

Corporate Human Rights Benchmark 2020 Company Scoresheet



Company Name	Saudi Aramco
Industry	Extractives
UNGP Core Score (*)	1.0 out of 26

Score	Out of	of For indicators			
Governance	and Policy Com	mitments			
0	2	A.1.1 Commitment to respect human rights			
0.5	2	A.1.2 Commitment to respect the human rights of workers			
0	2	A.1.4 Commitment to engage with stakeholders			
0	2	A.1.5 Commitment to remedy			
Embedding	respect and Hu	man Rights Due Diligence			
Embeddi	ng respect				
0	2	B.1.1 Embedding - Responsibility and resources for day-to-day			
		human rights functions			
	Rights Due Dilige				
0	2	B.2.1 HRDD - Identifying: Processes and triggers for identifying human rights risks and impacts			
0	2	B.2.2 HRDD - Assessing: Assessment of risks and impacts identified			
0	2	(salient risks and key industry risks)			
0	2	B.2.3 HRDD - Integrating and Acting: Integrating assessment			
0	2	findings internally and taking appropriate action			
0	2	B.2.4 HRDD - Tracking: Monitoring and evaluating the			
		effectiveness of actions to respond to human rights risks and			
		impacts			
0	2	B.2.5 HRDD - Reporting: Accounting for how human rights impacts			
		are addressed			
Remedies an	d Grievance Me	chanisms			
0.5	2	C.1 Grievance channels/mechanisms to receive complaints or			
		concerns from workers			
0	2	C.2 Grievance channels/mechanisms to receive complaints or			
		concerns from external individuals and communities			
0	2	C.7 Remedying adverse impacts and incorporating lessons learned			
1.0	26				
1.0	20				

(*) Instead of the full list of indicators in the 2020 CHRB Methodology, this year's assessment uses the CHRB Core UNGP Indicators. These are 13 non-industry specific indicators that focus on three key areas of the UNGPs: high level commitments, human rights due diligence and access to remedy.

The 13 indicators selected from the full CHRB Methodology are scored on a simple unweighted basis, with a maximum of 2 points for each indicator for a maximum total of 26 points.

In addition, allegations of severe human rights impacts (Measurement Theme E) were also assessed but do not impact overall final scores

Please note 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

Governance and Policies			
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: Saudi Aramco has, in its Code of Conduct, a section named Human Rights . Moreover, the Company indicates on its Annual Report 2019 'The Company is dedicated to the health, safety, wellness and overall human rights of its contractors'. However, no evidence found of a formal statement of policy commitment to respect to human rights. The Company only discloses that is committed to the health and safety of its employees. [Code of Conduct, 2019: <u>saudiaramco.com</u> & Annual report 2019, 17/03/2020: <u>saudiaramco.com</u>] • 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	0.5	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 apply to EX BPs Score 2 • Not met: Explicit commitment to All four ILO Core: Although the Company states in its Code Of Conduct that it does not engage in discrimination and does not harass, there is no mention to others human rights that ILO has declared to be fundamental rights at work, such as forced labour, child labour and respect to the right of collective bargain and freedom of association. [Code of Conduct, 2019: <u>saudiaramco.com</u>] • Met: Respect H&S of workers: The Company discloses in its Code of Conduct that 'We are committed to the health and safety of our employees'. [Code of Conduct, 2019: <u>saudiaramco.com</u>] • Not met: H&S applies to EX BPs: The Company indicates `Safety is not a choice but a requirement when working for or engaging in business with Saudi Aramco`. However, the indicator requires that the Company's policy commitment also expects its extractive business partners to commit to respecting the health and safety of their workers. [Annual report 2019, 17/03/2020: <u>saudiaramco.com</u>]
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 • 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 EX BPs to remedy impacts

Embedding Respect and Human Rights Due Diligence

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Remedies and Grievance Mechanisms

Indicator Code	Indicator name	Score (out of 2)	Explanation
C.1	Grievance channel(s)/mec hanism(s) to receive complaints or concerns from workers	0.5	The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 • Not met: Channel accessible to all workers: The Company has an Auditor hotline in which, accordingly Company's statement, is provided 'a secure and confidential method for anyone to report suspected fraud, unethical conduct, or business irregularities related to Saudi Aramco business'. However, it is not clear if the hotline is opened for any type of complaints such as misconduct of human rights issues. [Auditor hotline, 2020: <u>saudiaramco.com</u>] Score 2 • Not met: Number grievances filed, addressed or resolved • Not met: Channel is available in all appropriate languages: Although the Company describes that has more than one channel available for anyone to raise a complaint, there is no description that the channels are available in all appropriate languages. [Auditor hotline, 2020: <u>saudiaramco.com</u>] • Met: Opens own system to EX BPs workers: The Company discloses in its Supplier Code of Conduct that potential or actual violation of its Code of Conduct and other ethical irregularities are to be reported directly to Saudi Aramco grievance mechanisms. [Supplier Code of Conduct, 2013: <u>saudiaramco.com</u>]
C.2	Grievance channel(s)/mec hanism(s) to receive complaints or concerns from external individuals and communities	0	 The individual elements of the assessment are met or not as follows: Score 1 Not met: Grievance mechanism for community Score 2 Not met: Describes accessibility and local languages Not met: Expects EX BPs to have community grievance systems Not met: EX BPs communities use global system
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

Performance: Responses to Serious Allegations (Not included in the overall score)

Indicator Code	Indicator name	Score (out of 2)	Explanation
E(1).0	Serious		No allegations meeting the CHRB severity threshold were found.
	allegation No 1		

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.

See the 2020 Key Findings report and the 2019 technical annex for more details of the research process.

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