

November 14, 2018

H.E. António Guterres
Secretary-General
United Nations
New York, NY 10017
USA

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that GreenTech Foundation Bangladesh supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labor, environment and anti-corruption. With this communication, we express our intent to advance those principles within our sphere of influence. We are committed to making the Global Compact and its principles part of the strategy, culture and day-to-day operations of our organization, and to engaging in collaborative projects which advance the broader development goals of the United Nations, particularly the Sustainable Development Goals.

GreenTech Foundation Bangladesh will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public. We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the annual submission of a Communication on Engagement (COE) that describes our company's efforts to implement the ten principles.

We support public accountability and transparency, and therefore commit to report on progress within two years of join the Global Compact, and annually thereafter according to the Global Compact COE policy. This includes:

- A statement signed by the chief executive expressing continued support for the Global Compact and renewing our ongoing commitment to the initiative and its principles. This is separate from our initial letter of commitment to join the Global Compact.
- A description of practical actions (i.e. disclosure of any relevant policies, procedures, activities) that the company has taken (or plans to undertake) to implement the Global Compact principles in each of the four issue areas (human rights, labour, environment, anti-corruption).
- A measurement of outcomes (i.e. the degree to which targets/performance indicators were met, or other qualitative or quantitative measurements of results).

Sincerely yours,



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COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT WITH THE UN GLOBAL COMPACT

Period covered by this Communication on Engagement

From: 1 November 2018 To: 31 October 2020

GreenTech Foundation Bangladesh reaffirms its commitment to sustainability and to responsible business practices and to participating in the United Nations Global Compact. In addition to participating as a successful international business, as a research center we can contribute through our research and educational resources, through helping to increase understanding and awareness of responsible citizenship, and contributing towards shaping the business leaders of the future.

We are committed to embracing, supporting and enacting within our sphere of influence the UN Global Compact core values in the areas of human rights, labour standards, the environment and anti-corruption:

1. To support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights;
2. To ensure that business is not complicit in human rights abuses;
3. To uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right of collective bargaining;
4. To support the elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labour;
5. To support the effective abolition of child labour;
6. To support the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation;
7. To support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges;
8. To undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility;
9. To encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies;
10. To work against corruption in all its forms, including extortion and bribery.

In taking part in the programme, we are committed to continuing to align our operations and strategies with the principles of the Global Compact programme.

In this Communication of Engagement, we also commit to sharing this information with our stakeholders using our primary channels of communication.

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