

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY POLICY



1. Preamble

Biotic Waste Limited seeks to be a good corporate citizen in all aspects of its operations and activities. It is the Company's intent to make a positive difference to society. It recognizes that it cannot do it all; so that if there are choices to be made, prioritization will be towards doing fewer projects with greater impact and focusing initiatives on communities in which the Company lives and operates.

2. Vision and commitment

Our vision is to drive 'holistic empowerment' of the community through implementation of sustainable initiative which will have maximum societal impact by identifying the critical needs and gaps.

We shall remain committed to the following operating principles –

- Conducting business in a socially responsible and ethical manner;
- Protecting the environment and the safety of people;
- Supporting human rights; and
- Engaging, learning from, respecting and supporting the local communities and cultures with which we work.

3. Philosophy and approach

The company proposes to create a social impact through 'hands on' execution of the social initiatives, directly and/ or through partnerships with individuals, institutions, NGOs and local Government bodies etc. for the purpose of accessing expertise/ enhancing resources.

4. CSR Objectives

The company shall focus its CSR activities on the areas as prescribed under Schedule VII of the Companies Act, 2013 (as amended from time to time). Schedule VII of the Act has prescribed following areas of CSR activities –

- eradicating hunger, poverty and malnutrition, promoting health care including preventive health care and sanitation including contribution to the Swach Bharat Kosh set-up by the Central Government for the promotion of sanitation] and making available safe drinking water;
- promoting education, including special education and employment enhancing vocation skills especially among children, women, elderly, and the differently abled and livelihood enhancement projects;
- promoting gender equality, empowering women, setting up homes and hostels for women and orphans; setting up old age homes, day care centres and such other facilities

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for senior citizens and measures for reducing inequalities faced by socially and economically backward groups;

- ensuring environmental sustainability, ecological balance, protection of flora and fauna, animal welfare, agroforestry, conservation of natural resources and maintaining quality of soil, air and water including contribution to the Clean Ganga Fund set-up by the Central Government for rejuvenation of river Ganga;
- protection of national heritage, art and culture including restoration of buildings and sites of historical importance and works of art; setting up public libraries; promotion and development of traditional arts and handicrafts;
- measures for the benefit of armed forces veterans, war widows and their dependents; • training to promote rural sports, nationally recognised sports, paralympic sports and Olympic sports; • contribution to the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund or any other fund set up by the Central Government for socio-economic development and relief and welfare of the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, other backward classes, minorities and women;
- contributions or funds provided to technology incubators located within academic institutions which are approved by the Central Government;
- rural development projects.
- slum area development

Explanation.— For the purposes of this item, the term 'slum area' shall mean any area declared as such by the Central Government or any State Government or any other competent authority under any law for the time being in force.

In case of any amendment under Schedule VII of the Companies Act, 2013, the same amendment shall be deemed to be effected in this CSR Policy also

However, the CSR Committee shall have authority to decide to carry out any other CSR activities within the purview of permissible activities under the Act from time to time.

5. CSR Committee

The Company's CSR governance structure will be headed at the Board level CSR Committee that will be responsible for CSR activities/ project undertaken. The Committee will report to the Board of Directors of the Company. The CSR Committee shall comprise of at least three directors, one of whom shall be independent director. The Board shall be empowered to modify the composition of CSR Committee, provided that there shall always be at least one independent director as part of CSR Committee or such other composition as may be prescribed from time to time.

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6. Responsibilities of CSR Committee

The CSR committee shall be mainly responsible to;

- Formulate CSR policy, inter-alia in compliance with the section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013 and schedule VII thereof and the Companies Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Rules 2014.
- Identify and recommend to the Board, from time to time, the activities/ projects in line with such CSR policy and seek its approval for expenditure thereon, from the Board of Directors of the Company.
- Put and institute the transparent monitoring mechanism to review the implementation status of each activities/ project.
- Recommend to the Board, modifications to the CSR policy as and when required.
- Formulate a CSR Management Committee, if required to monitor the approved CSR activities, spending thereon from time to time with a robust and transparent governance structure to oversee the implementation of CSR Policy.

7. Surplus

Any surplus generated from CSR projects undertaken by us will be tracked and channelized back into our CSR corpus and this will be over and above the 2% figure. These funds will be further used in development of the CSR projects and will not be added to the normal business profits.

8. CSR Budget

The total budget for the CSR activities/ projects will be recommended by the CSR Committee and shall be approved by the Board of Directors of the Company.

The expenditure to be incurred on CSR activities/ project during a financial year shall not be less than 2% of the average net profit (calculated in accordance with provisions of section 198 of the Companies Act, 2013) during three immediate preceding financial years of the Company.

The Company may allocate funds towards the building of CSR capacities within the Company as well as of the agencies selected to carry out such activities, provided that such spending shall not exceed 5% of the total amount available towards CSR spending in any financial year.

9. Reporting

Compliance with this policy will be continuously monitored by the CSR Committee at its meeting(s), subject to annual review by the Board of Directors. The contents of this policy shall be disclosed in the Board report and placed on the Company's website. Compliance will be reported to stakeholders through the Company's Annual Report.