

## General System of Preferences (GSP) Information for Pakistan (2007-2008)

### 1. (a) What is Pakistan's use of GSP 2008 and for 2007?

- 2007 Total Pakistan Imports Under GSP: \$135,121,591
- 2008 Total Pakistan Imports Under GSP: \$183,926,567
- Average Duty Saved in 2008: 5.1%

### (b) How much has that increased in 2008 as compared to 2007?

- 2007-2008 Percent Increase of U.S. imports from Pakistan under GSP = **36%**
- 2008 Overall GSP Imports Increased by **just 2.6%**

### (c) What percent of all US imports from Pakistan does that comprise?

- 2007 Percentage of Total Trade with Pakistan which was claimed as GSP = 3.8%
- 2008 Percentage of Total Trade with Pakistan which was claimed as GSP = 5.1%

### 2. What are Pakistan's top US imports under GSP this year and last? Any significant changes?

<u>2007 Top Imports under GSP</u>	<u>Value of Imports</u>	<u>MFN Rate</u>
1. Gold and platinum jewelry	\$15,050,173	5.5 %
2. National flags	\$14,700,237	7.0%
3. Metal instruments for manicure/pedicure	\$8,470,556	4.0%
4. Sports gloves made from leather	\$8,146,992	4.9%
5. Marble slabs	\$5,967,048	2.5%
6. Food prep items	\$4,935,209	6.4%
7. Marble/building stone	\$4,434,636	4.9%
8. Brooms and brushes	\$4,131,076	2.8%
9. Semi- or wholly milled rice	\$3,104,940	11.2%
10. Glucose and glucose syrup	\$3,095,969	2.8 cents/kg

<u>2008 Top Imports under GSP</u>	<u>Value of Imports</u>	<u>MFN Rate</u>
1. <b>Non-silver jewelry-not incl. necklaces/neckchains</b>	<b>\$31,471,164</b>	<b>5.5%</b>
2. <b>Polyethylene terephthalate (PET) in primary forms</b>	<b>\$25,606,689</b>	<b>6.5%</b>
3. National flags	\$13,497,470	7.0%
4. <b>Glucose and glucose syrup</b>	<b>\$8,498,315</b>	<b>2.8 cents/kg</b>
5. Metal instruments for manicure/pedicure	\$8,436,278	4.0%
6. Sports gloves made from leather	\$7,710,513	4.9%
7. <b>Semi- or wholly milled rice</b>	<b>\$6,648,907</b>	<b>11.2%</b>
8. Brooms and brushes	\$6,323,580	2.8%
9. <b>Protein concentrates and textured protein substances</b>	<b>\$5,407,740</b>	<b>6.4%</b>
10. Marble slabs	\$5,201,848	2.5%

**\*Major changes:** 1) U.S. imports of gold and platinum jewelry more than doubled in 2008, despite all U.S. imports of the product dropping by 37%. This could have been helped by India losing GSP eligibility for the product's exports into the United States; 2) U.S. imports of polyethylene from Pakistan jumped from item #37 under GSP in 2007 to item #2 in 2008; 3) U.S. imports of glucose and glucose syrup increased by more than 100% in 2008; and 4) U.S. imports of other process agricultural products increased substantially.

### **3. What textile and apparel items were imported from Pakistan under GSP?**

#### 2007 Imports

##### Textiles:

1. National flags	\$14,700,237
2. Sports gloves made from leather	\$8,146,992
3. Sports gloves of man-made fibers	\$2,453,205
4. Leather belts	\$1,448,886
5. Batting gloves of leather	\$1,439,444
6. Saddlery and animal harnesses of any material	\$938,595
7. Pillows and cushions, not of cotton	\$928,344
8. Hand-hooked carpets and other textile floor coverings	\$566,664

##### Apparel:

1. Plastic articles of apparel & clothing accessories	\$49,685
2. Fur/skin articles of apparel and clothing accessories	\$5,936

#### 2008 Imports

##### Textiles:

1. National flags	\$13,497,470
2. Sports gloves made from leather	\$7,710,513
3. Sports gloves of man-made fibers	\$2,132,068
4. Batting gloves of leather	\$1,595,493
5. Leather belts	\$1,109,064
6. Saddlery and animal harnesses of any material	\$999,762
7. Sports gloves made from plastic	\$662,354
8. Pillows and cushions, not of cotton	\$600,132

##### Apparel:

1. Plastic articles of apparel & clothing accessories	\$40,600
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### **4. Of the total GSP-eligible U.S. imports from Pakistan, what percent did US importers claim under GSP?**

- 2007 Total Utilization = 93% (Total GSP claimed = \$135,121,591/ Total GSP Eligible \$146,071,938); average utilization by all GSP beneficiaries is 87%.
- 2008 Total Utilization = 95% (Total GSP claimed = \$183,926,567/ Total GSP Eligible \$193,818,834)

### **5. Which unclaimed, yet GSP-eligible, products had the highest import volumes? How much duty was paid unnecessarily on these products (2008)?**

Product**	Total Import Value	MFN Rate	Duty Paid
1. Plastic hangars, ltwt plastic bags, compacts	\$1,151,654	3.0%	\$34,550
2. Plastic coated cotton fabric	\$1,059,888	2.7%	\$28,617
3. Sports gloves made from leather	\$985,456	4.9%	\$48,287
4. National flags	\$620,294	7.0%	\$43,421
5. Sports gloves from man-made fibers	\$451,238	2.8%	\$12,635

\*\* GSP-eligible articles are identified in the current edition of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). U.S. importers are responsible for requesting GSP treatment upon the products' entry into the United States. Products must meet rule-of-origin requirements.