

# SUPPLIERS CODE OF CONDUCT

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

This document sets out the Supplier Code of Conduct Policy ("Policy") of **Burhani Engineers Limited** (BEL).

BEL is committed to the conduct of its business in consideration of business ethics, respect for fundamental worker rights as well as in consideration of environmental standards and regulation.

This Policy provides the guidelines on Supplier code of conduct with a view to educate the Suppliers (defined below) on conducting business with BEL, in an ethical manner. This Policy provides fundamental expectations of its suppliers regarding their activities in the production and delivery of goods and services supplied directly to BEL. In addition, the policy supports BEL's values, ethical standards, purpose and strategy, as well as internationally recognized standards and appropriate codes of practice. By accepting and abiding by this policy, suppliers affirm that they are committed to working with BEL and are aligned with its values, purpose and strategy.

The suppliers should adhere to this Policy while dealing with any person within BEL or when providing a product or service to BEL.

BEL wants to ensure that its Suppliers clearly understand and have the ability to properly address the supplier code of conduct compliance risks associated with doing business globally. All Suppliers are expected to read this Policy and ensure compliance of the same. In case any Supplier requires any clarification on any aspect of the Policy, they may contact BEL through the email ID provided in this policy.

# 2. SCOPE

This guideline applies to suppliers of goods and services to BEL, including local, national or international suppliers.

## 3. DEFINITIONS

In this Supplier Code of Conduct, unless the context otherwise indicates:

**Suppliers** means organizations/companies/ individuals who have contractual relationships with BEL and includes Contractors, Suppliers of goods and services and Joint Venture partners.

# 4. PEOPLE

# **4.1. HUMAN RIGHTS**

BEL is committed to creating and supporting a culture and work environment in which people have opportunities to do their best in their work.

- Suppliers must comply with all relevant local and national laws and regulations with regard to employment practices, benefits, health and safety and anti-discrimination.
- Suppliers will commit to provide a workplace free of any form of harassment
- Suppliers shall not use any of forced, bonded, indentured or prison labour. All work must be voluntary and workers shall be free to leave work or terminate their employment with reasonable notice.
- Suppliers must strive to support the universal principles of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) adopted by the United Nations in 2015.

#### **4.2 DIVERSITY**

BEL is committed in encouraging diversity in the work place and provision of a work environment that is free from all forms of discrimination and promotes equity for all.

Suppliers are to promote an inclusive workplace where employees' differences in areas like gender, sexual preference, age, culture, religion, race, colour, political, nationality, ethnic or social origin and lifestyle choices are respected.

Suppliers must strive to provide a workplace that is fair, equitable and safe, and ensure that the workplace is free from harassment, discrimination or bullying.

### **4.3 LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

BEL is committed to supporting the career development of its employees through continuous learning, by providing opportunities to develop skills and competencies as well as experiences, that not only meet the current needs of employment but also provides opportunities to build capabilities to achieve future career goals.

Suppliers must be committed to providing relevant training, learning and development opportunities for all employees.

#### 4.4 WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY

BEL is committed to provide and continuously promote the health, safety and well-being of its employees, contractors and visitors by providing a conducive work environment that is free from any work induced or work aggravated hazards. Suppliers must support and demonstrate their commitment to:

- Prevent worker exposure to potential health and safety hazards
- Comply with all relevant local and national laws and regulations with regards to Occupational Health and Safety
- Have written safety and health policies and standards
- Have a documented system to record and address/ reduce work related hazards in the course of their operations.

# **5. ENVIRONMENT**

Suppliers should manage the minimization of their environmental impact in the course of doing business, and must support and encourage others wherever it can meaningfully be done.

All required environmental permits and registrations are to be obtained, maintained and kept current.

## **5.1 CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENERGY**

BEL aspires to identify and respond to climate change risks and opportunities in managing our business portfolio and work towards carbon neutrality in our operations, development and business activities.

Suppliers should commit to reducing their carbon emissions to imbed a preference for carbon neutral products and services in their purchasing process.

#### **5.2 WASTE AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

BEL aspires to utilize resources optimally for maximum lifecycle and secure disposal of waste without causing any environmental harm and risks to human health.

#### **WASTE:**

Suppliers must commit to securely and properly disposal of materials, with an aim of not causing environmental harm, minimizing waste in landfills and not causing health risks.

#### **RESOURCES:**

Suppliers will commit to utilize resources optimally to the maximum of its lifecycle, and to only use what and how much is needed.

#### **5.3 BIODIVERSITY**

BEL aspires to positively contribute to sustainable and resilient communities and ecosystems through the protection of biodiversity.

Wherever possible, Suppliers will make a positive contribution on biodiversity, in relation to the products and services they provide.

#### **5.4 WATER**

BEL aspires to adopt best practices that promote sustainability and proper management of water resources. Suppliers will commit to sustainable use and proper management of water resources in all areas that they have control over, as well as to support and encourage others where they can meaningfully do so.

# 6. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

BEL aims to make a positive contribution to our communities, people and environment.

The supplier will commit to contribute to the communities which the Supplier impacts, as well as support their sustainable development.

# 7. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE, BUSINESS CONDUCT AND ETHICS

BEL regards good corporate governance as being of critical importance to all of its stakeholders. BEL strives to meet high standards of governance across it operations and conducts its business with high standards of ethical behaviour that is in accordance with the laws and regulations. Likewise, BEL expects that:

- Suppliers must strictly comply with all applicable laws and regulations including those on bribery, corruption, and prohibited trade and business practices.
- Suppliers must conduct their business in accordance with high ethical standards
- Suppliers must have effective processes in place to prevent or immediately disclose to BEL, any conflict of interest, or the appearance of a conflict of interest related to its relationship with BEL, as soon as possible.

#### 8. SUPPLY CHAIN

BEL is committed to working in partnership with our suppliers to realize the full value of our relations and to positively contribute to our stakeholder communities and the environment.

Suppliers must adopt similar principles as outlined in this Code of Conduct, to promote compliance among their own suppliers.

Suppliers must adhere to acceptance of ethical business practices with their own suppliers, including timely payment of dues.

#### 9. BREACH OF POLICY AND REPORTING OF CONCERNS

All Suppliers must abide by this Policy at all times and to avoid any activity which may lead to breach of this Policy.

In this regard, if any Supplier that has any doubts or concerns as regards the Policy they may use the email ID below to raise their concerns and queries: e-mail: sheetal.kotak@burhaniengineers.com

Everyone to whom this Policy applies to, is free to report suspected acts of violation of this policy to the email as provided above. Suppliers are encouraged to raise genuine concerns under this Policy.

Any breach of this Policy by a Supplier will be considered as breach of contract with the supplier which may lead to the termination of the commercial contract. The aforesaid is in addition to consequences under applicable local laws. Breach of certain provisions under this Policy may also result in breach of certain legal provisions of the applicable laws. The consequences of breach of legal provisions vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction and may at times lead to imprisonment and hefty fines.

Suppliers are assured that complete confidentiality shall be maintained as regards their communication with the above email ID.

#### 10. DUE DILIGENCE AND SELECTION OF A SUPPLIER

As part of its business, BEL liaises with Other Third Parties from time to time. BEL shall be performing a due diligence to any of its suppliers and their sub-contractors to confirm the requirements set out in this Code of Conduct are in place and in force. BEL shall ensure the following while dealing with Suppliers:

- Undertake BEL's requirements of screening (which includes conducting appropriate due diligence), pre-qualifying and internally certifying the Supplier. This process shall be documented suitably.
- After approving any Supplier, a written agreement should be signed with the Supplier detailing the terms of the engagement.
- Each Supplier who is engaged by BEL should adequately be briefed about this Policy, and also about the requirement for them to adhere to this Policy.
- Each Supplier Agreement shall contain suitable wording to enable BEL to terminate the agreement if the Supplier fails to abide by this Policy.
- All payments to the Supplier must be made to them directly, to a bank account registered in the name of such Supplier. Cash Payments must never be made to the Supplier, nor should payments be made via another party that has no contractual relationship with BEL.

# 11. TRAINING / AWARENESS

BEL may from time to time deliver trainings, to create awareness of this policy, to its Employees and Suppliers for a better understanding of the policy.

# 12. APPLICABLE LEGISLATIONS

All local laws and regulations of the jurisdictions in which BEL operates are applicable to BEL, its Employees and Suppliers. These laws are in addition to this Policy and are to be complied with by BEL employees and the Suppliers to the fullest extent.

# **13.0 POLICY REVIEW**

This policy shall be reviewed once every 2 years, or sooner if business needs arise.

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