



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-533-849]

Commodity Matchbooks from India: Final Results of the Expedited Third Sunset Review of the Countervailing Duty Order

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) finds that revocation of the countervailing duty (CVD) order on commodity matchbooks from India would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of countervailable subsidies at the levels indicated in the “Final Results of Sunset Review” section of this notice.

DATES: Applicable [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*].

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On December 11, 2009, the Commerce published the *Order* on commodity matchbooks from India.¹ On October 3, 2025, Commerce published the notice of initiation of the third sunset review of the *Order*, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Act) and 19 CFR 351.218(c).²

On December 23, 2025, the domestic interested party filed a request for extension of time

¹ See *Commodity Matchbooks from India: Countervailing Duty Order*, 74 FR 65740 (December 11, 2009) (*Order*).

² See *Initiation of Five-Year (Sunset) Reviews*, 90 FR 48048 (October 3, 2025).

to file the notice of intent to participate.³ On January 2, 2026, Commerce granted the request for an extension through January 12, 2026.⁴ On January 8, 2026, Commerce received a notice of intent to participate in this review from the domestic interested party, within the deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(1)(i).⁵ The domestic interested party claims that it has interested party status within the meaning of section 771(9)(C) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.102(b)(29)(v) as a producer of the domestic like product.⁶

On January 9, Commerce received an adequate substantive response from the domestic interested party, within the 30-day deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(3)(i).⁷ Commerce did not receive a substantive response from either the Government of India or a respondent interested party to this proceeding. On January 20, 2026, Commerce notified the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) that it did not receive an adequate substantive response from respondent interested parties.⁸ As a result, Commerce conducted an expedited (120-day) sunset review of the *Order*, pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(B)(2) and (C)(2).

Due to the lapse in appropriations and Federal Government shutdown, on November 14, 2025, Commerce tolled all deadlines in administrative proceedings by 47 days.⁹ Additionally, due to a backlog of documents that were electronically filed via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS) during the Federal Government shutdown, on November 24, 2025, Commerce tolled all deadlines in administrative proceedings by an additional 21 days.¹⁰ Accordingly, the deadline for these final

³ See Domestic Interested Party's Letter, "Commodity Matchbooks from India (A-533-848 and C-533-849): Petitioner's Request for Extension of Time to File Notice of Intent to Participate," dated December 23, 2025.

⁴ See Commerce's Letter, "Re: Commodity Matchbooks from India (A-533-848 and C-533-849): Petitioner's Request for Extension of Time to File Notice of Intent to Participate," dated January 2, 2026.

⁵ See Domestic Interested Party's Letter, "Commodity Matchbooks from India (A-533-848 and C-533-849): Petitioner's Notice of Intent to Participate," dated January 8, 2026.

⁶ *Id.* at 2.

⁷ See Domestic Interested Party's Letter, "Commodity Matchbooks from India (C-533-849): Petitioner's Substantive Response to the Notice of Initiation," dated January 9, 2026 (*Substantive Response*).

⁸ See Commerce's Letter, "Commodity Matchbooks from India Sunset Reviews Initiated on October 3, 2025," dated January 20, 2026.

⁹ See Memorandum, "Deadlines Affected by the Shutdown of the Federal Government," dated November 14, 2025.

¹⁰ See Memorandum, "Tolling of all Case Deadlines," dated November 24, 2025.

results is now April 7, 2026.

Scope of the Order

The product covered by this *Order* is commodity matchbooks from India. For the full description of the scope of the *Order*, see the Issues and Decisions Memorandum.¹¹

Analysis of Comments Received

A complete discussion of all issues raised in this sunset review, including the likelihood of continuation or recurrence of subsidization and the countervailable subsidy rates likely to prevail if the *Order* were to be revoked, is contained in the accompanying Issues and Decision Memorandum.¹² A list of the topics discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum is attached as an appendix to this notice. The Issues and Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via ACCESS, which is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

Final Results of Sunset Review

Pursuant to sections 751(c) and 752(b) of the Act, Commerce determines that revocation of the *Order* would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of countervailable subsidies at the following net countervailable subsidy rates:

Producers/Exporters	Net Countervailable Subsidy Rate (percent <i>ad valorem</i>)
Triveni Safety Matches Pvt. Limited	9.88
All Others	9.88

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Orders

This notice also serves as the only reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary

¹¹ See Memorandum, “Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Final Results of the Third Expedited Sunset Review of the Countervailing Duty Order on Commodity Matchbooks from India,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice.

¹² *Id.*

information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. Timely notification of the return or destruction of APO materials, or conversion to judicial protective, orders is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

Notification to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these final results in accordance with sections 751(c), 752(b), and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.221(c)(5)(ii).

Dated: April 7, 2026.

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Appendix

List of Topics Discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum

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