

Corporate Human Rights Benchmark 2020 Company Scoresheet



Company Name Anhui Jianghuai Automobile Group

Industry Automobiles
Overall Score (*) 2.5 out of 100

Theme Score	Out of	For Theme
0.0	10	A. Governance and Policies
0.0	25	B. Embedding Respect and Human Rights Due Diligence
0.0	15	C. Remedies and Grievance Mechanisms
0.0	20	D. Performance: Company Human Rights Practices
0.5	20	E. Performance: Responses to Serious Allegations
2.0	10	F. Transparency

(*) While other sectors are being measured against a reduced set of CHRB Core UNGP Indicators this year the Automotive Manufacturing sector is being measured against the full CHRB Methodology as it is the first year that the sector has been analysed.

Please note that any small differences between the Overall Score and the added total of Measurement Theme scores are due to rounding the numbers at different stages of the score calculation process.

Please note also that the "Not met" labels in the Explanation boxes below do not necessarily mean that the company does not meet the requirements as they are described in the bullet point short text. Rather, it means that the analysts could not find information *in public sources* that met the requirements *as described in full* in the CHRB 2020 Methodology document. For example, a "Not met" under "General HRs Commitment", which is the first bullet point for indicator A.1.1, does not necessarily mean that the company does not have a general commitment to human rights. Rather, it means that the CHRB could not identify a public statement of policy in which the company commits to respecting human rights.

Detailed assessment

A. Governance and Policies (10% of Total)

A.1 Policy Commitments (5% of Total)

Indicator Code	Indicator name	Score (out of 2)	Explanation
A.1.1	Commitment to respect human rights	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: General HRs commitment Not met: UNGC principles 1 & 2 Not met: UDHR Not met: International Bill of Rights Score 2 Not met: UNGPs Not met: OECD
A.1.2	Commitment to respect the human rights of workers	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: ILO Core Not met: UNGC principles 3-6 Not met: Explicitly list ALL four ILO for MO suppliers Score 2 Not met: Explicit commitment to All four ILO Core Not met: Respect H&S of workers: The Company states that 'has always attached great importance to employees' occupational safety, occupational health and mental health, continuously increased employee safety education and training, actively identified dangerous sources and harmful operating points, improved

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			employee safety awareness and skills, and ensured timely delivery of labor insurance products'. However, this evidence does not indicate a formal commitment to respecting Human Rights of workers. [Social Responsibility Report 2018, 2018: wap.jac.com.cn • Not met: H&S applies to MO suppliers • Not met: Working hours for workers • Not met: Working hours for MO suppliers
A.1.3.MO.a	Commitment to responsible sourcing of minerals	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Responsible mineral sourcing in conflict areas Not met: Based on OECD Guidance Not met: Requires responsible mineral sourcing from suppliers Not met: Requires suppliers to follow the OECD Guidance Score 2 Not met: Responsible conflict mineral sourcing covers all minerals Not met: Suppliers expected to make similar requirements of their suppliers
A.1.3.MO.b	Commitment to respect human rights particularly relevant to the industry (ICT)	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Women's Rights Not met: Children's Rights Not met: Migrant worker's rights Not met: Expecting suppliers to respect these rights Score 2 Not met: CEDAW/Women's Empowerment Principles Not met: Child Rights Convention/Business principles Not met: Convention on migrant workers Not met: Respecting the right to water Not met: Expecting suppliers to respect these rights
A.1.4	Commitment to engage with stakeholders	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Commits to stakeholder engagement: The Company discloses its 'Customer Satisfaction Survey' and the 'Employee Satisfaction Survey' as a form of communication with its stakeholders. Also, the Company states that 'actively cooperates with surrounding communities'. However, it does not indicate a formal commitment to stakeholders engagement. [Social Responsibility Report 2018, 2018: wap.jac.com.cn] Not met: Regular stakeholder engagement Score 2 Not met: Commits to engage stakeholders in design Not met: Regular stakeholder design engagement
A.1.5	Commitment to remedy	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Commits to remedy Score 2 Not met: Not obstructing access to other remedies Not met: Collaborating with other remedy initiatives Not met: Work with MO suppliers to remedy impacts
A.1.6	Commitment to respect the rights of human rights defenders	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Zero tolerance attacks on HRs Defenders (HRDs) Score 2 Not met: Expects MO suppliers to reflect company HRD commitments

A.2 Policy Commitments (5% of Total)

Indicator Code	Indicator name	Score (out of 2)	Explanation
A.2.1	Commitment		The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows:
	from the top		Score 1
			Not met: CEO or Board approves policy
			Not met: Board level oversight for HRs: The Company indicates its 'Social
		0	Responsibility Management Committee'. However, no further evidence to indicate
			Human Rights approach. [Social Responsibility Report 2018, 2018: wap.jac.com.cn]
			Score 2
		Not met: Speeches/letters by Board members or CEO	
A.2.2	Board		The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows:
	discussions		Score 1
		0	Not met: Board/Committee review of salient HRs
			Not met: Examples or trends re HR discussion

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			Score 2 • Not met: Both examples and process
A.2.3	Incentives and performance management	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 • Not met: Incentives for at least one board member • Not met: At least one key MO HR risk, beyond employee H&S Score 2 • Not met: Performance criteria made public

B. Embedding Respect and Human Rights Due Diligence (25% of Total)

B.1 Embedding Respect for Human Rights in Company Culture and Management Systems (10% of Total)

Indicator Code	Indicator name	Score (out of 2)	Explanation
B.1.1	Responsibility and resources for day-to-day human rights functions	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Commits to ILO core conventions Not met: Senior responsibility for HR Score 2 Not met: Day-to-day responsibility Not met: Day-to-day responsibility for MO in supply chain
B.1.2	Incentives and performance management	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Senior manager incentives for human rights Not met: At least one key MO HR risk, beyond employee H&S Score 2 Not met: Performance criteria made public
B.1.3	Integration with enterprise risk management	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: HR risks is integrated as part of enterprise risk system: The Company discloses information against its risk management, including internal control self-evaluation, external audit and other methods. However, there are no details to indicate Human Rights integration. [Social Responsibility Report 2018, 2018: wap.jac.com.cn Score 2 Not met: Audit Ctte or independent risk assessment
B.1.4.a	Communication /dissemination of policy commitment(s) within Company's own operations	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Commits to ILO core conventions Not met: Communicates its policy to all workers in own operations Score 2 Not met: Commits to all 4 ILO core conventions Not met: Communication of policy commitments to stakeholder Not met: How policy commitments are made accessible to audience
B.1.4.b	Communication /dissemination of policy commitment(s) to business relationships	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Commits to all 4 ILO core conventions for suppliers Not met: Communicating policy down the whole MO supply chain Not met: Requiring MO suppliers to communicate policy down the chain Score 2 Not met: How HR commitments made binding/contractual Not met: Including on MO suppliers
B.1.5	Training on Human Rights	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Scores at least 1 on A.1.2 Not met: Trains all workers on HR policy commitments: The Company reports: ' Through systematic planning, the company, fully identifies the training needs, precise training plan, classifies and implements the training of various talents, promotes the growth of employees, enhances the skill level of technicians, and provides a strong guarantee for the development of new technologies and the construction of talent teams'. However there are no further details against Human Rights training for all workers. [Social Responsibility Report 2018, 2018: wap.jac.com.cn] Not met: Trains relevant MO managers including procurement Score 2 Not met: Score of 2 on A.1.2

Indicator Code	Indicator name	Score (out of 2)	Explanation
B.1.6	Monitoring and corrective actions	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Scores at least 1 on A.1.2 Not met: Monitoring implementation of HR policy commitments Not met: Monitoring MO suppliers Score 2 Not met: Score of 2 on A.1.2 Not met: Describes corrective action process Not met: Example of corrective action Not met: Discloses % of MO supply chain monitored
B.1.7	Engaging business relationships	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: HR affects MO selection of suppliers Not met: HR affects on-going MO supplier relationships Score 2 Not met: Both requirement under score 1 met Not met: Working with MO suppliers to improve performance
B.1.8	Approach to engagement with potentially affected stakeholders	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Stakeholder process or systems Not met: Frequency and triggers for engagement Not met: Workers in MO SC engaged Not met: Communities in the MO SC engaged Score 2 Not met: Analysis of stakeholder views and company's actions on them

B.2 Human Rights Due Diligence (15% of Total)

Indicator Code	Indicator name	Score (out of 2)	Explanation
B.2.1	Identifying: Processes and triggers for identifying human rights risks and impacts	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Identifying risks in own operations: The Company discloses its daily risk identification in order to enhance the risk management system and its strategies. However, there are no further details indicating Human Rights risks and impacts identification. [Social Responsibility Report 2018, 2018: wap.jac.com.cn] Not met: Identifying risks in MO suppliers Score 2 Not met: Ongoing global risk identification Not met: In consultation with stakeholders Not met: In consultation with HR experts Not met: Triggered by new circumstances
B.2.2	Assessing: Assessment of risks and impacts identified (salient risks and key industry risks)	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 • Not met: Salient risk assessment (and context) • Not met: Public disclosure of salient risks Score 2 • Not met: Both requirements under score 1 met
B.2.3	Integrating and Acting: Integrating assessment findings internally and taking appropriate action	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Action Plans to mitigate risks Not met: Including in MO supply chain Not met: Example of Actions decided Score 2 Not met: Both requirements under score 1 met
B.2.4	Tracking: Monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of actions to respond to human rights	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: System to check if Actions are effective Not met: Lessons learnt from checking effectiveness Score 2 Not met: Both requirement under score 1 met

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	risks and impacts		
B.2.5	Communicating: Accounting for how human rights impacts are addressed	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Comms plan re identifying risks Not met: Comms plan re assessing risks Not met: Comms plan re action plans for risks Not met: Comms plan re reviewing action plans Not met: Including MO suppliers Score 2 Not met: Responding to affected stakeholders concerns Not met: Ensuring affected stakeholders can access communications

C. Remedies and Grievance Mechanisms (15% of Total)

Indicator Code	Indicator name	Score (out of 2)	Explanation
C.1	Grievance channel(s)/mec hanism(s) to receive complaints or concerns from workers	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Channel accessible to all workers: The Company discloses several communication channels such as 'employee representative conference, leader reception day, employee symposium, general mailbox and OA message board'. However, it is not clear whether they are accessible to all workers. [Social Responsibility Report 2018, 2018: wap.jac.com.cn] Score 2 Not met: Number grievances filed, addressed or resolved Not met: Channel is available in all appropriate languages Not met: Expect MO supplier to have equivalent grievance systems
C.2	Grievance channel(s)/mec hanism(s) to receive complaints or concerns from external individuals and communities	0	Not met: Opens own system to MO supplier workers The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Grievance mechanism for community: Although the Company indicates the cooperation with surrounding communities to promote activities, solve people's problems and serve the masses, there are no further details indicating a grievance channel to communities (or anyone) impacted by the Company's operations. [Social Responsibility Report 2018, 2018: wap-jac.com.cn] Score 2 Not met: Describes accessibility and local languages Not met: Expects MO supplier to have community grievance systems Not met: MO supplier communities use global system
C.3	Users are involved in the design and performance of the channel(s)/mec hanism(s)	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Engages users to create or assess system Not met: Example of how they do this Score 2 Not met: Engages with users on system performance Not met: Provides user engagement example on performance Not met: MO suppliers consult users in creation or assessment
C.4	Procedures related to the mechanism(s)/c hannel(s) are publicly available and explained	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Response timescales Not met: How complainants will be informed Not met: Who is handling the complaint Score 2 Not met: Escalation to senior/independent level
C.5	Commitment to non-retaliation over complaints or concerns made	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Public statement prohibiting retaliation Not met: Practical measures to prevent retaliation Score 2 Not met: Has not retaliated in practice Not met: Expects MO suppliers to prohibit retaliation
C.6	Company involvement with State- based judicial and non- judicial	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Won't impede state based mechanisms Not met: Complainants not asked to waive rights Score 2 Not met: Will work with state based or non judicial mechanisms Not met: Example of issue resolved (if applicable)

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	grievance mechanisms		
C.7	Remedying adverse impacts and incorporating lessons learned	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Describes how remedy has been provided Not met: Says how it would remedy key sector risks Score 2 Not met: Changes introduced to stop repetition Not met: Approach to learning from incident to prevent future impacts Not met: Evaluation of the channel/mechanism

D. Performance: Company Human Rights Practices (20% of Total)

D.5 Automotive Manufacturing

Indicator Code	Indicator name	Score (out of 2)	Explanation
D.5.1.a	Living wage (in own production or manufacturing operations)	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Living wage target timeframe Not met: Describes how living wage determined Score 2
			Not met: Achieved payment of living wage Not met: Regularly review definition of living wage with unions
D.5.1.b	Living wage (in the supply chain)	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Living wage in supplier code or contracts Not met: Improving living wage practices of suppliers Score 2 Not met: Both requirements under score 1 met Not met: Provide analysis of trends demonstrating progress
D.5.2	Aligning purchasing decisions with human rights	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 • Not met: Avoids business model pressure on HRs • Not met: Positive incentives to respect human rights Score 2 • Not met: Both requirements under score 1 met
D.5.3	Mapping and disclosing the supply chain	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Identifies suppliers back to product source Score 2 Not met: Discloses significant parts of supply chain and why
D.5.4.a	Prohibition on child labour: Age verification and corrective actions (in own production or manufacturing operations)	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Does not use child labour Not met: Age verification of job applicants and workers Score 2 Not met: Remediation if children identified
D.5.4.b	Prohibition on child labour: Age verification and corrective actions (in the supply chain)	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Child Labour rules in codes or contracts Not met: How working with suppliers on child labour Score 2 Not met: Both requirements under score 1 met Not met: Provide analysis of trends demonstrating progress
D.5.5.a	Prohibition on forced labour: Debt bondage and other unacceptable financial costs (in own production or manufacturing operations)	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Pays workers in full and on time Not met: Payslips show any legitimate deductions Score 2 Not met: How these practices are implemented and monitored for agencies, labour brokers or recruiters

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D.5.5.b Prohibition	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows:
forced labou	ır:	Score 1
Debt bonda	ge	Not met: Debt and fees rules in codes or contracts
and other		Not met: How working with suppliers on debt & fees
unacceptabl	e 0	Score 2
financial cos		Not met: Both requirements under score 1 met
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chain)	.,	
D.5.5.c Prohibition	on	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows:
forced labou	-	Score 1
Restrictions		Not met: Does not retain documents or restrict movement
workers (in		Score 2
own produc	tion 0	Not met: How sure about agencies or brokers
or		
manufacturi	inσ	
operations)	"'b	
D.5.5.d Prohibition	on	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows:
forced labou		Score 1
Restrictions		Not met: Free movement rules in codes or contracts
workers (in	-	• Not met: How these practices are implemented and monitored for agencies,
supply chair	-	labour brokers or recruiters
заррту спап	''	Score 2
		Not met: Both requirements under score 1 met
		Not met: Provide analysis of trends in progress made
D.5.6.a Freedom of		The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows:
association	and	Score 1 • Not met: Commits not to interfere with union rights and collective bargaining and
collective		prohibits intimidation and retaliation
bargaining (()	Not met: Discloses % covered by collective bargaining
own produc	tion	Score 2
or		Not met: Both requirement under score 1 met
manufacturi	ing	
operations)		The to dividual algorithm of the second of t
D.5.6.b Freedom of		The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1
association	and	Not met: FoA & CB rules in codes or contracts
collective	0	Not met: How working with suppliers on FoA and CB
bargaining (in	Score 2
the supply		Not met: Both requirements under score 1 met
chain)		Not met: Provide analysis of trends in progress made
D.5.7.a Health and		The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows:
safety:		Score 1
Fatalities, lo	st	Not met: Injury Rate disclosures
days, injury	0	Not met: Lost days or near miss disclosure Not met: Fatalities disclosures
rates (in ow	n U	Score 2
production	of	Not met: Set targets for H&S performance
manufacturi	ing	Not met: Met targets or explains why not
operations)		· · · ·
D.5.7.b Health and		The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows:
safety:		Score 1
Fatalities, lo	st	Not met: Sets out clear Health and Safety requirements
days, injury	_	Not met: Injury rate disclosures Not met: Lost days or poor miss disclosures
rates (in the	0	Not met: Lost days or near miss disclosures Not met: Fatalities disclosures
supply chair	n)	Score 2
		Not met: How working with suppliers on H&S
		Not met: Provide analysis of trends in progress made

Indicator Code	Indicator name	Score (out of 2)	Explanation
D.5.8.b	Women's rights (in own production or manufacturing operations)	Score (out of 2)	Explanation The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Process to stop harassment and violence: The Company indicates that 'respects and cares for special groups, and extensively carries out warm-hearted projects such as caring for female employees, caring for retired employees, and helping employees with difficulties, and will implement the care of employees'. However, no details found indicating a process to prohibit harassment, violence and intimidation against women. [Social Responsibility Report 2018, 2018: wap.jac.com.cn] Not met: Working conditions take account of gender Not met: Equality of opportunity at all levels Score 2 Not met: Meets all of the requirements under score 1 The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1
	(in the supply chain)	0	Not met: Women's rights in codes or contracts Not met: How working with suppliers on women's rights Score 2 Not met: Both requirement under score 1 met Not met: Provide analysis of trends in progress made
D.5.9.a	Working hours (in own production or manufacturing operations)	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Respects max hours, min breaks and rest periods in its own operations Score 2 Not met: How it implements and checks this
D.5.9.b	Working hours (in the supply chain)	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Working hours in codes or contracts Not met: How working with suppliers on working hours Score 2 Not met: Both requirements under score 1 met Not met: Provide analysis of trends in progress made
D.5.10.a	Responsible Mineral Sourcing: Arrangements with Suppliers and Smelters/Refin ers in the Mineral Resource Supply Chains	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Due diligence in accordance with OECD Guidance in supplier contracts Not met: Works with smelters/refiners and suppliers to build capacity Score 2 Not met: Contractual requirement to disclosure smelter/refiner information Not met: Contractual requirement covers all minerals
D.5.10.b	Responsible Mineral Sourcing: Risk Identification in Mineral Supply Chain	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Risk identification and disclosure in line with OECD Guidance Not met: Identification of smelter/refiners and OECD Guidance Score 2 Not met: Discloses smelters/refiners judged in line with OECD Guidance Not met: Risk identification and disclosure covers all minerals
D.5.10.c	Responsible Mineral Sourcing: Risk Management in the Mineral Supply Chain	0	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Describes mineral risk management plan for supply chain Not met: Monitoring, tracking and whether better risk prevention/mitigation over time Score 2 Not met: Disclose better risk prevention/mitigation over time Not met: Suppliers and stakeholders engaged in risk management strategy Not met: Risk management and response processes cover all minerals
D.5.11	Responsible Materials Sourcing	[SD.5.10]	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Due diligence for raw materials in supplier code/contracts Not met: Works with suppliers to build capacity in risk assessment and due diligence Score 2 Not met: Meets all requirements under score 1

Indicator Code	Indicator name	Score (out of 2)	Explanation
			Not met: Identify the sources of high-risk raw materials in its supply chain

E. Performance: Responses to Serious Allegations (20% of Total)

Indicator Code	Indicator name	Score (out of 2)	Explanation
E(1).0	Serious		No allegations meeting the CHRB severity threshold were found, and so the score of 2.00 out of 80 points scored in themes A-D & F has been applied to produce a
	allegation No 1		score of 0.50 out of 20 points for theme E.

F. Transparency (10% of Total)

Indicator Code	Indicator name	Score	Explanation
F.1	Company willingness to publish information	0 out of 4	Out of a total of 60 indicators assessed under sections A-D of the benchmark, Anhui Jianghuai Automobile made data public that met one or more elements of the methodology in 0 cases, leading to a disclosure score of 0 out of 4 points.
F.2	Recognised Reporting Initiatives	2 out of 2	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 2 • Met: Company reports on GRI: The Company discloses its GRI Report. [Social Responsibility Report 2018, 2018: wap.jac.com.cn]
F.3	Key, High Quality Disclosures	0 out of 4	Anhui Jianghuai Automobile met 0 of the 10 thresholds listed below and therefore gets 0 out of 4 points for the high quality disclosure indicator. Specificity and use of concrete examples • Not met: Score 2 for A.2.2: Board discussions • Not met: Score 2 for B.1.6: Monitoring and corrective actions • Not met: Score 2 for C.1: Grievance channel(s)/mechanism(s) to receive complaints or concerns from workers • Not met: Score 2 for C.3: Users are involved in the design and performance of the channel(s)/mechanism(s) Discussing challenges openly • Not met: Score 2 for B.2.4: Tracking: Monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of actions to respond to human rights risks and impacts • Not met: Score 2 for C.7: Remedying adverse impacts and incorporating lessons learned Demonstrating a forward focus • Not met: Score 2 for A.2.3: Incentives and performance management • Not met: Score 2 for B.1.2: Incentives and performance management • Not met: Score 1 for D.5.1.a: Living wage (in own production or manufacturing operations) • Not met: Score 2 for D.5.7.a: Health and safety: Fatalities, lost days, injury rates (in own production of manufacturing operations)

Disclaimer

A score of zero for a particular indicator does not mean that bad practices are present. Rather it means that we have been unable to identify the required information in public documentation.

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