

Government reduces the import duty on key components of mobile phones from 15% to 10%

The Ministry of Finance in order to provide further boost to domestic manufacturing and exports has decided to slash the import duty on key components of mobile phones from 15% to 10%. These components include battery enclosures, primary lenses, rear covers and various mechanical components made from a combination of plastic and metal.

This move is expected to give an impetus to government's vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat and will help electronics and semiconductor manufacturers expand their manufacturing base in India.

The notification can be accessed [here](#). A summary of the update is produced below:

Inclusion of additional entries for exemption/concessional benefit from 30.01.2024

Sr No.	HSN	Description	Rate	Condition
1A	Any chapter	Inputs or parts for use in manufacture of Microphone Rubber Case, Sensor Rubber Case / Sealing Gasket including sealing gaskets / cases from Rubbers like SBR, EPDM, CR, CS, Silicone and all other individual rubbers or combination / combination of rubbers	Nil	If the importer follows the procedure set out in the Import of Goods at Concessional Rate of Duty Rules
6D	39 73	The following goods for use in manufacture of cellular mobile phones:- Battery cover Front cover Middle cover Main lens Back cover GSM Antenna/Antenna of any technology PU case/Sealing Gasket – Other articles of Polyurethane foam like sealing gaskets/case Sealing Gaskets/ Cases from PE, PP, EPS, PC and all other individual polymers or combination/combinations of polymers SIM socket Screw Other mechanical items of plastic Other mechanical items of metal	10%	
6E	Any chapter	Inputs or parts for use in manufacture of goods mentioned at S. No. 6D above	Nil	
6F	39	The following goods for use in manufacture of cellular mobile phones:- Conductive cloth LCD conductive foam LCD foam BT foam	10%	

		Heat dissipation sticker battery cover Sticker-Battery slot Protective film for main lens Mylar for LCD FPC Film-front flash	
6G	Any Chapter	Inputs or parts for use in manufacture of goods mentioned at S. No. 6F above	Nil
6H	8538 90 00	Side key for use in manufacture of cellular mobile phones	10%
6I	Any Chapter	Inputs or parts for use in manufacture of goods mentioned at S. No. 6H above	Nil
6J	8517 79 90	All goods for use in manufacture of cellular mobile phone	10%

Expansion of benefit on inputs used in the manufacturing of the below mentioned products:

Chapter	Description	BCD rate prior to 30.01.2024	BCD rate on or after 30.01.2024
Any chapter	Main Lens	2.5%	Nil
	Mylar for LCD FPC	2.5%	Nil
	Film-front flash	2.5%	Nil
	GSM Antenna/Antenna of any technology	2.5%	Nil

We will be happy to hear your feedback on the same. Hope this is helpful.