

# Nestlé India Corporate Social Responsibility Policy

#### I. Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Policy

Nestlé India Limited ("the Company") is a publicly listed Company in India.

This document articulates the Company's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Policy (the "Policy"). This Policy applies to all CSR activities of the Company in India and conforms to the requirements of Section 135 of the Companies Act 2013 (as amended from time to time), rules notified thereunder and any other applicable statutory provision(s) (collectively referred hereafter as "CSR Provisions"). The Policy is guided at all times by the Company's Corporate Business Principles and the Code of Conduct.

The Company is a leading Nutrition, Health and Wellness Company. As a responsible Company, it has since its inception, participated in business activities which help in improving the quality of life for the communities where it operates. This also includes creating better livelihood opportunities.

In consultation with stakeholders, the Company has decided to focus its activities on the following areas, where it is in a position to create maximum value. These focus areas are:

- Nutrition: A large part of our population is impacted by the double burden of malnutrition. Improving nutrition awareness of communities is a focus area.
- Water and Sanitation: India is among the world's most water stressed regions. Additionally, safe drinking water is a concern in many parts of the country. The Company would focus on helping farmers reduce water usage in agriculture, raising awareness on water conservation and providing access to water and sanitation.
- Rural Development: Supporting the sustainable development of farmers will be the third focus area.
- Livelihood: Unemployment is a major issue impacting development and health outcomes. The Company would focus on livelihood enhancement through trainings.
- Education: The Company would focus on supporting education, with a special focus on education for the girl child. The Company would encourage enhancement skill-set/ awareness and support research/academic activities.
- **Environment:** The Company would focus on activities that have a positive impact on environment.

The Company will continue to engage with stakeholders including farmers, experts, NGOs and the Government and would take up such other CSR activities in line with Government's intent and which are important for society

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The above areas are mapped with the activities as prescribed in Schedule VII to the Companies Act, 2013 in the Nestlé India Guiding Principles for the formulation of Annual Action Plan. While the focus of CSR efforts will be in the local areas and areas around it where the Company operates, the Company may also undertake projects where societal needs are high or in special situations (such as in the case of natural disasters etc.).

CSR expenditure will include all expenditure incurred by the Company on CSR Programmes undertaken in accordance with the approved Annual Action Plan. The CSR activities undertaken by the Company are not expected to lead to any additional surplus beyond what would accrue to the Company in the course of normal operations. However, surplus if any arising out of the CSR Projects or Programs shall not form part of the business profit of the Company and shall be dealt with in accordance with the applicable CSR Provisions. Likewise, any excess amount spent on CSR activities may be set off against the requirement to spend in the succeeding financial years in accordance with the applicable CSR Provisions. In the event the Company creates or acquires capital asset out of the CSR spend, such capital asset will be dealt with in terms of the applicable CSR Provisions.

#### II. Governance

The Company's CSR Governance structure is headed by the CSR Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company. This Committee reports to the Board of Directors of the Company. The CSR Committee consists of four directors of which, two are independent directors. The CSR Committee provides oversight and guidance on CSR performance and monitor compliance with the CSR Policy, commitments and the applicable CSR Provisions. The CSR Committee formulates and recommends to the Board an annual action plan which includes the modalities of utilisation of the CSR funds and implantation schedules for the projects or programmes, monitoring and reporting mechanism for the projects or programmes and details of need and impact assessment for the projects undertaken by the Company. The CSR Committee also recommends any alteration in the annual action plan at any time during the year and update, if any, required to the CSR Policy.

The CSR Committee determines the overall scope of, provide input on, and recommend adoption of the CSR report to the Board of Directors of the Company and reviews the effectiveness of the CSR Policy and activities included in the Policy.

The Board monitors and reviews the performance and impact of the CSR programmes, provides input and course corrections if required and satisfies itself that the CSR funds so disbursed have been utilized for the purposes and in the manner as approved by it. The Executive Director – Finance & Control and CFO shall certify to the fact that CSR funds so disbursed have been utilised for the purposes and in the manner approved by the Board.



#### III. Selection and Implementation of CSR Activities

The Company's CSR programmes are guided by this Policy. The Company will undertake CSR activities as stated in the ANNEXURE with their execution modalities and implementation schedules.

The CSR Committee may under the above areas identify and recommend to the Board "Ongoing Project/s" that requires multi-year implementation but not having timelines exceeding three years excluding the financial year in which it commences, and also may designate some of the existing CSR projects as an Ongoing Project and such Ongoing Projects shall be selected, implemented, monitored and reported in accordance with the applicable CSR Provisions.

The CSR Committee may, if required, recommend to the Board of Directors as part of the CSR Policy, activities outside of the above-mentioned focus areas. All activities will be undertaken in project

mode with defined objectives and deliverables, clarity on target beneficiaries, implementation plans with schedule of timeline agreed prior to commencement of activities.

The Company would implement the CSR programmes through Company personnel and partnerships with expert agencies, NGOs and Government. In cases where the implementation is through external implementing agencies, the Company would monitor the implementation.

The CSR Policy issued pursuant to the Act has been recommended by the CSR Committee of the Board of Directors and approved by the Board of Directors and shall be placed on the Company's website **www.nestle.in**.

#### IV. Amendments

Amendments from time to time to the CSR Policy, if any, shall be considered by the Board of Directors based on the recommendations of the CSR Committee.



### Nestle India - Guiding Principles for the formulation of Annual Action Plan

Programmes/Activities/Initiatives	Project Name	Schedule VII, Section 135 Companies Act, 2013	Modalities of Execution	Implementati on Criteria* / Schedule	Monitoring, Evaluation and Impact				
Nutrition Awareness									
The Company aims to create awareness regarding nutrition, good cooking practices, good hygiene and the importance of physical activity among children in schools particularly village schools through various programmes. The school based programme/s will involve students receiving focused nutrition training and will be based on a multi-partnership approach in collaboration with leading regional universities, NGOs and other stakeholders. This will enable joint development and regional customisation of the content.	Nestlé Healthy Kids Programme	(i)	In collaboration with external agency: Academic Universities	The programme is conducted basis the school year starting Apr – June and ending Dec-Jan.	<ul> <li>Pre and Post Evaluation</li> <li>Annual Report</li> <li>Change in knowledge, attitudes and practices of students</li> <li>Number of students covered</li> </ul>				
The Company aims to create awareness about nutrition and healthy habits, importance of food, water and personal hygiene, utilising health services and the importance of physical activity. These programmes will be designed for school going children and conducted in partnership with NGOs/experts/government based on the learning through sports and conducted in the schools and/ or communities. Each child will receive specified hours of training throughout the year.	Nestlé Healthy Kids Programme	(i)	In collaboration with external agency: Universities; NGO	The programme is conducted in accordance with the school year starting Apr – June and ending Dec-Jan. Throughout the year in the communities	<ul> <li>Impact Reports</li> <li>Project Progress and Financial Reports</li> <li>Change in knowledge, attitudes and practices of beneficiaries</li> <li>Number of beneficiaries covered</li> </ul>				
The Company aims to reach out to children with access to the internet and engage them in learning about nutrition and healthy habits.	Nestlé Healthy Kids Programme	(i)	Directly; In collaboration with NGO	Throughout the year	<ul> <li>Knowledge increment</li> <li>Number of students covered</li> </ul>				
The Company aims to create awareness about nutrition and health among adolescents, young couples and caregivers among marginalised communities. The programme will be developed in partnership with NGOs and designed to develop community support for improved health.	Project Jagriti	(i)	In collaboration with external agency: NGO	Throughout the year	<ul> <li>Impact Reports</li> <li>Project Progress and Financial Reports</li> <li>Change in awareness and behaviour</li> <li>Metrics including: number of persons covered, nutrition and health awareness, delay in age of marriage, family planning, breastfeeding practices. etc.</li> </ul>				
The Company aims to create awareness about prevention and management of diseases like Cancer, Non-Communicable Diseases, etc	Nestlé Healthy Kids Programme; Project Jagriti	(i)	Directly; In collaboration with NGO	As and when required	Change in awareness and behaviour				



Water and Sanitation					
Sanitation Projects: Construct sanitation facilities for girl students in rural schools to encourage attendance. Through this initiative, the Company endeavours to facilitate and remove what is considered to be the major cause of dropout rate among girl students in village schools. Creating access to sanitation facilities for specially abled people/vulnerable groups.	Sanitation Projects	(i)	Directly; In collaboration with NGO	Throughout the year	<ul> <li>Number of schools</li> <li>Number of students using the facilities</li> <li>Number of facilities constructed</li> </ul>
Clean Drinking Water Projects: The Company aims to construct drinking water facilities in schools and locations which lack access to drinking water.	Clean Drinking Water Projects	(i)	Directly; In collaboration with NGO	Throughout the year	<ul> <li>Number of schools and locations</li> <li>Number of beneficiaries using the facilities</li> <li>Number of facilities constructed</li> </ul>
Water awareness for students: The Company aims to create awareness among students regarding water conservation and protection of water resources to ensure the responsible utilisation of water for a sustainable future.	Water Awareness Programme	(iv)	Directly; In collaboration with NGO.	Throughout the year	Number of students covered
Water awareness for farmers: The Company aims to enable farmers to reduce water use in agriculture in collaboration with the Universities / Experts / NGOs / Government.		(iv)	Directly	Throughout the year	Number of farmers reached
Environment					
The Company aims to undertake projects for plastic and solid waste management and/or water conservation	Hilldaari	(iv)	In collaboration with external agency: Government/ NGO/ Directly	Throughout the year	<ul> <li>Project Progress and Financial Reports</li> <li>Outreach through awareness programme</li> </ul>
The Company aims to undertake projects on Climate Change like afforestation, enhancing activities within ongoing initiatives		(iv)	In collaboration with external agency: Government/ NGO/ Directly	Throughout the year	Reduction in GHG emissions
Livelihood		<i>(11)</i>		<b>—</b>	
Hygiene and Food Safety Training: The Company aims to create awareness about good hygiene and food safety among street/ other food vendors help the safety, culture and enhance the livelihood of food operators.	Project Serve Safe Food	(ii)	In collaboration with external agency: Government and NGO	Throughout the year	<ul> <li>Number of street food vendors trained</li> </ul>
Education					
Education: The Company would focus on supporting education, with a special focus on education for the girl child. The Company would encourage enhancement skill-set/awareness and support research/academic activities.		(ii)	In collaboration with external agency: NGO	Throughout the year	Number of beneficiaries



The Company aims to set up Library, Science lab and provide infrastructure in schools.		(ii)	In collaboration with external agency: NGO	Throughout the year	<ul> <li>Number of schools and students</li> </ul>
Employee Volunteering Programme					
Employees engage with beneficiaries from marginalised communities and in creating awareness about nutrition, healthy habits, and good hygiene through sports and other activities.  Creating awareness around managing plastic waste through sports and other various activities including Volunteering day, World Oceans Day, etc	Employee Volunteering Programme	(i)	In collaboration with external agency: NGO	Throughout the year	<ul> <li>Number of employees volunteering/ hours spent</li> </ul>
/illage / Local area adoption in any state					
Project will focus on any or all the above components of CSR activities	Project Vriddhi	(x)	Directly; In collaboration with NGO	Throughout the year	<ul> <li>Impact Reports</li> <li>Project Progress and Financial Reports</li> <li>Improved access to water &amp; sanitation</li> <li>Change in knowledge and practice amongst students</li> <li>Change in awareness and behaviour amongst beneficiaries</li> <li>Empowered communities who access government programs to lead village development activities</li> </ul>
Disaster Management/ Relief funds/ efforts					
<ol> <li>Contribution to Relief funds (including Covid relief efforts) or efforts set up by the Central Government for socio-economic development and relief and welfare of the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, other backward classes, minorities and women.</li> <li>Disaster Management Including relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction activities</li> </ol>		(viii)	Directly; In collaboration with NGO	As and when/ where required	Contribution in cash
Other Funds					
Other Funds set up by the Central or State Government for any of the Programmes / activities / nitiatives listed above including Swach Bharat Kosh.		(i) and (iv)	Directly	As and when required	Contribution in cash
Funds created for prevention and management of diseases like Cancer, Non-Communicable Diseases, etc			Directly	As and when required	Contribution in cash

- \*Implementation through Sec 8 Co., Registered PUBLIC Trust and Registered Society.
  - 1. Implementing partners to be independent having established track record of at least 3 years in undertaking SIMILAR ACTIVITIES
  - 2. Which is exempted under sub-clauses (iv), (v), (vi) or (via) of clause (23C) of section 10 or registered under section 12A and approved under 80 G of the Income Tax Act, 1961; or
  - 3. established by the Central Government or State Government or any entity established under an Act of Parliament or a State legislature;
  - 4. To register with MCA (Form CSR 1) and have Unique CSR Number.
- a. CSR initiatives are undertaken based on consultation with the communities and baseline studies in the community. These are continuously monitored with periodic reporting. The Company will continue to implement other societal and community related initiatives.
- b. In the event the overall outlay in any of the above CSR Projects is Rs. One(1) crore or more it has completed not less than one year before undertaking the impact study, an Impact Assessment of such projects will be undertaken by the Company through an Independent Agency and the same shall be placed before the Board and annexed to the annual report on CSR of the Company.

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### CSR Projects and Programmes for the year 2023

S. No.	Name of the Projects/ Programmes	Item from the list of activities in Schedule VII to the Companies Act, 2013 ('the Act')	Particulars of the Projects/ Programmes	Mode of Implementation Direct (Yes/No)	Mode of Implementation – through Implementing Agency	Budgeted amount for the year 2023 (Rs. In Million)
1	Project Jagriti	l'	Project Jagriti encourages good nutrition and feeding practices, to improve nutrition and health at key life stages – adolescents, young couples, pregnant women and lactating mothers.  The project will be undertaken in various states such as Delhi, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Himachal Pradesh, Odisha, Bihar Jharkhand	No	MAMTA - Health Institute for Mother and Child	95.9
2	Nestlé Healthy Kids Programme		Nestlé Healthy Kids Programme aims to nurture communities by promoting healthier lifestyles and good health for children from government schools and marginalized communities. The project will be undertaken in various states such as Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Chhattisgarh, Delhi, Gujarat, Haryana, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Ladakh, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Mizoram, Bihar,	No	Magic Bus India Foundation	180
			The Project is implemented through seven regional universities in Punjab, Haryana, Goa, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Gujarat, Karnataka	No	Punjab Agriculture University, National Institute of Food Technology Entrepreneurship and Management, Goa College of Home Science, Alumni Almamater Advancement Association, CSK Himachal Pradesh Agriculture University, Gujarat University, University of Agricultural Sciences	7

3.	Project Vriddhi	Χ	Project Vriddhi is the initiative	No	S.M. Sehgal	26.5
			of village adoption that aims		Foundation	
			to bring positive change in the			
			lives of the locals in the area			
			of nutrition and health,			
			education, water and			
			sanitation and			
			agriculture practices.			
			The project will be undertaken			
			in the state of Haryana.			
4.	Project Serve	ii	Project Serve Safe Food aims	No	Nidan	30
	Safe Food		to provide training to the			
			street food vendors to enable			
			them to voluntarily adopt the			
			hygiene practices.			
			The project will be undertaken			
			in various states such as			
			Bihar, Haryana, Punjab, J&K,			
			Odisha, Tamil Nadu, Kerala,			
			Manipur, Tripura, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar			
_	Cloop Drinking	:	Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh	No	Enable Health	18
5.	Clean Drinking	i	The project aims to provide	No	Enable Health	18
	Water		access to clean drinking water		Society (EHS)	
			in government schools around			
			our factory locations.  The project will be undertaken			
			in various states such as			
			Haryana; Tamil Nadu; Punjab;			
			Rajasthan; Maharashtra;			
			Karnataka; West Bengal			
			Punjab, Himachal Pradesh,	Yes	_	18
			Goa, Karnataka	100		10
6.	Sanitation	i	The project supports	Yes	_	40
0.	Carnation		construction of modern, easy	100		40
			to maintain modular toilets,			
			contributing to health, well-			
			being. The project will be			
			undertaken in various states			
			such as Punjab, Himachal			
			Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Goa,			
			Tamil Nadu, Haryana,			
			Karnataka, Maharashtra,			
			Odisha, Gujarat, Telangana,			
			Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal,			
			Kerala, Jharkhand, Rajasthan			
7.	Hilldaari	iv	The Project aims at better	No	Stree Mukti	35.8
			management of waste,		Sanghatana	
			empowering waste workers			
			and focuses on working			
			collectively with multiple			
			stakeholders like urban local			
			bodies, institutions, residents,			

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			households, hotels and restaurants, and waste workers. The project will be undertaken in various states such as Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Goa, Maharashtra, Kerala,			
8.	Project Jigyasa	ii	The project aims to increase access to practical, hands-on science based activity sessions in government schools around our factory locations.  The project will be undertaken in the states of Goa and Haryana.	No	Agastya International Foundation	14.6
9	Disaster Management including COVID-19 Relief Efforts	i and xii	The project is undertaken where societal needs are high or in special situations such as natural calamities/disaster. The project will be undertaken in various states as and when required such as Uttar Pradesh, Assam, Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal, Karnataka, Bihar, Jharkhand, Kerala, Hyderabad, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Telangana Chandigarh and Delhi	No	Multiple NGOs/ Akshaya Patra BOSCONET Nidan Indian Jaycees Charitable Trust Indian Association for the Blind	95
10.	Employee Volunteering Programme including Social Sabbatical		HO, branches and factories		Magic Bus India Foundation And I Volunteer	4
11	Impact Assessment	-	As per requirement, impact assessment of Nestlé Healthy Kids , Project Jagriti 11 districts, Project Jagriti 2 districts and Water & sanitation	-	-	10

<sup>\*</sup> The abovementioned projects are standalone/ongoing projects. The budgeted amount is for the year 2023.

Management is authorized to monitor the CSR Projects/ Programmes, carried out by the Company directly or through the Implementing Agency/ies or jointly with other Companies, Organizations, Implementing Agency(ies) during the year, review them from time to time and where deemed necessary and expedient, adjust the CSR spends allocated for the Project(s)/ Programme(s) within the approved Annual Action Plan 2023 provided that such CSR spend adjustment(s) made for the Projects/ Programmes shall be placed before the next CSR Committee Meeting for ratification. Provided further that if the proposed adjustment(s) for the Project(s)/ Programme(s) under the approved Annual Action Plan exceeds 10% (ten percent) of the overall CSR spends during the year, it shall be placed before the CSR Committee for review and recommendation to the Board and approved by the Board with justification.