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MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
NEW DELHI

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The Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, presents its compliments to the Secretariat of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation, Kathmandu and has the honour to enclose a copy of the **Government of India's revised Sensitive List for Least Developed Countries (LDCs) under SAFTA.** This is in keeping with Government of India's commitment under SAFTA and the announcement made by the Prime Minister of India at the XVII SAARC Summit that in a major trade liberalization effort, the Government of India had issued a notification to reduce the Sensitive List for the Least Developed Countries under the South Asian Free Trade Area Agreement from 480 tariff lines to 25 tariff lines.

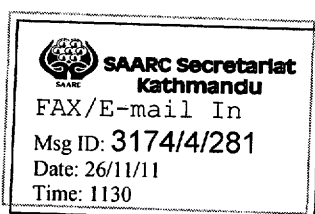
2. The Ministry of External Affairs has the honour to also forward a copy of the Notification no. 99/2011-Customs dated 9.1.2011 issued by the Ministry of Finance, Government of India. The List and the Notification may be circulated among the Member States.

3. The Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation the assurances of its highest consideration.

**Secretariat of South Asian Association  
for Regional Cooperation  
Kathmandu**



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## India's Sensitive List for Least Developed Countries (LDCs) under SAFTA - 25 Items

S.No.	HS Code	Description
1	220300	Beer made from malt
2	220410	Sparkling wine
3	220421	Other wine; Grape must with fermentation prevented or arrested by the addition of alcohol: In containers holding 2L or less
4	220429	Other(wine or freshgrapes)
5	220430	Other grape must
6	220510	Vermouth and other wine of fresh grapes flavoured with plants or aromatic substances.; In containers holding 2L or less
7	220590	Other (Vermouth or other wine)
8	220600	Other fermented beverages (for example, cider, perry mead); mixtures of fermented beverages and non-alcoholic beverages, not elsewhere specified or included.
9	220710	Undenatured ethyl alcohol of an alcoholic strength by volume of 80% vol. or higher; Rectified spirit
10	220820	Spirits obtained by distilling grape wine or grape marc: In containers holding 2 L or less
11	220830	Whiskies: In containers holding 2 L or less
12	220840	Rum and other spirits obtained by distilling fermented sugarcane products: In containers holding 2 L or less
13	220850	Gin and Geneva: In containers holding 2 L or less
14	220860	Vodka
15	220870	Liqueurs and cordials
16	220890	Other (Liqueurs and cordials): In containers holding 2 L or less
17	240110	Unmanufactured tobacco not stemmed or stripped
18	240120	Tobacco partly or wholly stemmed or stripped
19	240130	Tobacco refuse
20	240210	Cigars, cheroots and cigarillos containing tobacco
21	240220	Cigarettes containing tobacco
22	240290	Other (cigarettes/cigarillos of tobacco substitutes)
23	240310	Smoking tobacco whether or not containing tobacco substitutes in any proportion
24	240391	"Homogenised" or "reconstituted" tobacco
25	240399	Other tobacco

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF FINANCE  
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**Notification No. 99/2011-Customs**

New Delhi dated the 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2011

G.S.R. (E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 25 of the Customs Act, 1962 (52 of 1962), and in supersession of the notifications of the Government of India, in the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), No. 51/2008-Customs, dated the 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2008 [G.S.R. 297 (E), dated the 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2008] and No. 85/2011-Customs dated 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2011 [G.S.R. 662 (E), dated the 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2011], except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the Central Government, being satisfied that it is necessary in public interest so to do, hereby exempts all goods other than those mentioned in the ANNEXURE to this notification, from the whole of the duty of customs leviable thereon under the First Schedule to the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 (51 of 1975), when imported into India from a country listed in APPENDIX to this notification.

Provided that the importer proves to the satisfaction of the Deputy Commissioner of Customs or Assistant Commissioner of Customs, as the case may be, that the goods, in respect of which the benefit of this exemption is claimed, are of the origin of the country listed in the APPENDIX in accordance with the Rules of Determination of Origin of Goods under the Agreement on South Asian Free Trade Area (SAFTA), 2006, published in the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Finance (Department Revenue) No 75/2006-Customs, (NT) dated the 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2006.

ANNEXURE

S. No.	HS Code	Description
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	2203 to 2206	All goods
2	220710	All goods
3	2208	All goods
4	Chapter 24	All goods

APPENDIX

S. No.	Country
(1)	(2)

1.	People's Republic of Bangladesh
2.	Kingdom of Bhutan
3.	Republic of Maldives
4.	Nepal
5.	Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

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