

No. 06/17-D (Inv-I/NTC/MDF)
Government of Pakistan
Ministry of Commerce
National Tariff Commission

Islamabad, August 8, 2017

Press Release

Subject:- **Protection/Assistance to the Indigenous Industry Manufacturing Medium Density Fiberboard(MDF)**

M/s Peshawar Particleboard Industries (Pvt) Ltd and M/s Frontier Techwood Industries (Pvt) Ltd (the "Applicants"), the producers of Medium Density Fiberboard (MDF) have approached the National Tariff Commission (NTC). The Applicants are requesting for enhancement of Customs Duty from 15% to 20% +1% additional duty and imposition of RD at appropriate rate to enable the local manufactures to effectively compete with the imported product.

2. A public hearing on the issue is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. in the Committee Room of the NTC, 11th Floor, State Life Building No.5, Blue Area, Islamabad. All interested parties may attend the public hearing with prior information.
3. Further, all parties having an interest in the business relating to or associated with the imports, manufacturing, marketing and use of MDF are hereby advised to get themselves registered with NTC latest by Tuesday, August 15, 2017 for participation in the public hearing by providing names of the participants with their telephone numbers (Cell/LL) and fax numbers to the Secretary NTC on fax No.051-9221205. For any further inquiry please contact Director General (Inv.-I) at 051-9218963. All interested parties may submit their comments and suggestions in writing. The comments and suggestions may be supported with documentary evidence(s), which must be brought to the public hearing. The views not supported with reliable documentary evidence(s) shall not be considered.

Secretary, NTC