

# **U.S. Initiates Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Investigations on Citric Acid Imports from India and Canada**

**Product: Citric Acid and Certain Citrate Salts**

**Countries Concerned: India and Canada**

**Investigating Authorities: U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC) and U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC)**

**Period of Investigation: January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025**

## **Background and Overview**

The U.S. Department of Commerce and the U.S. International Trade Commission have formally initiated parallel antidumping (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) investigations on imports of citric acid and certain citrate salts from India and Canada under Sections 731 and 701 of the Tariff Act of 1930.

These investigations follow petitions filed by major U.S. producers alleging unfair pricing and subsidization by foreign exporters. If affirmative determinations are made, additional duties may be imposed on imports from both countries, with significant implications for market access and pricing.

## **Case Details**

<b>Investigation Type</b>	<b>India Case No.</b>	<b>Canada Case No.</b>
Antidumping (AD)	A-533-946	A-122-877
Countervailing Duty (CVD)	C-533-947	C-122-878

## **Product Scope**

The investigations cover anhydrous and hydrous citric acid, sodium and potassium citrate, calcium citrate intermediates, and blends containing 40 percent or more citric acid or citrate content. Indicative HTSUS classifications include 2918.14, 2918.15, and 3824.99, though classification alone does not determine scope coverage.

## **Key Allegations**

### **Antidumping Allegations**

Petitioners allege that Indian exporters sold subject merchandise in the U.S. at less than fair value, with alleged dumping margins ranging from 58.99 percent to 252.37 percent, based on constructed cost-based normal values and U.S. customs data, indicating a high likelihood of substantial provisional duties.

## **Countervailing Duty Allegations**

The petition alleges that Indian exporters benefit from actionable subsidies, including export incentives (Duty Drawback, Advance Authorization, EPCG, MEIS), preferential financing (EXIM Bank support and interest equalization), and tax and renewable energy incentives, which may result in countervailing duties if substantiated.

**The petition also alleges transnational subsidization, claiming that Indian exporters benefit indirectly from subsidized inputs sourced from China.**

## **Injury Allegations**

The USITC is examining whether imports from India and Canada have caused or threaten material injury through increased volumes, price undercutting and suppression, loss of market share, and declining sales and profitability, with an affirmative finding required for duties to be imposed.

## **Major Indian Exporter Identified**

Daffodil Pharmachem Pvt. Ltd. has been identified as the largest Indian exporter, accounting for approximately 60 percent of subject imports. Please find attached the list of all the exporters at the end.

## **Commercial Impact on Exporters**

Affected exporters may face significant provisional and final duties, possible retroactive liability, heightened scrutiny of costs and sourcing, increased compliance burdens, and adverse facts available for non-cooperation, with cumulative AD and CVD rates potentially affecting pricing and contract viability.

## **Conclusion**

The initiation of AD and CVD investigations on citric acid from India and Canada presents substantial duty exposure, with alleged dumping margins exceeding 250 percent and novel transnational subsidy claims.

Exporters should treat this case as strategically significant and adopt proactive compliance and litigation strategies to mitigate adverse outcomes.

## **List of Indian Exporters During the Period of Investigation**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of the Exporters</b>	<b>Sum of Metric Tons</b>
1.	A R Chemical	401.00
2.	Acaris Health LLP	736.53

3.	Amogha Oil Tools Private Limited	22.04
4.	Buradon Inc	14.69
5.	Chemical Crunch Private Limited	226.41
6.	Cocreate Global Tech Private Limited	143.86
7.	Daffodil Pharmachem Private Limited	9,507.52
8.	Dorf Ketal Chemicals India Limited`	32.93
9.	Euroasia Trans Continental	4.23
10.	Geocon Products	1,601.30
11.	Hartman Enterprises LLP	20.80
12.	Hexagon Supplies LLP	40.78
13.	India Phosphate & Allied	40.50
14.	Indiana Chem Port	14.39
15.	Kamataz Sourcing & Consulting Private Limited	9.61
16.	Kronox Lab Sciences Limited	165.68
17.	Mass Dye Chem Private Limited	35.90
18.	Medilane Healthcare Private Limited	40.08
19.	Meru Chem Private Limited	45.01
20.	Mireca International	496.34
21.	Nature Bio	984.56
22.	Not Declared	1,184.30
23.	NRS Chemical LLP	206.86
24.	PHS Life Sciences Private Limited	19.80
25.	Prachin Chemical	106.25
26.	Pure Trueherb Private Limited	20.52

27.	Shanpar Industries Private Limited	49.84
28.	Smile Seller International	248.18
29.	Stenfy Chem	463.68
30.	Sunil Chemicals	10.04
31.	Synthocure Pharma LLP	4.14
32.	V Care Medicines	16.09
33.	Valaji Pharma Chem	0.02
34.	Vcare Medicines	16.09
35.	Wang Pharmaceuticals & Chemicals	180.62
36.	Xitrical Group Co. Limited	38.14

The top 5 Indian Exporters are :

<b>Name of the Exporter</b>	<b>Total Percent</b>
Daffodil Pharmachem Private Limited	59.6%
Geocon Products	10.0%
Nature Bio	6.2%
Acaris Health LLP	4.6%
Mireca International	3.1%

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