

Arvind Limited

Water Policy

Statement:

With the fundamentally right philosophy at the core of our business strategy, it is our responsibility to conserve water, improve reuse and recycle wherever possible within our operating catchments. We are continuously engaged on extending our water stewardship in the entire value chain for effective water movement for both present and long-term water demand. We recognize water as a key shared resource which needs to be utilized in responsible manner that is socially equitable, environmentally sustainable and economically beneficial to all the stakeholders.

Water as a key material issue for Arvind:

As a textile based industry, our water dependence is high for carrying out our processing activities. Given our operational facilities are located in water stress regions, there is always a possibility of severe water quantity issues for our sites. Likewise, we have high reliance on cotton as our primary raw material, which is known to be water intensive crop.

Considering our dependencies on water, we have identified it as a key material issue for our business and we are working to reduce our water footprint and improve our efficiency across operations.

Intent and Commitment:

This document serves as a group wide policy that recognizes water as material issue to our business, and sets out the vision for integrating sustainable water management approaches into our core business activities. We aim to continuously improve our water management activities and comply with applicable water use laws and regulations in the regions we operate in.'

We are committed to aligning with international frameworks, standards, and widely-recognized water initiatives like ZDHC or CEO Water Mandate. We are also committed to preventing, minimizing, and controlling pollution, reducing or phase-out hazardous substances, and promoting water stewardship through collective action and driving stewardship beyond regulatory compliance. All these commitments contribute to our commitment to conserving freshwater ecosystems.

Our Guiding Principles for water:

Our water stewardship activities aimed at maximizing the recyclability of water & putting lesser stress on freshwater. To stay aligned on our water stewardship journey, we are focusing on the six key focus areas i.e. direct operations & activities, supply chain, collective action with collaboration, water governance, community engagement and transparent disclosure.

Direct operations & activities

As a textile manufacturing company, the majority of our direct water use occurs within our direct operations. We are engaged in using, treating, recycling, and reusing water by following these principles:

- Assess Arvind's current water footprint to understand the extent of water use across various activities.
- Setting facility-wise contextual targets and plans for continual improvement in achieving the targets related to water recycling and waste-water treatment.
- Innovation and collaboration for the adoption of water-efficient technologies, involving water sustainability considerations in core business strategy.
- Performing annual water risk assessment, using proprietary tools like the Aqueduct Water Risk Atlas to anticipate potential future strains on water resources and opportunities.
- Inculcating water sustainability practices within our corporate culture through capacity building of our employees.

Supply chain partners

Our water management requirements for suppliers focuses on both legal compliance as well aspirational requirements for water use. We aim to inculcate sustainable water use in our supply chain by:

- Promoting our suppliers to assess and report their water footprints and water targets.
- Enabling them to develop water strategies, policies and processes for responsible use of water.
- Strengthening their sustainability capabilities by providing them training opportunities and resources.
- Incentivizing our suppliers to promote sustainable water use by rewarding them for reducing their overall water footprint.

Collective action with strategic collaboration

We aim to be actively engaged with our partners, customers and with the community we operate in to identify water related opportunity by:

- Collaborating with innovation partners for promotion of water stewardship.
- Working with key stakeholders to address water related risks & opportunities.
- Collaborate for development and adoption of new water efficient technologies.
- Supporting water initiatives through effective partnership.

Water Governance

We aim to contribute towards good water governance to drive forward water related sustainability agenda by:

- Extending our roles and responsibility in supporting integrated water resource management in the catchment we operate in.
- Partnering with important knowledge partners like government, research organizations, businesses and other stakeholders to bolster our intelligence pertaining to sustainable water management.

Community Engagement

We wish to work with regional and local stakeholders to address water risks and ensure water security by prioritizing solutions that is sustainable for the community and Arvind's operations.

We seek for a net-positive water impact in the areas where we operate by contributing for local water stewardship activities by:

- Supporting local community and encourage initiatives towards water stewardship activities.
- Engaging in capacity building for sustainable water use and promoting awareness campaigns in partnership with local stakeholders.
- Working with cross-functional teams (CSR, local NGOs, and public authorities etc.) for developing adequate water infrastructure.

Transparent disclosures

We believe in transparent way of doing business and develop trusted relationship with our stakeholders. With this objective in mind we are keen to:

- Publishing our water initiatives, targets and strategies in our public disclosures.
- Disclosing our progress towards our targets and key water-related performance indicators.