

CSR Procurement Assessment Report 2023 (Japan Business)

Pigeon Corporation September 28, 2023 Pigeon has established the CSR Procurement Policy and CSR Procurement Guidelines as our basic approach to procurement activities in order to continue contributing to the "development of a sustainable society" as stated in the Pigeon ESG/SDGs Basic Policy. To advance procurement based on this Policy and these Guidelines, we conducted an assessment survey of all of our suppliers. The purpose of this assessment is to grasp the status of environmental, sustainability and governance (ESG) activities among suppliers and to recognize issues occurring in our supply chain.

We look forward to working with suppliers to correct the issues revealed by the assessment. By conducting this assessment and following it with improvement efforts as described above, we believe we can contribute to solutions for a range of social issues in collaboration with suppliers, building stronger relationships with them in the process.

Overview of the Assessment

Assessed Suppliers

All primary external suppliers of Pigeon Corporation Major suppliers of production subsidiaries in Japan

Number of suppliers contacted and response rate

Of 99 companies contacted, 98 companies responded. (Response rate of 99.0%)

Assessment period

April to June, 2023

Assessed items

The questionnaire used for the assessment was the Self-Assessment Questionnaire (SAQ) prepared by UN Global Compact Network Japan (GCNJ), the Japan chapter of the United Nations initiative on corporate sustainability.

A detailed description of the items queried in the questionnaire is provided in the table below. Each intermediate-level item is broken down into five sub items: Legal awareness, Policy, System and responsibilities, Collective actions and Correction.

Respondents are asked to rank their own performance in each sub item on a scale of 1 to 3.

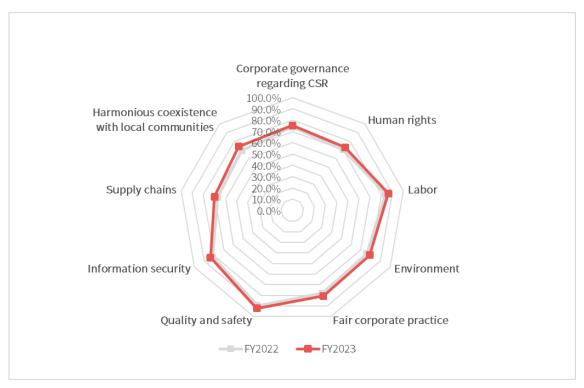
Major items	Intermediate-level items			
1. Corporate	Construction of a system for advancing CSR			
governance	2. Construction of internal control systems			
regarding CSR	3. Business continuity plan (BCP)			
	4. Construction of internal reporting systems			
	5. Internal and external disclosure of CSR information			

2. Human rights	1. Basic stance on human rights					
	2. Respect for human rights and prohibition of discrimination					
	3. Avoidance of complicity in (aggravation of) violations of					
	human rights					
	4. Respect for the lifestyles of indigenous peoples and for					
	regional communities					
3. Labor	Basic stance on labor practices					
	2. Prohibition of discrimination in hiring					
	3. Providing impartial opportunities to employees for personnel					
	training, career advancement, etc.					
	4. Prohibition of inhumane treatment					
	5. Payment of appropriate wages					
	6. Fair application of work hours, days off, paid leave, etc.					
	7. Prohibition of forced labor					
	8. Prohibition of child labor					
	9. Respect for the religious traditions and customs of countries					
	and regions in which the company operates					
	10. Recognition of and respect for the rights of freedom of					
	association and collective bargaining					
	11. Appropriate management of employees' health, safety and					
	hygiene					
4. Environment	Basic stance on environmental efforts					
	2. Management of legally specified chemical substances in					
	manufacturing processes, products and services					
	3. Management of wastewater, sludge and emissions and					
	reduction of their generation					
	4. Sustainable and efficient use of resources					
	(energy, water, raw materials, etc.)					
	5. Reduction of greenhouse-gas emissions					
	6. Identification, management and reduction of waste and					
	responsible disposal and/or recycling					
	7. Efforts on biodiversity					
5. Fair corporate practice	Basic stance on fair business activities					
	2. Building appropriate relationships with local governments					
	and government employees where the company does					
	business, in Japan or overseas					
	3. Prevention of dealing in inappropriate benefits from					
	customers, business partners, etc. in sales, purchasing					
	and other activities					
	4. Prevention of violations of competition law in sales activities,					

	etc. 5. Elimination of relations with antisocial forces and						
	organizations						
	6. Prevention of unauthorized use of intellectual property of						
	third parties and illegal reproduction of copyrighted works						
	7. Contact points for complaints and requests for consultation						
	from outside the company						
	8. Prohibition of insider trading						
	Prohibition of activities that create conflicts of interest						
6. Quality and safety	Basic stance on quality and safety of products and services						
	Securing of quality and safety of products and services						
	3. Appropriate response to accidents and circulation of defects						
	in products and services						
7. Information security	Basic stance on information security						
	2. Defenses against attacks on computer networks						
	3. Protection of personal data and privacy						
	4. Prevention of unlawful use of confidential information						
8. Supply chains	1. Basic stance on supply chains						
	2. Non-use of raw materials involved in conflict or crime						
	(measures against conflict minerals)						
9. Harmonious	1. Measures to reduce negative impacts on regional						
coexistence with	communities						
local communities	2. Measures with regional communities toward sustainable						
	development						

Assessment results

Compared to the previous year, the overall average score rate increased 3.5 points to 80.1%, with "Quality and Safety" and "Labor" being advanced, while "Supply chains", "Harmonious coexistence with local communities" and "Human rights" are the challenges.



Item	Number of	Average score rate		
	questions	FY 2022	FY 2023	Diff.
Corporate governance regarding CSR	20	73.9%	75.3%	1.4 pt.
2. Human rights	9	70.1%	72.8%	2.7 pt.
3. Labor	23	83.8%	86.3%	2.5 pt.
4. Environment	15	76.1%	79.3%	3.2 pt.
5. Fair corporate practice	20	77.9%	80.5%	2.6 pt.
6. Quality and safety	7	89.6%	92.2%	2.6 pt.
7. Information security	9	81.4%	83.6%	2.2 pt.
8. Supply chains	7	67.0%	69.9%	2.9 pt.
9. Harmonious coexistence with local communities	4	69.3%	73.7%	4.4 pt.
Total	114	76.6%	80.1%	3.5 pt.

Note: Questions answered with "Not applicable" are deducted from the denominator when calculating the supplier's score rate.

Efforts Toward Improvement

We will provide suppliers who responded to the questionnaire with feedback on the following topics:

- Their own tabulation results
- Average score rates

At the same time, we will encourage efforts to improve items that are determined to be high-risk.

Future Plans

We will continue to conduct SAQ assessments and redouble our commitment to measures for improvement by providing support, such as conducting audits, interviews and offering advice on improvement, to suppliers considered to be at high risk or judged to need support in improving their conditions.

Going forward, we will intensify our efforts to build strong relationships of trust with suppliers and contribute to solutions to societal issues throughout its supply chain.