

Fermenta Biotech Limited (formerly known as DIL Limited)

CIN: L99999MH1951PLC008485

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**Corporate Relations
BSE Limited,
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Dalal Street, Fort,
Mumbai – 400 001**

Dear Sirs,

Sub.: Submission of Business Responsibility and Sustainability Report ("BRSR")

Ref: Scrip Code: 506414

Please find enclosed herewith BRSR for Financial Year 2023-24 which forms part of the Annual Report 2023-24 of the Company available on the Company's website at <https://fermentabiotech.com/annual-report.php>

Kindly take the same on record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For Fermenta Biotech Limited

**Srikant Sharma
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Annexure IX

BUSINESS RESPONSIBILITY & SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING

Responsible business practices and sustainability lies at the core of work ethics and governance at Fermenta Biotech Limited ('Fermenta' / 'FBL'). As a responsible corporate citizen, we are dedicated to align ourselves with environmental, social and governance norms while doing business responsibly. National Guidelines for Responsible Business Conduct, issued by Ministry of Corporate Affairs serve as a guidance tool in this regard.

SECTION A: GENERAL DISCLOSURES

I. Details of the listed entity

1	Corporate Identity Number (CIN) of the Listed Entity	L99999MH1951PLC008485
2	Name of the Listed Entity	Fermenta Biotech Limited
3	Year of incorporation	1951
4	Registered office address	A -1501, Thane One, DIL Complex, Ghodbunder Road Majiwade, Thane (West) 400 610, Maharashtra, India
5	Corporate address	Same as above
6	E-mail	info@fermentabiotech.com
7	Telephone	022-67980888
8	Website	www.fermentabiotech.com
9	Financial year for which reporting is being done	2023-24
10	Name of the Stock Exchange(s) where shares are listed:	BSE Limited
11	Paid-up Capital	₹14,71,54,935/-
12	Name and contact details (telephone, email address) of the person who may be contacted in case of any queries on the BRSR report	Name: Mr. Srikant Sharma Designation: Company Secretary & Vice President (Legal) Email id: srikant.sharma@fermentabiotech.com Contact no: 022-67980888
13	Reporting boundary - Are the disclosures under this report made on a standalone basis (i.e. only for the entity) or on a consolidated basis (i.e. for the entity and all the entities which form a part of its consolidated financial statements, taken together)	Disclosures under this report are made on standalone basis.
14	Name of assurance provider	N.A.
15	Type of assurance obtained	N.A.

II. Products/services

16. Details of business activities (accounting for 90% of the turnover):

S. No.	Description of Main Activity	Description of Business Activity	% of Turnover of the entity
1	Manufacturing	Manufacturing of Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient, Aqua CHL, Biotechnology and Nutraceutical products	74%*

* Main business activity, although it is lesser than 90% of the turnover for year under review.

17. Products/Services sold by the entity (accounting for 90% of the entity's Turnover):

S. No.	Product/Service	NIC Code	% of total Turnover contributed*
1	Vitamin D3 Product range, Phenyramidol HCl and Silicon Dry Powder	21001	64%
2	Manufacture of other pharmaceutical and botanical products n.e.c.	21009	6%
3	Environmental Solutions	37003	4%

* Break-up of main business activity mentioned under point 16.

III. Operations

18. Number of locations where plants and/or operations/offices of the entity are situated:

Location	Number of plants	Number of offices	Total
National	4	1	5
International	-	-	-

19. Markets served by the entity

a. Number of locations

Locations	Number
National (No. of States)	Around 20
International (No. of Countries)	Around 60 countries served across various continents

b. What is the contribution of exports as a percentage of the total turnover of the entity?

The Company sells its products in India as well as exports to around 60 countries across the globe. Its export turnover contributed to around 42% of the total turnover of the Company in FY 2023-24.

c. A brief on types of customers:

- (i) Vitamin D and other nutritional ingredients: Manufacturers of pharmaceuticals, dietary and nutritional supplements, food and beverage, veterinary, feed and rodenticides.
- (ii) Integrated biotechnology (Enzymes): Manufacturers of oleochemicals, fine chemicals, active pharmaceutical ingredients, food and fragrances, leather, biodiesel.
- (iii) Environmental Solutions (Waste water management and treatment): Real estate industry.

IV. Employees

20. Details as of the end of the Financial Year: March 31, 2024.

a. Employees and workers (including differently abled):

Sr. No.	Particulars	Total (A)	Male		Female	
			No. (B)	% (B / A)	No. (C)	% (C / A)
EMPLOYEES						
1.	Permanent (D)	462	435	94.15%	27	5.84%
2.	Other than Permanent (E)	23	23	100%	0	0%
3.	Total employees (D + E)	485	458	94.43%	27	5.57%
WORKERS						
4.	Permanent (F)	96	95	98.96%	1	1.04%
5.	Other than Permanent (G)	219	214	97.71%	5	2.28%
6.	Total Workers (F + G)	315	309	98.09%	6	1.90%

b. Differently abled Employees and workers:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Total (A)	Male		Female	
			No. (B)	% (B / A)	No. (C)	% (C / A)
DIFFERENTLY ABLED EMPLOYEES						
1.	Permanent (D)	1	0	0%	1	100%
2.	Other than Permanent (E)	0	0	0%	0	0%
3.	Total employees (D + E)	1	0	0%	1	100%
DIFFERENTLY ABLED WORKERS						
4.	Permanent (F)	0	0	0	0	0
5.	Other than Permanent (G)	0	0	0	0	0
6.	Total differently abled Workers (F + G)	0	0	0	0	0

21. Participation / Inclusion / Representation of Women

Particulars	Total (A)	No. and percentage of Females	
		No. (B)	% (B / A)
Board of Directors	11	3	27.27%
Key Management Personnel	6*	1 (ED)	16.67%

* includes four Executive Directors (ED) and other KMPs.

22. Turnover rate for permanent employees and workers (trends for the past 3 years)

Particulars	FY 2023-24			FY 2022-23			FY 2021-22		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Permanent Employees	29.17%	19.23%	28.60%	24.47%	32.26%	24.97%	20.07%	5.63%	19.03%
Permanent Workers	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

V. Holding, Subsidiary and Associate Companies (including joint ventures)

23. (a) Names of holding / subsidiary / associate companies / joint ventures

S. No.	Name of the holding / subsidiary / associate companies / joint ventures (A)	Indicate whether holding/ Subsidiary/ Associate/ Joint Venture	% of shares held by listed entity	Does the entity indicated at column A, participate in the Business Responsibility initiatives of the listed entity? (Yes/No)
1	DVK Investments Private Limited *	Holding Company	Nil	All Policies / practices of the Company are applicable to the subsidiaries to the extent statutorily required, in conformity with the applicable law.
2	Aegean Properties Limited *	Subsidiary Company	100	
3	G I Biotech Private Limited \$	Subsidiary Company	100	
4	Fermenta Biotech GmbH	Subsidiary Company	100	
5	Fermenta Biotech (UK) Limited	Subsidiary Company	100	
6	Fermenta Biotech USA LLC	Subsidiary Company	100	
7	Fermenta USA LLC	Subsidiary Company	52	
8	Health and Wellness India Private Ltd. #	Associate Company	47.15	

* Ceased to exist w.e.f. May 24, 2023 pursuant to effectiveness of Composite Scheme of Amalgamation and Arrangement amongst DVK Investments Private Limited (Transferor Company 1) and Aegean Properties Limited (Transferor Company 2) and Fermenta Biotech Limited (Transferee Company) and their respective Shareholders ("Scheme")

\$ Ceased to exist pursuant to the approval of the Registrar of Companies, Mumbai, for application made by the Company to ROC, filed on February 14, 2023, for removing the name of the Company from the Register of Companies.

Under liquidation.

VI. CSR Details

24. (i) Whether CSR is applicable as per section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013: Yes
- (ii) Turnover (in ₹) : ₹32,891.45 Lakhs (Standalone, as per FY 2022-23)
- (iii) Net worth (in ₹) : ₹33,605.70 Lakhs (Standalone, as per FY 2022-23)

VII. Transparency and Disclosures Compliances

25. Complaints/Grievances on any of the principles (Principles 1 to 9) under the National Guidelines on Responsible Business Conduct:

Stakeholder group from whom complaint is received	Grievance Redressal Mechanism in Place (Yes/No) (If Yes, then provide web-link for grievance redress policy)	FY 2023-24			FY 2022-23		
		Number of complaints filed during the year	Number of complaints pending resolution at close of the year	Remark	Number of complaints filed during the year	Number of complaints pending resolution at close of the year	Remark
Communities	\$	0	0	0	0	0	0
Investors (other than shareholders)	\$	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Shareholders	\$	3	0	All resolved.	0	0	0
Employees and workers	\$	0	0	0	0	0	0
Customers	\$	0	0	0	0	0	0
Value Chain Partners	\$	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (please specify)	\$	0	0	0	0	0	0

\$ Yes, policies which are statutorily required are available on the Company's website at <https://fermentabiotech.com/policies.php> and other procedures regarding grievance redressal are integrated in the Company's internal standard operating procedures.

26. Overview of the entity's material responsible business conduct issues

(Please indicate material responsible business conduct and sustainability issues pertaining to environmental and social matters that present a risk or an opportunity to your business, rationale for identifying the same, approach to adapt or mitigate the risk along-with its financial implications, as per the following format.)

S. No.	Material issue identified	Indicate whether risk or opportunity (R/O)	Rationale for identifying the risk/opportunity	In case of risk, approach to adapt or mitigate	Financial implications of the risk or opportunity (Indicate positive or negative implications)
1	Product quality and safety	Risk	Compromise on pharmaceutical product quality would imply a compromise on the wellbeing of the end user. This may also entail failure to comply with statutory norms. Lapse in this regard may lead to product withdrawals, recalls, decreased sales, reputational risk among other threats.	<p>The Company being in the pharma sector, the nature of its business requires the utmost attention to the quality of its product. We have taken various measures to ensure resilience against the risk, which inter alia include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employing rigorous systems and procedures to ensure manufacturing quality standards, GMP compliance, and other regulatory criteria Audits conducted to ensure Quality Assurance 	Negative
2	Competition	Risk	Competition and practices adopted in relation thereto by the competitors in the global market pose a risk for the Company's business.	The Company lays strong emphasis on maintaining the quality of its product, sales commitments, and cordial relations with its customers pan India and in global market. This ensures retention of customers and helps in maintaining the business.	Negative
3	Innovation and R&D	Opportunity	Innovation and R&D plays a crucial role in the long-term success of the Company. Our research includes developing new processes for known APIs and developing value-added and differentiated formulations. Such developments may lead to an increase in revenues.	-	Positive
4	Business Integrity and Ethics	Risk	Any breach of ethical and business integrity may hamper the Company's credibility which might adversely impact the business relations and employee morale.	The Company's Codes of Conduct and Business Responsibility Policy lays strong emphasis on adherence to ethics and business integrity. Various policies adopted by the Company promote trust, honesty, accountability and transparency in order to ensure strong value system and social responsibility in large interest.	Negative

S. No.	Material issue identified	Indicate whether risk or opportunity (R/O)	Rationale for identifying the risk/opportunity	In case of risk, approach to adapt or mitigate	Financial implications of the risk or opportunity (Indicate positive or negative implications)
5	Employee engagement, and wellbeing	Opportunity	Employees are Company's biggest assets. Employee engagement, safety, and well-being initiatives drive the enhanced productivity for the Company. It is an opportunity to integrate employees' involvement in the functioning of the Company, while ensuring employee satisfaction and safety at every stage.	-	Positive
6	Statutory and regulatory compliance	Risk	The business structure of the Company attracts applicability of various laws and regulations. The compliance requirements are increasing day-by-day with increasing complexities in the business dynamics. Any non-compliance on the part of the Company is a risk for the Company not only from financial perspective but also from the perspective of its operations and credibility.	The Company has a philosophy of 'zero tolerance to non-compliance.' Statutory compliance and regulatory risks are managed through measures which inter alia include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Internal controls and Compliance management systems Assessment of regulatory and compliance requirements on regular basis Independent assessments and audits Monitoring of Legal and regulatory compliance by senior management and the Board 	Negative

SECTION B: MANAGEMENT AND PROCESS DISCLOSURES

(This section is aimed at helping businesses demonstrate the structures, policies and processes put in place towards adopting the National Guidelines for Responsible Business Conduct (NGRBC) Principles and Core Elements. NGRBC Principles as prescribed by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs advocates nine principles referred as P1-P9 as given below.

P1	Businesses should conduct and govern themselves with integrity and in a manner that is ethical, transparent and accountable
P2	Businesses should provide goods and services in a manner that is sustainable and safe
P3	Businesses should respect and promote the well-being of all employees, including those in their value chains
P4	Businesses should respect the interests of and be responsive to all its stakeholders
P5	Businesses should respect and promote human rights
P6	Businesses should respect and make efforts to protect and restore the environment
P7	Businesses, when engaging in influencing public and regulatory policy, should do so in a manner that is responsible and transparent
P8	Businesses should promote inclusive growth and equitable development
P9	Businesses should engage with and provide value to their consumers in a responsible manner

Disclosure Questions		P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	P8	P9
Policy and management processes										
1	a. Whether your entity's policy/ policies cover each principle and its core elements of the NGRBCs.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
	b. Has the policy been approved by the Board? (Yes/No) ^	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
	c. Web Link of the Policies, if available	https://fermentabiotech.com/policies.php								
2	Whether the entity has translated the policy into procedures. (Yes /No)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
3	Do the enlisted policies extend to your value chain partners? (Yes/No) @	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
4	Name of the national and international codes/ certifications/ labels/ standards (e.g. Forest Stewardship Council, Fairtrade, Rainforest Alliance, Trustee) standards (e.g.SA 8000, OHSAS, ISO, BIS) adopted by your entity and mapped to each principle.	#								
5	Specific commitments, goals and targets set by the entity with defined timelines, if any.	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
6	Performance of the entity against the specific commitments, goals and targets along-with reasons in case the same are not met.	Not Applicable								

^ The policies which are statutorily required to be adopted have been approved by the Board of Directors. Other policies / procedures either form part of standard operating procedures or are approved by the concerned functional heads in consultation with the management.

@ The Company's policies extend to its value chain partners to the extent applicable.

BRC, FSMA, Kosher, HACCP, FSSC 22000, ISO 9001, ISO 14001, ISO 45001, American Vegetarian Association, The Vegetarian Society UK, EDQM-CEP, Halal, USFDA, FSSAI.

Governance, leadership and oversight:

7. Statement by director responsible for the business responsibility report, highlighting ESG related challenges, targets and achievements.

At Fermenta, we create solutions for maintaining the health and hygiene of communities globally – be it through our nutrition portfolio, integrated biotechnology solutions or water management services. We are proud of the role our products including Vitamin D play in preventive health for human and animal nutrition. We cater high quality products that will enable our communities to overcome micronutrient deficiency and contribute towards the global efforts in eliminating malnutrition. Our enzyme platforms provide green chemistry solutions for our consumers to reduce hazardous waste, improve efficiencies and manufacture their products using a cleaner process. Our water and wastewater management and treatment solutions contribute to the imminent need of the hour i.e. water conservation.

We believe that true business excellence can be achieved only by doing business following sound sustainability principles that are based on good corporate governance as well as social, environmental and economic responsibilities. We remain committed to reducing the environmental impact of our operations, practicing ethical sourcing and improving our performance on sustainability. Notably, our sustainability initiatives in Kullu, Himachal Pradesh have been felicitated by the government as part of the Environment Leadership Awards 2021-22.

Our sustained commitment towards our corporate citizenship is visible in our diverse Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activities through partnerships with various organizations across locations in India. Fermenta strives to enhance the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion quotient of its workforce. We believe that our corporate values (Discipline, Honesty, Mutual Respect, Perseverance and Result Orientation) lie at the foundation of our business philosophy as we engage with our stakeholders to create shared value.

8	Details of the highest authority responsible for implementation and oversight of the Business Responsibility policy (ies).	Board of Directors
9	Does the entity have a specified Committee of the Board/ Director responsible for decision-making on sustainability related issues? (Yes / No). If yes, provide details.	Mr. Prashant Nagre Managing Director

10 Details of Review of NGRBCs by the Company

Subject for Review	Indicate whether review was undertaken by Director / Committee of the Board/ Any other Committee	Frequency (Annually/ Half yearly/ Quarterly/ Any other – please specify)								
		P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	P8	P9
Performance against above policies and follow up action	Policies, as applicable, are reviewed by the Board of Directors and/or management of the Company. Policies and performance against policies are reviewed by the management at periodic intervals via-a-vis statutory requirements and, accordingly, necessary amendments are made to the policies, as applicable.									
Compliance with statutory requirements of relevance to the principles, and, rectification of any non-compliances	The Company has necessary procedures in place to ensure the compliance with all relevant regulations.									

11. Has the entity carried out independent assessment/ evaluation of the working of its policies by an external agency? (Yes/No). If yes, provide name of the agency.	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	P8	P9
	The policies, processes and compliances, as applicable, are assessed by internal auditors and statutory auditors, as per the statutory requirements. Policies, as applicable, are reviewed by the Board of Directors and/or management of the Company at periodic intervals via-a-vis statutory requirements, and, accordingly, necessary amendments are made to the policies, as applicable.								

12. If answer to question (1) above is “No” i.e. not all Principles are covered by a policy, reasons to be stated:

Principle 7 (P7) is not applicable to the Company.

Disclosure Questions	P 1	P 2	P 3	P 4	P 5	P 6	P 7	P 8	P 9
The entity does not consider the Principles material to its business (Yes/No)							*		N.A.
The entity is not at a stage where it is in a position to formulate and implement the policies on specified principles (Yes/No)							*		N.A.
The entity does not have the financial or/human and technical resources available for the task (Yes/No)							*		N.A.
It is planned to be done in the next financial year (Yes/No)							*		N.A.
Any other reason (please specify)							*		N.A.

* Principle 7 (P7) is not applicable to the Company.

SECTION C: PRINCIPLE WISE PERFORMANCE DISCLOSURE

This section is aimed at helping entities demonstrate their performance in integrating the Principles and Core Elements with key processes and decisions. The information sought is categorized as “Essential” and “Leadership”. While the essential indicators are expected to be disclosed by every entity that is mandated to file this report, the leadership indicators may be voluntarily disclosed by entities which aspire to progress to a higher level in their quest to be socially, environmentally and ethically responsible.

PRINCIPLE 1 Businesses should conduct and govern themselves with integrity, and in a manner that is Ethical, Transparent and Accountable.

1. Percentage coverage by training and awareness programmes on any of the Principles during the financial year:

Segment	Total number of training and awareness programmes held	Topics / principles covered under the training and its impact	%age of persons in respective category covered by the awareness programmes
Board of Directors	4 nos. See note (i) below		100%
Key Managerial Personnel			100%
Employees other than BoD and KMPs	12 nos. See note (ii) below		100%
Workers			100%

Note.

(i) The Directors of the Company at the time of their appointment are oriented on the Company's philosophy, core values, code of business conduct and other codes / policies, and their roles and responsibilities as the director vis-à-vis Company's operations, industry in which it operates and statutory requirements.

At each meeting of the Board and Committees, the Directors and KMPs are apprised, inter alia, of the material developments regarding functioning and operations of the Company. Familiarization programmes are undertaken to keep the directors apprised of Company's strategic plans, regulatory changes, any major risk that needs to be attended, and overview of business and operations.

(ii) At the time of joining, the employees and workers are acquainted on various functional and non-functional aspects of the Company. Orientation program focuses on the Company's philosophy, core values, ethical business practices, code of business conduct, prohibition of insider trading code, Company's work culture and other policies including policy on Prevention of Sexual Harassment (POSH) at the Workplace, Whistle Blower Policy.

The Company strongly believes in upskilling its employees and workers by providing various functional as well as general trainings as and when required. We have identified various skills which are necessary for the employees and workers in relation to their work requirements. Employees and workers are provided with necessary training programmes not only pertaining to the respective areas of work but also overall concerning their wellbeing, health & safety.

2. Details of fines / penalties /punishment/ award/ compounding fees/ settlement amount paid in proceedings (by the entity or by directors / KMPs) with regulators/ law enforcement agencies/ judicial institutions, in the financial year, in the following format (Note: the entity shall make disclosures on the basis of materiality as specified in Regulation 30 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Obligations) Regulations, 2015 and as disclosed on the entity's website):

Monetary					
	NGRBC Principle	Name of the regulatory/ enforcement agencies/ judicial institutions	Amount (In INR)	Brief of the Case	Has an appeal been preferred? (Yes/No)
Penalty/ Fine	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	N.A.
Settlement	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	N.A.
Compounding fee	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	N.A.
Non-Monetary					
	NGRBC Principle	Name of the regulatory/ enforcement agencies/ judicial institutions	Brief of the Case		Has an appeal been preferred? (Yes/No)
Imprisonment	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	N.A.
Punishment	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	N.A.

3. Of the instances disclosed in Question 2 above, details of the Appeal/ Revision preferred in cases where monetary or non-monetary action has been appealed.

Case Details	Name of the regulatory/ enforcement agencies/ judicial institutions
NA	NA

4. Does the entity have an anti-corruption or anti-bribery policy? If yes, provide details in brief and if available, provide a web-link to the policy.

Yes. The Company has adopted Business Responsibility Policy which covers the same. The policy is available on the website of the Company at <https://fermentabiotech.com/policies.php>

5. Number of Directors/KMPs/employees/workers against whom disciplinary action was taken by any law enforcement agency for the charges of bribery/ corruption:

Particulars	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
Directors	NIL	NIL
KMPs	NIL	NIL
Employees	NIL	NIL
Workers	NIL	NIL

6. Details of complaints with regard to conflict of interest:

Particulars	FY 2023-24		FY 2022-23	
	Number	Remarks	Number	Remarks
Number of complaints received in relation to issues of Conflict of Interest of the Directors	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Number of complaints received in relation to issues of Conflict of Interest of the KMPs	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

7. Provide details of any corrective action taken or underway on issues related to fines / penalties / action taken by regulators/ law enforcement agencies/ judicial institutions, on cases of corruption and conflicts of interest. – NOT APPLICABLE.

8. Number of days of accounts payables ((Accounts payable*365) / Cost of goods/services procured) in the following format:

	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
Number of days of accounts payables	184 days	165 days

9. Openness of business

(Provide details of concentration of purchases and sales with trading houses, dealers, and related parties along-with loans and advances & investments, with related parties, in the following format:)

Parameter	Metrics	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
Concentration of Purchases	a. Purchases from trading houses as % of total purchases	24%	24%
	b. Number of trading houses where purchases are made from	758	758
	c. Purchases from top 10 trading houses as % of total purchases from trading houses	50%	50%
Concentration of Sales	a. Sales to dealers / distributors as % of total sales	10.80%	6.8%
	b. Number of dealers / distributors to whom sales are made	4	4
	c. Sales to top 10 dealers / distributors as % of total sales to dealers / distributors	100%	100%
Share of RPTs in	a. Purchases (Purchases with related parties / Total Purchases)	Nil	Nil
	b. Sales (Sales to related parties / Total Sales)	2.07%	6.2%
	c. Loans & advances (Loans & advances given to related parties / Total loans & advances)	46.62%	54.02%
	d. Investments (Investments in related parties / Total Investments made)	77.33%	70.22%

PRINCIPLE 2 Businesses should provide goods and services in a manner that is sustainable and safe

1. Percentage of R&D and capital expenditure (capex) investments in specific technologies to improve the environmental and social impacts of product and processes to total R&D and capex investments made by the entity, respectively.

	2023-24	2022-23	Details of improvements in environmental and social impacts
R & D	-	-	-
Capex	-	-	-

2. a. Does the entity have procedures in place for sustainable sourcing?

We have standard operating procedures for the evaluation and selection of our vendors for sourcing of material who are responsible suppliers and adhere to the uniform quality, social and environmental standards as Fermenta.

- b. If yes, what percentage of inputs were sourced sustainably? 100%.

3. Describe the processes in place to safely reclaim your products for reusing, recycling and disposing at the end of life, for (a) Plastics (including packaging) (b) E-waste (c) Hazardous waste and (d) other waste.

Product	Processes in place to safely reclaim the product
Plastics (including packaging)	The Company has engaged SPCB registered plastic waste processors to collect plastic waste from Company's factories. These plastic waste processors send it for recycling/end of life disposal after treatment. This reduces wastage of plastic at the factory level itself.
E-waste	100% e-waste is sold to authorised vendors.
Hazardous waste	For recycling and disposal of hazardous waste, all hazardous waste of the Company is segregated at the factory level and sent to the respective State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) authorised waste management processor for disposal in accordance with regulatory norms.
Other waste	Non-hazardous waste such as glass, MS scrap, wood waste, boiler ash etc. is sent to authorised recyclers.

4. Whether Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) is applicable to the entity's activities (Yes / No). If yes, whether the waste collection plan is in line with the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) plan submitted to Pollution Control Boards? If not, provide steps taken to address the same.

Not applicable.

PRINCIPLE 3 Businesses should respect and promote the well-being of all employees, including those in their value chains

1. a. Details of measures for the well-being of employees:

Category	Total (A)	% of employees covered by									
		Health insurance		Accident insurance		Maternity benefits		Paternity Benefits		Day Care facilities	
		Number (B)	% (B / A)	Number (C)	% (C / A)	Number (D)	% (D / A)	Number (E)	% (E / A)	Number (F)	% (F / A)
Permanent employees											
Male	435	435	100%	435	100%	NA	NA	435	100%	0	0
Female	27	27	100%	27	100%	27	100%	NA	NA	0	0
Total	462	462	100%	462	100%	27	5.84%	435	94.16%	0	0
Other than Permanent employees											
Male	23	23	100%	23	100%	NA	NA	0	0	0	0
Female	0	0	100%	0	100%	0	0	NA	NA	0	0
Total	23	23	100%	23	100%	0	0	0	0	0	0

b. Details of measures for the well-being of workers:

Category	Total (A)	% of workers covered by									
		Health insurance		Accident insurance		Maternity benefits		Paternity Benefits		Day Care facilities	
		Number (B)	% (B / A)	Number (C)	% (C / A)	Number (D)	% (D / A)	Number (E)	% (E / A)	Number (F)	% (F / A)
Permanent employees											
Male	95	95	100%	95	100%	NA	NA	95	100%	0	0
Female	1	1	100%	1	100%	1	100%	NA	NA	0	0
Total	96	96	100%	96	100%	1	1.04%	95	98.96%	0	0
Other than Permanent employees											
Male	214	214	100%	214	100%	NA	NA	0	0	0	0
Female	5	5	100%	5	100%	5	100%	NA	NA	0	0
Total	219	219	100%	219	100%	5	2.28%	0	0	0	0

c. Spending on measures towards well-being of employees and workers (including permanent and other than permanent) in the following format.

	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
Cost incurred on well-being measures as a % of total revenue of the Company	Total amount : ₹8,681,888/- (0.28%)	Total amount: ₹97,45,395/- (0.30%)

2. Details of retirement benefits, for Current Financial Year and Previous Financial Year.

Benefits	FY 2023-24			FY 2022-23		
	No. of employees covered as a % of total employees	No. of workers covered as a % of total workers	Deducted and deposited with the authority (Y/N/N.A.)	No. of employees covered as a % of total employees	No. of workers covered as a % of total	Deducted and deposited with the authority (Y/N/N.A.)
PF	100%	100%	Yes	100%	100%	Yes
Gratuity	100%	100%	Yes	100%	100%	Yes
ESI	7.63%	26.98%	Yes	5%	34%	Yes
Others – NPS	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

3. Accessibility of workplaces

Are the premises / offices of the entity accessible to differently abled employees and workers, as per the requirements of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016? If not, whether any steps are being taken by the entity in this regard.

Yes, the premises/ offices of the Company has infrastructure available for differently abled individuals.

4. Does the entity have an equal opportunity policy as per the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016? If so, provide a web-link to the policy? –

Social Compliance Policy is available at <https://fermentabiotech.com/policies.php>

5. Return to work and Retention rates of permanent employees and workers that took parental leave.

Gender	Permanent employees		Permanent workers	
	Return to work rate	Retention rate	Return to work rate	Retention rate
Male	100%	100%	100%	100%
Female	100%	100%	100%	100%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

6. Is there a mechanism available to receive and redress grievances for the following categories of employees and worker? If yes, give details of the mechanism in brief.

	Yes/No (If Yes, then give details of the mechanism in brief)
Permanent Workers	Yes. FBL has Grievance Redressal Committee to address grievances of employees across all locations. We also encourage employees to voice their concerns through a suggestion box placed at all facilities. FBL also has POSH Policy in place, and the aggrieved women at workplace can approach Internal Committee of the Company.
Other than Permanent Workers	
Permanent Employees	
Other than Permanent Employees	

7. Membership of employees and worker in association(s) or Unions recognized by the listed entity:

Category	FY 2023-24			FY 2022-23		
	Total employees / workers in respective category (A)	No. of employees / workers in respective category, who are part of association(s) or Union (B)	% (B / A)	Total employees / workers in respective category (C)	No. of employees / workers in respective category, who are part of association(s) or Union (D)	% (D / C)
Total Permanent Employees						
- Male	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Female	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Permanent workers						
- Male	95	95	100%	95	95	100%
- Female	1	1	100%	1	1	100%

8. Details of training given to employees and workers:

Category	FY 2023-24					FY 2022-23				
	Total (A)	On Health and safety measures		On Skill upgradation		Total (D)	On Health and safety measures		On Skill upgradation	
		No. (B)	% (B/A)	No. (C)	% (C/A)		No. (E)	% (E/D)	No. (F)	% (F/D)
Employees										
Male	435	435	100%	435	100%	429	429	100%	429	100%
Female	27	27	100%	27	100%	25	25	100%	25	100%
Total	462	462	100%	462	100%	454	454	100%	454	100%
Workers										
Male	95	95	100%	95	100%	95	95	100%	95	100%
Female	1	1	100%	1	100%	1	1	100%	1	100%
Total	96	96	100%	96	100%	96	96	100%	96	100%

9. Details of performance and career development reviews of employees and worker:

Category	FY 2023-24			FY 2022-23		
	Total (A)	Number (B)	% (B / A)	Total (C)	Total (D)	% (D/C)
Employees						
Male	435	435	100%	429	369	86.01%
Female	27	27	100%	25	25	100%
Total	462	462	100%	454	394	86.78%
Workers						
Male	95	95	100%	95	95	100%
Female	1	1	100%	1	1	100%
Total	96	96	100%	96	96	100%

10. Health and safety management system:

a. Whether an occupational health and safety management system has been implemented by the entity? (Yes/ No). If yes, the coverage such system?

Yes. In accordance with the Environment, Health and Safety Policy of the Company, Occupational Health and Safety Management System has been implemented at all in house manufacturing facilities and Research & Development laboratory. Further, all other locations also comply with the applicable statutory requirement pertaining to health and safety. The Company's health and safety management system is based on ISO 45001, the International Standard for Occupational Health and Safety.

b. What are the processes used to identify work-related hazards and assess risks on a routine and non-routine basis by the entity?

The Company has Environment, Health Safety and Sustainability Policy in place. The health and safety guidelines are applicable to all operating locations of the Company and lay down required parameters to be followed at all locations. Some of the key processes for identifying work-related hazards and assessing risks on a routine and nonroutine basis are given below:

- I. Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (HIRA) is used for routine and non-routine activities.
- II. Hazard and Operability Study (HAZOP) is being used for identifying hazard related to chemical processes.
- III. Chemical Risk Assessment is used for identifying health hazards during handling of chemicals.
- IV. Fire Risk Assessment is done for handling fire related risks.

c. Whether you have processes for workers to report the work related hazards and to remove themselves from such risks. (Y/N)

Yes, all workers at plants can report work related hazards through an internal reporting system. All the work hazards reported are monitored and actioned upon through Safety Committee at the plant. A process of 'stoppage of work due to unsafe act and unsafe condition' to safeguard employees' interest is in place to report or remove themselves from situations they believe could cause injury. At non-manufacturing locations, the workers approach the location head to report any work-related hazards and to remove themselves from such risks.

d. Do the employees/ worker of the entity have access to non-occupational medical and healthcare services? (Yes/ No)

Yes, Company's various locations have empaneled doctors and all employees/workers are covered under the Company's health insurance and personal accident policy.

11. Details of safety-related incidents, in the following format:

Safety Incident/Number	Category*	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR) (per one million-person hours worked)	Employees	0	0
	Workers	0	0
Total recordable work-related injuries	Employees	0	0
	Workers	0	0
No. of fatalities	Employees	0	0
	Workers	0	0
High consequence work-related injury or ill-health (excluding fatalities)	Employees	0	0
	Workers	0	0

*Including in the contract workforce.

12. Describe the measures taken by the entity to ensure a safe and healthy workplace.

To ensure the safe and healthy workplace, we have implemented SOPs which are available in local language and which need to be followed by every personnel working in the Company. Use of safety material are mandatory for concerned employes/workers. Mock drills and fire drills are carried out to evaluate the emergency readiness as well as safety measures in the event of any unexpected or undesirable occurrences. Highest standards of hygiene and housekeeping are maintained. The Company operates on a well-maintained HVAC system.

13. Number of Complaints on the following made by employees and workers: –

	FY 2023-24			FY 2022-23		
	Filed during the year	Pending resolution at the end of year	Remarks	Filed during the year	Pending resolution at the end of year	Remarks
Working Conditions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Health & Safety	0	0	0	0	0	0

14. Assessments for the year:

	% of your plants and offices that were assessed (by entity or statutory authorities or third parties)
Health and safety practices	100
Working Conditions	100

15. Provide details of any corrective action taken or underway to address safety-related incidents (if any) and on significant risks / concerns arising from assessments of health & safety practices and working conditions. –

The Company continuously monitors and assesses its health and safety practices and working conditions. Investigation is conducted in case any incident is reported using various methodology to identify the root cause. The investigation team presents corrective and preventive measures which is reviewed at various levels by the local management and central teams. Such corrective actions are then deployed horizontally across locations.

PRINCIPLE 4: Businesses should respect the interests of and be responsive to all its stakeholders.

1. Describe the processes for identifying key stakeholder groups of the entity.

The entire value chain of Fermenta is facilitated by its stakeholders which inter alia include employees, workers, shareholders, customers, communities, suppliers, regulators and lenders. These stakeholders are crucial for Company's very existence, the overall development and sustainable growth of its business.

Stakeholder identification is a continuous and on-going process at Fermenta. The Company has identified internal and external group of stakeholders. Policies at Fermenta also aim at ensuring overall Stakeholders' satisfaction.

2. List stakeholder groups identified as key for your entity and the frequency of engagement with each stakeholder group.

Stakeholder Group	Whether identified as Vulnerable & Marginalized Group (Yes/ No)	Channels of communication (Email, SMS, Newspaper, Pamphlets, Advertisement, Community Meetings, Notice Board, Website), Other	Frequency of engagement (Annually / Half yearly / Quarterly / others)	Purpose and scope of engagement including key topics and concerns raised during such engagement
Shareholders	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Meetings Stock Exchange intimations Investor presentations / Annual reports & quarterly results Press releases Company's website 	Ongoing	Keeping shareholders updated about the Company's business performance is crucial. We value acknowledging their queries and inputs and expectations from Company.
Customers	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Customer meets Direct communication Brochures Social media Company's website 	Need basis	<p>Our entire business is dependent upon customers. Understanding customers' expectations, their satisfaction and retention is at the core of Fermenta's business.</p> <p>Engagement and good relationship with customers helps the Company in Business Development.</p>

Stakeholder Group	Whether identified as Vulnerable & Marginalized Group (Yes/ No)	Channels of communication (Email, SMS, Newspaper, Pamphlets, Advertisement, Community Meetings, Notice Board, Website), Other	Frequency of engagement (Annually / Half yearly / Quarterly / others)	Purpose and scope of engagement including key topics and concerns raised during such engagement
Employees and Workers	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior management interactions HR communications Performance appraisal meetings/review Exit interviews Union meetings, Company's website HRMS (System) 	Continually	Employees are our biggest asset and pillars of our functioning. Regular interactions with them help the Company understand their expectations and grievances which in order helps Company build a strong employee base with loyalty and low attrition rate.
Suppliers	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meetings Supplier audits Facility visits 	Need basis	Regular engagements will help to ensure timely receipt of materials, their quality and safety amongst other critical services to ensure continuity of business operations.
Regulators	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meetings Seminars/ Webinars Official communications Statutory publications 	Need basis	We aspire for full compliance with all the applicable regulations. Interactions with the Government and Regulators help us understand statutory and procedural requirements and resolve any issues or lapses in relation thereto.
Communities	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interactions through CSR initiatives 	Need basis	Fermenta, being a responsible corporate citizen, strongly believes in growing together with the community. Hence, our CSR programmes helps in community development. The Company also fulfils its manpower requirement by employing the people from the nearby location where it has its business operations to the extent possible.

PRINCIPLE 5 Businesses should respect and promote human rights

1. Employees and workers who have been provided training on human rights issues and policy(ies) of the entity, in the following format:

Category	FY 2023-24			FY 2022-23		
	Total (A)	No. of employees / workers covered (B)	% (B / A)	Total (C)	No. of employees / workers covered (D)	% (D / C)
Employees						
Permanent	462	462	100%	454	454	100%
Other than permanent	23	23	100%	22	22	100%
Total Employees	485	485	100%	476	476	100%
Workers						
Permanent	96	96	100%	96	96	100%
Other than permanent	219	219	100%	216	216	100%
Total Workers	315	315	100%	312	312	100%

2. Details of minimum wages paid to employees and workers, in the following format:

Category	FY 2023-24					FY 2022-23				
	Total (A)	Equal to Minimum Wage		More than Minimum Wage		Total (D)	Equal to Minimum Wage		More than Minimum Wage	
		No.(B)	% (B/A)	No. (C)	% (C/A)		No. (E)	% (E/D)	No. (F)	% (F/D)
Employees										
Permanent										
Male	435	0	0	435	100%	429	0	0	429	100%
Female	27	0	0	27	100%	25	0	0	25	100%
Other than Permanent										
Male	23	0	0	23	100%	22	0	0	22	100%
Female	0	0	0	0	100%	0	0	0	0	0
Workers										
Permanent										
Male	95	0	0	95	100%	95	0	0	95	100%
Female	1	0	0	1	100%	1	0	0	1	100%
Other than Permanent										
Male	214	214	100%	0	0	212	212	100%	0	0
Female	5	5	100%	0	0	4	4	100%	0	0

3. Details of remuneration/salary/wages:

(a) Median remuneration / wages:

	Male		Female	
	Number	Median remuneration/ salary/ wages of respective category	Number	Median remuneration/ salary/ wages of respective category
Board of Directors (BoD)	3	17,536,700/-	1	10,938,132/-
Key Managerial Personnel	2	6,569,472/-	0	0
Employees other than BoD and KMP	430	555,007/-	26	640,034/-
Workers	95	365226/-	1	282,750/-

(b) Gross wages paid to females as % of total wages paid by the entity, in the following format:

	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
Gross wages paid to females as % of total wages	7%	8%

4. Do you have a focal point (Individual/ Committee) responsible for addressing human rights impacts or issues caused or contributed to by the business? (Yes/No)

Yes. Human Resource Department is responsible for the same.

5. Describe the internal mechanisms in place to redress grievances related to human rights issues.

The Company has Policies on Human Rights which are applicable to all its employees and suppliers & service providers. The said Policies and their implementation are directed towards adherence to applicable laws and upholding the spirit of human rights. The Company has in place a Business Responsibility Policy. A grievance redressal system to facilitate open and structured discussions is available at all units and locations to ensure that grievances related to labour practices and human rights are addressed and resolved in a fair and just manner.

6. Number of Complaints on the following made by employees and workers:

	FY 2023-24			FY 2022-23		
	Filed during the year	Pending resolution at the end of year	Remarks	Filed during the year	Pending resolution at the end of year	Remarks
Sexual Harassment	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Discrimination at workplace	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Child Labour	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Forced Labour / Involuntary Labour	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Wages	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other human rights related issues	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

7. Complaints filed under the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013:

	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
Total Complaints reported under Sexual Harassment on of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 (POSH)	Nil	Nil
Complaints on POSH as a % of female employees / workers	Nil	Nil
Complaints on POSH upheld	Nil	Nil

8. Mechanisms to prevent adverse consequences to the complainant in discrimination and harassment cases.

As part of Whistleblower Policy and POSH Policy, the Company protects identity of the complainant/ whistleblower. All such matters are dealt in strict confidence and based on facts of the case.

9. Do human rights requirements form part of your business agreements and contracts?

It depends on the type and nature of agreement.

10. Assessments for the year:

	% of your plants and offices that were assessed (by entity or statutory authorities or third parties)
Child labour	100%, assessed by the Company.
Forced/involuntary labour	
Sexual harassment	
Discrimination at workplace	
Wages	
Others	

11. Provide details of any corrective actions taken or underway to address significant risks / concerns arising from the assessments at Question 9 above. – Not Applicable

PRINCIPLE 6: Businesses should respect and make efforts to protect and restore the environment.

1. Details of total energy consumption (in Joules or multiples) and energy intensity, in the following format:

Parameter	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
From renewable sources in MJ		
Total electricity consumption (A)	0	0
Total fuel consumption (B)	0	0
Energy Consumption Through Other Sources (C) (Solar)	1,33,153.20	1,24,930.8
Total energy consumed from renewable sources (A+B+C)	1,33,153.20	1,24,930.8
From non-renewable sources in MJ		
Total electricity consumption (D)	2,83,01,256	4,70,63,714.4
Total fuel consumption (E)	57,51,518.40	3,61,73,588.4
Energy consumption through other sources (F)	63,018	2,37,975.98
Total energy consumed from non-renewable sources (D+E+F)	3,42,48,945.6	8,34,75,278.78
Energy intensity per rupee of turnover (Total energy consumed / Revenue from operations))	0.01492719	0.02541654
Energy intensity per rupee of turnover adjusted for Purchasing Power Parity (PPP) (Total energy consumed / Revenue from operations adjusted for PPP)	-	-
Energy intensity in terms of physical output	-	-
Energy intensity (optional) – the relevant metric may be selected by the entity	-	-

Note: Indicate if any independent assessment/ evaluation/assurance has been carried out by an external agency? (Y/N) If yes, name of the external agency – N.A.

2. Does the entity have any sites / facilities identified as designated consumers (DCs) under the Performance, Achieve and Trade (PAT) Scheme of the Government of India? (Y/N) If yes, disclose whether targets set under the PAT scheme have been achieved. In case targets have not been achieved, provide the remedial action taken, if any. – N.A.

3. Provide details of the following disclosures related to water, in the following format:

Parameter	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
Water withdrawal by source (in kilolitres)		
(i) Surface water	0	0
(ii) Groundwater	13,599.56	0
(iii) Third party water	86,800.62	97,177.8
(iv) Seawater / desalinated water	0	0
(v) Others	0	0
Total volume of water withdrawal (in kiloliters) (i + ii + iii + iv + v)	1,00,400.18	97,177.8
Total volume of water consumption (in kiloliters)	1,00,400.18	97,177.8
Water intensity per rupee of turnover (Total water consumption / Revenue from operations)	0.043758795	0.029544464
Water intensity per rupee of turnover adjusted for Purchasing Power Parity (PPP) (Total water consumption / Revenue from operations adjusted for PPP)	-	-
Water intensity in terms of physical output	-	-
Water intensity (optional) – the relevant metric may be selected by the entity	-	-

Note: Indicate if any independent assessment/ evaluation/assurance has been carried out by an external agency? (Y/N) If yes, name of the external agency. - N.A.

4. Provide the following details related to water discharged:

Parameter	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
Water discharge by destination and level of treatment (in kilolitres)		
(i) To surface water		
- No treatment	0	0
- With treatment – please specify level of treatment	0	0
(ii) To Groundwater		
- No treatment	0	0
- With treatment – please specify level of treatment	0	0
(iii) To Seawater		
- No treatment	0	0
- With treatment – please specify level of treatment	0	0
(iv) Sent to third parties		
- No treatment	0	0
- With treatment – please specify level of treatment	0	0
(v) Others		
- No treatment	0	0
- With treatment – please specify level of treatment (Primary, Secondary & Tertiary)	43,863	47,747
Total water discharges (in kiloliters)	43,863	47,747

Note: Indicate if any independent assessment/ evaluation/assurance has been carried out by an external agency? (Y/N) If yes, name of the external agency. N.A.

5. Has the entity implemented a mechanism for Zero Liquid Discharge? If yes, provide details of its coverage and implementation.
Nil.

6. Please provide details of air emissions (other than GHG emissions) by the entity, in the following format:

Parameter	Please specify unit	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
NOx	mg/nm3	28.422	25.87
SOx	mg/nm3	22.526	19.424
Particulate matter (PM)	mg/nm3	24.332	21.852
Persistent organic pollutants (POP)	-	-	-
Volatile organic compounds (VOC)	-	-	-
Hazardous air pollutants (HAP)	-	-	-
Others – please specify	-	-	-

Note: Indicate if any independent assessment/ evaluation/assurance has been carried out by an external agency? (Y/N) If yes, name of the external agency. N.A.

7. Provide details of greenhouse gas emissions (Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions) & its intensity, in the following format:

Parameter	Unit	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
Total Scope 1 emissions (Break-up of the GHG into CO2, CH4, N2O, HFCs, PFCs, SF6, NF3, if available)	Metric tonnes of CO2 equivalent	-	-
Total Scope 2 emissions (Break-up of the GHG into CO2, CH4, N2O, HFCs, PFCs, SF6, NF3, if available)	Metric tonnes of CO2 equivalent	-	-
Total Scope 1 and Scope 2 emission intensity per rupee of turnover (Total Scope 1 and Scope 2 GHG emissions / Revenue from operations)		-	-
Total Scope 1 and Scope 2 emission intensity per rupee of turnover adjusted for Purchasing Power Parity (PPP) (Total Scope 1 and Scope 2 GHG emissions / Revenue from operations adjusted for PPP)		-	-
Total Scope 1 and Scope 2 emission intensity in terms of physical output		-	-
Total Scope 1 and Scope 2 emission intensity (optional) – the relevant metric may be selected by the entity		-	-

Note: Indicate if any independent assessment/ evaluation/assurance has been carried out by an external agency? (Y/N) If yes, name of the external agency. N.A.

8. Does the entity have any project related to reducing Green House Gas emission? If Yes, then provide details.

Yes. We work towards improving the energy efficiency across operational locations and enhance the proportion of renewable energy sources (electricity and biofuels) in the total energy mix.

We have 35.3 KW of solar installation in operation, supplying the electricity to our facilities in Maharashtra, and further plan to increase the share of renewable energy.

9. Provide details related to waste management by the entity, in the following format:

Parameter	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
Total Waste generated (in metric tonnes)		
Plastic waste (A)	0.34	0.198
E-waste (B)	0.274	0.5031
Bio-medical waste (C)	0	0
Construction and demolition waste (D)	0	0
Battery waste (E)	0.189	0
Radioactive waste (F)	0	0
Other Hazardous waste. Please specify, if any. (G)	596.722	910.431
Other Non-hazardous waste generated (H). Please specify, if any. (Break-up by composition i.e.by materials relevant to the sector)		
1) Wet Garbage	20.0	4.8
2) STP sludge	4.0	1.2
3) Dry Garbage	21.8	12.35
Total (A + B + C + D + E + F + G + H)	619.325	929.48
Waste intensity per rupee of turnover (Total waste generated / Revenue from operations)	0.00026	0.00028
Waste intensity per rupee of turnover adjusted for Purchasing Power Parity (PPP) (Total waste generated / Revenue from operations adjusted for PPP)	-	-
Waste intensity in terms of physical output	-	-
Waste intensity (optional) – the relevant metric may be selected by the entity	-	-
For each category of waste generated, total waste recovered through recycling, re-using or other recovery operations (in metric tonnes)		
Category of waste		
(i) Recycled	15.98	124.70
(ii) Re-used	24	6
(iii) Other recovery operations	-	-
Total	39.98	130.7
For each category of waste generated, total waste disposed by nature of disposal method (in metric tonnes)		
Category of waste		
(i) Incineration	2.025	322.13
(ii) Landfilling	327.394	462.08
(iii) Other disposal operations	-	-
Total	329.419	784.22

Note: Indicate if any independent assessment/ evaluation/assurance has been carried out by an external agency? (Y/N) If yes, name of the external agency. N.A.

10. Briefly describe the waste management practices adopted in your establishments. Describe the strategy adopted by your Company to reduce usage of hazardous and toxic chemicals in your products and processes and the practices adopted to manage such wastes.

FBL has consistently scaled up its waste management practices by reducing generated quantities and directing waste to authorised Treatment, Storage and Disposal Facilities (TSDF). We are increasing the share of recycling and coprocessing to bring down the quantity of waste disposed to landfills. We have dedicated storage area for different type of waste (E-waste, hazardous and non-hazardous) and waste segregation is done at source. Hazardous waste packing is done into compatible packing material and all types of waste are labelled, stored and disposed of as per applicable rules and consent to operate.

11. If the entity has operations/offices in/around ecologically sensitive areas (such as national parks, wildlife sanctuaries, biosphere reserves, wetlands, biodiversity hotspots, forests, coastal regulation zones etc.) where environmental approvals / clearances are required, please specify details in the following format:

Sr. No.	Location of operations/ offices	Type of operations	Whether the conditions of environmental approval / clearance are being complied with? (Y/N) If no, the reasons thereof and corrective action taken, if any.
No			

12. Details of environmental impact assessments of projects undertaken by the entity based on applicable laws, in the current financial year:

During FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24 we didn't require to perform any Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA).

Name and brief details of project	EIA Notification No.	Date	Whether conducted by independent external agency (Yes / No)	Results communicated in public domain (Yes / No)	Relevant Web link
No					

13. Is the entity compliant with the applicable environmental law/ regulations/ guidelines in India; such as the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, Environment protection act and rules thereunder (Y/N). If not, provide details of all such non-compliances, in the following format: Yes

S. No.	Specify the law / regulation / guidelines which was not complied with	Provide details of the non- compliance	Any fines / penalties / action taken by regulatory agencies such as pollution control boards or by courts	Corrective action taken, if any
Nil				

PRINCIPLE 7 Businesses, when engaging in influencing public and regulatory policy, should do so in a manner that is responsible and transparent

1. a. Number of affiliations with trade and industry chambers/ associations. 13
- b. List the top 10 trade and industry chambers/ associations (determined based on the total members of such body) the entity is a member of/ affiliated to.

S. No.	Name of the trade and industry chambers/ associations	Reach of trade and industry chambers/ associations (State/National)
1	Indian Drug Manufacturers Association (IDMA)	National
2	Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce, industry & Agriculture (MACCIA)	State
3	Indo-German Chamber of Commerce (IGCC)	National / International
4	Small and Medium Business Development Chamber of India (SME)	National
5	Federation of Pharma Entrepreneurs India (FOPE)	National
6	Indian Merchant Chambers (IMC)	National
7	Bombay Chamber of Commerce & Industry	National
8	The Compound Feed Manufacturers Association (CLFMA)	National
9	Solvent Extractors Association (SEA)	National
10	Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO)	National
11	Pharmaceuticals Export Promotion Council of India (Pharmexcil)	National
12	Chemicals and Allied Export Promotion Council (CAPEXIL)	National
13	Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA)	National

2. Provide details of corrective action taken or underway on any issues related to anti- competitive conduct by the entity, based on adverse orders from regulatory authorities. – Not Applicable

Name of authority	Brief of the case	Corrective action taken
Nil		

PRINCIPLE 8 Businesses should promote inclusive growth and equitable development

1. **Details of Social Impact Assessments (SIA) of projects undertaken by the entity based on applicable laws, in the current financial year. – Not Applicable.**

Name and brief details of project	SIA Notification No.	Date of notification	Whether conducted by independent external agency (Yes /No)	Results communicated in public domain (Yes / No)	Relevant Web link
NIL					

2. **Provide information on project(s) for which ongoing Rehabilitation and Resettlement (R&R) is being undertaken by your entity, in the following format: Not Applicable**

S. No.	Name of Project for which R&R is ongoing	State	District	No. of Project Affected Families (PAFs)	% of PAFs covered by R&R	Amounts paid to PAFs in the FY (In INR)
NIL						

3. **Describe the mechanisms to receive and redress grievances of the community.**

The Company has a process to receive and redress concerns/grievances received from the community. As a part of CSR Initiative, the Company interacts with the community on a regular basis.

4. **Percentage of input material (inputs to total inputs by value) sourced from suppliers:**

	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
Directly sourced from MSMEs/ small producers	55%	55%
Directly from within India	14%	14%

5. **Job creation in smaller towns – Disclose wages paid to persons employed (including employees or workers employed on a permanent or non-permanent / on contract basis) in the following locations, as % of total wage cost**

Location	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23
Rural	-	-
Semi-urban	47%	46%
Urban	-	-
Metropolitan	53%	54%

(Place to be categorized as per RBI Classification System - rural / semi-urban / urban / metropolitan)

PRINCIPLE 9 Businesses should engage with and provide value to their consumers in a responsible manner

1. **Describe the mechanisms in place to receive and respond to consumer complaints and feedback.**

Fermenta endeavours to identify and act upon any consumer complaints with urgency. Our customers can reach out to their point of contacts at Fermenta who work internally to resolve the same at earliest. Fermenta has standard operating procedures in place for responding to customer complaints.

2. **Turnover of products and/ services as a percentage of turnover from all products/service that carry information about:**

	As a percentage to total turnover
Environmental and social parameters relevant to the product	100%
Safe and responsible usage	100%
Recycling and/or safe disposal	100%

3. Number of consumer complaints in respect of the following:

	FY 2023-24			FY 2022-23		
	Received during the year	Pending resolution at end of year	Remarks	Received during the year	Pending resolution at end of year	Remarks
Data privacy	Nil			Nil		
Advertising						
Cyber-security						
Delivery of essential services						
Restrictive Trade Practices						
Unfair Trade Practices						
Other						

4. Details of instances of product recalls on account of safety issues:

	Number	Reason for recall
Voluntary recalls	0	N.A.
Forced recalls	0	N.A.

5. Does the entity have a framework/ policy on cyber security and risks related to data privacy? (Yes/No) If available, provide a web-link of the policy.

Company's policies related to cyber security which inter alia cover risks related to data privacy are available on the Company's intranet portal.

6. Provide details of any corrective actions taken or underway on issues relating to advertising, and delivery of essential services; cyber security and data privacy of customers; re-occurrence of instances of product recalls; penalty / action taken by regulatory authorities on safety of products / services. N.A.

7. Provide the following information relating to data breaches:

- Number of instances of data breaches. Nil
- Percentage of data breaches involving personally identifiable information of customers. N.A.
- Impact, if any, of the data breaches. N.A.

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