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Commerce min for anti-dumping duty on Chinese chemical

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New Delhi Acting on a complaint by Tata Chemicals, the commerce ministry has recommended imposition of anti-dumping duty on imports of a chemical from China used in household cleaning products.

Based on preliminary findings, the directorate general of anti-dumping and allied duties (DGAD) has recommended a provisional duty of up to \$0.671 per kg on import of Sodium Tripolyphosphate (STPP) from China.

“The authority (DGAD) considers it necessary and recommends imposition of provisional anti-dumping duty on imports of subject goods (STPP) from the subject country (China)...,” a commerce ministry notification said.

While the commerce ministry recommends anti-dumping duty, the finance ministry imposes it. Tata Chemicals Ltd (TCL), Mumbai, and others local firms had alleged dumping of the chemical from China. TCL produces STPP at its Haldia plant and the company accounts for over 90% of domestic production.

The domestic industry was earning profits in 2005-06, which declined steeply in the following years. It started suffering financial losses from 2007-08, which continued during the period of investigation (April, 2008, to March, 2009). The principle of anti-dumping duty is to prevent dumping and ensure fair trading practices.