



Dear Reader,

We are writing to bring to your notice certain key news updates from the past week pertaining to international trade and customs both from India and around the world.

World Trade Organization

- [WTO issues report that assess the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on services trade.](#)
- [2020 WTO Public Forum has been cancelled.](#)
- [India and US make joint request to the panel to postpone issuance of panel report in *India – Agriculture Products \(DS430\)* again. Panel expects to issue its Final Report by the end of September 2020.](#)
- India makes the following notifications to the WTO TBT Committee:
 - [Draft Automobile Wheel rims \(Quality Control\) Order, 2020 expected come into force on October 1, 2020.](#) – Comments on the same can be submitted to the TBT Committee within 30 days of the notification through the government of a WTO Member.
 - [Draft Steel and Steel Products \(Quality Control\) Second Order, 2020 ensures steel and steel products conform to relevant Indian standards.](#) – Comments on the same can be submitted to the TBT Committee within 60 days of the notification through the government of a WTO Member.

United Kingdom, United States and European Union

- [EU requirement for export authorization for personal protective equipment \(PPE\) ends.](#)
- [US seeks comments in inquiry regarding the exclusion process for Sec. 232 steel and aluminum import tariffs and quotas.](#)
- [US preliminarily determines that forged steel fittings \(FSF\) from India are being sold in the United States at less than fair value \(LTFV\). The period of investigation \(POI\) is October 1, 2018 - September 30, 2019.](#)

Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination.

India

- [India revises the tariff value of products such as Edible Oils, Brass Scrap, Poppy Seeds, Areca Nut, Gold and Silver- Reg.](#)
- [India levies definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of Electronic Calculators of all types excluding graphing calculators exported from China for a period of five years, in pursuance of final findings of sunset review investigations issued by DGTR.](#)
- [Initiation of Anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of “Acrylonitrile Butadiene Rubber” originating in or exported from China PR, EU, Japan and Russia.](#)
- [Initiation of Anti-Dumping Investigation concerning imports of “Rubber Chemical PX-13” from China PR, Korea RP and USA.](#)

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