proposed to Section 54, wherein second proviso to Section 54(3) has been omitted and Section 54(15) has now been proposed to be inserted to restrict refund of unutilised ITC or IGST in cases of zero-rated supply of goods where such goods are subjected to export duty. **(Clause 124)**
- ⇒ It is proposed to amend Section 70 (i.e., power of the proper officer to summon any person to give evidence or to produce documents or anything in any inquiry) of the CGST Act by inserting sub-section (1A) to state that the person summoned may appear either in person or through an authorized representative, as the proper officer may direct, in compliance with the summons. **(Clause 131)**
- ⇒ With the introduction of Section 74A (i.e., Common timeline introduced for Non-Fraud and Fraud Cases for Determination of tax not paid or short paid or erroneously refunded or input tax credit wrongly availed or utilised pertaining to Financial Year 2024-25 Onwards), the provisions of Section 73 and 74 shall cease to operate from the Financial Year 2024- 25 onwards. **(Clause 132 and 133)**

⇒ Section 74A is proposed to be inserted in the CGST Act (**Clause 134**):

- Provisions of Section 74A pertains to determination of tax not paid, short paid, erroneous refund, wrong availment of ITC or utilization by reason of fraud or otherwise. The said provision will be applicable for F.Y. 2024-25 onward replacing Sections 73 and 74.
- As per Section 74A a common time limit of 42 months is proposed for issuance of notice to demand tax. The said period of 42 months is to be considered from the due date of filing the annual return or date of erroneous refund.
- The time limit for passing of the order is proposed to be revised to 12 months from the date of issuance of demand notice. The said period may be extended by a further period of 6 months on obtaining authorization from Commissioner or any officer authorized by the Commissioner.
- In case the demand is on account of reason other than fraud, suppression or willful misstatement, the penalty is proposed to be INR 10,000 or 10% of tax dues whichever is higher.
- In case the demand is on account of fraud, suppression or wilfull misstatement, the penalty is proposed to be equivalent to the tax dues.
- That penalty payable at different stages of Adjudication has been explained below:

If Tax and Interest Paid:	Form Issued	Cases Other than Fraud / Suppression / Wilful Misstatement - PENALTY		Cases of Fraud / Suppression / Wilful Misstatement - PENALTY	
		Section 73 (Till 23-24)	Section 74A (From 24-25)	Section 74 (till 23-24)	Section 74A (From 24-25)
Voluntary Before SERVICE of SCN	DRC-01A (Intimation)	NIL	NIL	15%	15%
Within 30 / 60 days of ISSUING SCN	DRC-01 (SCN)	NIL Penalty, if Tax + Interest paid within 30 Days	NIL Penalty, if Tax + Interest paid within 60 Days	25% Penalty, if Tax + Interest paid within 30 Days of SCN	25% Penalty, if Tax + Interest paid within 60 Days of SCN
While Issuing Order, Officer will levy	DRC-07	10% of Tax OR 10000 Whichever is Higher	10% of Tax OR 10000 Whichever is Higher	100%	100%

If Paid within 30 / 60 days of communication of Order	10% of Tax OR 10000 Whichever is Higher	10% of Tax OR 10000 Whichever is Higher	50% Penalty, if Tax + Interest paid within 30 Days of Order	50% Penalty, if Tax + Interest paid within 60 Days of Order
If Paid After 30 / 60 days of communication of Order	10% of Tax OR 10000 Whichever is Higher	10% of Tax OR 10000 Whichever is Higher	100%	100%

- Further, Section 10 (5), Section 21, Section 35 (6), Section 49 (8), Section 50 (1), Section 51 (7), Section 61 (3), Section 62 (1), Section 63, Section 64 (2), Section 65 (7), Section 66 (6), Section 75, Section 104 (1), Section 107 (11), Section 127 of the CGST Act, 2017 are respectively being amended, so as to incorporate a reference to the proposed new Section 74A (Common timeline for Non-Fraud and Fraud Cases for Determination of tax not paid or short paid or erroneously refunded or input tax credit wrongly availed or utilised pertaining to Financial Year 2024-25 Onwards) in the said Sections. **(Clause 111, 116, 119, 121, 122, 123, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 135, 136, 137 and 141)**
- ⇒ Section 75 is proposed to be amended to give effect to newly introduced Section 74A for adjudication of cases from Financial Year 24-25 onwards. **(Clause 135)**
- ⇒ The maximum quantum of pre-deposit for first appeal has been proposed to be reduced from 25 Crore to 20 Crore. **(Clause 137)**
- ⇒ Section 109 of the CGST Act is proposed to be amended in order to empower the Government to notify types of cases including Anti-profiteering cases, that shall be heard only by the Principal Bench of the Appellate Tribunal. **(Clause 138)**
- ⇒ That the proposal to amend Section 112 is in line with the recommendations of the 53rd GST Council meeting wherein timelines for filing appeal before GSTAT was extended and the quantum of pre deposit for appeal before the GSTAT was reduced from the existing 20% to 10% of the tax in dispute, with the maximum amount payable as pre-deposit being reduced from INR 50 crores to INR 20 crores of CGST. Further, by amending Section 112 (6) of the CGST Act, the Appellate Tribunal has been enabled to admit appeals filed by the department within three months after the expiry of the specified time limit of six months. The provision relating to time limit for filing appeal before GSTAT is being proposed to be made effective from 01.08.2024. **(Clause 139)**
- ⇒ Section 128A in the CGST Act is proposed to be inserted, to provide for a conditional waiver of interest and penalty in respect of demand notices issued under Section 73 for the Financial Years 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20, except the demand notices in respect of erroneous refund. However, no refund shall be admissible in case where

such demand of interest and penalty is already paid in respect of such Financial Years. **(Clause 142)**

- ⇒ Section 140(7) of the CGST Act is proposed to be amended in order to enable availment of the transitional credit of eligible CENVAT credit on account of input services received by an Input Services Distributor prior to 01.07.2017, for which invoices were also received prior to the 01.07.2017. The said amendment is made effective from 01.07.2017. **(Clause 143)**
- ⇒ Section 171(2) of the CGST Act is proposed to be amended to empower the Government to issue Notification, based on the recommendations of the GST Council, to specify the date from which the Anti-Profitteering Authority will stop accepting new applications for compliance examination under the said Section. **(Clause 144)**
- ⇒ Schedule III of the CGST Act is proposed to be amended and new paragraphs viz paragraph 9 and 10 will be inserted in respect of insurance activities which will be not treated as supply **(Clause 145):**

“(9) Activity of apportionment of co-insurance premium by the lead insurer to the co-insurer for the insurance services jointly supplied by the lead insurer and the co-insurer to the insured in coinsurance agreements, subject to the condition that the lead insurer pays the central tax, the State tax, the Union territory tax and the integrated tax on the entire amount of premium paid by the insured.

10. Services by insurer to the reinsurer for which ceding commission or the reinsurance commission is deducted from reinsurance premium paid by the insurer to the reinsurer, subject to the condition that the central tax, the State tax, the Union territory tax and the integrated tax is paid by the reinsurer on the gross reinsurance premium payable by the insurer to the reinsurer, inclusive of the said ceding commission or the reinsurance commission.”

- ⇒ It is proposed that no refund shall be made of all the tax paid or the ITC reversed, which would not have been so paid, or not reversed had Section 114 been in force at all material times, meaning thereby that relaxation of time limit given for availing ITC the amended under Section 114 would not lead to any refunds. **(Clause 146)**

INTEGRATED GOODS AND SERVICES TAX ACT, 2017

Amendments in the IGST Act as per the Finance Bill, 2024

- ⇒ Section 16(4) is being amended so as to provide for notification of:
 - (i) class of persons who may make zero rated supplies of goods or services or both; or
 - (ii) class of goods or services which may be exported on payment of integrated tax and the supplier of such goods or services may claim the refund of tax so paid.

Further, Section 16(5) is proposed to be inserted, to state that no refund of unutilized input tax credit or of integrated tax paid on account of zero-rated supply of goods shall be allowed, where such zero-rated supply of goods is subjected to export duty. **(Clause 149)**

- ⇒ Section 20 in the IGST Act is being amended, so as to reduce the maximum amount of pre-deposit payable for filing appeal before appellate authority from rupees fifty crores to rupees forty crores of integrated tax. Further, it is also proposed to reduce the maximum amount payable as pre-deposit for filing appeal before the Appellate Tribunal from Rs. 100 Crores to Rs. 40 Crores of integrated tax. **(Clause 150)**

CUSTOMS

AMENDMENTS IN THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1962 (“CUSTOMS ACT”)

- ⇒ Section 28 DA [i.e., Procedure regarding claim of preferential rate of duty] is proposed to be amended in order to enable the acceptance of different types of proof of origin provided in trade agreements in order to align the said section with new trade agreements, which provide for self-certification. **(Clause 100)**
- ⇒ A new proviso is proposed to be inserted under Section 65, whereby the Central Government may notify certain class of goods for which manufacturing or other operations will not be permitted under the Manufacturing and Other Operations in a Warehouse (MOOWR) scheme. **(Clause 101)**
- ⇒ Section 143AA of the Customs Act which empowers the CBIC to simplify or provide different procedure etc., to facilitate trade is being amended by substituting the expression “a class of importers or exporters” with “a class of importers or exporters or any other persons” for the purpose of further facilitating trade. **(Clause 102)**
- ⇒ The words ‘or any other persons’ has been inserted in clause (m) of sub-section (2) of Section 157 in order to enable the Board to make regulations on the measures and separate procedure or documentation for other persons apart from importers or exporters. **(Clause 103)**
- ⇒ Retrospective amendment has been proposed in Notification No. 27/2024-Customs dated 12.07.2024 with effective from 01.07.2017, which exempts all goods imported by a unit or developer in an SEZ for authorized operations from the GST Compensation Cess under Section 3(9) of the Customs Tariff Act. **(Clause 104)**
- ⇒ Retrospective amendment has been proposed in Notification No. 37/2023- Customs dated May 10, 2023, to validate exemptions from Basic Customs Duty (BCD) and Agricultural Infrastructure and Development Cess (AIDC) on imports of crude soybean oil and crude sunflower seed oil for the period from April 1, 2023, up to and including May 10, 2023. This amendment applies, subject to the availability of unutilized quota in the TRQ authorization for FY 2022-23 allotted by DGFT and a Bill of Lading issued on or before March 31, 2023. **(Clause 105)**

AMENDMENTS IN CUSTOMS TARIFF ACT, 1975 (“CUSTOMS TARIFF ACT”)

- ⇒ Section 6 of the Customs Tariff Act, which empowers the Central Government to levy “protective duties” for protection of interests of Indian industry on a recommendation by the Tariff Commission, is proposed to be omitted, as the Tariff Commission has been wound up by way of a resolution dated 1st June 2022. **(Clause 106)**
- ⇒ Amendments to Customs Tariff is as per **Annexure- A** to this publication.

AMENDMENTS IN CUSTOMS RULES

The Customs Tariff (Identification, Assessment and Collection of Countervailing Duty on Subsidized Articles and for Determination of Injury) Rules, 1995 have been amended to insert a provision for New Shipper Review. This will be effective from 24.7.2024.

EXCISE

AMENDMENTS TO CENTRAL EXCISE ACT, 1944

- ⇒ Notification No. 12/2012-Central Excise dated 17.03.2012 is proposed to be amended retrospectively, with effect from 29.06.2017 in order to extend the time period for submission of the final Mega Power Project certificate from 120 months to 156 months. **(Clause 108)**
- ⇒ Notification No. 12/2017-Central Excise dated 30.06.2017 is proposed to be amended, with effect from 30.06.2017 in order to provide retrospective exemption of Clean Environment Cess, levied and collected as a duty of excise, on excisable goods lying in stock as on 30.06.2017. This amendment is subject to the payment of appropriate GST Compensation Cess on supply of such goods on or after 01.07.2017. **(Clause 109)**
- ⇒ That as per the Budget speech, the existing threshold of monetary limits for filing appeals by the Department in relation to Excise and Service Tax laws has been proposed to be revised as under:

S.No.	Particulars	Existing Monetary Limit (in INR)	Proposed Monetary Limit (in INR)
1	Before the CESTAT	50 lakhs	60 lakhs
2	Before the High Court	1 Crore	2 Crore
3	Before the Supreme Court	2 Crore	5 Crores

Annexure- A

CHANGES IN TARIFF RATES

A			Rate of Duty		
Increase in Tariff (to be effective from 24.07.2024) * [Clause [107(a)] of the Finance (No. 2) Bill, 2024] read with Third Schedule.					
S. No.	Heading, Subheading, Tariff item	Commodity	From		To
Plastics					
1	3920, 3921	Poly vinyl chloride (PVC) flex films (also known as PVC flex banners or PVC flex sheets)	10%	↑	25%
Consumer goods					
2	6601 10 00	Garden umbrellas	20%	↑	20% or Rs. 60 per piece, whichever is higher
Chemicals					
3	9802 00 00	Laboratory chemicals	10%	↑	150%

B			Rate of Duty		
Tariff rate changes (without change in effective rate of duty) to be effective from 01.10.2024 [Clause [107(b)] of the Finance (No. 2) Bill, 2024]					
S. No.	Heading, Subheading, Tariff item	Commodity	From		To
1	2008 19 20	Other roasted nuts and seeds, including such arecanuts	30%	↑	150%
2	2008 19 30	Other nuts, otherwise prepared or preserved, including such arecanuts	30%	↑	150%

C	Amendment in tariff entries	Clause of the Finance (No. 2) Bill, 2024
1	The First Schedule to the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 is also being amended to modify the tariff entries with effect from 1st October, 2024	Refer Annexure- B to this publication in relation to Clause 107(b) read with Fourth Schedule of Finance Bill, 2024

OTHER PROPOSALS INVOLVING CHANGES IN BASIC CUSTOMS DUTY RATES IN NOTIFICATIONS:

A.	Changes in Basic Customs Duty (to be effective from 24.07.2024)		Rates of Duty		
S. No.	Chapter, Heading, Sub-heading, tariff item	Commodity	From		To
I.	Agricultural Products				
1.	1207 99 90	Shea nuts	30%	↓	15%
II.	Aquafarming & Marine Exports				
1.	0306 36	Live SPF Vannamei shrimp (<i>Litopenaeus vannamei</i>) broodstock	10%	↓	5%
2.	0306 36	Live Black tiger shrimp (<i>Penaeus monodon</i>) broodstock	10%	↓	5%
3.	0306 36 60	Artemia	5%	↓	Nil
4.	0511 91 40	Artemia cysts	5%	↓	Nil
5.	0308 90 00	SPF Polychaete worms	30%	↓	5%
6.	1504 20	Fish lipid oil for use in manufacture of aquatic feed	15%	↓	Nil
7.	1504 20	Crude fish oil for use in manufacture of aquatic feed	30%	↓	Nil
8.	1518	Algal Oil for use in manufacture of aquatic feed	15%	↓	Nil
9.	2102 20 00	Algal Prime (flour) for use in manufacture of aquatic feed	15%	↓	Nil

10.	2309 90 90	Mineral and Vitamin Premixes for use in manufacture of aquatic feed	5%	↓	Nil
11.	2301 10 90	Insect meal for use in Research & Development purposes in aquatic feed manufacturing	15%	↓	5%
12.	2309 90 90	Single Cell Protein from Natural Gas for use in Research & Development purposes in aquatic feed manufacturing	15%	↓	5%
13.	2301 20	Krill Meal for use in manufacture of aquatic feed	5%	↓	Nil
14.	1901	Pre-dust breaded powder for use in processing of sea-food	30%	↓	Nil
15.	2309 90 31	Prawn and shrimps feed	15%	↓	5%
16.	2309 90 39	Fish feed	15%	↓	5%
III.	Critical Minerals				
1.	2504	Natural Graphite	5%	↓	2.5%
2.	2505	Natural sands of all kinds, whether or not coloured, other than metal bearing sands of chapter 26 of The Customs tariff Act, 1975	5%	↓	Nil
3.	2506	Quartz (other than natural sands); quartzite, whether or not roughly trimmed or merely cut, by sawing or otherwise, into blocks or slabs of a rectangular (including square) shape	5%	↓	2.5%
4.	2530 90 91	Strontium sulphate (natural ore)	5%	↓	Nil
5.	2603 00 00	Copper ores and concentrates	2.5%	↓	Nil
6.	2605 00 00	Cobalt ores and concentrates	2.5%	↓	Nil
7.	2609 00 00	Tin ores and Concentrates	2.5%	↓	Nil
8.	2611 00 00	Tungsten Ores and Concentrates	2.5%	↓	Nil
9.	2613	Molybdenum ores and	2.5%	↓	Nil

		concentrates			
10.	2615 10 00	Zirconium ores and concentrates	2.5%	↓	Nil
11.	2615 90	Hafnium Ores and concentrates	2.5%	↓	Nil
12.	2615 90 10	Vanadium ores and concentrates	2.5%	↓	Nil
13.	2615 90 20	Niobium or tantalum ores and concentrates	2.5%	↓	Nil
14.	2617	Antimony Ores and Concentrates	2.5%	↓	Nil
15.	2804 50 20	Tellurium	5%	↓	Nil
16.	2804 61 00	Silicon, containing by weight not less than 99.99% of silicon	5%	↓	Nil
17.	2804 69 00	Other silicon	5%	↓	Nil
18.	2804 90 00	Selenium	5%	↓	Nil
19.	2805 30 00	Alkali or alkaline earth metals, Rare-earth metals, scandium and yttrium, whether or not intermixed or inter alloyed	5%	↓	Nil
20.	2811 22 00	Silicon dioxide	7.5%	↓	2.5%
21.	2815 20 00	Potassium hydroxide	7.5%	↓	Nil
22.	2816 40 00	Oxides, hydroxides and peroxides, of strontium or barium	7.5%	↓	Nil
23.	2822 00 10	Cobalt oxides	7.5%	↓	Nil
24.	2822 00 20	Cobalt hydroxides	7.5%	↓	Nil
25.	2822 00 30	Commercial cobalt oxides	7.5%	↓	Nil
26.	2825 20 00	Lithium oxide and hydroxide	7.5%	↓	Nil
27.	2825 30	Vanadium oxides and hydroxides	2.5%/7.5%	↓	Nil
28.	2825 60 10	Germanium oxides	7.5%	↓	Nil
29.	2825 70	Molybdenum oxides and hydroxides	7.5%	↓	Nil

30.	2825 80 00	Antimony oxides	7.5%	↓	Nil
31.	2825 90 20	Cadmium oxides	7.5%	↓	Nil
32.	2827 35 00	Chlorides of Nickel	7.5%	↓	Nil
33.	2827 39 30	Strontium chloride	7.5%	↓	Nil
34.	2833 24 00	Sulphates of Nickel	7.5%	↓	Nil
35.	2834 21 00	Nitrates of potassium	7.5%	↓	Nil
36.	2836 91 00	Lithium carbonates	7.5%	↓	Nil
37.	2836 92 00	Strontium carbonates	7.5%	↓	Nil
38.	2841 90 00	Salts of oxometallic or peroxometallic acids of Beryllium and Rhenium	7.5%	↓	Nil
39.	2846	Compounds, inorganic or organic of rare earth metals	7.5%	↓	Nil
40.	2918 15 30	Bismuth citrate	7.5%	↓	Nil
41.	3801	Artificial Graphite, colloidal or semi-colloidal graphite, preparations based on graphite or other carbon in form of pastes, blocks, plates or other semi-manufactures	7.5%	↓	2.5%
42.	8001	Unwrought Tin	5%	↓	Nil
43.	8101 94 00	Unwrought tungsten, including bars and rods obtained simply by sintering	5%	↓	Nil
44.	8102 94 00	Unwrought molybdenum, including bars and rods obtained simply by sintering	5%	↓	Nil
45.	8103 20	Unwrought tantalum, including bars and rods obtained simply by sintering, powders	5%	↓	Nil
46.	8105 20 20	Cobalt, unwrought	5%	↓	Nil
47.	8106 10 10	Bismuth, unwrought	2.5%	↓	Nil
48.	8109 21 00	Unwrought zirconium, powders, Containing less than 1 part hafnium to 500 parts zirconium by weight	10%	↓	Nil

49.	8110 10 00	Unwrought antimony, powders	2.5%	↓	Nil
50.	8112 12 00	Beryllium unwrought, powders	5%	↓	Nil
51.	8112 31	Hafnium unwrought, waste and scrap, powders	10%	↓	Nil
52.	8112 41 10	Rhenium unwrought	10%	↓	Nil
53.	8112 69 10	Cadmium unwrought, powders	5%	↓	Nil
54.	8112 69 20	Cadmium, wrought	5%	↓	Nil
55.	8112 92 00	Unwrought; waste and scrap; powder of, - (i) Gallium (ii) Germanium (iii) Indium (iv) Niobium (v) Vanadium	5%	↓	Nil
IV.	Steel Sector				
1.	7202 60 00	Ferro Nickel	2.5%	↓	Nil
2.	7204	Ferrous Scrap	Nil (till 30.09.20 24)	-	Nil (till 31.03.20 26)
3.	7225	Certain specified raw materials for manufacture of CRGO steel	Nil (till 30.09.2 024)	-	Nil (till 31.03.2026)
V.	Copper				
1.	7402 00 10	Blister Copper	5%	↓	Nil
VI.	Chemicals and Plastics				
1.	3102 30 00	Ammonium Nitrate, whether or not in aqueous solution	7.5%	↑	10%
2.	3920 (other than 3920 99 99) or 3921	All goods other than Poly vinyl chloride (PVC) flex films/flex banner	25% (with effect from	↓	10%

			24.07.2024)		
3.	3920 99 99	All goods other than Poly vinyl chloride (PVC) flex films/flex banner	25% (with effect from 24.07.2024)	↓	15%
VII.	Textile and Leather Sector				
1.	2929 10 90	Methylene Diphenyl Di-isocyanate (MDI) for use in the manufacture of Spandex Yarn	7.5%	↓	5% Subject to IGCR conditions
2.	41	Wet white, Crust and finished leather for manufacture of textile or leather garments, leather/synthetic footwear or other leather products, for export	10%	↓	Nil (Items under Sl. No. 257B and 257C of Notification 50/2017-Customs, dated 30.06.2017)
3.	38,48 or any other Chapter	Certain additional accessories and embellishments for manufacture of textile or leather garments, leather/synthetic footwear or other leather products, for export	As applicable	↓	Nil (Items under Sl. No. 257B and 257C Notification on 50/2017-Customs, dated 30.06.2017)
4.	0505 10	Real Down Filling Material from Duck or Goose for use in the manufacture of textile or leather garments for export	30%	↓	10%
VIII.	Cancer Drugs				
1.	30	(i) Trastuzumab Deruxtecán, (ii) Osimertinib, (iii) Durvalumab	10%	↓	Nil

IX. Precious Metals					
1.	7108	Gold bar	15%	↓	6%
2.	7108	Gold dore	14.35%	↓	5.35%
3.	7106	Silver bar	15%	↓	6%
4.	7106	Silver dore	14.35%	↓	5.35%
5.	7110	Platinum, Palladium, Osmium, Ruthenium, Iridium	15.4%	↓	6.4%
6.	7118	Coins of precious metals	15%	↓	6%
7.	7113	Gold/Silver findings	15%	↓	6%
8.	71	Platinum and Palladium used in the manufacture of noble metal solutions, noble metal compounds and catalytic convertors	7.5%	↓	5%
9.	84	Bushings made of platinum and rhodium alloy when imported in exchange of worn out or damaged bushings exported out of India	7.5%	↓	5%
X. Medical Equipment					
1.	39	All types of polyethylene for use in manufacture of orthopaedic implants falling under sub-heading 9021 10	As applicable	↓	Nil
2.	39, 72, 81	Special grade stainless steel, Titanium alloys, Cobalt-chrome alloys, and All types of polyethylene for use in manufacture of other artificial parts of the body falling under sub-heading 9021 31 or 9021 39	As applicable	↓	Nil
3.	9022 30 00	X-ray tubes for use in manufacture of X-ray machines for medical, surgical, dental or veterinary use	15%	↓	5% (till 31st March 2025)

					7.5% (w.e.f. 1st April, 2025 to 31st March, 2026)
					10% (w.e.f. 1st April, 2026)
4.	9022 90 90	Flat panel detectors (including scintillators) for use in manufacture of X-ray machines for medical, surgical, dental or veterinary use	15%	↓	5% (till 31 st March 2025)
					7.5% (w.e.f. 1st April, 2025 to 31 st March, 2026)
					10% (w.e.f. 1st April, 2026)
XI.	IT and Electronics Sector				
1.	8517 13 00, 8517 14 00	Cellular mobile phone	20%	↓	15%
2.	8504 40	Charger/Adapter of cellular mobile phone	20%	↓	15%
3.	8517 79 10	Printed Circuit Board Assembly (PCBA) of cellular mobile phone	20%	↓	15%
4.	28, 29, 38	Specified parts for use in manufacture of connectors	5%/7.5%	↓	Nil
5.	74	Oxygen Free Copper for use in manufacture of Resistors	5%	↓	Nil

6.	40	Specified die-cut parts for use in manufacture of cellular mobile phones	As applicable	↓	Nil
7.	40, 70, 76	Specified mechanics for use in manufacture of cellular mobile phones	As applicable	↓	Nil
8.	8517 79 10	Printed Circuit Board Assembly (PCBA) of specified telecom equipment	10%	↑	15%
XII.	Renewable Energy Sector				
1.	84, 85, or any other chapter	Specified capital goods for use in manufacture of solar cells or solar modules, and parts for manufacture of such capital goods	7.5%	↓	Nil
2.	7007	Solar glass for manufacture of solar cells or solar modules	Nil	↑	10% (w.e.f. 1.10.2024)
3.	74	Tinned copper interconnect for manufacture of solar cells or solar modules	Nil	↑	5% (w.e.f. 1.10.2024)
XIII.	Shipping				
1.	Any Chapter	Components and consumables for use in manufacture of specified vessels	As applicable	↓	Nil
2.	Any Chapter	Technical documentation and spare parts for construction of warships	As applicable	↓	Nil
XIV.	Capital goods				
1.	Any Chapter	Goods under S. No. 404 of Notification No. 50/2017 Customs, used for petroleum exploration operations	As applicable	↓	Nil
B.	Changes in Export Duty (To be effective from 24.7.2024)		Rate of Duty		
	Effective export duty on raw skins, hides & leather is being simplified and rationalized. The changes are as follows -				

S. No.	Chapter or Heading	Commodity	From		To
1.	4101 to 4103	Raw Hides & skins, all sorts (other than buffalo)	40%	-	40%
2.	4101	Raw Hides & skins of buffalo	30%	-	30%
3.	4104 to 4106	Tanned or crust hides of skins, whether or not split, but not further prepared	40	↓	20%
4.	4104 to 4106	E.I. tanned leather	Nil	-	Nil
5.	41	Finished leather as defined by DGFT finished leather norms	Nil	-	Nil
6.	4301	Raw fur skins	60%/10%	↓	40%
7.	4302	Tanned or dressed furskin	60%	↓	20%

REVIEW OF CUSTOMS DUTY EXEMPTIONS:

A. Review of conditional exemption rates of BCD prescribed in Notification no. 50/2017-Customs dated 30.6.2017:

- (i) The BCD exemption for the goods covered under following serial numbers of the notification are being extended upto 31st March, 2026 unless specified otherwise.

S.No.	S. No. of Notification No. 50/2017-Customs	Brief Description
1.	17	Specified Planting materials, namely, oilseeds, seeds of vegetables, tubers, etc.
2.	BOA	Algal oil for manufacturing of aquatic feed
3.	90	Lactose for use in manufacture of homeopathic medicines
4.	104	Specified goods used in processing of sea-food
5.	133	Gold ores and concentrates
6.	139	Bunker Fuels namely: (i). IFO 180 CST; (ii). IFO 380 CST; (iii). VLSFO (CTH 27)
7.	150	Naphtha for manufacture of Fertilisers (<i>scope of exemption is being reduced only to Naphtha</i>)
8.	155	Liquefied petroleum gases (LPG) received from unit in SEZ and returned by the OTA unit to the SEZ unit
9.	164	Electrical energy supplied from SEZ unit to OTA
10.	165	Electrical energy supplied from SEZ to OTA
11.	172	Specified goods used in manufacture of silicon wafers or solar wafers, for manufacture of solar cell or module
12.	183	Medical use fission Molybdenum-99 (Mo-99) for use in manufacture of radio pharmaceuticals

13.	184	Pharmaceutical Reference Standard
14.	188	Goods for manufacture of ELISA Kits
15.	191	Maltol for manufacture of deferiprone
16.	204	Anthraquinone or 2-Ethyl Anthraquinone for use in manufacture of Hydrogen peroxide
17.	237	Specified material for manufacture of EVA (Ethylene Vinyl Acetate) sheets or backsheet, which are used in the manufacture of solar photovoltaic cells or modules (Scope of materials which can be imported is being increased)
18.	253	Specified Goods for manufacture of Brushless Direct Current (BLOC) motors
19.	257	Tags, labels, stickers, belts, buttons, hangers or printed bags, imported by bonafide exporters
20.	257A	Specified goods used in manufacture of handicraft items for export when imported by bonafide exporter
21.	257B	Specified goods used in manufacture of textile or leather garments for export when imported by bonafide exporter
22.	257C	Specified goods used in manufacture of leather or synthetic footwear or other leather products for export when imported by bonafide exporter
23.	258	Security fibre, threads, Paper based Taggant, M-feature for use in manufacture of security paper by Security Paper Mill, Hoshangabad and Bank Note Paper Mill India Pvt Ltd, Mysore.
24.	259	Raw materials for manufacture of security fibre and security thread for supply to Security Paper Mill, Hoshangabad and Bank Note Paper Mill India Pvt. Ltd, Mysore for use in manufacture of security paper
25.	260	Goods for the manufacture of specified orthopedic implants (902110)
26.	261	Raw material for manufacture of Copper-T Contraceptive (i) Alatheon (ii) Copper Wire
27.	265	Capacitor grades polypropylene granules for manufacture of Capacitor grade plastic
28.	269	Super absorbent polymer for manufacture of adult diapers and specified goods
29.	271	Polytetramethylene ether glycol, (PT MEG) for use in manufacture of spandex yarn
30.	276	Ethylene- propylene- non-conjugated diene rubber (EPDM) for manufacture of insulated wire and cables
31.	279	New or retreated Pneumatic tyres of rubber for use in servicing, repair of maintenance of aircrafts used for operating scheduled air transport service or scheduled air cargo service etc
32.	280	New or retreated Pneumatic tyres of rubber for use in servicing, repair or maintenance of aircraft imported or procured by Aero Club of India/ for flying training purpose/ operating non-scheduled (passenger or charter) services/ AAI for flight calibration purpose

33.	290	Wood pulp for manufacture of newsprint, paper or paperboard
34.	292	Goods imported for manufacture of paper, paper boards, newsprint
35.	293A	Newsprint and uncoated paper imported for printing of newsprint
36.	296A	Lightweight coated paper imported by actual users for printing of magazines
37.	326	Hydrophilic /Hydrophobic Non- Woven, imported for use in the manufacture of Adult Diapers
38.	329	Pile fabrics for the manufacture of toys
39.	333	Moulds, tools and dies, for the manufacture of parts of electronic components or electronic equipment
40.	334	(i) Graphite Felt or Graphite pack for growing silicon ingots (ii)Thin Steel wire used in wire saw for slicing of silicon wafers
41.	345A	Simply Sawn Diamonds
42.	364A	Spent catalyst or ash containing precious metals
43.	368	Ferrous Scrap
44.	374	Magnesium Oxide (MgO) coated cold rolled steel coils for use in manufacture of cold rolled grain oriented (CRGO) steel
45.	375	Specified items for manufacture of cold rolled grain- oriented steel (CRGO) steel
46.	378	Metal parts for manufacture of electrical insulators falling under heading 8546
47.	379	Pipes and tubes for use in manufacture of boilers
48.	380	Forged steel rings for manufacture of special bearings for use in wind operated electricity generators
49.	381	Flat copper wire for use in the manufacture of photo voltaic ribbon for manufacture of solar photovoltaic cell or modules
50.	392	Dies for drawing metal, where imported after repairs from abroad
51.	403	Parts and raw materials for offshore oil exploration
52.	404	Specified items including capital goods and raw materials for off shore oil exploration
53.	415	Parts for manufacture of catalytic convertors
54.	415A	Platinum or Palladium for manufacture of Noble Metal Compounds & Noble Metal Solutions
55.	416	Ceria zirconia compounds for use in the manufacture of washcoat for catalytic converters
56.	417	Cerium compounds for use in the manufacture of washcoat for catalytic converters
57.	418	Zeolite for use in the manufacture of wash coat for catalytic converters
58.	422	Machinery, electrical equipment for use in semiconductor wafer and LCD
59.	423	Machinery, electrical equipment for use in marking and packaging of semiconductor chips
60.	426	Specified goods for the manufacture of semiconductor devices, memory card, IC, solar cell

61.	435	Capital goods for printing industry
62.	442	Bushings made of Platinum and Rhodium alloy when imported in exchange of worn out or damaged bushings exported out of India
63.	446	Parts and components for manufacture of tunnel boring machines
64.	451	Evacuated tubes with three layers of solar selective coating for use in manufacture of solar water heater
65.	462	Ball screws for use in the manufacture of CNC Lathes
66.	463	Linear Motion Guides for use in the manufacture of CNC Lathes
67.	464	CNC Systems for use in the manufacture of CNC Lathes
68.	464A	Goods for manufacture of plastic processing machineries
69.	467	Parts and components of cash dispenser or automatic bank note dispenser
70.	468	Parts for manufacture of Micro ATM, Fingerprint reader/ scanner, Iris scanner, Miniaturised POS (<i>Scope of exemption is being limited to import of raw materials only</i>)
71.	471	All parts for use in the manufacture of LED lights
72.	472	All inputs for use in the manufacture of LED driver or MCPCB for LED lights
73.	476	Television equipment, cameras etc for taking films, imported by a foreign film unit or television team
74.	477	Filming equipment of foreign origin if imported into India after having been exported therefrom.
75.	480	Goods imported for being tested in specified test centers
76.	4898	Goods for manufacturing of Microphones
77.	504	Parts and Components of Digital Still Image Video Cameras
78.	509	Parts, components and accessories for manufacture of Digital Video Recorder
79.	510	Parts, components and accessories for use in manufacture of reception apparatus for television
80.	511	Parts, components and accessories for manufacture of CCTV Camera
81.	512	Specified Parts, components and for use in manufacture of Lithium-ion battery and battery pack
82.	512A	Inputs, parts or sub-parts for use in the manufacturing of Printed Circuit Board Assembly
83.	515A	Open Cell for manufacture of TV Panel
84.	516	The following goods for use in the manufacture of Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) /LED TV Panel

85.	517	Magnetrons for manufacture of domestic microwave ovens
86.	519	Raw materials or parts for use in manufacture of e- Readers
87.	523A	Parts, sub-parts, inputs or raw material for use in manufacture of Lithium-ion cells
88.	527	Lithium-ion cell use in manufacture of battery or battery pack
89.	527A	Lithium-Ion Cell for use in manufacture of battery or battery pack of cellular mobile
90.	5278	Lithium-Ion Cell manufacture of battery or battery pack of EV
91.	534	Parts of gliders or simulators of aircrafts (excluding rubber tyres and tubes of gliders)
92.	535	Raw materials for manufacture of aircraft and parts of aircraft
93.	535A	Parts of aircraft for manufacture of aircraft or for manufacture of parts of aircraft by PSU under Min of Defence
94.	536	Parts, testing equipment, tools and tool-kits for maintenance, repair, and overhauling of aircraft, components or parts of aircrafts
95.	537	All goods of Heading 8802 (except 88026000-spacecraft)
96.	538	Components or parts, including engines, of aircraft of heading 8802
97.	539	(a) Satellites and payloads; (b) Ground equipment brought for testing of (a)
98.	539A	Scientific and technical instruments etc for launch vehicles and satellites
99.	540	Specified goods imported by scheduled air transporter
100.	542	Specified goods imported by Aero Club, Flying Training Institutes
101.	543	Specified goods imported by non-scheduled air transporter
102.	544	Parts (other than rubber tubes), of aircraft of heading 8802
103.	546	Parts (other than rubber tubes), of aircraft of heading 8802
104.	548	Barges or pontoons imported along with ships
105.	551	Cruise ships, Excursion ships
106.	553	Fishing vessels, Tugs and Pusher crafts, light vessels excluding vessels and floating structure imported for break up

107.	555	Vessels like warships, lifeboats excluding vessels and floating structure imported for break up
108.	567	Stainless steel tube and wire, for manufacture of Coronary stents /artificial valve
109.	569	Parts required for manufacture of Ostomy products
110.	570	Medical and surgical instruments, apparatus and appliances including spare parts and accessories thereof
111.	575	Specified Hospital Equipment for use in specified hospitals
112.	578A	Raw materials, for the manufacture of Cochlear Implants
113.	580	X-Ray Baggage Inspection Systems and parts thereof
114.	581	Portable X-ray machine /system
115.	583	Parts and cases of braille watches, for the manufacture of Braille watches
116.	591	Parts of electronic toys
117.	593	Parts of video games for the manufacture of video games

- (ii) The BCD exemption for the goods covered under following serial numbers of the notification no 50/2017-Customs is being extended upto 31st March 2029.

S.No.	S.No. of Notification No. 50/2017-Customs	Brief Description
1.	212A	Medicines/drugs/vaccines supplied Nations International Children's (UNICEF), Red Cross etc
2.	213	Drugs and materials
3.	428	Specified goods imported by accredited press cameraman
4.	429	Specified goods, imported by accredited journalist
5.	549	Capital goods, raw materials and spares for repairs of ocean-going vessels
6.	550	Spare parts and consumables for repairs of ocean going vessels registered in India.
7.	577	Lifesaving medical equipment for personal use
8.	607	Life Saving drugs like Keytruda etc
9.	607A	Lifesaving drugs/medicines for personal use
10.	611	Archaeological artefacts for exhibition in a museum
11.	612	Specified raw material for sports goods

B. Review of exemptions prescribed by other notifications:

- (a) The BCD exemption for the goods covered under the following notifications are being extended upto 31st March, 2026.

S. No.	Notification No.	Brief Description
1.	30/2017-Customs dated 30 June 2017	Exemption to motion picture, music, gaming software for use in gaming console printed or recorded on media
2.	05/2017-Customs dated 2nd February 2017	Exemption to machinery, components for setting up fuel cell based on waste to energy
3.	113/2003-Customs dated 22 July 2003	Exemption to castor oil cake and castor de-oiled cake manufactured from indigenous castor oil seeds on indigenous plant and machinery by unit in SEZ and brought to DTA
4.	81/2005-Customs dated 8 September 2005	Exemption to machinery/components for initial setting up of non-conventional power generation plants
5.	26/2011-Customs dated 1 March 2011	Exemption to work of art, antiques in museum or art gallery
6.	248/1976-Customs dated 2 August 1976	Exemption to precious stones imported by posts on 'approval or return' basis
7.	24/2001-Customs dated 1st March 2001	Exemption to copper cathodes, wire bars and wire rods produced out of copper reverts
8.	25/2001-Customs dated 1st March 2001	Exemption on gold and silver produced out of copper anode slime which were exported out of India for toll smelting and processing
9.	32/1997-Customs dated 1st April 1997	Exemption to goods imported for execution of an export order for jobbing

- (b) The BCD exemption for the goods covered under the following notifications are being extended upto 31st March, 2029:

S.No.	Notification No.	Brief Description
1.	16/1965-Customs dated 23 January 1965	Exemption to goods exported to foreign countries for display in show-rooms of Govt of India

2.	80/1970-Customs 29 August 1970	Goods supplied freely under warranty as replacement for defective ones in lieu of earlier imported goods.
3.	207/89-Customs dated 17 July 1989	Foodstuffs and provisions (excluding fruit products, tobacco, alcohol) by foreigners
4.	147/94-Customs dated 13 July 1994	Firearms and ammunition when imported for use by a renowned shooter
5.	148/94-Customs dated 13 July 1994	Specified gifts; goods gifted free under a bilateral agreement; goods imported by Indian Red cross Society, goods for the purposes of relief and rehabilitation
6.	152/94-Customs dated 13 July 1994	Appliance/aids for blind/handicapped imported by institution for blind & deaf; and other specified teaching aids imported by Govt Universities
7.	153/94-Customs dated 13 July 1994	Articles for foreign origin imported for repair and return, theatrical equipment and costumes, mountaineering expedition equipment, photographic, filming recording etc
8.	134/94-Customs dated 22 June 1994	Specified capital goods, and other ancillary items imported for repairs
9.	39/96-Customs dated 23 July 1996	Specified imports relating to Defence, internal security forces and Air Force.
10.	50/96-Customs dated 23 July 1996	Specified equipment, instruments, raw materials, components, pilot plant and computer software when imported for publicly funded R & D projects
11.	51/96-Customs dated 23 July 1996	Scientific and technical instruments, apparatus, equipment, accessories etc when imported by publicly funded research institution
12.	25/1998-Customs dated 2 June 1998	Capital goods/machinery/ measuring instruments for manufacture of semiconductor wafers.
13.	23/2016-Customs dated 1 March 2016	Parts of aircraft when imported into India under the Standard Exchange Scheme
14.	32/2017-Customs dated 30 June 2017	Imports of artwork and antique books
15.	37/2017-Customs dated 30 June 2017	Imports in relation to defense and international security forces including medals, decorations, personal effects of Defense Personnel, bonafide gifts from foreign donors, stores and goods for trials, demonstration
16.	16/2017-Customs dated 20 April, 2017	Specified medicines from whole of the duty of customs, when imported for supply under Specified Patient Assistance Programme

17.	25/1999-Customs dated 28 February 1999	Capital goods/machinery used by the IT/Electronics industry, subject to actual user condition.
18.	25/2002-Customs dated 1 March 2002	Specified raw materials, inputs and parts for use in manufacture of specified electronic items
19.	35/2017-Customs dated 30th June 2017	Aviation Turbine Fuel in the tanks of the aircrafts of an Indian Airline or of the Indian Air Force

(c) The end dates prescribed are being removed in the following notifications:

S. No.	Notification No.	Brief Description
1.	49/2017-Customs dated 30 June 2017	Exemption to special Additional Duty on specified goods of fourth schedule to Central Excise Act
2.	52/2017-Customs dated 30 June 2017	Effective rate of Additional duty for goods under Chapter 27
3.	29/2017-Customs dated 30 June 2017	Exemption to specimen, models, wall pictures and diagrams for instructional purposes
4.	46/1974-Customs dated 25 May 1974	Pedagogic material for educational or vocational training courses

CUSTOMS DUTY EXEMPTIONS / CONCESSIONS BEING ALLOWED TO LAPSE

Certain BCD exemptions entries under Notification No. 50/2017-Customs dated 30.6.2017 and other notifications are being allowed to lapse with effect from 30.9.2024.

(a) **The following entries of notification no. 50/2017-Customs dated 30.6.2017 are being allowed to lapse with effect from 30.9.2024:**

S. No.	S.No. of Notification No. 50/2017-Customs	Description
1.	478	Wireless apparatus, accessories and parts as specified in List 29 imported by a licensed amateur radio operator
2.	353	Foreign currency coins when imported into India by a Scheduled Bank
3.	387	Zinc metal recovered by toll smelting or toll processing from zinc concentrates exported from India for such processes

4.	441	Spinnerettes made inter alia of Gold, Platinum and Rhodium or any one or more of these metals, when imported in exchange of worn-out or damaged spinnerettes exported out of India
5.	238	Organic/inorganic Coating material for manufacture of electrical steel
6.	254	Catalyst for manufacture of cast components of Wind Operated Electricity Generator
7.	255	Resin for manufacture of cast components of Wind Operated Electricity Generator
8.	277A	Calendared plastic sheet for manufacturing of Smart Card under chapter heading 8523
9.	339	Concessional rate on import of Toughened glass with low iron content and transmissivity of minimum 91% and above, for use in manufacture of solar thermal collectors or heaters
10.	421	Specified goods required for basic telephone service, cellular mobile telephone service, internet service or closed users' group 64 KBPS domestic data network via INSAT satellite system service and parts, for manufacture of the goods
11.	479	Mono or Bi polar Membrane electrolyzers and parts thereof including secondary brine purification components, jumper switches, filtering elements for hydrogen filters for caustic soda or potash units; Membrane and parts thereof or other parts for caustic soda or potash units;
12.	475	Specified goods including scramblers, descramblers, encoders, decoders, jammers, network firewalls, network sniffers, scanners and monitoring systems, probes for data monitoring and SMS/MMS monitoring systems
13.	482	Newspaper page transmission and reception facsimile system or equipment; and Telephoto transmission and reception system or equipment
14.	495	Batteries for electrically operated vehicles, including two and three wheeled electric motor vehicles.
15.	497	Active Energy Controller (AEC) for use in manufacture of Renewable Power System (RPS) inverters
16.	579	Survey (DGPS) instruments, 3D modeling software for ore body simulation cum mine planning and exploration (geophysics and geochemistry) equipment

		required for surveying and prospecting of minerals
17.	419	Aluminium Oxide for manufacture of washcoat of catalytic converter
18.	420	Clay 2 powder for use in ceramic substrate for catalytic converter
19.	340	Solar tempered glass or solar tempered (anti-reflective coated) glass for use in manufacture of solar cells/panels/modules
20.	565	Specified goods for use in the manufacture of Flexible Medical Video Endoscope [heading 9018]
21.	566	Specific input goods for manufacture of syringes, needles, catheters and cannulae
22.	568	Parts and components for manufacture of blood pressure monitors and blood glucose monitoring system (Glucometers)

(b) The following notifications are being allowed to lapse with effect from 30.9.2024:

S. No.	Notification No.	Description
1.	97/99-Customs dated 21 July 1999	Exempts BCD and additional duty under Sections 3(1), 3(3) and 3(5) on standard gold bars imported by a RBI authorised bank
2.	30/2004-Customs dated 28 January 2004	Provides full exemption from BCD to <u>second-hand</u> computers/accessories and peripherals received as donation by schools, charitable institutions.
3.	102/2007-Customs dated 14 September 2017	Provides exemption from Special Additional Duty (SAD) levied vide section 3(5) of CTA on to all goods imported for subsequent sale when IGST, CGST, SGST or UTGST paid by importer.
4.	45/2005-Customs dated 16 May 2005	Provides exemption from Special Additional Duty levied under Section 3(5) of CTA on goods cleared from SEZ to DTA.
5.	151/94-Customs dated 13 July 1994	Provides exemption to imports of duty-paid fuel and lubricating oil on aircrafts taken during the outward flight; goods imports by United Arab Airlines; aircraft engines, spares imported by Indian Airlines and Air India International. Re-import entries will operate from

		re-import notification 45/2017-Cus
6.	26-Customs dated 19th February 1962	Provides exemption from import duty under the Sea Customs Act on catering cabin equipment, food and drink on re-importation by aircrafts of the Indian Airlines Corporation from foreign flights

SOCIAL WELFARE SURCHARGE (SWS)

AMENDMENT TO NOTIFICATION NO. 11/2018 – CUSTOMS, DATED 02.02.2018 (w.e.f. 24.07.2024)

S. No.	Description
	Following goods are being exempted from levy of Social Welfare Surcharge
1.	Natural Graphite
2.	Natural sands
3.	Quartz (other than natural sands); quartzite
4.	Strontium sulphate (natural ore)
5.	Copper ores and concentrates
6.	Cobalt ores and concentrates
7.	Tin ores and Concentrates
8.	Tungsten Ores and Concentrates
9.	Molybdenum ores and concentrates
10.	Zirconium ores and concentrates
11.	Hafnium Ores and concentrates
12.	Vanadium ores and concentrates
13.	Niobium or tantalum ores and concentrates
14.	Antimony Ores and Concentrates

15.	Tellurium
16.	Silicon, containing by weight not less than 99.99% of silicon
17.	Other silicon
18.	Selenium
19.	Alkali or alkaline earth metals, Rare-earth metals, scandium and yttrium, whether or not intermixed or inter alloyed
20.	Silicon dioxide
21.	Potassium hydroxide
22.	Oxides, hydroxides and peroxides, of strontium or barium
23.	Cobalt oxides
24.	Cobalt hydroxides
25.	Commercial cobalt oxides
26.	Lithium oxide and hydroxide
27.	Vanadium oxides and hydroxides
28.	Germanium oxides
29.	Molybdenum oxides and hydroxides
30.	Antimony Oxides
31.	Cadmium oxide
32.	Chlorides of Nickel
33.	Strontium chloride
34.	Sulphates of Nickel
35.	Nitrates of potassium
36.	Lithium carbonates
37.	Strontium carbonate
38.	Salts of oxometallic or peroxometallic acids of Beryllium and Rhenium
39.	Compounds, inorganic or organic of rare earth metals
40.	Bismuth citrate
41.	Artificial Graphite, colloidal or semi-colloidal graphite, preparations based

	on graphite or other carbon in form of pastes, blocks, plates or other semi-manufactures
42.	Unwrought Tin
43.	Unwrought tungsten, including bars and rods obtained simply by sintering
44.	Unwrought molybdenum, including bars and rods obtained simply by sintering
45.	Unwrought tantalum, including bars and rods obtained simply by sintering, powders
46.	Cobalt, unwrought
47.	Bismuth, unwrought
48.	Unwrought zirconium, powders, Containing less than 1 part hafnium to 500 parts zirconium by weight
49.	Unwrought antimony, powders
50.	Beryllium unwrought, powders
51.	Hafnium unwrought, waste and scrap, powders
52.	Rhenium unwrought
53.	Cadmium unwrought, Powders
54.	Cadmium, wrought
55.	Unwrought; Waste and scrap; powders of :- (i) Gallium (ii) Germanium (iii) Indium (iv) Niobium (v) Vanadium

AGRICULTURE INFRASTRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT CESS (AIDC)

Notification No. 11/2021 – Customs, dated 01.02.2021 is being amended to revise the AIDC rates on the following goods (w.e.f. 24.07.2024):

AIDC rate changes (with changes to the effective rate of Customs Duty)			Rate	
S. No.	Chapter, Heading, sub- heading, tariff item	Commodity	From	To

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1.	7108	Gold bar	5%	1%
2.	7108	Gold dore	4.35%	0.35%
3.	7106	Silver bar	5%	1%
4.	7106	Silver dore	4.35%	0.35%
5.	7110	Platinum, Palladium, Osmium, Ruthenium, Iridium	5.4%	1.4%
6.	7118	Coins of precious metals	5%	1%
7.	7113	Gold/Silver findings	5%	1%

Annexure- B

THE FOURTH SCHEDULE [See section 107(b)]

In the Customs Tariff Act, in the First Schedule,—

Tariff Item	Description of goods	Unit	Rate of duty	
			Standard	Preferential
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)

(1) in Chapter 19, in heading 1905,

(i) for sub-heading 1905 32, tariff item 1905 32 11 and tariff item 1905 32 19 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“1905 32	--	Waffles and wafers :			
1905 32 11	---	Coated with chocolate or containing chocolate	kg.	30%	-”;

(ii) in sub-heading 1905 90, after tariff item 1905 90 40 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely:—

	----	Communion wafers :			
1905 90 51	----	Coated with chocolate or containing chocolate	kg.	30%	-
1905 90 59	----	Other	kg.	30%	-”;

(2) in Chapter 20, for the entry in column (4) occurring against tariff items 2008 19 20 and 2008 19 30, the entry “150%” shall be substituted;

(3) in Chapter 27, —

(i) in Supplementary Note, after sub-note (k), the following sub-note shall be inserted, namely:—

‘(l) for the purposes of tariff item 2710 19 33, the term “Blended Aviation turbine fuel” means any Aviation turbine fuel containing by weight 70% or more of Petroleum Oils or Oils obtained from Bituminous Minerals, blended with Synthesized Hydrocarbons conforming to Indian Standards Specification of Bureau of Indian Standards IS 17081:2019.’;

(ii) after tariff item 2710 19 32 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely:—

“2710 19 33	----	Blended Aviation turbine fuel	kg.	5%	-”;
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(4) in Chapter 29, —

(i) after sub-heading note 2, the following Supplementary Note shall be inserted, namely:—

‘Supplementary Note :

For the purposes of tariff item 2906 11 10, the term “Natural Menthol” means an organic compound (C₁₀H₂₀O) which is obtained from the distillation of the Japanese type oil of mint or menthol mint known as *Mentha arvensis* but does not include those made synthetically through any chemical routes.’;

- (ii) for tariff item 2906 11 00 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“2906 11	--	<i>Menthol</i> :			
2906 11 10	---	Natural Menthol	kg.	7.5%	-
2906 11 90	---	Other	kg.	7.5%	-”;

- (iii) tariff item 2922 29 33 and the entries relating thereto shall be omitted;

- (iv) after tariff item 2924 29 70 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely:—

“2924 29 80	---	Paracetamol	kg.	7.5%	-”;
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- (5) in Chapter 38, —

- (i) for the entry in column (2) occurring against tariff item 3818 00 10, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“--- Undiffused silicon wafers”;

- (ii) after tariff item 3818 00 10 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely:—

“3818 00 20	---	Silicon carbide epitaxial thin film on substrate	kg.	Free	-
3818 00 30	---	Gallium nitride epitaxial thin film on substrate	kg.	Free	-”;

- (6) in Chapter 39, —

- (i) after tariff item 3920 10 92 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely:—

“3920 10 93	----	Armour for ballistic protection	kg.	25%	-”;
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- (ii) after tariff item 3921 90 26 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely:—

“3921 90 27	----	Architectural membrane	kg.	25%	-”;
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- (7) in Chapter 57, —

- (i) after Note 2, the following Supplementary Note shall be inserted, namely:—

‘Supplementary Note :

For the purposes of tariff items 5703 29 22, 5703 39 31, 5703 39 32, 5703 39 33 and 5703 39 39, the term “Special Finishes” means process of making the product with any one or more of the following properties such as fire resistant, fire retardant, chemical resistant,

anti-static, dust resistant, anti-stain, anti-microbial, anti-odor, UV stabilized, heat resistant, etc.’;

(ii) in heading 5703, —

(a) for tariff item 5703 29 20 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be substituted, namely: —

<i>“--- 100% polyamide tufted velour, cut pile or loop pile carpet mats :</i>				
5703 29 21	----	With jute, rubber latex or PU foam backing	m ²	20% or Rs.70 per sq. metre, whichever is higher -
5703 29 22	----	With ethylene vinyl acetate or vinyl acetate ethylene or latex coating and/or extruded polyvinyl chloride or thermoplastic polyolefin, with special finishes	m ²	20% or Rs.70 per sq. metre, whichever is higher -
5703 29 29	----	Other	m ²	20% or Rs.70 per sq. metre, whichever is higher -”;

(b) after tariff item 5703 39 20 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely:—

<i>“--- Tufted velour, cut pile or loop pile carpet mats with ethylene vinyl acetate or vinyl acetate ethylene or latex coating and/or extruded polyvinyl chloride or thermoplastic polyolefin, with special finishes:</i>				
5703 39 31	----	Of 100% polypropylene	m ²	20% or Rs. 55 per sq. metre, whichever is higher -
5703 39 32	----	Of 100% polyester	m ²	20% or Rs. 55 per sq. metre, whichever is higher -
5703 39 33	----	Of 100% polyethylene	m ²	20% or Rs. 55 per sq. metre, whichever is higher -
5703 39 39	----	Other	m ²	20% or Rs.55 per sq. metre, whichever is higher -”;

(8) in Chapter 63, after tariff item 6307 90 91 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely:—

“6307 90 92	----	Armour for ballistic protection	u	10%	-”;
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(9) in Chapter 65, after tariff item 6506 10 10 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely:—

“6506 10 20	---	Headgear for ballistic protection	u	10%	-”;
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(10) in Chapter 69, for tariff item 6914 90 00 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“6914 90	-	<i>Other :</i>			
6914 90 10	---	Armour for ballistic protection	kg.	10%	-
6914 90 90	---	Other	kg.	10%	-”;

(11) in Chapter 73, for tariff item 7308 10 00 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“7308 10	-	<i>Bridges and bridge-sections :</i>			
7308 10 10	---	Portable bridge	u	15%	-
7308 10 90	---	Other	u	15%	-”;

(12) in Chapter 76, for tariff item 7610 90 20 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be substituted, namely: —

	“---	<i>Parts of structures, not elsewhere specified :</i>			
7610 90 21	----	Portable bridge	kg.	10%	-
7610 90 29	----	Other	kg.	10%	-”;

(13) in Chapter 84, —

(i) after tariff item 8412 29 10 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely: —

“8412 29 20	---	Hydraulic systems for use in goods of Chapter 89	u	7.5%	-”;
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(ii) for tariff item 8430 69 00 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“8430 69	--	<i>Other :</i>			
8430 69 10	---	Mine plough machinery	u	7.5%	-
8430 69 90	---	Other	u	7.5%	-”;

(iii) in sub-heading 8443 99, —

(a) for the entry in column (2) occurring against tariff item 8443 99 51, the entry “----Cartridges or toners, with print head assembly” shall be substituted;

(b) for the entry in column (2) occurring against tariff item 8443 99 52, the entry “---- Cartridges or toners, with print head assembly” shall be substituted;

(iv) after tariff item 8479 89 70 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely: —

“8479 89 80	---	Machinery for use in goods of Chapter 88 or 89	u	7.5%	-”;
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(14) in Chapter 85, for tariff item 8537 10 00 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“8537 10	-	<i>For a voltage not exceeding 1,000 V :</i>			
8537 10 10	---	For use in goods of Chapter 88 or 89 or 93	kg.	15%	-
8537 10 90	---	Other	kg.	15%	-”;

(15) in Chapter 87, —

(i) after sub-heading note 1, the following Supplementary Note shall be inserted, namely:—

‘Supplementary Note:

For the purposes of tariff item 8711 60 80, the term “E-bicycle or battery operated pedal assisted vehicle” means vehicle equipped with an auxiliary electric motor having a thirty-minute power less than 0.25 kW and maximum speed not exceeding 25 km/h and conforming to the provisions of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (59 of 1988) and the rules made thereunder.’;

(ii) for tariff item 8705 90 00 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“8705 90	-	<i>Other :</i>			
8705 90 10	---	Lorries (Trucks) fitted with bridging systems	u	10%	-
8705 90 90	---	Other	u	10%	-”;

(iii) after tariff item 8711 60 30 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely:—

“8711 60 80	---	E-bicycle or battery-operated pedal assisted vehicle	u	100%	-”;
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(16) in Chapter 88, for tariff item 8807 30 00 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“8807 30	-	<i>Other parts of aeroplanes, helicopters or unmanned aircraft :</i>			
8807 30 10	---	Of aeroplanes, helicopters	kg.	2.5%	-
8807 30 20	---	Of unmanned aircraft	kg.	2.5%	-”;

(17) in Chapter 89, for tariff item 8906 90 00 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“8906 90	-	<i>Other :</i>			
8906 90 10	---	Patrol or surveillance boat, air-cushion vehicle, remote-operated vehicle	u	10%	-
8906 90 90	---	Other	u	10%	-”;

(18) in Chapter 93, for tariff item 9305 99 00 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“9305 99	--	<i>Other :</i>			
9305 99 10	---	Of goods of heading 9304	kg.	10%	-
9305 99 90	---	Other	kg.	10%	-”.
