

Sedex Members Ethical Trade Audit Report





Audit Details								
Sedex Company Reference: (only available on Sedex System)	ZC: 1052880		Sedex Site Re (only available System)		ZS: 10	ZS: 1056148		
Business name (Company name):	ACS Towel Limited							
Site name:	ACS Towel Limited							
Site address: (Please include full address)	Holding no-1/1, Tetlab, Rupshi, Tarabo, Rupgonj, Naraynagonj		Country:		Bangl	ladesh		
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SMETA Audit Type:	🛛 Labour Standards	⊠ H Safe	lealth & ty	Environr	nent	Business Ethics		
Date of Audit:	18/09/2017							

Audit Company Name & Logo:	
Intertek	Report Owner (payee):
Total Quality: Assured.	ACS Towel Limited

Audit Conducted By										
Commercial	\square	Purchaser		Trade Union						
NGO		Retailer		Brand Owner						
Multi– stakeholder			Combined Audit	(select all that appl	у)					



Audit Content:

- (1) A SMETA audit was conducted which included some or all of Labour Standards, Health and Safety, Environment and Business ethics. The SMETA Best Practice Guidance Version 5 December 2015 was applied. The scope of workers included all types at the site e.g. direct employees, agency workers, workers employed by service providers, and workers provided by other contractors. Any deviations from the SMEIA Methodology are stated (with reasons for deviation) in the SMt IA Declaration.
- (2) The audit scope was against the following reference documents

2-Pillar SMETA Audit

- ETI Base Code
- SMETA Additions
 - Management systems and code implementation,
 - Entitlement to Work & Immigration,
 - Sub-Contracting and Home working,

4-Pillar SMETA

- 2-Pillar requirements plus
- Additional Pillar assessment of Environment
- Additional Pillar assessment of Business Ethics
- The Customer's Supplier Code (Appendix 1)
- (3) Where appropriate non-compliances were raised against the ETI code / SMETA Additions & local law and recorded as non compliances on both the audit report, CAPR and on Sedex.
- (4) Any Non-Compliance against customer code shall not be uploaded to Sedex. However, in the CAPR these 'Variances in compliance between ETI code / SMETA Additions/ local law and customer code' shall be noted in the observations section of the CAPR.



SMETA Declaration

I declare that the audit underpinning the following report was conducted in accordance with SMETA Best Practice Guidance and SMETA Measurement Criteria.

- (1) Where appropriate non-compliances were raised against the ETI code / SMETA Additions & local law and recorded as non-compliances on both the audit report, CAPR and on Sedex.
- (2) Any Non-Compliance against customer code alone shall not be uploaded to Sedex. However, in the CAPR these 'Variances in compliance between ETI code / SMETA Additions/ local law and customer code' shall be noted in the observations section of the CAPR.

Any exceptions to this must be recorded here (e.g. different sample size): None

Auditor Team (s) (please list all including all interviewers): Lead auditor: Ruhi Tamanna Team auditor: Chandramallika Ghosh, Rashed Ullah, Shibshankar Dey Interviewers: Chandramallika Ghosh, Shibshankar Dey and Rashed Ullah

Report writer: Shibshankar Dey. Report reviewer: Nawar Tazrian

Date of declaration: 24 September 2017

Note: The focus of this ethical audit is on the ETI Base Code and local law. The additional elements will not be audited in such depth or scope, but the audit process will still highlight any specific issues.

This report provides a summary of the findings and other applicable information found/gathered during the social audit conducted on the above date only and does not officially confirm or certify compliance with any legal regulations or industry standards. The social audit process requires that information be gathered and considered from records review, worker interviews, management interviews and visual observation. More information is gathered during the social audit process than is provided here. The audit process is a sampling exercise only and does not guarantee that the audited site prior, during or post–audit, are in full compliance with the Code being audited against. The provisions of this Code constitute minimum and not maximum standards and this Code should not be used to prevent companies from exceeding these standards. Companies applying this Code are expected to comply with national and other applicable laws and where the provisions of law and this Code address the same subject, to apply that provision which affords the greater protection. The ownership of this report remains with the party who has paid for the audit. Release permission must be provided by the owner prior to release to any third parties.



Non-Compliance Table

Issue (please click on the issue title to go direct to the appropriate audit results by clause)	(Only conformit	check box y, and only	n–Conformity when there is c in the box/es v ty can be four	non– where the		Record the number of issues by line*: NC Findings Only (note to auditor, summarise in as few possible NC's only)			
Note to auditor, please ensure that when issuing the audit report, hyperlinks are retained.	ETI Base Code	Local Law	Additional Elements	Customer Code	NC	Obs	GE		

0A	Universal Rights covering UNGP					0	0	
ОВ	Management systems and code implementation				0	0	0	
1.	Freely chosen Employment				0	0	0	
2	Freedom of Association				0	0	0	
3	Safety and Hygienic Conditions	\boxtimes	\boxtimes		2	1	0	 facility did not ensure adequate number of hand gloves centrally connected fire alarm call point was inactive in ground floor of building-1
4	<u>Child Labour</u>				0	0	0	
5	Living Wages and Benefits				0	0	3	
6	Working Hours	\boxtimes	\boxtimes		1	0	0	Consecutive working day was found
7	<u>Discrimination</u>				0	0	0	



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8	Regular Employment		\boxtimes			1	0	0	 facility did not provide employees ID card with prescribed information
8A	<u>Sub–Contracting and</u> Homeworking					0	0	0	
9	Harsh or Inhumane Treatment					0	0	0	
10A	Entitlement to Work					0	0	0	
10B2	Environment 2-Pillar					0	0	0	
10B4	Environment 4–Pillar					0	0	0	
10C	Business Ethics					0	0	0	
Gener	al observations and summary of t	he site:							
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*Please note the table above records the total number of Non-compliances (NC), Observations (Obs) and Good Examples (GE). This gives the reviewer an indication of problem areas but does not detail severities of each issue – Reviewers need to check audit results by clause.







Site Details

Site Details							
A: Company Name:	ACS Towel Limi	ted					
B: Site name:	ACS Towel Limited						
C: Applicable business and other legally required licence numbers and documents for example, business license no, liability insurance, any other required government inspections	Factory License: Factory License No: 14712/Narayangonj, bearing '1' category, which is valid till 30 June 2018. Fire License: Fire License No: DD/Dhaka/22178/2010 issued by Bangladesh Fire Service & Civil Defense Authority which is valid till 30 June 2018. Trade License: Trade License No: 3154 issued by Tarabo Pouroshava which is valid till 30 June 2018.						
D: Products/Activities at site, for example, garment manufacture, electricals, toys, grower	All kinds of towel items.						
E: Site description: (Include size, location, and age of site. Also, include structure and number of buildings)	ACS Towel Limited located at Holding no-1/1, Tetlab, Rupshi, Tarabo, Rupgonj, Naraynagonj. The total land area occupied by the facility is about 150000 square feet, production area is about 201109 square feet and warehouse area is about 48700 square feet. Facility has started its operation since 2012. There are 04 pre- fabricated buildings and 01 RCC building in the facility premises. There are two factories in the premises. ACS Textile (Bangladesh) Ltd. and ACS Towel Itd. The facility's structure is made of a mixture of concrete and steel.						
	The detail layo	ut of the facility is as follows:					
	Production Building /shed Building 1	Description	Remark, if any				
	Basement	Yarn Store, Chemical Store	Commonly used				
	Ground floor	Warping Section, Sizing Section, Weaving Section, Dyeing & Dyeing Finishing Section, Hard winding section, Lab Section and Flatbed Printing Section. Boiler	Hard winding section used for ACS Textile (Bangladesh) Ltd.				
	1st Floor	Cutting Section, Stitching section, Inspection area, Folding section, Packing	ACS Towel				



		section, Training room,						
	Building 2	Finished goods area.						
	building z	Medical Room, Childcare	Commonly					
	Ground floor	Room & Fire Control Room.	used					
	Building 3							
	Ground floor	Chemicals store (general), Work shop.	Commonly used					
	1st Floor	Main general store, Officer Canteen & Dining Room.	Commonly used					
	2nd Floor	Workers Canteen.	Commonly used					
	Building 4	-						
	Ground floor	Generator room, Compressor, Substation.	Commonly used					
	1st Floor	Office of Technical Section	ACS Textile					
	Building 5							
	Ground floor	Admin & Compliance, Accounts & finance, Commercial (Export).	Commonly used					
	1st Floor	Show room & display center, Marketing, Commercial (Import.	Commonly used					
	2nd Floor	IT Room.	Commonly used					
	Visible structural integrity issues (large cracks) observed and without structural engineer evaluation. Yes No Details: Based on facility visit no structural integrity issues (large cracks) was observed, also structural engineer evaluation was found.							
F: Site function:	Agent Agent Factory Processing/Manufacturer Finished Product Supplier Grower Homeworker Labour Provider Pack House Primary Producer Service Provider Sub-Contractor							
G: Month(s) of peak season: (if applicable)	Round the year	r same						
H: Process overview:	Product manufe	actured: All kinds of terry towel						



(Include products being produced, main operations, number of production lines, main equipment used)	Main production process: Warping, sizing, weaving, dyeing, washing, stitching (cutting, sewing and finishing).
	Monthly production capacity: 350 tons per month
	Number of production lines: 5 weaving machine
	Machines used: Polishing &shearing, Exhaust Dyeing machine, Chemical Supply System MPS-L, Dye stuff Dissolving System MPS-D, mini Washing & Dyeing machine (5 Kg), Garment Washing & Dyeing machine (75 Kg), Hydro Extractor machine (500 Kg), Thumble Dyer machine, Yarn Dyeing machine . 5 Kg, Padder Mangle, AUTOLAB TF 128, ELECTROLUX Washing m/c, Warping, Terry Weaving Loom 340cm, LONG CUTTING, CROSS HUMMING, Matal Ditecton M/c etc.
	Chemical used: Coratex Maize Starch, Excilla Modified Stach, Softex Wax, J- poval JP-18FT, Acrysize V4030, Texsize, Tapica Starch, Sico 52D, Penetrose 50 Maize Starch, Acetic Acid, Antimussol UDF, Bactasol PHC, Caustic Soda (Local), Cellusoft CR, Eriopon OLS, Hostapol XTRA Liq, Hydrogen Peroxide 50% Jar, Ivatex AC, Lecophore BBU Liq, Optofix EC, Roshtex NC, Samper STB, Sodium Hydrosulfite, Terminox® Ultra 50 L etc.
I: What form of worker representation / union is there on site?	 Union (name) Worker Committee (Participation Committee) Other (specify) None
J: Is there any night production work at the site?	Yes No
K: Are there any on site provided worker accommodation buildings e.g. dormitories	Yes No If yes approx. 10% of workers in on site accommodation
L: Are there any off site provided worker accommodation buildings	☐ Yes ⊠ No If Yes approx% of workers
M: Were the site provided accommodation buildings included in this audit	∑ Yes □ No If No, please give details



Audit Parameters							
A: Time in and time out	Day 1 Time in: 09:30 hrs Day 1 Time out: 17:30 hrs	Day 2 Time in: NA Day 2 Time out: NA	Day 3 Time in: NA Day 3 Time out: NA				
B: Number of Auditor Days Used:	3.7 Man-day audit (4 aud	itors in one day)					
C: Audit type:	 Full Initial Periodic Full Follow-up Partial Follow-Up Partial Other - Define 						
D: Was the audit announced?	 □ Announced ☑ Semi – announced: Window detail: 04 weeks □ Unannounced 						
E: Was the Sedex SAQ available for review?	∑ Yes □ No If No, why not						
F: Any conflicting information SAQ/Pre-Audit Info to Audit findings?	☐ Yes ⊠ No If Yes , please capture det	ail in appropriate audi	t by clause				
G: Who signed and agreed CAPR (Name and job title)	Md. Ruhul Alam Sharif - G	eneral Manager, Com	pliance				
H: Is further information available(if Y please contact audit company for details)	Yes No						
I: Previous audit date:	7 November 2016						
J: Previous audit type:	Periodic						
K: Was any previous audit reviewed during this audit	Yes No						
	□ N/A						

Audit attendance	Manageme	nt	Worker Rep	resentativ	es	
			Worker Committee representatives		Union representatives	
A: Present at the opening meeting?	🛛 Yes	🗌 No	🛛 Yes	🗌 No	Yes	🛛 No



B: Present at the audit?	🛛 Yes	🗌 No	🛛 Yes	🗌 No	Yes	🛛 No
C: Present at the closing meeting?	🛛 Yes	🗌 No	🛛 Yes	🗌 No	🗌 Yes	🛛 No
D: If Worker Representatives were not present please explain reasons why (only complete if no worker reps present)	Not Applica	ble				
E: If Union Representatives were not present please explain reasons why: (only complete if no union reps present)	There is no ti law.	rade unio	n at this facili	ty and it is	s not mandat	ed by



Worker Analysis

11 The term "migrant worker" refers to a person who is engaged or has been engaged in a remunerated activity in a country of which they are not a national and where they do not intend to remain permanently or has purposely migrated on a temporary basis to another in-country region to seek and engage in a remunerated activity

Worker Analysis								
	Local		Migrant*				Total	
	Permanent	Temporary	Agency	Permanent	Temporary	Agency	Home workers	Total
Worker numbers – Male	424	0	0	0	0	0	0	424
Worker numbers – female	181	0	0	0	0	0	0	181
Total	605	0	0	0	0	0	0	605
Number of Workers interviewed – male	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	29
Number of Workers interviewed – female	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
Total – interviewed sample size	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	42

A: Nationality of Management	Bangladeshi, British & Pakistani
B: Majority nationality of workers	Main countries: Country 1: Bangladeshi _approx. % total workforce_100%
C: Worker remuneration (management information)	% workers on piece rate % hourly paid workers 100 % salaried workers
	Payment cycle: % daily paid % weekly paid 100 % monthly paid % other – please give details



Worker Interview Summary			
A: Were workers aware of the audit?	⊠ Yes □ No		
B: Were workers aware of the code?	∑ Yes □ No		
C: Number of group interviews: (Please specify number and size of groups. Please see SMETA Best Practice Guidance and Measurement Criteria. If the auditor was not able to follow the BPG, please state within the declaration)	42 employees were selected for interview including 29 male and 13 female employees, they were interviewed as 06 groups each consisting of 05 employees and 12 employees were interviewed individually.		
D: Number of individual interviews (Please see SMETA Best Practice Guidance and Measurement Criteria)	Male: 9	Female: 3	
E: All groups of workers are included in the scope of this audit such as; Direct employees, Casual and agency workers, Workers employed by service providers such as security and catering staff as well as workers supplied by other contractors. Note to auditor: please record details of migrant /agency/contractor workers in section 8 – Regular Employment, under Responsible Recruitment	∑ Yes ☐ No If No, please give details: NA		
F: Interviews were done in private and the confidentiality of the interview process was communicated to the workers?	⊠ Yes □ No		
G: In general, what was the attitude of the workers towards their workplace?	∑ Favourable □ Non-favourable □ Indifferent		
H: What was the most common worker complaint?	None		
I: What did the workers like the most about working at this site?	Facility workplace condition is comfortable, timely payment of wage and benefits. Good relationship with facility management.		
J: Any additional comment(s) regarding interviews:	None		
K: Attitude of workers to hours worked:	Total working hour is within standard limit and overtime is fully voluntary.		
L. Is there any worker survey information available?			
☐ Yes ⊠ No If Yes, please give details:			
M: Attitude of workers: (Include their attitude to management, workplace, and the interview process. Both positive and negative information should be included) Note: Do not document any information that could put workers at risk			



The employees were generally positive about their work place, they got on well with workers and managers. They found management team positive and approachable.

The employees were assured of confidentiality and they spoke freely of their views of the factory. All employees said they were satisfied with their employment at the factory and they are provided wages as per their agreement. They feel free to leave this employer and understood the notice period required. The facility management treated them with respect.

They are able to complain directly to their supervisors or line manager and also feel free to give their general concerns to their Participation Committee representative who would take it to the PC meeting.

N: Attitude of worker's committee/union reps:

(Include their attitude to management, workplace, and the interview process. Both positive and negative information should be included) Note: Do not document any information that could put workers at risk

The Participation Committee members were positive about the facility. Participation Committee members interview were conducted privately in a separate place. The participation Committee members replied naturally regarding their responsibilities as PC members and they also informed that they can easily carry out their daily job without any difficulties.

O: Attitude of managers:

(Include attitude to audit, and audit process. Both positive and negative information should be included)

The facility management showed a positive attitude to this audit and during the whole audit process. Md. Ruhul Alam Sharif - General Manager, Compliance along with his team was present though the audit process and co-operated through the whole audit. Facility management respected client's requirement and allowed auditors to take photographs of all production process, best practices and also non conformities. They also provided required documents photocopies and allowed auditors to interact with the employees confidentially. At the closing meeting, the facility management agreed with all the findings and suggested corrective actions.

The facility management had a system in place to check their current practices against their client's requirements and the local law, and they took notice of the findings of the internal audit team and also have a Health & Safety committee to take care of health and safety concerns.



Audit Results by Clause

0A: Universal Rights covering UNGP

(Click here to return to NC-table)

0.A. Guidance for Observations

0.A.1 Businesses should have a policy, endorsed at the highest level, covering human rights impacts and issues, and ensure it is communicated to all appropriate parties, including its own suppliers.

0.A.2 Businesses should have a designated person responsible for implementing standards concerning Human rights

0.A.3 Businesses shall identify their stakeholders and salient issues.

0.A.4 Businesses shall measure their direct, indirect, and potential impacts on stakeholders (rights holders) human rights.

0.A.5 Where businesses have an adverse impact on human rights within any of their stakeholders, they shall address these issues and enable effective remediation.

0.A.6 Businesses shall have a transparent system in place for confidentially reporting, and dealing with human rights impacts without fear of reprisals towards the reporter.

Note for auditors and readers. This is not a full Human Rights Assessment, but instead a check on the business's implementation of processes to meet their Universal rights covering UNGP responsibilities.

Current Systems and Evidence Examined

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is /are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Current systems:

• The responsible person for implementation and monitoring Md. Ruhul Alam Sharif - General Manager, Compliance. The facility has policy and procedure for human rights.

• The facility communicates this code of conduct to the employees through notice board orientation training.

• It is communicated to all appropriate parties, including suppliers through the responsible person.

• Currently, 605 employees are working in the facility. The facility comprises 537 production employees and 68 non-production employees. Among the 605 employees, 424 employees are male and 181 employees are female. Generally, weekly holiday is Friday for office and general shift. The facility has three working shift respectively 6:00 am to 2:00 pm, 2:00 pm to 10:00 pm and 10:00 pm to 6:00 am with one hour lunch break by rotation. General working hour of the facility employees is 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with 1 hour lunch break from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Employee's wages are calculated on a monthly basis. The payment method of the salary is Bank auto pay except 2% employees who joined after 15th of the month within 07 working days and the payment cycle is 1-30/31.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details:

- Facility code of conduct.
- All policies of facility.
- Management, employee training/meeting records.



A: Policy statement that expresses commitment to respect human rights?	Yes No Please give details: The facility has policy on human rights which is universal to all employees.
B: Does the business have a designated person responsible for implementing standards concerning Human Rights?	Yes No Please give details: The facility have a designated person who responsible for implementing standards concerning Human Rights. Name: Md. Ruhul Alam Sharif Job title: General Manager, Compliance
C: Does the businesses have a transparent system in place for confidentially reporting, and dealing with human rights impacts without fear of reprisals towards the reporter?	Yes No Please give details: The facility has an independent compliance team for reporting and dealing with human rights impact without fear and it is a completely transparent system.
D: Does the business demonstrate effective data privacy procedures for workers' information, which is implemented?	Yes No Please give details: The facility uses worker register and software for keeping privacy.

Findings			
Finding: Observation Company NC None Observed	Objective evidence observed: Not Applicable		
Local law or ETI/Additional elements / customer specific requirement: Not Applicable			
Comments: Not Applicable			

Good examples observed:	
Description of Good Example (GE): None Observed	Objective Evidence Observed:
	Not Applicable



Measuring Workplace Impact

Workplace Impact		
A: Annual worker turnover: Number of workers leaving in last 12 months as a % of average total number of workers on site over the	Last year : September-15 to August-16 :	This year : September -16 to August -17
year (annual worker turnover)	3 %	3 %
B: Current % quarterly (90 days) turnover: Number of workers leaving from the first of the 90 day period through to the last day of the 90 day period / [(number of employees on the 1st day of 90 day period + number of employees on the last day of the 90 day period) / 2]	June-17 to August-17 : 3 %	
C: Annual % absenteeism: Number of days lost through job absence in the year / [(number of employees on 1st day of the year + number employees on the last day of the year / 2] * number available workdays in the year	Last year : September-15 to August-16: 4.9 %	This year : September -16 to August -17: 4.5 %
D: Quarterly (90 days) % absenteeism: Number of days lost through job absence in the period / [(Number of employees on 1st of the period + Number of employees on the last day of the period / 2] * Number of available workdays in the month	Jun-16 to August-16 : 4.85 %	June-17 to August-17 : 5 %
E: Are accidents recorded?	Yes No Please describe: All the injuries are recorded in an injury register. Last injury was occurred on 15 September 2017 which was a small injury in finger.	
F: Annual Number of work related accidents and injuries per 100 workers: [Number of work related accidents and injuries * 100) / Number of total workers]	Last year: September-15 to August-16 Number: 18	This year: September -16 to August -17 Number: 23
G: Quarterly (90 days) number of work related accidents and injuries per 100 workers: [Number of work related accidents and injuries * 100) / Number of total workers]	June-15 to August-16: 09	June-17 to August-17 : 08
H: Lost day work cases per 100 workers: [(Number of lost days due to work accidents and work related injuries * 100) / Number of total workers]	Last year: September-15 to August-16 0	This year: September-16 to August-17 0
I: % of workers that work on average more than 48 standard hours / week in the last 6 / 12 months:	6 months: 90%	12 months: 60%



J: % of workers that work on average more than 60 total hours / week in the last 6 / 12 months:	6 months: 2 %	12 months: 1 %
K: % complaints resolved / grievances responded to.	100 % complaints / grievances responded to	100 % complaints / grievances resolved



0B: Management system and Code Implementation (click here to return to NC Table)

0.1 Suppliers are expected to implement and maintain systems for delivering compliance to this Code. 0.2 Suppliers shall appoint a senior member of management who shall be responsible for compliance with the Code.

0.3 Suppliers are expected to communicate this Code to all employees.

0.4 Suppliers should communicate this code to their own suppliers and, where reasonably practicable, extend the principles of this Ethical Code through their supply chain.

Current Systems and Evidence Examined

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Current systems:

- Responsibility for meeting the legal and client code requirements is taken by Md. Ruhul Alam Sharif General Manager, Compliance.
- The facility communicates this code of conduct (COC) to the employees through notice board and orientation training.
- The facility management is conducting internal social compliance audit regularly and take necessary corrective action based on report. Last internal audit conducted on 24 August 2017.
- Facility has internationally recognised system certifications e.g. OEKOTEX, BRC certificate of compliance.
- The facility arranged mid -level management training for all mid-level management employees such as supervisors, quality in charge, production officers, etc.
- The facility conduct orientation training for all new employees and last training was conducted on 21 August 2017.
- Supplier communicates ETI code of conduct to their suppliers and where reasonably practicable extends the principles of this ethical code through their supply chain.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details:

- Facility Code of Conduct (COC).
- All policies of facility.
- Certifications
- Internal audit records
- Management employee training , training attendance record
- Meeting records



Management Systems:			
A: In the last 12 months, has the site been subject to any fines/prosecutions for non–compliance to any regulations?	☐ Yes ➢ No Please describe: In the last 12 months the site has not been subjected to any fines or prosecutions for non-compliance to any regulations.		
B: Do policies and/or procedures exist that reduce the risk of forced labour, child labour, discrimination, harassment & abuse?	Yes No Please describe: It was noted through documentation review that facility has policies and procedures for forced labour, child labour, discrimination, harassment & abuse.		
C: If Yes, is there evidence (an indication) of effective implementation? Please give details.	It was noted through the management and workers interview that overtime is voluntary for all employees. No child labour was found in the facility during the facility tour and age verification certificate found in all the reviewed personal files.		
D: Have managers and workers received training in the standards for forced labour, child labour, discrimination, harassment & abuse?	Yes No Please describe: All the employee in the facility have received orientation training where standards for forced labour, child labour, discrimination, harassment & abuse are covered. Last orientation training was held on 21 August 2017 with 04 participants and conducted by Senior Officer-Compliance.		
E: If Yes, is there evidence (an indication) that training has been effective e.g. training records etc.? Please give details	Yes No Please describe: It was noted through Management and employees' interview they are aware about forced labour, child labour, discrimination, harassment & abuse.		
F; Does the site have any internationally recognised system certifications e.g. ISO 9000, 14000, OHSAS 18000, SA8000 (or other social audits). <i>Please detail (Number and date)</i> .	Yes No Please describe: Facility has internationally recognised system certifications e.g. OEKOTEX certificate of Compliance		
G: Is there a Human Resources manager/department? If Yes, please detail.	Yes No Please describe: There is a Human resource department with 8 Employees. Head of the department is Mr. Humayun Kabir.		



H: Is there a senior person /manager responsible for implementation of the Code	Yes No Please describe: Facility has a senior person in Human Resources department responsible for implementation of the Code.
I: Is there a policy to ensure all worker information is confidential	Yes No Please describe: The facility has its policy that all documents of all the employee will remain confidential.
J: Is there an effective procedure to ensure confidential information is kept confidential	Yes No Please describe: The facility has an effective key control procedure to keep the information confidential.
K: Are risk assessments conducted to evaluate policy and procedure effectiveness?	Yes No Details: The facility conduct risk assessment to evaluate policy and procedure effectiveness.
L: Does the facility have a process to address issues found when conducting risk assessments, including implementation of controls to reduce identified risks?	Yes No Details: The facility has an internal system to raise the issue found in risk assessments and to implement the way of reduction it.
M: Does the facility have a policy/code which require labour standards of its own suppliers?	∑ Yes □ No
	Details: The facility has a policy that follows labour standards of its own suppliers.
Land rig	hts
N: Does the site have all required land rights licenses and permissions (see SMETA Measurement Criteria)?	Yes No Details: The facility has all required land rights licenses and permissions. The facility has incorporation and building approval plan.
O: Does the site have systems in place to conduct legal due diligence to recognize and apply national laws and practices relating to land title	Yes No Details: The facility has its own way to conduct and monitor the system and applies national law and practices.

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P: Does the site have a written policy and procedures specific to land rights. If yes, does it include any due diligence the company will undertake to obtain free, prior and informed consent, (FPIC) even if national/local law does not require it	☐ Yes ∑ No If yes, how does the company obtain FPIC: Not applicable as this is not legally required.
Q: Is there evidence that facility site compensated the	☐ Yes
owner/lessor for the land prior to the facility being built	⊠ No
or expanded.	Details:
Please give details.	Not applicable
R. Does the Facility demonstrate that alternatives to a	☐ Yes
specific land acquisition were considered to avoid or	∑ No
minimize adverse impacts	Details:
Please give details.	Not applicable
S: Is There any evidence of illegal appropriation of land for facility building or expansion of footprint.	 Yes No Details: It was noted through land ownership agreement review and management interview that the facility does no go through illegal appropriation of land for facility building.

Non-compliance:	
1. Description of non-compliance: NC against ETI/Additional Elements NC against Local Law NC against customer code:	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)
None Observed	None Observed
Local law and/or ETI requirement: Not Applicable	None Observed
Recommended corrective action: Not Applicable	

Observation:	
Description of observation: None observed	Objective evidence observed:
Local law or ETI requirement: Not applicable	
Comments: Not applicable	Not applicable

Good Examples observed:	
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective evidence observed:
None observed	Not applicable



1: Freely Chosen Employment

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1.1 There is no forced, bonded or involuntary prison labour.

1.2 Workers are not required to lodge "deposits" or their identity papers with their employer and are free to leave their employer after reasonable notice.

Current Systems and Evidence Examined

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Current systems:

- The factory has a policy which prohibits forced labour and this was also available for review.
- Age verification documents (National ID card copy, educational certificate, nationality certificates) were available in employee personal files.
- Overtime is voluntary.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details:

- Policy on No-Forced labour.
- Sample employee personal files.
- Time record

A: Is there any evidence of retention of original documents, e.g. passports/ID's	☐ Yes ⊠ No If Yes please give details and category of workers affected
B: Is there any evidence of a loan scheme in operation	☐ Yes ⊠ No If yes please give details and category of worker affected
C: Is there Any evidence of retention of wages /deposits	☐ Yes ⊠ No If yes please give details and category of worker affected
D: Are there any restrictions on workers' freedom to terminate employment?	☐ Yes ⊠ No Please describe finding: Not applicable



E: If any part of the business is UK based / registered & turnover is 36m+ there is a requirement to publish a 'modern day slavery statement. Is there a modern day slavery statement published	☐ Yes ☐ No Please describe finding: ⊠ Not applicable
Is there evidence of any restrictions on workers' freedoms to leave the site at the end of the work day	☐ Yes ⊠ No Please describe finding: Not applicable
F: Does the site understand the risks of forced / trafficked / bonded labour in it's supply chain	 Yes No Please describe finding: Not applicable If yes please give details and category of worker affected The facility has policy on forced/trafficked labour. The facility maintain it through notice board on production floor. Overtime is total voluntary. Employees can leave their workplace freely after their respective jobs.
G: Is the site taking any steps taking to reduce the risk of forced / trafficked labour?	Yes No Please describe finding: The facility has policy on forced/trafficked labour. The facility maintain it through notice board on production floor. Overtime is total voluntary. Employees can leave their workplace freely after their respective jobs.

Non-compliance:		
Description of non-compliance:	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)	
None Observed	Not applicable	
Local law and/or ETI requirement		
Not applicable		
Recommended corrective action: Not applicable		



Observation:	
Description of observation: None observed Local law or ETI requirement: Not applicable	Objective evidence observed: Not applicable
Comments: Not applicable	

Good Examples observed:	
Description of Good Example (GE): None observed	Objective evidence observed: Not applicable



2: Freedom of Association and Right to Collective Bargaining are Respected (Click here to return to NC-table)

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2.1 Workers, without distinction, have the right to join or form trade unions of their own choosing and to bargain collectively.

2.2 The employer adopts an open attitude towards the activities of trade unions and their organisational activities.

2.3 Workers' representatives are not discriminated against and have access to carry out their representative functions in the workplace.

2.4 Where the right to freedom of association and collective bargaining is restricted under law, the employer facilitates, and does not hinder, the development of parallel means for independent and free association and bargaining.

Current Systems and Evidence Examined

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Current systems:

- All the employees are allowed to form or join the trade union of their choice.
- There is no trade union in the facility but there is a Participation Committee formed by election.
- Participation Committee was formed by election on 2nd June 2016.
- Regular Participation committee meeting is held and last meeting was held on 25 August 2017.
- Meeting minutes are posted in notice board and recorded in a register.
- There are 06 members from employee side with total PC member of 12.
- PC members are not treated less favourably than other workers.
- PC members are allowed to carry out their duties within working hours without affecting their pay.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details:

- Freedom of association policy review.
- PC formation records
- PC committee member list
- PC meeting register
- PC meeting minutes
- PC meeting attendance register.

A: What form of worker representation/union is there on site?	□ Union (name) ⊠ Worker Committee (Participation Committee) □ Other (specify) □ None
B: Is it a legal requirement to have a union?	☐ Yes ⊠ No



	(Trade Union not mandatory by Local Law)		
C: Is it a legal requirement to have a worker's committee?	∑ Yes □ No		
D: Is there any other form of effective worker/management communication channel? (Other than union/worker committee) e.g. H&S, sexual harassment	 Yes No Describe: Grievance box Participation committee representative Welfare officer. Immediate Supervisor Top Management Is there evidence of free elections? ∑ Yes No 		
E: Does the supplier provide adequate facilities to allow the Union or committee to conduct related business?	Yes No Details: The supplier provide sufficient facilities to allow the committee.		
F: Name of union and union representative, if applicable:	None present	Is there evidence of free elections?	
G: If no union what is parallel means of consultation with workers e.g. worker committees?	A participation committee of 12 members in place with 06 worker level members elected by the workers to represent each section of the facility	Is there evidence of free elections? ∑Yes □No □N/A	
H: Are all workers aware of who their representatives are?	Yes No		
I: Were worker representatives freely elected?	Yes No	Date of last election: 2 nd June 2016	
J: Do workers know what topics can be raised with their representatives?	Yes No		
K: Were worker representatives/union representatives interviewed	Yes No If Yes , please state how many: : 2 employees(1 male and 1 female)		
L: State any evidence that union/worker's committee is effective? Specify date of last meeting; topics	PC meeting held on once in every month. Last meeting held on 25 th August 2017 and meeting topics covered to housekeeping and time recording system.		



covered; how minutes were communicated etc.		
M: Are any workers covered by Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA)	Yes No Not applicable	
N: If Yes what percentage by trade Union/worker representation	% workers covered by Union CBA Not applicable	% workers covered by worker rep CBA Not applicable
O: If Yes , does the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) include rates of pay	☐ Yes ☐ No Not applicable	

Non-compliance:		
Description of non-compliance: NC against ETI NC against Local Law NC against customer code: None Observed	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)	
Local law and/or ETI requirement: Not applicable	Not applicable	
Recommended corrective action: Not applicable		

Observation:		
Description of observation: None observed Local law or ETI requirement: Not applicable Comments:	Objective evidence observed: Not applicable	
Not applicable		
Good Examples observed:		
Description of Good Example (GE): None observed	Objective evidence observed: Not applicable	

3: Working Conditions are Safe and Hygienic

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3.1 A safe and hygienic working environment shall be provided, bearing in mind the prevailing knowledge of the industry and of any specific hazards. Adequate steps shall be taken to prevent accidents and injury to health arising out of, associated with, or occurring in the course of work, by minimising, so far as is reasonably practicable, the causes of hazards inherent in the working environment.

3.2 Workers shall receive regular and recorded Health & Safety training, and such training shall be repeated for new or reassigned workers.

3.3 Access to clean toilet facilities and to potable water, and, if appropriate, sanitary facilities for food storage shall be provided.

3.4 Accommodation, where provided, shall be clean, safe, and meet the basic needs of the workers.

3.5 The company observing the code shall assign responsibility for Health & Safety to a senior management representative.

Current Systems and Evidence Examined

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Current systems:

- 1) The facility has a safety committee consisting of 8 members (4 from management side and 4 from employee side).
- 2) The facility maintained a comfortable temperature, sufficient lighting system and there is well ventilation with sufficient exhaust fan of all the production floors in this facility.
- 3) All switches in the electrical control panels have been labelled with danger sign marks and were found in good condition.
- 4) The facility posted the evacuation plans near work floors, which indicated escape routes. Exit signs and emergency lights were installed.
- 5) Drinkable water facility provided in each production floor and water test result was found suitable for drinking as per comments of the water test report. Last test was done on 14 June 2017 from Department of Public Health Engineering.
- 6) The facility has done maintenance of the machines on regular basis confirmed through the documents reviewed. Machine maintenance card hang on each machine and preventive machine maintenance carried out regularly. Last machine maintenance carried on 16 September 2017.
- 7) The facility fire extinguishers are renewed for current period and last inspection date of fire extinguisher is 14 September 2017.
- 8) Facility conducts evacuation drill on quarterly basis. Last evacuation drill was conducted at on 23 August 2017. The drill was unannounced and was monitored by Fire Officer. Total 340 participants attended the drill and it took 3:30 minutes to evacuate the whole facility.
- 9) Electrical distribution boxes are being checked on regular basis and the last check was done on 17 September 2017.
- 10) Facility has total 62 trained fire fighters and 60 rescuer.
- 11) Sufficient first aid kits stocked with necessary supplies are provided in all production floors. Total First aider no. 63 & First aid box 10.
- 12) The facility has toilets with good washing installations which are clean and safe. Total number of toilets is 35 among them 19 for male and 16 for female.



Facility firefighting equipment details:

Fire Equipment name		Total
	DCP	443
Fire extinguisher	CO ₂	122
_	Foam	11
Emergency light		55
Smoke detector		423
Hose reel		21
Call point		22
Evacuation Plan		17

Facility provide bellow training to employees:

Training Type	Last Date of training	Participant	Trainer Designation	Frequency of training
Orientation Training	21.08.2017	04	Senior Officer- Compliance	New Recruit
Fire Fighting Training (FS&CD)	24.04.2017 & 25.04.2017	40	Ware House Inspector	Every Three Month
Fire Fighting Training (Internal)	29.08.2017	11	Assistant Fire Officer	Every Two Months
First Aid Training	23.08.2017	08	Medical Officer	Every Month
PPE Training	05.09.2017	05	Medical Officer	Every Month-2 times
Chemical Handling Training	06.09.2017	06	Senior Officer- Compliance	Every Month
Mid-level management training	16.09.2017	06	Deputy Manager- Compliance	Every Month
Health & Safety Training	12.09.2017	06		Every month-3 times
Awareness Training	17.09.2017	05	Medical Officer	Every Month

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details:

- 1) License review (Fire license, Trade license, Factory license)
- 2) Building approval plan and layout approval plan
- 3) Group insurance
- 4) Drinking water test report
- 5) Injury record and analysis report
- 6) Machine and electric maintenance record
- 7) Risk assessment report
- 8) Training record (Fire training, First aid training, PPE training and Health and safety training)
- 9) Fire drill record
- 10) Health and safety committee register
- 11) Fire equipment and electric equipment checking record



	🖾 Yes
A: Does the facility have general Health & Safety and occupational Health & Safety policies and procedures that are	No
fit for purpose and are these communicated to workers?	Details: The facility has health & safety policy and these are communicated to all employees through orientation training and hanging notice board.
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B: Are the policies included in worker's manual?	No
	Details: The policy is included in worker's manual.
C: Are there any structural additions without required permits/inspections (e.g. floors added)?	Tes Yes
	⊠ No
	Details: There is no structural additions without required permits/inspections
D: Are visitors to the site informed on	X Yes
H&S and provided with personal protective equipment	No
	Details: Visitors are informed about Health and Safety and they are provided with personal protective equipment.
E: Is a medical room or medical facility provided for workers?	X Yes
	No
If yes, do the room(s) meet legal requirements and is the size/number of rooms suitable for the number of workers.	Details: There Is a medical room where doctor and nurse were present.

F: Is there a doctor or nurse on site or there is easy access to first aider/ trained medical aid	Yes No Detailer There was a nume on site. First sider was found on the
	Details: There was a nurse on site. First aider was found on the production floor.
	⊠ Yes
G: Where facility provides worker transport - it is fit for purpose, safe and maintained and operated by	No
competent persons e.g. buses and other vehicles	Details: Facility provides free transport to the workers.
	☐ Yes
H: Secure personal storage space is provided for workers in their living space and is fit for purpose	No No
	Details: Facility did not provide secure personal storage space to the workers.



I: H&S Risk assessments are conducted	Yes
(including evaluating the arrangements	No
for workers doing overtime e.g. driving	Details: Health and Safety risk assessment are conducted to
after a long shift) and there are controls	identify the risk area by the facility and the facility has taken
to reduce identified risk	initiatives to corrective action/preventive action.
J: Is the site meeting its legal obligations	Yes
on environmental requirements	No
including required permits for use and	Please describe: The facility has environmental clearance
disposal of natural resources	certificate which is valid up to 14.05.2018.
K: Is the site meeting its customer requirements on environmental standards, including the use of banned chemicals	Yes No Please describe: The facility has meet the requirements on environmental standards, including the use of banned chemicals.

Non-compliance:	
1. Description of non-compliance: NC against ETI NC against Local Law NC against customer code:	Objective evidence observed:
Based on facility visit, management and workers interview it was noted that facility did not ensure adequate number of hand gloves were worn by employees in below areas:	1. Facility tour and management and employee interview
 Sizing machine operators located at ground floor of Building-1 who were involved in mixing of chemicals. Note that, 08 sizing operators generally work in the sizing section. 	
 Dyeing machine operators located at ground floor of Building-1 who is involved in mixing of chemicals. Note that, facility has 08 dyeing machine and 08 operators generally work in the sizing section. 	
Local law and/or ETI requirement In Accordance with working condition are safe and hygienic ETI base code 3.1: A safe and hygienic working environment shall be provided, bearing in mind the prevailing knowledge of the industry and of any specific hazards. Adequate steps shall be taken to prevent accidents and injury to health arising out of, associated with, or occurring in the course of work, by	



2. Facility tour and management interview



Observation:	
Description of observation: It was noted through facility tour that no secondary exit was found in hard winding section (designated for ACS Textile Ltd.) at ground floor of building 1 where 30 employees were found during audit time.	Objective evidence observed: Facility tour and management interview
Local law or ETI requirement: In Accordance with working condition are safe and hygienic ETI base code 3.1: A safe and hygienic working environment shall be provided, bearing in mind the prevailing knowledge of the industry and of any specific hazards. Adequate steps shall be taken to prevent accidents and injury to health arising out of, associated with, or occurring in the course of work, by minimising, so far as is reasonably practicable, the causes of hazards inherent in the working environment.	
In accordance with Bangladesh Labour Rules 2015, Rule 54 (1): Each room of the factory building where more than 20 workers are engaged, there will be at least two exits in that case and these exits should be located in such way so that every person can reach with ease and without interruption from the workplace to the exit.	
Recommended corrective action: It is recommended that facility should ensure secondary exit for the mentioned area.	

Good Examples observed:	
Description of Good Example (GE): None observed	Objective Evidence Observed: Not applicable



4: Child Labour Shall Not Be Used (Click here to return to NC-table)

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4.1 There shall be no new recruitment of child labour.

4.2 Companies shall develop or participate in and contribute to policies and programmes which provide for the transition of any child found to be performing child labour to enable her or him to attend and remain in quality education until no longer a child.

4.3 Children and young persons under 18 shall not be employed at night or in hazardous conditions.4.4 These policies and procedures shall conform to the provisions of the relevant ILO Standards.

Current Systems and Evidence Examined

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Current systems:

- The facility has established a practice that they will never employ and use any child labour.
- The facility verifies all workers original national ID card, birth certificate, school certificate etc. at the time of recruitment and keeps the photocopies of workers' ID cards, birth certificate in their personal files.
- Factory verifies the workers age through registered doctors.
- Sampling basis employees' personal files was taken for review. Each employee file included a bio-data sheet, recent photo, birth registration certificate / photo copied national identification card and other documents.
- There was no child or young employee observed in the facility.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

- Recruitment policy
- Policy on No-Child labour
- Personal file including Birth certificate, primary/secondary education certificate, national ID card, etc. of sample employees
- Age verification documents

A: Legal age of employment	18 years
B: Age of youngest worker found:	21 years
C: Children present on workfloor but not working at time of audit	☐ Yes ⊠ No
D: % of under 18's at this site (of total workers)	0 %
E: Workers under 18 subject to hazardous work assignments? (Go to clause 3 – Health and Safety)	☐ Yes ⊠ No If Y give details



Non-compliance:		
Description of non-compliance: NC against ETI NC against Local Law NC against customer code: None Observed	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers) Not applicable	
Local law and/or ETI requirement: Not applicable		
Recommended corrective action: Not applicable		

Observation:	
Description of observation: None observed Local law or ETI requirement: Not applicable	Objective evidence observed: Not applicable
Comments: Not applicable	

Good Examples observed:	
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective Evidence Observed:
None observed	Not applicable



5: Living Wages are Paid

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5.1 Wages and benefits paid for a standard working week meet, at a minimum, national legal standards or industry benchmark standards, whichever is higher. In any event wages should always be enough to meet basic needs and to provide some discretionary income.

5.2 All workers shall be provided with written and understandable information about their employment conditions in respect to wages before they enter employment and about the particulars of their wages for the pay period concerned each time that they are paid.

5.3 Deductions from wages as a disciplinary measure shall not be permitted nor shall any deductions from wages not provided for by national law be permitted without the expressed permission of the worker concerned. All disciplinary measures should be recorded.

Current Systems and Evidence Examined

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Current systems:

- The facility is providing local legal minimum wage BDT 5300/month for all the employees.
- Time recording system is face detection.
- All workers are provided with written and understandable information about their employment conditions in respect to wages before they enter employment and about the particulars of their wages for the pay period concerned each time that they are paid.
- All social insurance payments were passed on to the relevant authorities in a timely manner.
- All employees were paid on or before 07th of each month by Bank auto pay except approx. 2% employees who joined after 15th of the month.
- Each employee were given a pay slip and signed for their wages.
- Employees are aware of their minimum wage.
- Wages have been recorded according to documents checked.
- Facility established provident fund for the employees.
- There are some good practices by the facility; see below GE section

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

- Salary sheet review
- Overtime payment record review
- Payslip review
- Attendance register review
- Production record review
- Maintenance register review
- Maternity benefit register review
- Leave record review
- Final settlement record review



Non-compliance:			
Description of non-compliance: NC against ETI NC against Local Law NC against customer code: None observed	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)		
Local law and/or ETI requirement:	Not applicable		
Not applicable			
Recommended corrective action:			
Not applicable			

Observation:		
Description of observation: None observed Local law or ETI requirement:	Objective evidence observed:	
Not applicable Comments:	Not applicable	
Not applicable		

Good Examples observed:				
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective Evidence Observed:			
 Facility provides tuition fees, books, uniform & all other expenses of education to the children. Of the employees Agreements have been signed with the schools nearby the factory in this regard. In case any employee dies during serving in ACS Towel Ltd. in accident 	Documents review, management and employees interview.			
on duty or even normally, facility continues his/her last paid salary to his/her nominee every month life time.				
 Facility provides free transportation to the staffs & workers who ply between a distant home location and office. 				



Summary Information

Criteria	Local Law (Please state legal requirement)	Actual at the Site (Record site results against the law)	Is this part of a Collective Bargaining Agreement?
A: Standard/Contracted work hours: (Maximum legal and actual required working hours excluding overtime, please state if possible per day, week, and month)	Legal maximum: 08 hours per day 48 hours per week 208 hours per month	08 hours per day 48 hours per week 208 hours per month (For all sample months)	☐ Yes ⊠ No (Not mandatory by Local Law)
B: Overtime hours: (Maximum legal and actual overtime hours, please state if possible per day, week, and month)	Legal maximum: 2 hours per day (Excluding legal waiver of 02 hours per day and 12 hours per week)	40 hours/month in August, 2017 (Current month) 50 hours/month in March 2017 (Random month) 46 hours/month in November 2016 (Random month)	☐ Yes ∑ No (Not mandatory by Local Law)
D: wage for standard/contracted hours: (Minimum legal and actual minimum wage at site, please state if possible per hr, day, week, and month)	Legal minimum: BDT 3302.5 per month Note: Facility follows the minimum wage gazette of Textile & Cotton Industries	BDT 4450 per month August 2017 (From sample employees)	☐ Yes ⊠ No (Not mandatory by Local Law)
E: overtime wage: (Minimum legal and actual minimum overtime wage at site, please state if possible per hr, day, week, and month)	Legal minimum: Legal minimum: Per hour 200% of basic hourly rate	Per hour 200% of basic hourly rate	☐ Yes ⊠ No (Not mandatory by Local Law)



Wages analysis: (Click here to return to Key Information)					
A: Were accurate records shown at the first request?	∑ Yes □ No				
B: If No , why not?	Not Applicable				
C: Sample Size Checked (State number of worker records checked and from which weeks/months – should be current, peak, and random/low. Please see SMETA Best Practice Guidance and Measurement Criteria)	42 samples from August 2017 (Current month) 42 samples from March 2017 (Random month) 42 samples from November 2016 (Random month)				
D: Are there different legal minimum wage grades? If Yes , please specify all.	 Yes No If Yes, please give details: The Government announced pay structure of 06 July, 2011 for the workers of the Textile and cotton Industries with effect from July 2011. Note that facility is under the sub district zone for this reason facility follows the minimum wages of sub district city zone. For the worker level employees: 			the Textile and July 2011. district zone for	
		Grades	Area	wise Minir	num Wage
			Division City	District City	Sub District City
		Grade 1	6696	5474	5245
		Grade 2	6167	5039	4825
		Grade 3	5902	4820	4614
		Grade 4	5440	4440	4247.5
		Grade 5	5241	4276	4089
		Grade 6	5032	4140	3923.5
		Grade 7	4845	3950	3775
		Grade 8	4646	3786	3617
		Grade 9	4505	3670	3505
		Grade 10	4250	3460	3302.5
E: If there are different legal minimum grades, are all workers graded and paid correctly?	∑ Yes □ No □ N/A	If No , please give details:			
F: For the lowest paid production workers, are wages paid for standard/contracted hours (excluding overtime) below or above the legal minimum?	Lowest Wages found: Note: full time employees and please state hour / week / month etc.	Please indicate the breakdown of workforce per earnings: Lowest gross salary is BDT 4450 per month August 2017.			
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	☐ Meet ⊠ Above	100 % of workforce earning above min wage	
G: Bonus (amount specify)	Bonus Scheme found: No specific bonus was found but facility has some best practices which was given in the good example section.		
H: What deductions are required by law e.g. social insurance? Please state all types:	As per section 125 of the Bangladesh Labour Law, 2006, factory may deduct wages for un-authorized absence, for fines, housing facility, advance payments, loans, income tax, provident fund, etc. As per Bangladesh Stamp Act 1899 (Amendment 2010) factory may deduct BDT 10 for Government Revenue Stamp.		
I: Have these deductions been made? Please list all deductions that have/have not been made.	 Yes No If No, please describe Deduction is only made for unauthorized absent and for Government revenue stamp. 		
J: Were appropriate records available to verify hours of work and wages?	⊠ Yes □ No		
K: Were any inconsistencies found? (if yes describe nature)	☐ Yes ☐ ⊠ No ☐] Poor record keeping] Isolated incident] Repeated occurrence:	
L: Do records reflect all time worked? (For instance, are workers asked to attend meetings before or after work but not paid for their time)	∑ Yes □ No Details: The facility shows o	all real records which reflect the all scenario.	
M: Is there a defined living wage: This is <u>not normally</u> minimum legal wage. If answered Yes, please state amount and source of info: Please see SMETA Best Practice Guidance and Measurement Criteria.	☐ Yes ⊠ No Please specify amount/time: Not Applicable		
If yes, what was the calculation method used.	 ISEAL/Anker Benchmarks Asia Floor Wage Figures provided by Unions Living Wage Foundation UK Fair Wear Wage Ladder Fairtrade Foundation Other – please give details: Not Applicable 		
N: Are there periodic reviews of wages? If Yes give details (include whether there is consideration to basic needs of workers plus discretionary income).	☐ Yes ⊠ No Details: Not Applic	able	
O: Are in line with local law?	Yes		



	All employees are paid on or before the 7 th day of the following month.
P: Is there evidence that equal rates are being paid for equal work:	Yes No Details: Through payroll records review and employees' interview, it was confirmed that equal rates are being paid for equal work.
Q: How are workers paid:	□ Cash □ Cheque ⊠ Bank Transfer □ Other If other explain:

6: Working Hours are not Excessive [Click here to return to NC-table] [Click here to return to Key Information]

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6.1 Working hours must comply with national laws, collective agreements, and the provisions of 6.2 to 6.6 below, whichever affords the greater protection for workers. Sub–clauses 6.2 to 6.6 are based on international labour standards.

6.2 Working hours, excluding overtime, shall be defined by contract, and shall not exceed 48 hours per week.

6.3 All overtime shall be voluntary. Overtime shall be used responsibly, taking into account all the following: the extent, frequency and hours worked by individual workers and the workforce as a whole. It shall not be used to replace regular employment. Overtime shall always be compensated at a premium rate, which is recommended to be not less than 125% of the regular rate of pay.

6.4 The total hours worked in any 7 day period shall not exceed 60 hours, except where covered by clause 6.5 below.

6.5 Working hours may exceed 60 hours in any 7 day period only in exceptional circumstances where <u>all</u> of the following are met:

- this is allowed by national law;

- this is allowed by a collective agreement freely negotiated with a workers' organisation representing a significant portion of the workforce;

- appropriate safeguards are taken to protect the workers' health and safety; and

- The employer can demonstrate that exceptional circumstances apply such as unexpected production peaks, accidents or emergencies.

6.6 Workers shall be provided with at least one day off in every 7 day period or, where allowed by national law, 2 days off in every 14 day period.

Current Systems and Evidence Examined

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Current systems:

- Through employees' interview, overtime is voluntary.
- The facility provided hours and wages records for 12 months.
- Time cards are completed electronic.
- All overtime is compensated at a premium rate for all employees.
- Facility remains closed on Friday.
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Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

- Salary sheet
- Payslip
- Job card
- Attendance register
- Production record



	Objective evidence observed: 1. Document review (payroll, job card), employee and management
management interview that 10 out of 42 employees worked 12 days consecutively from 19 November 2016 to 1 December 2016 as a result the facility did not ensure due leave within the next 3 (three) working days for those employees. Note that, from January.2017 to August, 2017 employees' 7th day rest is	review (payroll, job card), employee and
2017 of samples employees were checked randomly.	interview
Local law and/or ETI requirement: In accordance with ETI Base code 6.1: Working hours must comply with national laws, collective agreements, and the provisions of 6.2 to 6.6 below, whichever affords the greater protection for workers. Sub-clauses 6.2 to 6.6 are based on international labour standards.	
In accordance with Bangladesh Labour Rules 2015, Rule 101 (1): 1) As per Section 103, if weekly leaves cannot be given to the workers, the due leaves must be given to them within the next 3 (three) working days.	
Recommended corrective action: It is recommended that factory management should ensure seven day rest period for every employees.	
Verification Method: Follow-up	
Action By: Md. Ruhul Alam Sharif, General Manager, Compliance	
Timescale: 60 days	

Observation:		
Description of observation: None observed	Objective evidence observed:	
Local law or ETI requirement: Not applicable		
Comments: Not applicable	Not applicable	

Good Examples observed:		
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective Evidence Observed:	
None observed	Not applicable	



Working hours' analysis Please include time e.g. hour/week/month (Go back to Key information)					
Systems & Processes					
A. What timekeeping systems are used: time card etc.	Describe: Face Detection Sys	tem			
B: Is sample size same as in wages section	∑ Yes ☐ No If N, please give details				
C: Are standard/contracted working hours defined in all contracts/employme nt agreements?	⊠ Yes □ No	of workers a	e give details i lo NOT have st mployment ag	andard hours	
D: Are there any other types of contracts/employme nt agreements used?	☐ Yes ⊠ No	If YES, pleas	e complete as	appropriate:	
		0 hrs	Part time	□ Variable hrs	Other
		If "Other", P	lease define:		
E. Do any standard/contracted working hours defined in contracts/employme nt agreements exceed 48 hours per week	☐ Yes ⊠ No		&detail hours, % and frequency		f workers
F: Are workers provided with at least 1 day off in every 7- day-period, or 2 in 14- day-period (where the law allows)?	Please select all applicable: 1 in 7 days 2 in 14 days No If 'No', please explain: From time card and payroll re management interview cons day was found in the random month November 2016.	ecutive	Is this allowed ☐ Yes ⊠ No	l by local law	2
	Maximum number of days worked without a day off (in sample):				



	12 days	
Standard/Contracted	Hours worked	
G: Standard working hours over 48 per week found	☐ Yes ⊠ No	If yes, % of workers & frequency
H: Any local waivers/local law or permissions which allow averaging/annualise d hours for this site?	☐ Yes ⊠ No	If YES, please give details Not Applicable
Overtime Hours work	ed	
I: Actual overtime hours worked in sample (State per day/week/month)	Highest OT hours:	40 hours/month in August, 2017 (Current month) 50 hours/month in March 2017 (Random month) 46 hours/month in November 2016 (Random month)
J: Combined hours (standard/contracted plus= total) 60 found?	No	
K: Approximate percentage of total workers on highest overtime hours	20 %	
L: ls overtime voluntary?	Yes No Conflicting Information	Please detail evidence e.g. Wording of contract/employment agreement/handbook/worker interviews/refusal arrangements:
		Based on employees' interviews, employee can do overtime as per their willingness and it's not mandatory or facility management never forces employees to do overtime.
Overtime Premiums		
M: Are the correct legal overtime premiums paid?	Yes No N/A – there is no legal requirement to OT premium	Please give details of normal day overtime premium as a % of <u>standard</u> wages: 200%
N: Is overtime paid at a premium?	⊠ Yes □ No	If yes, please describe 200 % of workers & frequency: Overtime payments for employees are as per legal requirement



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O: ETI Code requires a prevailing standard to give greatest worker protection. If a site pays less than 125% OT premium and this is allowed under local law, are there other considerations? Please complete the boxes where relevant. Multi select is possible.	 No Consolidated pay (May be standard wages above minimum legal wage, with no/low overtime premium) Collective Bargaining agreements Other Not Applicable
	Please explain any checked boxes in N above e.g. detail of consolidated pay CBA or Other.
P: If more than 60 total hours per week and this is legally allowed, are there other considerations? Please complete the boxes where relevant.	 Overtime is voluntary Onsite Collective bargaining allows 60+ hours/week Safeguards are in place to protect worker's health and safety Site can demonstrate exceptional circumstances Other reasons (please specify) Not applicable. Weekly working hours were of sample employees were within 60 hours in the sample months.
Multi select is possible.	Please explain any checked boxes in R above
	Not applicable
Q: Is there evidence that overtime hours are being used for extended periods to make up for labour shortages or increased order volumes?	☐ Yes ⊠ No If yes, please describe For meeting the shipment date and buyers urgency.
R: If sufficient workers cannot be hired, are new working time arrangements explored to ensure that overtime is the exception rather than the rule.	 Yes No Not Applicable as the facility has sufficient workforce.



7: No Discrimination is Practiced

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7.1 There is no discrimination in hiring, compensation, access to training, promotion, termination or retirement based on race, caste, national origin, religion, age, disability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, union membership or political affiliation.

Current Systems and Evidence Examined

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Current systems:

- There is no discrimination in hiring, compensation, access to training, promotion, termination or retirement based on race, caste, national origin, religion, age, disability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, union membership or political affiliation.
- Gender discrimination was also absent in the facility; both female and male workers were distributed in all types of work.
- The factory provides the same wage amount to male/female employees of the same rank.
- There is no restriction for formation of trade union in the factory.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

- Policy of Anti-Discrimination.
- Recruitment policy.
- Training record.
- Female employee rights

A: Gender breakdown of Management + Supervisors (Include as one combined group)	Male: 95 % Female: 5 %	
B: Number of women who are in skilled or technical roles e.g. where specific qualifications are needed i.e. machine engineer / laboratory analyst	#: O	
C: Is there any evidence of discrimination based on race, caste, national origin, religion, age, disability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, union membership or political affiliation?:	 Hiring Compensation access to training promotion termination or retirement Not Applicable. 	



Professional Development			
A: What type of training and development are available for workers?	Orientation Training First Aid Training PPE Training Chemical Handling Training Health & Safety training Electrical Safety Training		
B: Are HR decisions on e.g. promotion, training, compensation based on objective, transparent criteria?	⊠ Yes □ No		

Non-compliance:		
Description of non-compliance: NC against ETI NC against Local Law NC against customer code: None Observed	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)	
Local law and/or ETI requirement: Not applicable	Not applicable	
Recommended corrective action: Not applicable		

If no, please give details:

Observation:		
Description of observation: None observed	Objective evidence observed:	
Local law or ETI requirement: Not applicable		
Comments: Not applicable	Not applicable	

Good Examples observed:		
ctive Evidence rved:		
pplicable		



8: Regular Employment Is Provided

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8.1 To every extent possible work performed must be on the basis of recognised employment relationship established through national law and practice.

8.2 Obligations to employees under labour or social security laws and regulations arising from the regular employment relationship shall not be avoided through the use of labour–only contracting, sub–contracting, or home–working arrangements, or through apprenticeship schemes where there is no real intent to impart skills or provide regular employment, nor shall any such obligations be avoided through the excessive use of fixed–term contracts of employment.

Additional Elements: Responsible Recruitment

8.3 Suppliers have full understanding of the entire recruitment process and assess all labour recruiters and intermediaries against legal and/or ethical requirements.

8.4 There are effective management systems in place to identify and monitor the hiring and management of all migrant workers, contract workers, agency workers, temporary or casual labour The supplier shall implement processes to enable adequate control over agencies with regards the above points and related legislation.

8.5 Employment agencies must only supply workers registered with them.

8.6 Workers pay no recruitment fee at any stage of the recruitment process.

8.7 Worker contracts accurately reflect the agreed payment and terms in the recruitment process and are understood and signed by workers.

Current Systems and Evidence Examined

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Current systems:

- All employees were recruited by the factory directly.
- No subcontractors were used.
- Factory maintains service books for all workers.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

- Recruitment policy.
- Employees personal file.
- Appointment letter.
- Employee service book.
- New employee joining register.



Non-compliance:		
Description of non-compliance:	Objective evidence observed:	
It was noted through facility visit and management interview that, facility did not provide employees ID card with prescribed information of the facility. The provided id card missed information of emergency contact, permanent address etc.	 Facility tour and management interview 	
Local law and/or ETI requirement: Regular Employment ETI Base Code, point: 8.1: To every extent possible work performed must be on the basis of recognised employment relationship established through national law and practice		
In accordance with Bangladesh Labour Rules 2015, Rule-19(5): Each owner will provide identity card with the photograph to each worker working in the firm at the costs of the owner as per Form-6.		
Recommended corrective action: It is recommended that the facility should provide ID card with prescribed information to all employees.		
Verification Method: Desktop		
Action By: Md. Ruhul Alam Sharif, General Manager, Compliance		
Timescale: 90 days		

Observation:		
Description of observation: None observed	Objective evidence observed:	
Local law or ETI requirement: Not applicable	Not applicable	
Comments: Not applicable		

Good Examples observed:	
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective Evidence Observed:
None observed	Not applicable



Responsible Recruitment

All Workers		
A: Were all workers presented with terms of employment at the time of recruitment, did they understand them and are they same as current conditions?	 Terms & Conditions presented Understood by workers Same as actual conditions If any are unchecked, please describe finding and specific category (ies) of workers affected: 	
C: Did workers' pay any fees, taxes, deposits or bonds for the purpose of recruitment/placement?	 Yes No If Yes Please describe details and specific category (ies) of workers affected 	
B: If yes, check all that apply:	Recruitment / hiring fees Service fees Application costs Recommendation fees Placement fees Administrative, overhead or processing fees Skills tests Certifications Medical screenings Passports/ID's Work / resident permits Birth certificates Police clearance fees Any transport costs between work place and home Any relocation costs after commencement of employment New hire training / orientation fees Medical exam fees Deposit bonds or other deposits Any other non-monetary assets Other	
C: If any checked, give details:	Not Applicable.	

Migrant Workers:

The term "migrant worker" refers to a person who is engaged or has been engaged in a remunerated activity in a country of which they are not a national and where they do not intend to remain permanently or has purposely migrated on a temporary basis to another in-country region to seek and engage in a remunerated activity

B: Type of work undertaken by migrant workers:	Not Applicable.
C: Migrant worker recruitment	Total number of (in country recruitment agencies) used: Total number of (outside of local country) recruitment agencies used Not Applicable.



D: Migrant workers' voluntary deductions (such as for remittances) confirmed in writing by the worker and evidence of transaction is supplied by the facility to the worker.	Yes No Please describe finding: Not Applicable.	Observations
E: Are Any migrant workers in skilled, technical, or management roles Migrant Workers (this should include all migrant workers including permanent workers, temporary and/or seasonal workers)	#: Yes No If Yes number and exar Not Applicable.	mple of roles

NON-EMPLOYEE WORKERS

Recruitment Fees:	
A: Are there any fees	☐ Yes ⊠ No
B: If yes, check all that apply:	Recruitment / hiring fees Service fees Application costs Recommendation fees Placement fees Administrative, overhead or processing fees Skills tests Certifications Medical screenings Passports/ID's Work / resident permits Birth certificates Police clearance fees Any transportation and lodging costs after employment offer Any transport costs between work place and home Any relocation costs after commencement of employment New hire training / orientation fees Medical exam fees Deposit bonds or other deposits Any other non-monetary assets Other
C: If any checked, give details:	Not Applicable

Agency Workers (if applicable) (workers sourced from a local agent who are not directly paid by the site, but paid by the agency, Usually the agencies are paid by the site and the wages of the individual workers are paid by the agency.)	
A: Number of agencies used (average):	And names if available: Not Applicable



B: Were agency workers'	☐ Yes
age/pay/hours included within	☐ No
scope of this audit	Not Applicable
C: Were sufficient documents for	☐ Yes
agency workers available for	☐ No
review?	Not applicable
D: Is there a legal contract / agreement with all agencies?	☐ Yes ☐ No Details Not applicable
E: Does the site have a system for checking labour standards of agencies? If yes, please give details.	Yes No Please describe: Not applicable. No agent recruited employees.

Contractors: Note: contractors in this context are generally individuals who supply several workers to a site. Usually the contractors are paid by the site and the wages of the workers are paid by the contractor. Common terms include, gang bosses, labor provider,		
A: Any contractors on site?	 ☐ Yes ☑ No Please describe finding: If Y, how many contractors are present 	
B: If Yes , how many workers supplied by contractors	Not Applicable	
C: Do all contractor workers understand their terms of employment?	☐ Yes ☐ No Not Applicable	
If Yes , please give evidence for contractor workers being paid per law:	☐ Yes ☐ No Not Applicable	



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8A: Sub-Contracting and Homeworking

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8A.1 There should be no sub-contracting unless previously agreed with the main client.

8A.2 Systems and processes should be in place to manage sub–contracting, homeworking and external processing.

Note to auditor on homeworking:

Report on whether it is direct or via agents. How many workers, relationship with site and what control systems are in place.

Note to auditor on subcontracting : auditor should use this section for subcontractors of part made or wholly made finished goods, this section should not be used for raw material manufacturers unless instructed otherwise by customers

Current Systems and Evidence Examined

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Current systems:

• Subcontracting is not used in the facility.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

- Shipment record
- Goods in and out register
- Production record
- Goods in and out gate pass / records

If any processes are sub-contracted - please populate below boxes

Not applicable

Details: None



Non-compliance:	
Description of non-compliance: NC against ETI/Additional Elements NC against customer code:	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)
None Observed	Not applicable
Local law and/or ETI /Additional Elements requirement:	
Not applicable	
Recommended corrective action:	
Not applicable	

Observation:	
Description of observation: None observed Local law or ETI/Additional elements requirement: Not applicable	Objective evidence observed: Not applicable
Comments:	
Not applicable	

Good Examples observed:	
Description of Good Example (GE): None observed	Objective Evidence Observed: Not applicable



Summary of sub-contracting – if applicable Image: Not Applicable please x		
A: Has the auditor made a simple calculation to compare capacity with workers' work load in order to identify possible unrecorded work hours or undeclared sub- contracting	☐ Yes ☐ No Please describe: Not Applicable	
B: If sub–contractors are used, is there evidence this has been agreed with the main client?	Yes No If Yes , summarise details: Not Applicable	
C: Number of sub– contractors/agents used		
D: Is there a site policy on sub- contracting?	☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes , summarise details: Not Applicable	
E: What checks are in place to ensure no child labour is being used and work is safe?		

Summary of homeworking – if applicable Not Applicable please x			
F: If homeworking is being used, is there evidence this has been agreed with the main client?	☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes , summarise detail	s: Not Applicable	
G: Number of homeworkers	Male: Not Applicable	Female: Not Applicable	Total: Not Applicable
H: Are homeworkers employed direct or through agents?	Directly Through Agents Not Applicable		
I: If through agents, number of agents	Not Applicable		
J: Is there a site policy on homeworking?	☐ Yes ☐ No Not Applicable		
K: How does site ensure worker hours and pay meet local laws for homeworkers?	Not Applicable		
L: What processes are carried out by homeworkers?	Not Applicable		
M: Do any contracts exist for	🗌 Yes		



homeworkers	No
	Please give details: Not Applicable
N: Are full records of homeworkers available at the site?	☐ Yes ☐ No Not Applicable



9: No Harsh or Inhumane Treatment is Allowed

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9.1 Physical abuse or discipline, the threat of physical abuse, sexual or other harassment and verbal abuse or other forms of intimidation shall be prohibited.

Additional elements:

9.2 companies should provide access to a confidential grievance mechanism for all workers

A: Are there published, anonymous and/or open channels available for reporting any violations of Labour standards and H&S or any other grievances to a 3 rd party?	 ∑ Yes ☐ No Please describe: The facility has a designated channel to conduct grievance handling procedure.
B: If Yes , are workers aware of these channels and have access? Please give details.	Workers are aware of health and safety. And there is a grievance box in each floor.
C: If yes, what type of mechanism is used e.g. hotline, whistle blowing mechanism, comment box etc. Please give details.	Hotline and Grievance box.
D: Is there a grievance mechanism is place for:	 Workers Communities Suppliers Other Details: Workers can place their grievance verbally or in written. Workers can also keep their identity confidential if required.
E: Are there any open disputes?	☐ Yes ☑ No If yes, please give details
F: Does grievance mechanism meet with UNGP requirement of e.g. (Legitimate, Accessible, Predictable, Equitable, Transparent, Rights-compatible, a source of continuous learning and based on stakeholder engagement)?	∑ Yes ☐ No If no, please give details
G: Does the site \ encourage its business partners (e.g., suppliers) provide individuals and communities with access to effective grievance mechanisms (e.g., help lines or whistle blowing mechanism	∑ Yes ☐ No If No Please give details



H: Is there a published and transparent disciplinary procedure	Yes No If No please explain
I: If yes, are workers aware of these the disciplinary procedure	∑ Yes □ No If no please give details
J: Does the disciplinary procedure allow for deductions from wages (fines) for disciplinary purposes (see wages section)	☐ Yes ∑ No If Yes please give details

Current Systems and Evidence Examined

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is /are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Current systems:

- The facility has established anti-harassment or inhumane treatment policy. The policy states that physical abuse or discipline, the threat of physical abuse, sexual or other harassment and verbal abuse or other forms of intimidation shall be prohibited.
- Anti-harassment issue is covered in orientation training; last held on 21 August 2017 with 04 employees conducted by Sr. Officer-Compliance.
- Through the factory management and employee interview, it was noted that no physical abuse happened in the factory.
- There is an internal process for grievance, which is through grievance box where an employee can report any grievances (harassment, discrimination etc.) anonymously, any received complaint will be handled by management, without any reprisal for the worker in question.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

- Anti-Harassment policy
- Grievance box open register
- Orientation training record



Non-compliance:		
Description of non-compliance: NC against ETI NC against Local Law NC against customer code:	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)	
None Observed	Not applicable	
Local law and/or ETI requirement: Not applicable		
Recommended corrective action:		
Not applicable		

Observation:		
Description of observation: None observed Local law or ETI requirement: Not applicable Comments: Not applicable	Objective evidence observed: Not applicable	

Good Examples observed:	
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective Evidence Observed:
Not applicable	Not applicable



10. Other Issue areas: 10A: Entitlement to Work and Immigration

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Additional Elements

10A.1 Only workers with a legal right to work shall be employed or used by the supplier. 10A.2 All workers, including employment agency staff, must be validated by the supplier for their legal right to work by reviewing original documentation.

Current Systems and Evidence Examined

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Current systems:

- Only employees with a legal right to work shall be employed or used by the factory.
- The youngest age was 21 years old.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

- Factory recruitment policy
- Employees personal file.

Non-compliance:		
Description of non-compliance: NC against ETI/Additional Elements NC against customer code:	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)	
None Observed	Not applicable	
Local law and/or ETI /Additional Elements requirement:		
Not applicable		
Recommended corrective action:		
Not applicable		



Observation:	
Description of observation: None observed Local law or ETI/Additional Elements requirement: Not applicable	Objective evidence observed: Not applicable
Comments: Not applicable	

Good examples observed:		
Description of Good Example (GE): None observed	Objective Evidence Observed: Not applicable	



10. Other issue areas 10B4: Environment 4–Pillar

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To be completed for a 4–Pillar SMETA Audit and remove the previous page which is 10B2 environment 2 pillar

B.4. Compliance Requirements

10B4.1 Businesses as a minimum must meet the requirements of local and national laws related to environmental standards.

10B4.2 Where it is a legal requirement, businesses must be able to demonstrate that they have the relevant valid permits including for use and disposal of resources e.g. water, waste etc.

10B4.3 Businesses shall be aware of their end client's environmental standards/code requirements 10B4.4 Suppliers should have an environmental policy, covering their environmental impact, which is communicated to all appropriate parties, including its own suppliers.

10B4.5 Suppliers shall be aware of the significant environmental impact of their site and its processes. 10B4.6 The site should measure its impacts, including continuous recording and regular reviews of use and discharge of natural resources e.g. energy use, water use (see 4–pillar audit report and audit checks for details).

10B4.7 Businesses shall make continuous improvements in their environmental performance.

10B4.8 Businesses shall have available for review any environmental certifications or any environmental management systems documentation

10B4.9 Businesses should have a nominated individual responsible for co-ordinating the site's efforts to improve environmental performance.

B4. Guidance for Observations

10B4.10 Suppliers should have completed the appropriate section of the SAQ and made it available to the auditor.

10B4.11 Has the site recently been subject to (or pending) any fines/prosecutions for noncompliance to environmental regulations.

Note for auditors and readers. This environment section is intended to take not more than 0.25 auditor days. It is an assessment only and the main requirement is to establish whether a site is meeting applicable environmental laws and/or has any certifications or environmental management systems in place. Following this assessment the client/supplier may decide a full environmental audit is required (see also best practice guidance/environment and guidance for auditor)

Current Systems and Evidence Examined

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Current systems:

- Facility has Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) and it is valid till 14 May 2018.
- Facility has a written environmental policy.
- Facility has done environmental impact assessment.
- Facility produces waste water from production and has running effluent treatment plant.
- Facility has wastage agreement with the licensed vendor to provide and recycle the solid waste of the facility.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

- Facility environment policy and procedure
- Environment management system documents



- Air and noise test report.
- Water and energy consumption register
- Wastage register
- Contract for wastage disposal

Non-compliance:		
Description of non-compliance: NC against ETI NC against ETI NC against Local Law NC against customer code:	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please	
None observed	add photo numbers)	
Local law and/or ETI requirement	Nama abaanyad	
Not applicable	None observed	
Recommended corrective action:		
Not applicable		

Observation:		
Description of observation: None observed Local law or ETI/additional elements requirement: Not applicable Comments: Not applicable	Objective evidence observed: Not applicable	

Good examples observed:	
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective Evidence Observed:
None observed	Not applicable



Environmental Analysis (Site declaration only – this has not been verified by auditor. Please state units in all cases below.)		
A: Responsible for Environmental issues (Name and Position):	Md. Ruhul Alam Sharif, General Manager, Compliance	
B: Has the site conducted a risk assessment on the environmental impact of the site, including implementation of controls to reduce identified risks	Yes No Details: Facility has done environmental impact assessment on February 2012.	
C: Does the site have a recognised environmental system certification such as ISO 14000 or equivalent? Please detail.	☐ Yes ⊠ No Details: Facility has OEKOTEX certification.	
D: Does the site have an Environmental policy? (For guidance, please see Measurement criteria)	Yes 🗌 No If yes, is it publicly available? Yes.	
	Facility has an environmental policy to reduce environmental pollution and wastage.	
E: If yes, does it address the key impacts from their operations and their commitment to improvement?	Yes INO Details: Facility does environmental assessment based on their operation procedure.	
F: Does the site have a Biodiversity policy? (For guidance, please see Measurement criteria)	Tes 🛛 No	
G: Is there any other sustainability systems present such as Chain of Custody, Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) etc.? Please detail. (For guidance, please see Measurement criteria)	☐ Yes ⊠ No Details: There is no other sustainability systems present such as Chain of Custody, Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) etc.	
H: Have all legally required permits been shown? Please detail.	Yes No Details: Facility has all legal permissions from concern authority.	
I: Is there a documentation process to record hazardous chemicals used in the manufacturing process?	Yes No N/A Details: Facility uses hazardous chemical for production purposes. They have a documentation system to record the above chemicals.	
J: Is there a system for managing client's requirements and legislation in the destination	X Yes 🗌 No	
countries regarding environmental and chemical issues?	Details: There is a system for managing client's requirements and legislation regarding environmental and chemical issues.	
K: Facility has reduction targets in place for environmental aspects e.g. water consumption and discharge, waste, energy and green-house gas	Yes No Details: Facility has policy and procedure to reduce water and energy consumption; green-house gas	



emissions	emissions.	
L: Facility has evidence of waste recycling and is monitoring volume of waste that is recycled.	☐ Yes ⊠ No Details: Facility has no waste recycling procedure.	
M: Facility has a system in place for accurately measuring and monitoring consumption of key utilities of water, energy and natural resources that follows recognised protocols or standards	Yes X No Details: Facility has a measuring system to monitor the energy consumption.	
N: Facility has checked that any Sub-Contracting agencies or business partners operating on the premises have appropriate permits and licences and are conducting business in line with environmental expectations of the facility	Yes No Details: Facility has a policy for sub-contracting agencies or business partner selection.	
Usage/Disch	arge analysis	
Criteria	Current year: Please state period: January to July 2017	Previous Year: Please state period: January to December 2016
Electricity Usage: Kw/hrs	5407967 KW/H	10985763 KW/H
Renewable Energy Usage: Kw/hrs	N/A	N/A
Gas Usage: Kw/hrs	ACS Textiles & Towel 16107804 m ³	ACS Textiles & Towel 43309862.45 m ³
Has site completed any carbon Footprint Analysis?	🛛 Yes 🗌 No	Yes 🗌 No
If Yes , please state result	Stack Emission Analysis(CO2)	Stack Emission Analysis(CO2)
Water Sources: Please list all sources e.g. lake, river, and local water authority.	 Deep Well (Underground water source) 	 Deep Well (Underground water source)
Water Volume Used: (m³)	746650 m ³	915560 m ³
Water Discharged: Please list all receiving waters/recipients.	Drainage System	Drainage System
Water Volume Discharged: (m³)	447990 m ³	549336 m ³
Water Volume Recycled: (m³)	214213 m ³	352313 m ³
Total waste Produced (please state units)	473073 m ³	785135 m ³



Total hazardous waste Produced: (please state units)	ETP Sludge-6232 bag 1 bag= 20 kg	ETP Sludge-15559 bag 1 bag= 20 kg
Waste to Recycling: (please state units)	214213 m ³	352313 m ³
Waste to Landfill: (please state units)	N/A	N/A
Waste to other: (please give details and state units)	N/A	N/A
Total Product Produced (please state units)	96 Ton	350 Ton



10C: Business Ethics – 4-Pillar Audit (Click here to return to NC-table)

To be completed for a 4–Pillar SMETA Audit

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10C.6 Businesses should have a designated person responsible for implementing standards concerning Business Ethics

10C.7 Suppliers should ensure that the staff whose job roles carry a higher level of risk in the area of ethical Business Practice e.g. sales, purchasing, logistics are trained on what action to take in the event of an issue arising in their area.

10C. Guidance for Observations

10C.8 Businesses should communicate their Business Ethics policy, covering bribery, corruption, or any type of fraudulent Business Practice to all appropriate parties, including its own suppliers.

10C.9 Has the site recently been subject to (or pending) any fines/prosecutions for non-compliance to Business Ethics regulations. If so is there evidence that sustainable corrective actions have been implemented

Note for auditors and readers. This Business Ethics section is intended to take not more than 0.25 auditor days. It is an assessment not an audit.



Current Systems and Evidence Examined

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is /are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Current systems:

- The facility is registered on SEDEX. The integrity policy of Intertek was given to the facility prior to start the audit. The management acknowledged this, signed it and kept a photo copy.
- The company manual contains the details of Business Ethics; moreover they have anti-bribery and anticorruption policy. The Business integrity policy was established and communicated to all employees by company manual, employee hand book and orientation and regular training.
- Based on facility's management interview, the facility was familiar on local regulations/laws concerning business integrity standards.
- Md. Ruhul Alam Sharif, General Manager, Compliance was appointed responsible for business integrity.
- The employees have their orientation training on business ethics when they first start their job. Mid-level management training was held in a periodic manner. The last meeting was held on 16 September 2017.
- The Admin and Compliance department determines all job roles and responsibility categorised by section.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

- The company business ethics policy including bribery, corruption
- Training records

Non-compliance:			
Description of non-compliance: NC against ETI NC against Local Law NC against customer code: None Observed	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)		
Local law and/or ETI requirement: Not applicable	Not applicable		
Recommended corrective action:			
Not applicable			



Observation				
Description of observation: None observed Local law or ETI/additional elements requirement: Not applicable Comments: Not applicable		Objective evidence observed: Not applicable		
Good examples observed:				
Description of observation: None observed Local law or ETI/additional elements requirem Not applicable Comments: Not applicable	ient:	Objective evidence observed: Not applicable		
A: Does the facility have a Business Ethics Policy and is the policy communicated and applied internally, externally or both, as appropriate?	 Internal Policy Policy for third parties including s Please give details: The facility have an Internal Busines 			

	The facility have an Internal Business Ethics Policy
B: Does the site give training to relevant personnel (e.g. sales and logistics) on business ethics issues	☐ Yes ⊠ No
C: Is the policy updated on a regular (as needed) basis?	Yes No Please give details: The policy updated on a regular (as needed) basis
D: Does the site require third parties including suppliers to complete their own business ethics training	Yes No Please give details: Not Applicable

Other Findings Outside the Scope of the Code

Community Benefits

(Please list below any specific community benefits that the site management stated that they were involved in, for example, HIV programme, education, sports facilities)



Appendix 1

Comparison between ETI code and Customer's Supplier's Code. Any areas where a site complies with the Customer's Supplier Code, but not with the ETI code are discussed at the audit close out meeting and recorded on the CAPR. Note to supplier "for this customer it may not be necessary to complete corrective actions where NC's DO NOT meet the ETI code, but DO meet your customer's code. If the audit is shared with other customers who work to the ETI code or an equivalent international standard, corrective actions will be necessary."

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NOTE: The provisions of the ETI base Code constitute minimum and not maximum standards, and this code should not be used to prevent companies from exceeding these standards. Companies applying the ETI Base Code are expected to comply with national and other applicable law and, where the provisions of law and the ETI Base Code address the same subject, to apply that provision which affords the greater protection.	Instruction to Audit Company: fill in the relevant clauses from the Customer Supplier Code - where applicable.
ETI Code / Additional Elements	Customer's Supplier Code equivalent
0.A. Universal Rights covering UNGP	0.A. Universal Rights covering UNGP
 0.A. Guidance for Observations 0.A.1 Businesses should have a policy, endorsed at the highest level, covering human rights impacts and issues, and ensure it is communicated to all appropriate parties, including its own suppliers. 0.A.2 Businesses should have a designated person responsible for implementing standards concerning Human rights 0.A.3 Businesses shall identify their stakeholders and salient issues. 0.A.4 Businesses shall measure their direct, indirect, and potential impacts on stakeholders (rights holders) human rights. 0.A.5 Where businesses have an adverse impact on human rights within any of their stakeholders, they shall address these issues and enable effective remediation. 0.A.6 Businesses shall have a transparent system in place for confidentially reporting, and dealing with human rights impacts without fear of reprisals towards the reporter. 	
0.B. Management Systems & Code Implementation	0.B. Management Systems & Code Implementation
0.1 Suppliers are expected to implement and maintain systems for delivering compliance to this Code.0.2 Suppliers shall appoint a senior member of management who shall be responsible for	



compliance with the Code. 0.3 Suppliers are expected to communicate this Code to all employees. 0.4 Suppliers should communicate this code to their own suppliers and, where reasonably practicable, extend the principles of this Ethical Code through their supply chain.	
ETI 1. Forced Labour	ETI 1. Forced Labour
 1.1 There is no forced, bonded or involuntary prison labour. 1.2 Workers are not required to lodge "deposits" or their identity papers with their employer and are free to leave their employer after reasonable notice. 	
ETI 2. Freedom of association and the right to collective bargaining are respected	ETI 2. Freedom of association and the right to collective bargaining are respected
 2.1 Workers, without distinction, have the right to join or form trade unions of their own choosing and to bargain collectively. 2.2 The employer adopts an open attitude towards the activities of trade unions and their organisational activities. 2.3 Workers' representatives are not discriminated against and have access to carry out their representative functions in the workplace. 2.4 Where the right to freedom of association and collective bargaining is restricted under law, the employer facilitates, and does not hinder, the development of parallel means for independent and free association and bargaining. 	
ETI 3. Working conditions are safe and hygienic	ETI 3. Working conditions are safe and hygienic
 3.1 A safe and hygienic working environment shall be provided, bearing in mind the prevailing knowledge of the industry and of any specific hazards. Adequate steps shall be taken to prevent accidents and injury to health arising out of, associated with, or occurring in the course of work, by minimising, so far as is reasonably practicable, the causes of hazards inherent in the working environment. 3.2 Workers shall receive regular and recorded Health & Safety training, and such training shall be repeated for new or reassigned workers. 3.3 Access to clean toilet facilities and to potable water, and, if appropriate, sanitary facilities for food storage shall be provided. 3.4 Accommodation, where provided, shall be clean, safe, and meet the basic needs of the 	



workers. 3.5 The company observing the code shall assign responsibility for Health & Safety to a senior management representative.	
ETI 4. Child labour shall not be used	ETI 4. Child labour shall not be used
 4.1 There shall be no new recruitment of child labour. 4.2 Companies shall develop or participate in and contribute to policies and programmes which provide for the transition of any child found to be performing child labour to enable her or him to attend and remain in quality education until no longer a child. 4.3 Children and young persons under 18 shall not be employed at night or in hazardous conditions. 4.4 These policies and procedures shall conform to the provisions of the relevant ILO Standards. 	
ETI 5. Living wages are paid	ETI 5. Living wages are paid
 5.1 Wages and benefits paid for a standard working week meet, at a minimum, national legal standards or industry benchmark standards, whichever is higher. In any event wages should always be enough to meet basic needs and to provide some discretionary income. 5.2 All workers shall be provided with written and understandable information about their employment conditions in respect to wages before they enter employment and about the particulars of their wages for the pay period concerned each time that they are paid. 5.3 Deductions from wages as a disciplinary measure shall not be permitted nor shall any deductions from wages not provided for by national law be permitted without the expressed permission of the worker concerned. All disciplinary measures should be recorded. 	
ETI 6. Working Hours are not excessive	ETI 6. Working Hours are not excessive
 6.1 Working hours must comply with national laws, collective agreements, and the provisions of 6.2 to 6.6 below, whichever affords the greater protection for workers. Sub-clauses 6.2 to 6.6 are based on international labour standards. 6.2 Working hours, excluding overtime, shall be defined by contract, and shall not exceed 48 hours per week. 6.3 All overtime shall be voluntary. Overtime shall be used responsibly, taking into account all the 	



 by individual workers and the workforce as a whole. It shall not be used to replace regular employment. Overtime shall always be compensated at a premium rate, which is recommended to be not less than 125% of the regular rate of pay. 6.4 The total hours worked in any 7 day period shall not exceed 60 hours, except where covered by clause 6.5 below. 6.5 Working hours may exceed 60 hours in any 7 day period only in exceptional circumstances where <u>all</u> of the following are met: this is allowed by national law; this is allowed by a collective agreement freely negotiated with a workers' organisation representing a significant portion of the workforce; appropriate safeguards are taken to protect the workers' health and safety; and The employer can demonstrate that exceptional circumstances apply such as unexpected production peaks, accidents or emergencies. 6.6 Workers shall be provided with at least one day office events? 	
off in every 7 day period or, where allowed by national law, 2 days off in every 14 day period.	
ETI 7. No discrimination is practised	ETI 7. No discrimination is practised
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7.1 There is no discrimination in hiring, compensation, access to training, promotion, termination or retirement based on race, caste, national origin, religion, age, disability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, union membership or political affiliation.	
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of fixed-term contracts of employment.	
Additional Elements: Responsible Recruitment 8.3 Suppliers have full understanding of the entire recruitment process and assess all labour recruiters and intermediaries against legal and/or ethical requirements. 8.4 There are effective management systems in place to identify and monitor the hiring and management of all migrant workers, contract workers, agency workers, temporary or casual labour The supplier shall implement processes to enable adequate control over agencies with regards the above points and related legislation. 8.5 Employment agencies must only supply workers registered with them. 8.6 Workers pay no recruitment fee at any stage of the recruitment process. 8.7 Worker contracts accurately reflect the agreed payment and terms in the recruitment process and are understood and signed by workers.	
8A: Sub–Contracting and Homeworking	8A: Sub–Contracting and Homeworking
8A.1 There should be no sub-contracting unless previously agreed with the main client. 8A.2 Systems and processes should be in place to manage sub-contracting, homeworking and external processing.	
ETI 9. No harsh or inhumane treatment is allowed	ETI 9. No harsh or inhumane treatment is allowed
 9.1 Physical abuse or discipline, the threat of physical abuse, sexual or other harassment and verbal abuse or other forms of intimidation shall be prohibited. Additional elements: 9.2 companies should provide access to a confidential grievance mechanism for all workers 	
10. Other Issue areas: 10A: Entitlement to Work and Immigration	
Additional Elements 10A.1 Only workers with a legal right to work shall be employed or used by the supplier.	
10A.2 All workers, including employment agency staff, must be validated by the supplier for their legal right to work by reviewing original documentation.	
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SMETA Extra Sections for 4 Pillar Audit:	SMETA Extra Sections for 4 Pillar Audit:
Environment Section	Environment Section
 B.4. Compliance Requirements 10B4.1 Businesses as a minimum must meet the requirements of local and national laws related to environmental standards. 10B4.2 Where it is a legal requirement, businesses must be able to demonstrate that they have the relevant valid permits including for use and disposal of resources e.g. water, waste etc. 10B4.3 Businesses shall be aware of their end client's environmental standards/code requirements 10B4.4 Suppliers should have an environmental policy, covering their environmental impact, which is communicated to all appropriate parties, including its own suppliers. 10B4.5 Suppliers shall be aware of the significant environmental impact of their site and its processes. 10B4.6 The site should measure its impacts, including continuous recording and regular reviews of use and discharge of natural resources e.g. energy use, water use (see 4-pillar audit report and audit checks for details). 10B4.7 Businesses shall make continuous improvements in their environmental performance. 10B4.8 Businesses shall have available for review any environmental certifications or any environmental certifications or any environmental certifications or any environmental exponsible for co-ordinating the site's efforts to improve environmental performance. B4. Guidance for Observations 10B4.10 Suppliers should have completed the appropriate section of the SAQ and made it available to the auditor. 10B4.11 Has the site recently been subject to (or pending) any fines/prosecutions for noncompliance to environmental regulations. 	
Business Practices Section	



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Photo Form

Best Practice photos:

Nil	Nil	Nil
Nil	Nil	Nil

Non-compliance Photos:

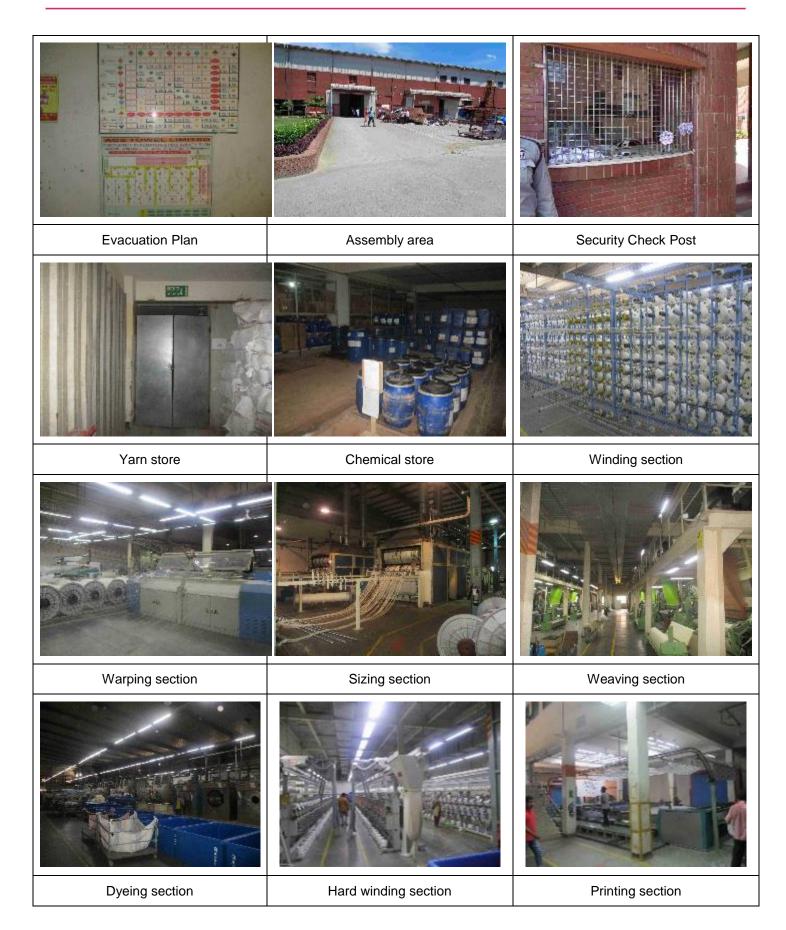
Nil	Nil	Nil
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General Site Tour Photos:



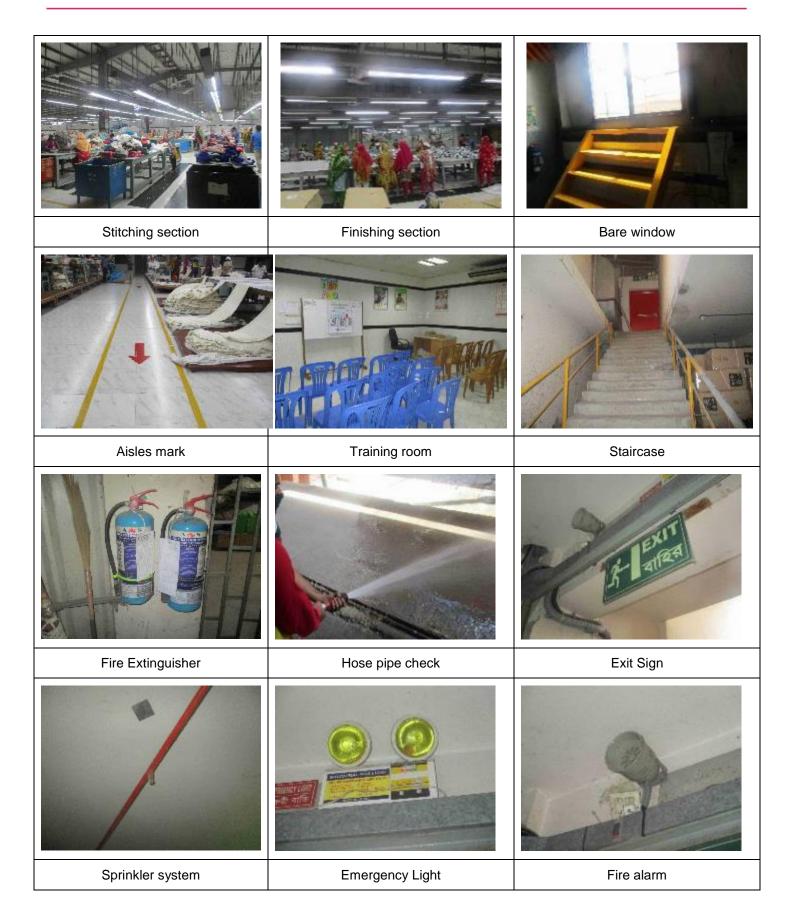


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