



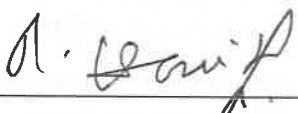
VIYASH LIFE SCIENCES PRIVATE LIMITED

## RESPONSIBLE PROCUREMENT POLICY

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## Purpose

Sustainability stands as a fundamental strategic objective for Viyash, responsible sourcing emerges as one of its core pillars. By embracing responsible sourcing, we are committed to engaging exclusively with trusted suppliers who adhere to stringent global norms concerning social, environmental, and ethical business conduct. This unwavering dedication to responsible sourcing is pivotal in mitigating potential risks to our brand and plays a crucial role in fostering robust connections with our valued customers, suppliers, and other essential stakeholders.

## A. Essential sustainability topics for all suppliers to address and integrate into their practices

Here are the sustainability topics of general interest that are relevant for all suppliers. These topics should be considered by category and purchasing managers when defining sourcing strategies, selecting and managing suppliers, and adopting policies, practices, and performance standards:

### 1. Environment:

- Supplier's management and targets related to energy consumption, emissions, and waste.

### 2. Labor and Human Rights:

- Treatment of employees and protection of employee rights.

### 3. Health and Safety:

- Employee safety and well-being.

### 4. Suppliers, Red Flags, and Bad Actors:

- Information sharing and transparency about partners.
- How our supplier deals with indications that one of its suppliers may be supporting human rights violations, violating laws, or is a sanctioned party.

### 5. Sustainable Supply Chain Initiatives:

- Membership in Sustainable Business Alliance, Sedex, EcoVadis, or similar organizations.

## **B. Key inquiries for preferred suppliers to address during ongoing dialogue and assessments**

Category and purchasing managers shall engage in ongoing dialogue with our preferred suppliers, addressing the following specific topics and questions during initial qualification, periodic assessments, or as needed. Feedback on these questions should be obtained from each preferred supplier at least once every three years, and relevant managers shall report annually to the manager on feedback received.

### **1. Environment**

- Do you utilize renewable power in your production sites, warehouses, or offices? If yes, please provide a brief description.
- Have you established and publicly reported on Scope 1 and 2 emissions? If yes, kindly specify where reported and provide relevant links.
- Have you set energy or emission reduction targets? If so, please share the details.
- Are your emission reduction targets aligned with the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi)? If yes, please elaborate.
- Have you committed to any waste reduction goals (e.g., total waste, waste to landfill, increased recycling rate)? If yes, please describe.

### **2. Labor and Human Rights**

- Do you comply with all labour laws and regulations in the countries where you have operations?

### **3. Health and Safety**

- Do you follow a specific health and safety standard? If yes, which one?

### **4. Suppliers, Red Flags, and Bad Actors**

- How do you ensure your suppliers comply with relevant labour and environmental laws and regulations?

- Do you train your personnel on conduct expectations, protocols for addressing red flags, bad actors, and how to identify non-compliant suppliers?
- What steps do you take to ensure your suppliers meet our expectations?

## 5. Sustainable Supply Chain Initiatives

- Is your company a member of any sustainable sourcing initiative like Responsible Business Alliance, Sedex, EcoVadis, or others?

Preferred suppliers are encouraged to formally acknowledge our Third-Party Code of Conduct, and we recommend including a written acknowledgment as a best practice.

## Importance of Suppliers' Environmental Performance to Viyash

The environmental performance of our suppliers significantly influences Viyash's carbon footprint, as we consider the CO2 emissions associated with the goods and services we procure. Reducing emissions within our supply chain becomes a vital goal, and collaborating with suppliers who uphold robust environmental management principles and have set energy, waste, and emission reduction targets aligns with our interests.

Additionally, waste generation not only contributes to pollution but also translates into emissions and environmental impact, depending on the disposal practices adopted. For instance, a higher rate of recycling or incineration (waste-to-energy) results in lower emissions, while waste sent to landfills adversely affects both human health and the environment over an extended period.

By prioritizing suppliers' environmental performance, we actively contribute to sustainable practices, minimize our overall environmental impact, and foster responsible and resilient supply chain operations.

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