



DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE

Imposition of Duties(Confirmation of Orders)Bill,1953

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

- I. The purpose of the Bill is to confirm the undermentioned eleven Orders made under the Emergency Imposition of Duties Act,1932.
- (i) Emergency Imposition of Duties (No.296)(Stainless Steel Couplings,etc.) Order,1952, which came into operation on the 12th December,1952, imposed a customs duty of 50% ad valorem, full rate, 33  $\frac{1}{3}$ % ad valorem, preferential rate (U.K. and Canada) on completely or partially manufactured articles of stainless steel which are plug cocks or couplings, joints or other similar fittings suitable for use with tubes or pipes.
  - (ii) Emergency Imposition of Duties(No.297)(Television Sets) Order,1952, which came into operation on the 1st January,1953, reduced the rates of customs duty on Television Sets from 75% ad valorem, full rate, 50% ad valorem, preferential rate to 37  $\frac{1}{2}$ % ad valorem, full rate, 25% ad valorem, preferential rate(U.K. and Canada).
  - (iii) Emergency Imposition of Duties(No.298)(Combs and Hair Slides) Order,1952, which came into operation on the 1st January,1953 brought plastic hair slides within the scope of the Customs duty of 37  $\frac{1}{2}$ % ad valorem, full rate, 25% ad valorem preferential rate on combs and amended the duty to exclude articles made of metal, glass,wood,stone or mother of pearl.
  - (iv) Emergency Imposition of Duties(No.299)(Tarpaulins) Order,1953, which came into operation on the 13th February,1953, brought Tarpaulins and similar covers whether such covers are or are not impregnated with pitch, tar or any other chemical substance within the scope of the existing customs duty of 50% ad valorem, flat rate on Tarpaulins.
  - (v) Emergency Imposition of Duties(No.300) (Woven Cotton Piece Goods) Order,1953, which came into operation on the 20th February,1953, imposed a customs duty of 60% ad valorem, full rate, 40% ad valorem, preferential rate (U.K. and Canada) on woven cotton piece goods not exceeding two inches in width e.g. tapes,bindings, webbings,etc.
  - (vi) Emergency Imposition of Duties(No.301) (Artificial Silk Piece Goods) Order,1953, which came into operation on the 20th February,1953, extended the scope of the Customs duty of 50% ad valorem, full rate, 33  $\frac{1}{3}$ % ad valorem, preferential rate, on certain



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(i) Emergency Imposition of Duties (No. 295) (Stainless Steel Couplings, etc.) Order, 1952, which came into operation on the 12th December, 1952, imposed a customs duty of 50% ad valorem, full rate, 33% ad valorem, preferential rate (U.K. and Canada), on completely or partially manufactured articles of stainless steel which are plug cocks or couplings, joints or other similar fittings suitable for use with tubes or pipes.

(ii) Emergency Imposition of Duties (No. 297) (Television Sets) Order, 1952, which came into operation on the 1st January, 1953, reduced the rates of customs duty on Television Sets from 75% ad valorem, full rate, 50% ad valorem, preferential rate to 37% ad valorem, full rate, 25% ad valorem, preferential rate (U.K. and Canada).

(iii) Emergency Imposition of Duties (No. 298) (Corps and Hair Slides) Order, 1952, which came into operation on the 1st January, 1953, brought glass hair slides within the scope of the Customs duty of 37% ad valorem, full rate, 25% ad valorem, preferential rate on combs and amended the duty to exclude articles made of metal, glass, wood, stone or mother of pearl.

(iv) Emergency Imposition of Duties (No. 299) (Tarpaulins) Order, 1953, which came into operation on the 1st February, 1953, brought Tarpaulins and similar covers whether such covers are or are not impregnated with pitch, tar or any other chemical substance within the scope of the existing customs duty of 50% ad valorem, full rate on Tarpaulins.

(v) Emergency Imposition of Duties (No. 300) (Woven Cotton Piece Goods) Order, 1953, which came into operation on the 20th February, 1953, imposed a customs duty of 60% ad valorem, full rate, 40% ad valorem, preferential rate (U.K. and Canada) on woven cotton piece goods not exceeding two inches in width e.g. tapes, bindings, etc.

(vi) Emergency Imposition of Duties (No. 301) (Artificial Silk Piece Goods) Order, 1953, which came into operation on the 20th February, 1953, extended the scope of the Customs duty of 50% ad valorem, full rate, 33% ad valorem, preferential rate, on certain



artificial silk woven piece goods by (a) reducing the minimum price limit from  $1/6$  to  $1/3$  per square yard and (b) reducing the width for patterned piece goods from 60 inches to 53 inches.

- (vii) Emergency Imposition of Duties (No. 302) (Sanitary Wear) Order, 1953, which came into operation on the 20th February, 1953, brought certain articles of sanitary wear within the scope of the customs duty of 75% ad valorem, full rate, 50% ad valorem, preferential rate on Personal Clothing and Wearing Apparel.
- (viii) Emergency Imposition of Duties (No. 303) (Cotton Ply Yarn) Order, 1953, which came into operation on the 25th February, 1953, imposed a duty of 60% ad valorem, full rate, 40% ad valorem, preferential rate on cotton ply yarns by removing the exemption provisions in the existing duty for yarns imported for use in weaving, hosiery or braiding machines.
- (ix) Emergency Imposition of Duties (No. 304) (Iron and Steel Bars and Sections) Order, 1953, which came into operation on the 3rd March, 1953, brought rounds, rods, squares, and angles of increased dimensions and flats of reduced width, within the scope of the existing customs duty of 37 1/2% ad valorem, full rate, 25% ad valorem, preferential rate, on iron and steel rounds or rods, squares, flats and angles.
- (x) Emergency Imposition of Duties (No. 305) (Paper) Order, 1953, which came into operation on the 17th April, 1953, extended the scope of the duty of 45% ad valorem, full rate, 28-1/3% ad valorem, preferential rate (U.K. and Canada) on Unprinted Paper
- (a) by reducing the lower weight limit from 12 lbs. to 9 lbs. per ream,
  - (b) by removing the exclusions from duty for the following papers:-
    - imitation art paper;
    - printing paper containing mechanical pulp;
    - featherweight esparto printing paper;
    - tinted printing paper;
    - writing paper;
    - cream wove bank paper;
    - twinwire cartridge paper;
    - duplex paper;
    - pastings paper;
    - tinted bank paper and
    - manifold bank paper.
- (xi) Emergency Imposition of Duties (No. 306) (Root Crop Knives) Order, 1953, which came into operation on the 17th April, 1953, brought root crop knives within the scope of the existing duty of 25% ad valorem, flat rate on certain edged agricultural tools.



artificial silk woven above goods by (a) reducing the minimum price limit from 14 to 13 per square yard and (b) reducing the width for patterned goods from 60 inches to 72 inches.

(vii) Emergency Importation of Duties (No. 302) (Cotton Textiles) Order, 1933, which came into operation on the 1st February, 1933, brought certain articles of sanitary wear within the scope of the customs duty of 15% ad valorem, full rate, 30% ad valorem, preferential rate on personal clothing and wearing apparel.

(viii) Emergency Importation of Duties (No. 303) (Cotton Textiles) Order, 1933, which came into operation on the 1st February, 1933, imposed a duty of 60% ad valorem, full rate, 10% ad valorem, preferential rate on cotton ply yarns by removing the exemption provisions in the existing duty for yarns imported for use in weaving, basketry or printing machines.

(ix) Emergency Importation of Duties (No. 304) (Iron and Steel Bars and Sections) Order, 1933, which came into operation on the 1st March, 1933, brought round rods, squares, and angles of increased dimensions and flats of reduced width, within the scope of the existing customs duty of 35% ad valorem, full rate, 25% ad valorem, preferential rate, on iron and steel round or rods, squares, flats and angles.

(x) Emergency Importation of Duties (No. 305) (Paper) Order, 1933, which came into operation on the 1st April, 1933, extended the scope of the duty of 15% ad valorem, full rate, 25-30% ad valorem, preferential rate (U.K. and Canada) on Unquipped Paper (a) by reducing the lower weight limit from 15 lbs. to 9 lbs. per ream.

(b) by removing the exemption from duty for the following papers:-

- imitation art paper;
- printing paper containing mechanical pulp;
- letterweight capers printing paper;
- lined printing paper;
- writing paper;
- cream wove bank paper;
- twisture cartridge paper;
- litho paper;
- padding paper;
- lined bank paper and
- manifold bank paper.

(xi) Emergency Importation of Duties (No. 306) (Foot Gear) Order, 1933, which came into operation on the 1st April, 1933, brought foot gear within the scope of the existing duty of 15% ad valorem, full rate on certain edged artificial tools.