Water Stewardship Policy Statement



BAT Kenya understands that water is a key, yet scarce resource and should be used efficiently and responsibly with equitable sharing by all end users. Protecting and conserving water through water management practices and governance systems, is therefore important for our various operations and footprint across the country.

Direct water impacts in our operations result from the use of water in our factory processing activities. Indirect water impacts come from use of water in the supply chain.

The Company shall strive to achieve the highest practicable levels of water conservation across our value chain and be responsible water stewards. This includes leading and engaging with our stakeholders in understanding our collective challenges, risk and opportunities, which contribute to achieving sustainable development goals on clean water and sanitation. The Company shall fulfill this commitment through:



Reduction of water withdrawn by 35% and a 30% increase in water recycled by 2025.



Proactive engagement with stakeholders on water related issues.



Driving efficient use of water, leading to cost savings and overall improvement of the site and catchment area's water balance.



Driving water conservation through strategic planning, with set targets to improve water efficiency throughout the entire product life cycle.



Sharing and promoting best water stewardship practices that support good water governance and quality, as well as Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Practices (WASH).



Commitment to implement, disclose and report our water stewardship activities in an open and transparent way.



Compliance with all applicable legal and regulatory requirements.



Reducing our water consumption and recycle water where feasible.



Promoting sustainable afforestation initiatives.



Collaboration and sharing relevant information with our suppliers and stakeholders, assisting them to understand their impact on water use, hence reducing our impact throughout the supply chain.



Supporting existing catchment sustainability plans.



Provision of resources to support sustainable water initiatives.

This policy statement, its commitment and implementation measures, shall be reviewed and updated periodically to ensure our objectives are achieved. Any revision will be published by the Company and brought to the notice of all employees and other relevant personnel.

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