

Hyderabad

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ANTI – SEXUAL HARASSMENT – SAFE WORK ENVIRONMENT POLICY

Preamble:

In December 1993, as part of a campaign against sexual harassment in Rajasthan, some groups had filed a petition in the Supreme Court of India, under the name of 'Vishaka', asking the Court of Law to give certain directions regarding the sexual harassment that women face at the workplace. The result is the Supreme Court judgment, which came on 13th August 1997, and gave the Vishaka guidelines.

On 23rd April 2013, the legislature brought into force a comprehensive legislation dealing with the protection of women against sexual harassment at workplace by enacting "The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act 2013".

Scope:

The Act has in fact sought to widen the scope of the guidelines issued by the Supreme Court by bringing within its ambit (amongst other things) a "domestic worker" to mean a woman who is employed to do the household work in any household for remuneration whether in cash or kind, either directly or through any agency on a temporary, permanent, part time or full time basis, but does not include any member of the family of the employer.

As per the guide lines given by the Government of Andhra Pradesh, every industry shall constitute Internal Complaint Committee to ensure safe working environment for women working in various locations, visitors, suppliers and customers of across the locations.

Definition:

The Act has defined "sexual hostile" Sec.2(n) to include any one or more of the following unwelcome acts or behavior (whether directly or by implication) namely: (i) physical contact and advances; (ii) a demand or request for sexual favors; (iii) making sexually colored remarks; (iv) showing pornography; or (v) any other unwelcome physical, verbal or non-verbal conduct of sexual nature. Further, the following may also amount to sexual hostile: (i) implied or explicit promise of preferential treatment; (ii) implied or explicit threat of detrimental treatment; (iii) implied or explicit threat about present or future employment status; (iv)interference with work or creating an intimidating or offensive or hostile work environment; or (v) humiliating treatment likely to affect health or safety.

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Applicability:

This policy shall be applicable to all employees of HFL (Direct & Indirect Team) working across various locations (units/offices) of the Company with immediate effect.

<u>Salient features of the Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) to protect women from hostility at workplace in HFL:</u>

1. Since units of HFL are situated in multiple locations, a three member Location Internal Complaints Committees (Location-ICC) are constituted at all Units/Offices. The ICC consists of one female member, one male member and is headed by a female employee as the Presiding Officer.

Complaints across all the locations other than Corporate office, shall be resolved by the ICC as per the procedure laid down in $\underline{\text{Level}} - \underline{\text{I}}$.

2. Central ICC is constituted with seven members i.e., Three female employees as members, Three Male employees as members and the Presiding Officer of the Committee shall be a Senior female employee.

Central ICC at Corporate Office of HFL shall co-ordinate with all the location ICCs. The Complaints shall be resolved by Central Committee as per the procedure laid down in $\underline{\text{Level}} - \underline{\text{II}}$.

LEVEL - I:

- i) Any woman employee who would like to submit a complaint against sexual hostile situation shall report to her immediate Reporting Authority or Presiding Officer or member of the ICC in verbal or written.
 If the complaint is against her Reporting Authority, she shall submit her complaint to the Presiding Officer of the Central ICC or member of the Central ICC directly.
- ii) Complaint may be submitted by her legal heir or such other person (authorized by the aggrieved woman) in case the aggrieved woman is unable to submit.
- iii) The Presiding Officer along with members of the respective ICC shall initiate caring measures to the aggrieved only on the request of complainant and initiate conciliation to settle the matter between her and the respondent within 24 hours.
- iv) The presiding Officer of the location ICC shall escalate the unresolved complaints to the Presiding Officer of the Central ICC at Corporate Office within 48 hrs.
- v) The location ICC shall also encourage women employees for suggestions pertaining to their privacy, working environment and shall be rewarded who shall come up with useful and implementable suggestions.

LEVEL - II

- i) The Presiding Officer of Central ICC shall take cognizance of the complaint and initiate remedial measures. The Presiding Officer of Central ICC shall initiate conciliation process to settle the complaint if the complaint is not settled at the ICC level.
- ii) If Central ICC is of the opinion that the nature of the complaint is to be examined with external agency the Committee shall take it forward under the guidance of the respective Divisional Head / Business Head within 48 hrs.
- iii) Central ICC has sole responsibility to extend facilities /protection to the aggrieved and members of the location ICC's.
- iv) The Central ICC is required to complete the enquiry within a period of six working days and submit a report to the Divisional Head / Business Head of HFL.
- v) The complaint shall be thoroughly investigated by the Central ICC and initiate an appropriate disciplinary action against guilty as deemed fit based on the investigation and recommendations of the ICC or external agency as per the guidelines of the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention , Prohibition and Redressal) Act 2013.
- vi) Central ICC shall review the location ICC's working monthly or as and when required.
- vii) The Central ICC shall conduct annual summit with all location ICC Presiding officers and members for their valuable suggestions for affable environment at HFL with respect to the Policy.
- viii) Location ICC Presiding Officer shall ensure timely submission of reports of location ICC's to Divisional Head / Business Head.
- 3. In case of any serious situation or emergency at the location, the Presiding Officer of the location ICC shall immediately bring to the knowledge of the Presiding Officer of the Central ICC for immediate appropriate action in consultation with Divisional Head or Business Head.
- 4. The members and the Presiding Officers of Location ICC and Central ICC shall hold office for such period, not exceeding three years from the date of their nomination. The Presiding Officer of respective location shall nominate new member within 48 hours in case of their cessation of employment in HFL. The Divisional Head / Business Head shall nominate presiding officer within 48 hours in case of their cessation of employment in HFL.
- 5. The details of the Presiding Officers and members of the Location ICC across all locations and also the details Presiding Officer and members of the Central ICC at Corporate Office is attached for ready reference as **Annexure 1**.

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- 6. In case woman employee is not available, the presiding officer shall nominate woman member from other Offices or units.
- 7. The respective Reporting authority of the complainant and Location ICC has to initiate appropriate steps to maintain complete privacy of the name of the complainant & accused in case of aggrieved so desires.
- 8. The enquiry shall be conducted in a Confidential Manner to protect the aggrieved and also provide assistance to the Woman if she so chooses to file a complaint under any Law for the time being in force.
- 9. The Location ICC or the Corporate ICC shall provide protection not only to women who are working across HFL but also to any woman who shall enter the unit or office as a client, customer, supplier, apprentice, working on ad-hoc basis etc., . Students, Research Scholars from Colleges/University who are under internship shall also be covered.
- 10. Since there is a possibility that during the pendency of the enquiry the woman may be subject to mental agony, threat and aggression, the Presiding Officer shall extend necessary measures to the aggrieved woman to seek interim relief in the form of medical treatment, transfer to other location or vacation or leave from work.

We now advise all the employees of HFL, the members and the Presiding officers of the location ICC and Corporate ICC to strictly adhere to the above without any dilution and deviations. In case, any of you may need any further clarification on the above, they may please contact the Head HR or the Divisional Head

HERITAGE FOODS LIMITED CENTRAL INTERNAL COMPLAINT COMMITTEE (ICC)

S.No.	Location	Presiding Officer	Members		Members	
1	CORPORATE OFFICE		Mrs.	M Pushpa	Mr.	T V Rao
2			Mrs.	K. Sujana	Mr.	K Raja Babu
3			Mrs.	N.S D R Lakshmi	Mr.	C M V Prasad

LOCATION INTERNAL COMPLAINT COMMITTEES (LICC)							
S.No	Locations	Presiding Officer		Member - 1	Member - 2		
1	GOKUL		Mrs.	B. Sarada	Mr. N. Vamseedhar		
2	CHITTOOR	Mrs. B Anitha	Mrc	K Devaki	Mr. BK.Hariprasad		
3	В.КОТНАКОТА		1411.3	K DCVani	Mr. K. Chandra Sekhara Rao		
4	HINDUPUR		Mrs. KM	Y Maniula Devi	Mr. B Nagendrappa		
5	KOTHACHERUVU			k Manjula Devi	Mr. P Rajashekara		
6	VADAMADURAI		Mrs.	Latha	Mr. K.S.Kanna		
7	BANGALORE PACK STN			Mrs. Kanakamma	Mr. G.Hari Babu		
8	Madanapalli		Mrs.		Mr. b.damodara		
9	KALAKADA			Mr. P. SURESH			
10	PILER			Mr. B.Adinarayana			
11	SRIKALAHASTI		Mrc	Mrs. Nirmala	Mr. Y.S.Jayachandrapaul		
12	VENKATAGIRI		14113.	Millipla	Mr. G.K.D.V.Prasad		
13	KANAGANAPALLY				Mr. M Annapurneshwar Rao		
14	RAPTHADU				Mr. A Ravi Kumar		
15	NAMAKKAL		Mrs.	VALLI.M	Mr. SHANMUGAM.M		
16	UTHANGARAI	,			Mr. ARUNAGIRI.V		
17	NAGAMANGALAM		Mrs.	PARVATHI AMMAL	Mr. L.KUMAR		
18	BERIGAI	Mrs. A Santhi Yadava	Mrs.	MANJULA AMMAL	Mr. BABUNAIDU.K		
19	KAKADASAM	Mrs. A Santhi Yaqava	14	DAIAMANICKAM	Mr. JAGIR HUSSAIN		
20	ODDANCHATHRAM		MITS.	RAJAMANICKAM	Mr. RAJKUMAR.R		
21	SHANTHIPURAM	1		MANJULA	Mr. L VASU DEVARAO		
22	VEPANAPALLI	1	Mrs.		Mr. DHANASEKAR NAIDU.P		
23	TSO	1			Mr. Mr.Venugopal		
24	BAYYAVARAM				Mr. B. Eswara Rao		
25	vso				Mr. Laxman		
26	RSO		Mrs. K. N	Mrs. K. Nagamani	Mr. E.R.K.Chowdary		
27	GARA				Mr. H.DURGAPRASAD		
28	SOMPETA				Mr. J.JAGGA RAO		
29	TEKKALI				Mr. M.SHANKA RAO		
30	SEETHANAGARAM				Mr. M.A.S.S.P RAO		
31	KORUKONDA				Mr. CH.RAMESH		
32	P GANNAVARAM	1			Mr. D.RAJASEKHAR		
33	PONDURU	Mrs. Kaseera Begum			Mr. E.SANYASI NAIDU		
34	LAVERU			Mr. M. APPALA NAIDU			
35	VENKANNAPALEM		1	1	Mr. GOLLIU PRASAD		
36	Atchutapuram			Mr. K.SESHU			
37	PALAKONDA				Mr. G.GOVINDHARAO		
38	PAMARRU				Mr. P.Sreenivasa Rao		
39	Samarlakota -				Mr. M.RAMAKRISHNA		
40	Ravikamatam -				Mr. G RAMA CHANDRA SEKHAR		
41	Amalapuram -		Mrs.	Manikyamma	Mr. CH.SIVA KRISHNA RAO		
42	Revadi -				Mr. M.TIRUPATHIRAO		
43	BIKKAVOLU				Mr. P.AMMI RAJU		
44	GARIVIDI				Mr. V.V.RAMANA		
45	BOBBILI				Mr. T.Sreenivasa Rao		
46	L Kota -				Mr. B.VENKATA RAO		
47	Gantyada -				Mr. M.MAHESWARA RAO		
48	P P Rega -			Ch. D	Mr. P NAGESWARA RAO		
49	Chinnagumulur -		Mrs.	Mrs. Ch. Ramanamma	Mr. R.Y.NAIDU		
50	Somavaram				Mr. A.SRINIVAS		
51	Kotananduru				Mr. B.SRINIVASARAO		
52	RAGOLU				Mr. K.NARESH BABU		
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	Locations	Presiding Officer		Member - 1		Member - 2
53	SANGVI		Mara	M. D. Lie Theres		Amol Vyawahare
54	MSO & MSO6		MIS.	Rekha Thorat	Mr.	Hemanth
55	KALLUR		Mrs.	Ch. Rani	Mr.	AVKN Rajesh
56	UPPAL	1	Mrs.	D Surekha	Mr.	L.Srinivas
57	BHATTIPROLU	i	Mrs.	K.Chittemma	Mr.	R.Srinivasa Rao
		Mrs. B. Swathi	Mrs.	B. Andalu	Mr.	M.Laxma Rao
58	NARKETPALLY	1	WII S.	Naga Sree	Dr.	T SREEVARDHANA
59	HYD Region	4				
60	Mulugu	ļ	Ms.		Mr.	K. SIDDESWARREDDY
61	Narsingi				Mr.	K.PRAVEENKUMAR
62	Alagadapa				Mr.	KALASEKHARREDDY
63	HSO 1, 2, 3 4, 5 & 6		Mrs.	K Rajeswari	Mr.	Ramulu
64	1130 1, 2, 3 4, 3 & 0	Mrs. P. Anitha	Mrs.	I. VijayaLakshmi,	Mr.	Nagaraj
65	CSO 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6	MIS. F. Amula	Mrs.	N Sudha Rani	Mr.	Krishnan
66	BSO 1, 2, 3, & 6	1	Mrs.	S. Radhika	Mr.	Nagaraj
67	VIJAYAWADA RO				Mr.	G. ANIL KUMAR
68	SATYAWADA	1	-		Mr.	GANESH
69	VISO	1			Mr.	Kumar
70	MADIRA	-	Mrs.	P LAXMI	Mr.	CH.SURESH
71	DUBACHERLA	7	-		Mr.	N.RAMANJANEYULU
72	KODADA		1		Mr.	I.UDAY KUMAR
73	GURAJA				Mr.	K.D.V.PRASAD
74	K. VENKATAPURAM	Mrs. V A M Tayaru	ı		Mr.	P.CHENNARAO
75	NANDIGAMA		١	B 1 410 41	Mrs.	KNAGAPRABHU
76	VATSAVAI	-1	Mrs.	s. B LAXMI	Mr. Mr.	N.RAJESH Y.SRINIVASARAO
77 78	WYRA	4	-		Mr.	SK.IMAM BASHA
79	VEERAVALLI VELVADAM	-1	-	s. K LAXMI	Mr.	D.JAGADEESWARA RAO
80	T.NARSAPURAM	- ∙			Mr.	B. NAGESWARA RAO
81	DAMMAPETA	1	Mrs.		Mr.	Y.KALYAN CHAKRAVARTHY
82	AVANIGADDA				Mr.	R.SRINIVASARAO
83	ONGOLE REGIONAL OFFICE		Ms.	Y KOWSALYA	Mr.	B. RAMASUBBA RAO
84	MUPPAVARAM				Mr.	G. BALAMURALI KRISHNA
85	DARSI		Mrs.	D DEVAMMA	Mr.	K. VENU
86	ATMAKURU	-	Mrs.	K PENCHALAMMA	Mr. Mr.	S. SURENDRA M. EDUKONDALU
87 88	SANTHAMAGULURU	4			Mr.	SK. KHADAR BASHA
88	NANDYALA KANDUKURU	-	<u> </u>	U PUNNAMMA	Mr.	N. VIJAY KUMAR
90	VINUKONDA	Ms. Ashwani ambeer	Mrs.		Mr.	N NARAYANAMMA
91	KONDAPI		Mrs.	P ESWARAMMA	Mr.	K RAMMOHAN REDDY
92	PODALAKURU				Mr.	A. PRABHAKAR
93	KANIGIRI				Mr.	B. MALYADRI
94	BESTAVARIPETA		Mrs.	SANDYAMMA SK FATIMA	Mr.	CH. PRATAP REDDY
95	CHAGALAMARRI				Mr.	L. MADHU
96					Mr. Mr.	G. MALLIKARJUNA CH. SRINIVASA RAO
97	SATTENAPALLI			s. G RAMA DEVI	Mr.	P. SUDHAKAR
98	CHALLAGUNDLA BANAGANAPALLI				Mr.	C. KAMALAHUSSAIN
100		4			Mr.	V. NARASIMHA REDDY
101		7			Mr.	G. MALLIKARJUNA RAO
	KONDAPURAM	1	14	CILDAVANAMMA	Mr.	Y. VENKATESWARLU
	KALIGIRI	7	Mrs.	CH RAVANAMMA	Mr.	D. SRINIVASA REDDY

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