VTech Holdings Limited

HKSE: 303



Sustainability Report 2023



About this Report

VTech has published its annual Sustainability Report since the financial year (FY)2014. The purpose of the report is not only to communicate our sustainability strategies, management approaches and performances with our stakeholders, but also comprehensively introduce our ongoing activities for our sustainable development towards the societies and environment in which we operate.

VTech considers sustainability as a direction for our long-term development. This report has been prepared in accordance with the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Standards. We have also made reference to the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the Stock Exchange) Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Reporting Guide (ESG Guide)¹ to define our report content and satisfy its "comply or explain" provisions.

VTech also supports the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) developed by the United Nations (UN), which provide sustainable development direction and targets of the world to be achieved by 2030. In our Sustainability Plan 2025, we have developed sustainability strategies and programmes based on our five sustainability pillars – Governance and Business Ethics, Product Responsibilities and Value Chain Management, Environment, Our People, and Society, aiming to make contribution towards the UN SDGs.

Since FY2020, VTech has disclosed climate-related initiatives and measures by using the framework of Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD). A number of potential physical and transition risks and opportunities related to the climate change, which have impacts on the company in short, medium and long term, are identified, with development of sustainability initiatives to address them in our 5-year Sustainability Plan 2025.

Reporting Principles

This report follows the fundamental reporting principles of the Stock Exchange ESG Guide:

Materiality In order to identify and assess the material concerns of our stakeholders, VTech has conducted materiality

assessment surveys through a number of stakeholder engagement activities to determine the factors that have material impacts on our sustainable growth, and incorporated them in the development of our 5-year sustainability

strategies and targets for FY2025.

Quantitative The quantitative principle applies to all information in this report. All performance indicators are provided with clear

definition and unit measurement is clearly stated. Calculation methodologies and assumptions can be found in the

Performance Data Summary.

Consistency Our report has also been prepared consistently to allow for meaningful comparisons over time. There has been no

major change from previous years in the way this report has been prepared. Certain data for prior years were restated

for fair comparison of the performance data.

Balance We disclose our ESG achievement and areas for improvement in a transparent and unbiased manner for objective

review by stakeholders.

Reporting Period and Scope

The scope of this report includes data and activities from operations over which we exercise full management control, including our headquarters in Hong Kong, our manufacturing facilities in Mainland China, Malaysia, Mexico as well as our overseas sales offices, unless specifically stated otherwise. The factory in Mexico, acquired in April 2021, is included to the reporting boundary from FY2023 onwards. There were no significant changes in VTech's operation locations, share capital structure, or our supply chain structure.

Reporting period: FY2023 (1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023), as per the financial period of our Annual Report 2023. The Sustainability Report is issued on an annual basis.

Organisations covered: VTech Holdings Ltd and its subsidiaries (the Company or the Group).

Assurance

Data and information contained in this report have been independently assured by the Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency (HKQAA) to ensure accuracy and credibility. This report has also been reviewed by VTech Internal Audit Team and Audit Committee.

Reference Guidelines

GRI Standards Stock Exchange ESG Guide TCFD Recommendations

Full details of the VTech Sustainability Report 2023 are available on sustainability.vtech.com/reports_policies

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As for sustainable packaging, over 95% of the packaging materials for its ELPs was recyclable, of which about 85% was made from recycled materials. Blister was eliminated in about 99% of ELP packaging, and over 60% of baby monitors did not contain plastics in the packaging. VTech also continues to partner with the leading international recycling companies in its major markets to promote post-consumer recycling of VTech's products and packaging.

To combat climate change and reduce its impacts on the planet, VTech increased the use of renewable energy by accelerating the installation of solar panels at its manufacturing sites in FY2023, which covered around 7,120 square meters of its production buildings and generated about 1,160 MWh of electricity. In order to reduce volatile organic compounds (VOCs) emission from its manufacturing process, VTech continues to replace solvent-based paint with waterborne paint in its products and packing. In FY2023, waterborne paint was used in about 90% of ELPs and 87% of telecommunication (TEL) products. As for packaging, waterborne paint was used in about 99% of ELP packaging and about 82% of TEL product packaging. Ongoing programmes for energy efficiency improvement, water consumption savings and waste reduction management are also in place to preserve natural resources in the factory operations. In order to reduce the Scope 3 carbon emissions from downstream transportation, VTech adopts a green logistics management approach to choose the most ecofriendly transportation mode for the shipment of its products, and establish overseas warehouses in close proximity to its customers in major countries to shorten the distance for goods delivery.



Although the operating environment impacted by high inflation and rising interest rate was complex and challenging, as a global leader in electronic learning products (ELPs) and residential telephony, as well as a world-leading contract manufacturing service provider, VTech remains steadfast in its commitment to creating sustainable value to improve the lives of people and protect the planet for future generations. It achieved meaningful progress on sustainability in the financial year 2023 (FY2023).

Leveraging its 47 years of excellence in technological innovation, VTech continues to use sustainable materials in its products and packaging with target towards a circular economy. In FY2023, VTech expanded its range of ecofriendly ELPs made from sustainable materials. VTech will launch more eco-friendly ELPs later this year, these include the Snuggle Sounds Whale and Bundle of Fun Zebra Gift Set with fabrics made from recycled polyethylene terephthalate (PET) bottles, and the Make & Spin Bouquet $^{\text{TM}}$ and Sorting Fun Apple made from reclaimed plastics. VTech also launched more wooden toys with materials sourced from responsibly managed forests certified by the Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC), which included the LeapFrog® ABCs & Activities Wooden Table and LeapFrog® Touch & Learn Wooden Activity Cube. In addition, it introduced a series of hotel phones made from recycled PET bottles.





As a responsible corporate citizen, VTech is dedicated to providing a diverse, equitable and inclusive working environment for its employees. In addition to the gender diversity of its Board of Directors, VTech's global workforce consisted of 41% women, with 26% of management positions held by women. It also has a Human Rights Policy with risk management programme in place for the Group to protect and safeguard the human rights of its stakeholders including its employees, customers, suppliers and the local communities in which it operates. This policy, together with the Group's Code of Conduct for its employees and its suppliers, facilitate VTech to foster a culture of integrity in the workplace for its employees, and engage in ethical sourcing practices with its suppliers across the supply chain.

In addition, VTech is committed to delivering high quality products to its customers while upholding the highest legal and ethical standards for its marketing activities to protect the rights of its consumers. It has a Responsible Marketing and Labelling Policy in place to ensure that the Group adheres to the applicable regulatory requirements on responsible marketing for the provision and communication of accurate and reliable marketing information about its products and services to its customers, particularly children.

VTech also uses its expertise and resources to support the communities in which it operates. It has collaborated with Save the Children, an international charitable organisation supporting marginalised and vulnerable children, to organise fundraising and toys donation events across multiple countries for three consecutive years. During FY2023, VTech granted scholarships to 14 students from five universities in Hong Kong, and partnered with City University of Hong Kong and The Chinese University of Hong Kong to organise the "VTech Innovation & Sustainability Award" for the students involved in sustainability projects. The Group also participated in the "Made in Asia: Decarbonisation in Supply Chains" hybrid conference organised by The French Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Hong Kong to share its experience on integrating eco-design into the product life cycle.

VTech's contributions to sustainability have received local and international recognitions. VTech Holdings Limited has continued to be a constituent of both the Hang Seng

Corporate Sustainability Benchmark Index with an AA rating, and the FTSE4Good Global Index for eight consecutive years. It also received an A rating in the MSCI (Morgan Stanley Capital International) ESG Ratings assessment². The VTech Annual Report 2022 and Sustainability Report 2022 won the "Excellence Report Award" and "Best ESG Reporting Award" respectively at the Best Annual Reports Awards organised by the Hong Kong Management Association. VTech was also presented the "Gold Award" in the "Most Sustainable Companies/Organisation Awards" by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Awards of Excellence in ESG" by the Chamber of Hong Kong Listed Companies, and the "ESG Leading Enterprises Awards by Bloomberg Businessweek/Chinese Edition. In addition, VTech received the "Outstanding Caring Awards (Enterprise Group)" in the Industry Cares Recognition Scheme organised by the Federation of Hong Kong Industries. It has been designated a "Caring Company" by the Hong Kong Council of Social Service for fifteen consecutive years.

Moving forward, VTech will uphold its culture of integrity, accountability and innovation to guide the company towards a sustainable future. With its solid sustainability foundation, VTech will continue to integrate economic growth, environmental protection and social responsibility in its business strategies to design, manufacture and supply innovative and high-quality products for the wellbeing of people and the benefit of society, aiming to drive sustainable value for its stakeholders and the communities. I would also like to express my heartfelt gratitude to all our stakeholders, particularly our employees, business partners, and customers, for their unwavering support throughout our sustainability journey. Let us continue to work together to build a sustainable future to improve the lives of people and for future generations.

Allan WONG Chi Yun

Chairman

Hong Kong, 17 May, 2023

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About Vtech



VTech is the global leader in electronic learning toys from infancy through toddler and preschool³ and the largest manufacturer of residential telephones in the United States (US)⁴. It also provides highly sought-after contract manufacturing services. Our product lines include ELPs, TEL products, and contract manufacturing services (CMS).

With headquarters in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities in Mainland China, Malaysia and Mexico, VTech currently has operations in 15 countries and regions. In FY2023, VTech has approximately 21,600 employees, including around 1,500 research and development (R&D) professionals in R&D centres in the US, Canada, Germany, Hong Kong and Mainland China. This network allows VTech to stay abreast of the latest technology and market trends throughout the world, while maintaining a highly competitive cost structure.

The Group invests significantly in R&D and launches numerous new products each year. VTech sells its products via a strong

brand platform supported by an extensive global distribution network of leading traditional and online retailers. VTech's customer profile consists of commercial buyers in our three product lines and direct consumer purchasers through our e-commerce business.

For the year ended 31 March 2023, Group revenue and profit attributable to shareholders of the Company were US\$2,241.7 million and US\$149.2 million respectively. At 31 March 2023, the Group had working capital and total assets of US\$311.3 million and US\$1,318.4 million respectively. The Group's total equity was US\$634.7 million as at 31 March 2023.

Shares of VTech Holdings Limited are listed on The Stock Exchange (HKSE: 303). At 31 March 2023, the number of issued and fully paid shares of the Company was 252,702,466 shares.

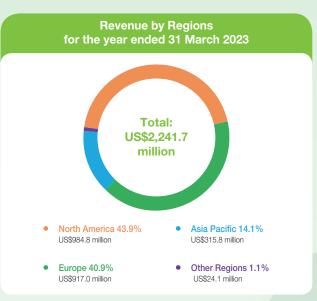
For details of our financial performance, please refer to the financial highlights included in our Annual Report 2023 at: www.vtech.com/en/investors/financial-reports/



At VTech, we manage our business in accordance with a number of key external charters. We adhere to and implement policies that are coherent with 10 UN Global Compact principles⁵, which itself is built upon many internationally agreed principles relating to welfare of workers, environmental management and anti-corruption. Since 2012, we have subscribed to the Responsible Business Alliance (RBA) (formerly the Electronic Industry Citizenship Coalition (EICC)) Code of Conduct and the International Council of Toy Industries (ICTI) Code of Business Practices, which are specific to our industries.

To keep abreast of the latest trends and development within our industry, we have participated in a number of trade associations around the world. We primarily engage as members, but where possible we will collaborate on industry projects to help develop the markets and industry standards. Many of our memberships require us to meet a Code of Conduct which provides VTech stakeholders with further peace of mind and confidence.





- ³ Ranking based on Circana (previously IRI and The NPD Group) Retail Tracking Service for Projected US Dollar Sales in the US, Canada, France, Germany, the United Kingdom (UK), Belgium, the Netherlands, Australia and Spain on total retail sales of VTech and LeapFrog products in the combined toy categories of Early Electronic Learning, Toddler Figures/Playsets & Accessories, Preschool Electronic Learning, Electronic Entertainment (excluding Tablets) and Walkers for the 12 months ended December 2022.
 - Global Market Share Estimates by MarketWise Consumer Insights, LLC. Ranking based on total retail sales of VTech and LeapFrog products in the combined toy categories of Early Electronic Learning, Toddler Figures/Playsets & Accessories, Preschool Electronic Learning, Electronic Entertainment (excluding Tablets) and Walkers for the 12 months ended December 2022.
- MarketWise Consumer Insights, LLC, April 2022 to March 2023.
- The UN Global Compact asks companies to abide by its 10 principles, protecting the core values of the UN's human rights, labour standards, environmental and anti-corruption policies. See www.unglobalcompact.org/what-is-gc/mission/principles for more details.



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Our sustainability mission is to integrate economic growth, environmental protection and social responsibility in our business strategies to design, manufacture and supply innovative and high quality products for the wellbeing of people and benefits of society, aiming to drive sustainable value for our stakeholders and the communities.

Managing Sustainability

Corporate Governance

VTech Holdings Limited is incorporated in Bermuda and has its shares listed on the Stock Exchange. The corporate governance rules applicable to the Company are the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Appendix 14 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange.

Board of Directors and its Committee

The Board of Directors (the Board) comprises three Executive Directors of the Company (Directors), one Non-executive Director, and five Independent Non-executive Directors. Their names and brief biographies can be found in the section "Biographical Details of Directors" on page 83 of the Annual Report 2023. The Board focuses on the formulation of business strategy and policy, and control. Matters reserved for the Board are those affecting the Company's overall

strategic policies, finances and shareholders. These include, but are not restricted to, deliberation of business plans, risk management, internal controls, announcement of interim and final results, dividend policy, annual budgets, major corporate activities such as material acquisitions and disposals and connected transaction, and Directors' appointment and reelection.

The Board has established an Audit Committee, a Nomination Committee, a Remuneration Committee and a Risk Management and Sustainability Committee (RMSC) with defined terms of reference which are no less exacting than those set out in the Corporate Governance Code to assist and support the Board in discharging its governance and other responsibilities, particularly on financial reporting, internal control, and corporate governance functions; composition of the Board and remuneration of Directors and senior management; risk management and sustainability strategy.

Roles and Responsibilities of Board Committees Board of Directors Audit Committee **Nomination Committee** Remuneration **Risk Management and** oversees and reviews financial and reviews and recommends Board Committee **Sustainability Committee** internal audit reporting; reviews the remuneration

- reviews the effectiveness of the Group's risk management and internal control systems, corporate governance functions and internal auditing processes;
- ensures that the Group complies with all applicable laws and regulations;
- approves the Sustainability Report;
- reviews the Whistleblowing Policy; and
- monitors the appointment, function and remuneration of the Group's external auditors.

- appointment or re-appointment and succession planning;
- reviews the structure, size, and diversity of the Board, Nomination Policy and Board Diversity Policy;
- assesses the independence of the Independent Non-executive Directors: and
- reviews the implementation and effectiveness of the independence mechanism.
- packages of the Executive Directors and senior management, and recommends it to the Board; and
- reviews and approves matters relating to share schemes (including granting of share options or share awards) under Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules.
- provides vision and strategic direction for the Group's sustainability activities;
- reviews and assesses the Group's sustainability policies, performance progress and activities against the goals and targets; and
- reviews the effectiveness of the Group's risk management and control procedures in identifying and monitoring major risks (including ESG risks) and reports any significant findings to the Audit Committee.



Executive Director



Independent Non-executive Director



Senior Management

For details of our corporate governance, please refer to the corporate governance section included in our Annual Report 2023 at www.vtech.com/en/investors/financial-reports/

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VTech's Sustainability Management

In order to ensure that our sustainability strategies are carried out effectively and consistently throughout the Company, we have organised our sustainability approach into the five pillars across the Company's product lines with the following missions:

Risk Management and Sustainability Committee Sustainability Sub-Committee

Sustainability Plan 2025 — Five Pillars

Governance and Business Ethics

- Promote a culture of integrity, accountability and innovation throughout the Company
- Ensure our corporate governance structure meets the applicable laws and regulations, industry best practice and global trends
- Review and monitor the internal control systems and risk management processes to ensure the overall
 effectiveness with continuous improvement
- Uphold the highest ethical standards of business integrity and foster a culture of compliance



Product Responsibilities and Value Chain Management

- Culture of Innovation Support and encourage creative thinking and sharing of new ideas
- Product Innovation Design products for the well-being of people and for the benefits of society
- Product Quality Design products to ensure that they are of good quality and compliant with the highest safety standards
- Eco-friendly Product Incorporate sustainability concepts into our product design and increase the use of sustainable materials for our products and packaging
- Sustainable Supply Chain Manage our supply chain in a socially and environmentally responsible manner and source from approved suppliers who meet our VTech's Corporate Social Responsibility requirements



Environment

- Circular Economy and Environmental Management Analyse, monitor and minimise the associated environmental impacts following our Environmental Management System
- Climate Change Strategy Review our approach on climate change and develop sustainability initiatives to identify and address the associated physical and transitional risks and opportunities
- Culture of Innovation Strengthen our operational excellence with innovative solutions in the following aspects:
 - Green Manufacturing Practice Minimise the environmental impacts from our operations
 - High Performance Production Chain Maximise our resource efficiency and improve productivity
 - Sustainable Logistic Practice Improve operational efficiency and reduce carbon emission throughout the transportation process









- Foster a continuous learning environment and encourage employees to develop and advance their careers in VTech
- Respect the labour and human rights of all our employees with clearly defined human resources management policies, and promote an inclusive culture throughout the company
- Provide a supportive, inclusive and motivating workplace for our employees and foster a caring community in our workplaces





- Promote a culture of accountability for the communities in which we operate, focusing on:
 - Supporting people in need
 - Collaborating with local charities
 - Providing training opportunities for young people
 - Nourishing an innovative environment
 - Developing a healthy and green community







At VTech, our RMSC is delegated with the authority from the Board to provide vision and strategic direction for our sustainability activities to ensure that we stay on track and in balance with the three sustainability dimensions of economic, environmental and social impacts at all times. The RMSC is also responsible for reviewing our sustainability strategies and improvement activities, assessing how the policies are implemented in achieving the sustainability goals and targets, and monitoring the performance progress on a biannual basis. We also have an escalation process in place to ensure that any identified issues are dealt with at the appropriate level of the Company.

Our RMSC has also formed the Sustainability Sub-Committee which comprises key employees from the Company's different product lines and relevant departments, including Group Chief Financial Officer, TEL President, Vice President of ELP Operation, Managing Director of CMS, and the Sustainability team. It has the strategic and operational responsibility to manage sustainability issues while implementing the policies and measures to achieve strategic vision and direction approved by RMSC. It is also responsible for monitoring the progress of our sustainability

activities compared with targets in their responsible product lines and functions, evaluating and determining the sustainability investments from economic, environmental and social aspects, and sharing new and significant industry sustainability concerns with the committee members quarterly.

Our Alignment with the UN SDGs

The 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were adopted at the United Nations General Assembly in 2015. The SDGs address the global challenges related to poverty, inequality, climate change, environmental degradation, peace and justice etc., and are aimed at establishing a sustainable society.

As a global corporate citizen, we acknowledge the emerging global trends outlined in the SDGs in how we run our business and contribute to the achievement of SDGs. We have identified five primary goals which VTech is best positioned to contribute to and have the greatest impact under our five sustainability pillars – Governance and Business Ethics, Product Responsibilities and Value Chain Management, Environment, Our People, and Society.

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To define our priorities in SDGs, we have evaluated the relationship between SDGs and our value chain, identifying positive and negative impacts in all business activities from upstream material sourcing, manufacturing, to downstream distribution, product use and product end-of-life. We have identified 14 SDGs and 17 sub-targets in which VTech is

contributing to within our business. These include mitigating potential environmental and social risks of our operations and at the same time seizing opportunities to utilise our capabilities to forge community wellbeing. This analysis forms the basis of our sustainability initiatives to create value for our stakeholders and the wider society.

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The SDGs targets we are contributing to throughout our value chain are as follows:

VTech's Value Chain to Achieve UN SDGs

Maximise Positive Impact



Target 1.4

Ensure that all men and women, in particular the poor and the vulnerable have equal rights to economic resources, appropriate new technology and financial services

→ See our community involvement programmes



Target 9.4

Upgrade and retrofit industries to make them sustainable, with increased resource-use efficiency and greater adoption of clean and environmentally sound technologies and industrial processes

- See our innovative sustainable products design
- → See our achievements on lean manufacturing



Target 4.4

Substantially increase the number of youth and adults who have relevant skills, including technical and vocational skills, for employment, decent jobs and entrepreneurship

 See our training, internship and scholarship programmes



Target 11.7

Provide access to green and public spaces

 See our recreational facilities at our Manufacturing sites



Target 7.2

Increase substantially the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix

See our renewable energy initiatives



Target 12.8

Increase awareness for sustainable development and lifestyles in harmony with nature

→ See our Global Green Day activities



Target 17.17

Encourage and promote effective public, public-private and civil society partnerships, building on the experience and resourcing strategies of partnerships

→ See our collaboration projects with various partners



Minimise Negative Impact



Target 3.3

End the epidemics of communicable diseases

→ See our efforts against COVID-19



Target 5.1

End discrimination against women

→ See our Gender Diversity Policy



Target 6.4

Substantially increase water-use efficiency and ensure sustainable withdrawals and supply of freshwater to address water scarcity

 See our rainwater and wastewater recycling initiatives



Target 8.8

Protect labour rights and promote safe and secure working environment for all workers, including migrant workers

 See our Human Rights Policy, and labour, welfare and safety practices



Target 12.5

Substantially reduce waste generation through prevention, reduction, recycling and reuse

- → See our packaging reduction initiatives
- See our post-consumer recycling programmes

Target 12.7

Promote procurement practices that are sustainable

 See our Supplier CSR risk management practices



Target 10.3

Ensure equal opportunity

→ See our Equal Opportunity and No Discrimination Policy



Target 13.2

Integrate climate change measures into policies, strategies and planning

→ See our TCFD Disclosures



Target 16.5

Substantially reduce corruption and bribery in all their forms

 See our business ethics policies

Target 16.6

Develop effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels

→ See our Corporate Governance system







Dialogue and Involvement with our Stakeholders

Stakeholder Engagement Approach

Stakeholder engagement is the process through which we stay connected with our customers, employees, shareholders, investors, suppliers and the wider communities in which we operate. We believe that the approach of stakeholder engagement is integral to the development of our sustainability strategy, and is also a pre-requisite for our long-term sustainable growth.

VTech has an open door policy to encourage suggestions or comments given by our stakeholders through various communication channels. Since FY2014, we have developed a formal annual stakeholder engagement procedure, which helps us identify which sustainability issues are most important to our stakeholders and report our sustainability approach, performance and activities to address their material concerns and priorities. Our purpose is to engage with those who are directly affected, either economically, environmentally or socially, by our operations and to ensure that our sustainability strategies, activities and reporting process would meet or exceed their expectations.

The selection of stakeholder groups is determined by the RMSC in conjunction with the Sustainability Sub-Committee. We have selected a number of representative customers and suppliers from the Company's different product lines, a range of employees from all levels in the Company, our major shareholders and investors, and communities with whom we were actively involved. As part of our annual review process, we also engaged our stakeholders through their preferred communication channels to conduct our materiality assessment surveys.

Our Sustainability Sub-Committee has also developed an approach which identifies the broad topics that the stakeholder groups are concerned with, and used a materiality matrix to assess the material topics identified by our stakeholders during the engagement process. A topic is classified as material when it substantially affects our long-term commercial or operational viability, with material impacts on economic, environmental or social topics. This matrix combines VTech's approach to identifying and assessing the material concerns of our stakeholders, and our own materiality scoring methodology by following the principles outlined in the GRI Standards.



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A summary of the stakeholder groups, the topics concerned, and the communication channels with frequency are listed in the following table.

lollowing table.			
Stakeholders	Topics Concerned	Communication Channels	Frequency per year
Customers	 Production quality and improvements Product safety, performance and life cycle Operation in compliance with applicable law and regulations Customer support Financial performance Sustainability strategies 	 Online customer satisfaction surveys Customer visits or meetings Industry exhibitions and forums Product training workshops On-site visits at VTech's factories Quarterly business review Customer service hotline and email 	As required* As required* As required* As required* As required* Quarterly On-going
Employees	 Employees' health and safety Employee communication and engagement Working conditions and welfare Career development and training Business performance Product safety Operation in compliance with applicable law and regulations 	 Employee engagement surveys Monthly social events with employees Newsletter Performance reviews Regular management meeting with staff representatives Career and product training Occupational health and safety training Suggestion box, hotline, emails, notice board and briefing sessions 	Quarterly Monthly Quarterly Annually On-going On-going On-going On-going
Shareholders	 Return on investment Strategic plans Operation in compliance with applicable law and regulations 	 Annual and interim results announcement events Annual and interim reports Regular meetings and correspondence Sustainability report 	Biannually Biannually As required* Annually
Investors	Business performanceStrategic plansOperation in compliance with applicable law and regulations	 Annual and interim reports Feedback to media enquiries Media conferences Regular meetings and correspondence Sustainability report 	Biannually As required* As required* On-going Annually
Suppliers	 Supplier quality performance Supplier sustainability in business model, quality and production control VTech's expectations with suppliers Product quality and safety Operation in compliance with applicable law and regulations 	 Annual business review meeting Annual Suppliers Day or Workshop Key supplier audits 	Annually Annually On-going
Community	 Support to civil society organisations Local environment Environmental protection Local community activities involvement Operation in compliance with applicable law and regulations 	 Informal communication through email and phone calls Sponsorship Participation in local community activities and volunteering work 	As required* On-going On-going

^{*} VTech may vary the frequency to meet its business needs.









Materiality Assessment

Materiality assessment is a four-step process of identification, prioritisation, validation and review. All of the potential material topics listed are referred to the GRI Standards. The material sustainability topics identified by the stakeholders were

based on the results of the materiality assessment surveys conducted in FY2023. The results were mapped with the key sustainability topics assessed by VTech's senior management and illustrated in the following chart. It was approved by the RMSC.



These topics were considered as material for reporting by VTech based on the significance of the Group's economic, environmental and social impact, as well as the influence of the decisions of our stakeholders. The list of the topics is reviewed and revised when necessary to reflect the latest developments in the industry and the Group, as well as the changing expectations of stakeholders.

The labelled topics that lie within the shaded area of the Chart were the most important items on our sustainable development identified by both VTech and the Stakeholders in the materiality assessment surveys. According to our survey results, 6 out of 34 topics were identified as the most important to our stakeholders and VTech, which were Economic Performance, Market Presence, Indirect Economic Impacts, Customer Health and Safety, Materials and Labour/ Management Relations. This assessment could help us prioritise our corresponding sustainability activities and programmes to address their needs, as well as monitor our sustainability progress.

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Besides, in accordance with the requirements of the GRI Standards, we have also covered all the material topics in our Sustainability Report 2023, including the Key Performance Indexes (KPIs) which are most representative and effective in reflecting our project progress, and our management approach to address each material topic with related sustainability activities and case studies.

We have also defined the impacts and boundaries of each material topic in the following table:

				Impacts and	Boundaries		
Category	Material Topic	Customers	Employees	VTech's Operations	Investors	Suppliers	Community
	Economic Performance	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Market Presence	✓		✓	✓		✓
Governance and Business Ethics	Indirect Economic Impacts			✓	✓		✓
L	Procurement practices					✓	
Pudut	Customer Health and Safety	✓		✓	✓		✓
Product Responsibilities and Value Chain	Marketing and Labelling	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Management	Customer Privacy	✓		✓	✓		✓
	Materials		✓	✓		✓	
	Energy	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
	Water and Effluents	✓	✓	✓			✓
(B)	Emissions	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Environment	Environmental Compliance	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Supplier Environmental Assessment	✓		✓		✓	✓
	Labour/Management Relations		✓	✓			
Our People	Occupational Health and Safety	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Training and Education		✓	✓			✓
Society	Socioeconomic Compliance	√	✓	√	√	✓	✓









VTech constantly reviews and monitors its sustainability progress along the business development. We recognise that we have to build on the foundation that we have established since we started our sustainability journey in FY2006.

Sustainability Progress

During our sustainability journey since FY2006, VTech has successfully developed our sustainability strategies with a vision to create sustainable value to improve the lives of people and protect the planet for future generations and a mission to integrate economic growth, environmental protection and social responsibility in our business strategies to design, manufacture and supply innovative and high quality products for the wellbeing of people and benefits of society, aiming to drive sustainable value for our stakeholders and the communities.

FY2006 to FY2012

 Introduced the concept of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and the related activities in our annual report

FY2013

- Refined the CSR management structure to a holistic sustainability framework,
- Renamed VTech's Risk Management Committee to Risk Management and Sustainability Committee at the Board of Directors level
- Set up VTech sustainability management subcommittees, comprising key employees from the Company's different product lines and relevant departments

FY2014

- Defined VTech sustainability vision and strategies
- Published our first Sustainability Report following the Core option of GRI G4 Guidelines

FY2015

- Set up an internal database to better monitor our sustainability data and targets
- Developed the first 5-year VTech Sustainability Plan 2020

FY2016 to FY2018

- Completed the acquisition of LeapFrog, Snom and fixed assets of Kenny Precision Products (Shenzhen)
 Company Limited
- Integrated and aligned sustainability strategies and management systems to the newly acquired businesses
- Continued to incorporate sustainability aspects into our business strategies and activities to achieve our short-term and long-term sustainability targets in FY2020

FY2019

- Completed the acquisition of Pioneer Corporation's manufacturing facility in Malaysia
- Received a rating of AA in the MSCI ESG Ratings assessment

FY2020

- Incorporated the UN SDGs in the development of sustainability strategy
- Developed the second 5-year VTech Sustainability Plan 2025
- Disclosed climate-related initiatives using TCFD's framework

FY2021

 Started to develop ELPs made from plant-based or reclaimed plastics, and source wooden materials from FSC-certified forests

FY2022

- Developed ELPs made from plant-based plastic, recycled PET bottles or FSC-certified materials
- Launched the first green hotel phone using recycled PET bottles
- Adopted climate scenarios in climate risks assessment

FY2023

- Transition to GRI Standards 2021 for sustainability reporting
- Expanded the range of ELPs made from reclaimed plastic, recycled PET bottles or FSC-certified materials
- Introduced a new series of hotel phones made from recycled PET bottles
- Accelerating the installation of solar panels at manufacturing sites



Awards and Recognition

VTech's contributions to sustainability have received local and international recognition. VTech Holdings Limited has remained a constituent of both the Hang Seng Corporate Sustainability Benchmark Index with the score of AA rating, and the FTSE4Good Global Index⁶ for eight consecutive years. We also achieved a rating of A in the Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) ESG Ratings⁷ and were assessed by Sustainalytics to be at low risk of experiencing material financial impacts from ESG factors. VTech Annual Report and Sustainability Report 2022 won the "Excellence Report Award" and "Best ESG Reporting Award" at the Best Annual Reports Awards organised by the Hong Kong Management Association (HKMA), VTech was also presented the "Gold Award" in the "Most Sustainable Companies/Organisation Awards"

by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA), the Award of Excellence in ESG" by the Chamber of Hong Kong Listed Companies (CHKLC), the "ESG Leading Enterprises Award by Bloomberg Businessweek/Chinese Edition, the "ESG Leading Enterprise Award" at the Master Insight ESG Awards 2022, as well as the "Best ESG Report - Mid-cap -Commendation" and "Excellence in Environmental Positive Impact - Commendation" in Hong Kong ESG Reporting Awards (HERA) 2022. In addition, VTech received the "Outstanding Caring Award (Enterprise Group)" in the Industry Cares Recognition Scheme organised by the Federation of Hong Kong Industries. It has been designated a "Caring Company" by the Hong Kong Council of Social Service for fifteen consecutive years.

Hang Seng Corporate Sustainability Benchmark Index AA











Best Annual Reports Awards – Best ESG Reporting Award by HKMA







Best ESG Report - Mid-cap – mmendation, Excellence in Environmental tal Positive Impact - Commendation



Master Insight ESG Awards 2022 - ESG Leading Enterprise Award



Outstanding Caring Awards (Enterprise Group) by Federation of Hong Kong Industries





ward as Caring Company for the 15th Consecutive Year







ocial Capital Builder Logo Award by Labour and Welfare Bureau



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FY2023 Targets and Progress Update

The table below presents our achievements against the targets developed through our VTech Sustainability Plan 2025 covering FY2021 to FY2025.

Sustainability Pillar	Strategy Themes	Approaches	Targets for FY2023	FY2023 Progress Update
	Corporate Governance	Continuously improve our company policy and procedures to ensure our corporate governance structure meets the applicable laws and regulations, industry best	Bi-annual meeting of the Group's RMSC to review the Group's risk management and internal control system and their effectiveness	Bi-annual meeting of the Group's RMSC was arranged and the Group's risk management and internal control system and their effectiveness were reviewed
		practice and global trends	Maintain regular meetings with shareholders, investors and analysts	Regular meetings with shareholders, investors and analysts were maintained
			Provide training for our employees on the update of listing rules and requirements	Training was provided for our employees on the update of listing rules and requirements
	Risk Management	Set up Risk Management and Sustainability Committee to monitor and review the risk management and sustainability	Bi-annual risk registry update and assessment from each business unit	Risk registry update and assessment from each business unit were performed bi-annually
		strategy of the Group and review reports from the Data Security Governance Board	Annual Business Continuity Plan update	Business Continuity Plan was updated annually
		·	Provide training on cyber security for our employees	Cyber security training was provided for our employees
Governance and Business Ethics			Review and update the data security policy to address the potential cyber security risk	The data security policy was reviewed and updated to address the potential cyber security risk
	Business Ethics	Uphold the highest ethical standards of business integrity and foster a culture of	Provide Code of Conduct training for our employees	Code of Conduct training was provided for our employees
		compliance throughout the company	Review reports under the Whistleblowing Policy biannually	Reports under the Whistleblowing Policy were reviewed biannually
			Provide anti-corruption training for our directors and employees	Anti-corruption training were provided for our directors and employees
			Regularly monitor the latest update on the Privacy Regulations worldwide and review our Data Security Policy	Update on the Privacy Regulations worldwide were monitored regularly and our Data Security Policy was reviewed regularly
			Provide regular training for our employees on the Intellectual Property Right protection	Regular training on the Intellectual Property Right protection was provided for our employees





Sustainability Pillar	Strategy Themes	Appro	aches	T:	argets for FY2023	FY2023 Progress Update
	Product Innovation	Design for Excellence – Design for Environment	Improve our products to make them more sustainable and eco-friendly	ELP	Continuously develop ELPs made from sustainable materials such as recycled, reclaimed, recyclable, plant-based plastics, or FSC-certified wood	The following products had been developed and would be launched in FY2024: - Snuggle Sounds Whale and Bundle of Fun Zebra Gift Set with fabrics made from recycled PET bottles
			oco mondiy		Wood	Make & Spin Bouquet™, Sorting Fun Apple made from reclaimed plastic
		ملله				Wooden toys under Leapfrog brand: LeapFrog® ABCs & Activities Wooden Table and LeapFrog® Touch & Learn Wooden Activity Cube
	6				Maintain application of waterborne paint for over 90% of ELPs	Waterborne paint was applied on 90% of ELPs
	90			TEL	Increase the use of sustainable materials such as recycled, reclaimed, recyclable or plant-based plastics for TEL products	A series of the hotel phone models made from recycled PET bottles were launched in FY2023
Product Responsibilities and Value Chain Management					Continue to adopt anti- bacteria technology on hotel phones launched to the market	Anti-bacteria feature was applied on most of hotel phone models.
					Gradually replace the use of solvent-based paint with waterborne paint for TEL products	Waterborne paint was applied on over 87% of TEL products
				CMS	Study the application of plant-based plastic for selected CMS designed	Recycled resin was used in some engineering samples
					products	Continued to search and select appropriate suppliers to provide resin specification for study
		and the same of th			Continue to use waterborne paint for 40% of CMS designed products	No CMS designed products required the application of painting
				products in	LCA analysis for 6 key TEL products and ELPs to son footprint throughout the cycle	LCA analysis was performed for 6 key products in TEL products and ELPs to reduce carbon footprint throughout the product life cycle









Sustainability Pillar	Strategy Themes	Appro	aches	т	argets for FY2023	FY2023 Progress Update
	Product Innovation	Design for Excellence – Design for	Improve our product packaging	ELP	Apply waterborne paint for 95% of ELP packaging	Waterborne paint was applied on more than 99% of ELP packaging
	Environment	to make them more sustainable and eco- friendly		Maintain 95% of packaging materials for ELPs to be recyclable, and maintain 85% of them to be made from recycled materials	Over 95% of packaging materials for all ELPs was recyclable About 85% of packaging material for all ELPs was from recycled material	
					Eliminate blister in 99% of ELP packaging	Blister was eliminated in 99% of ELP Continued to replace remaining blisters with sustainable materials including recycled and bio-based PET
					Reduce the size of the instructions leaflet of new ELPs by 50% to reduce paper consumption	Reduced 45% by size of our instruction leaflet for new products.
					Participate in different local packaging recycling programmes and educate customers to recycle the packaging in other major markets	We engaged in different packaging recycling programmes like"How2Recycle®" in the US, and "OPRL" in the UK and the packaging recycling programme in Australia
Product Responsibilities and Value Chain Management				TEL	Continue to phase out plastic in 60% of baby monitor packaging, and begin to phase out plastic packaging for other TEL products	Over 60% of baby monitors did not contain plastic in their packaging
					Extend the use of waterborne paint to TEL packaging	Waterborne paint was applied on 82% of all TEL packaging.
				CMS	Use bio-degradable bags to replace Polyethylene (PE) bags for 40% of CMS designed product packaging	Bio-degradable bags were used for over 21% of the CMS designed product packaging
			Provide channels for customers to recycle VTech products after use	programme	st-consumer recycling e for VTech products in nada and the US	We had participated in post- consumer recycling programmes such as WEEE in Europe, EPRA in Canada and TerraCycle®, ESR in the US





Sustainability Pillar	Strategy Themes	Appro	aches	Targets for FY2023	FY2023 Progress Update
Product Innovation		Design for Excellence - Design for Quality Compliant with the international quality and safety standards		Zero product recall, fines or penalties relating to non-compliance with regulation	We had zero product recalls, fines or penalties relating to non-compliance with regulations
Product Responsibilities and Value Chain Management		Design for People	Continue to use our technological expertise to design and provide products to enhance the well- being of our customers and benefit the society	Increase the total sales of health and safety products by 6% compared with FY2020	Compared with FY2020, health and safety products sales increased by 30.4%
	Sustainable Supply Chain			Conduct supplier engagement activities programme reinforcing our sustainability plan to our suppliers and monitor their progress	Supplier workshops were held to share our long term sustainability plan and current performance with our suppliers
		requirements	Tech 3 Con	Complete CSR audits of identified suppliers per VTech CSR requirements	We continued to measure the suppliers' sustainability performance to ensure they had met our CSR standards
				Continue to work with suppliers to reduce product and packaging waste	We had worked with suppliers to reduce the size of packaging for selected materials
	Circular Economy and Environmental Management	Analyze, monitor the associated e impacts following Environmental M System	nvironmental g our	Regular review on update of environmental standards and regulations	We continued to review on update of environmental standards and regulations regularly
	Climate Review our approach on change – climate change and develop Risk and sustainability initiatives to identify opportunities and address the associated			Continue to use sustainable materials in our products and recycle our products in a responsible way	Eco-friendly ELPs made from recycled, or plant-based plastic or FSC-certified wood will be introduced to market in FY2024
		physical and trar and opportunitie			We have engaged in different post- consumer product and packaging recycling programmes
Environment				Reduce GHG emission per production output in assembly factories by 6% compared with FY2020	Compared with FY2020, GHG emission per production output in assembly factories reduced by 10.3%
				Reduce GHG emission per production output in plastic factories by 6% compared with FY2020	Compared with FY2020, GHG emission per production output in plastic factories reduced by 2.9%
				Increase renewable energy use by 60% compared with FY2020	Compared with FY2020, renewable energy use increased by 928.4%
				Disclose scope 3 emission	We disclosed our scope 3 emission









Sustainability Pillar	Strategy Themes	Approa	aches	Targets for FY2023	FY2023 Progress Update
	Green Manufacturing	Energy	Reduce energy consumption and thus	Reduce the electricity usage per production output in assembly factories by 6% compared with FY2020	Compared with FY2020, electricity usage per production output in assembly factories reduced by 7.4%
			the carbon emissions	Reduce the electricity usage per production output in plastic factories by 6% compared with FY2020	Compared with FY2020, electricity usage per production output in plastic factories reduced by 4.2%
				Adopt high efficient energy system and equipment for high performance operation - upgrade on heating and cooling systems	We replaced old screw chillers with new magnetic bearing chillers
		Water	Reduce water consumption and improve effluent treatment	Reduce total water consumption per production output by 6% compared with FY2020	Compared with FY2020, total water consumption per production output decreased by 24.4%
		Material, Waste and Recycling	Recycle materials to minimise waste and conserve resources	Maintain the recycling rate of reusable materials at or above 75%	In FY2023, the recycling rate of the reusable materials was 80.9%
		Necycling		waste and conserve	Reduce amount of hazardous waste per production output by 3% compared with FY2020
Environment				Reduce amount of non- hazardous waste per production output by 3% compared with FY2020	Compared with FY2020, amount of non-hazardous waste per production output increased by 6.4%
				Reduce material use per production output by 3% compared with FY2020	Compared with FY2020, material use per production output reduced by 6.7%
				Reduce packaging material used for finished goods per production output by 3% compared with FY2020	Compared with FY2020, packing material used for finished goods per production output reduced by 18.6%
	High Performance Production Chain	Implement more automation proje strengthen the o management to production efficie productivity	ects and further perational improve the	Increase production output per worker by 12% compared with FY2020	Compared with FY2020, the production output per worker increased by 21.4%
	Sustainable Logistics Practice	Reduce the envir impact from ship products		Maintain the average loading capacity of each container shipment at or above 80%	Average loading capacity was 88.1%
			Maximise the usage of ocean and rail freight for long distance and inland shipments respectively	Continued to work with customers to maximise the usage of ocean and rail freight	
				Continue to locate distribution centers in major markets for efficient delivery of our products	Continue to locate distribution centers in major markets for efficient delivery of our products





Sustainability Pillar	Strategy Themes	Approaches	Targets for FY2023	FY2023 Progress Update
	Communication and Staff Relations	Enhance our good staff relations through various communication channels and staff activities	Maintain employee satisfaction at or above average level based on the employee satisfaction survey	In FY2023, average employee satisfaction rate was above average
		Stan activities	Maintain average staff turnover rate at or below 10%	In FY2023, average employee turnover rate was maintained below 10%
	Advancement in Careers	Foster a continuous learning environment and encourage employees to develop and advance their careers in VTech	Maintain average training hours per employee at or above 25 hours	In FY2023, average training hours per employee was 71.8 hours
	Respect of Labour and Human Rights	Respect the labour and human rights of all our employees with clearly defined human resources management policies, and	Increase number of staff with years of service longer than 5 years by 9% compared with FY2020	Compared with FY2020, number of staff with years of service longer than 5 years increased by 11.9%
Our People		promote an inclusive culture throughout the company	Conduct diversity and inclusion awareness training in all operational sites for employees	Diversity and inclusion awareness trainings were conducted in major operational sites for employees
			Ensure that the percentage of women in all management positions at or above 25%	In FY2023, the percentage of women in management positions was 26%
	Environment for Our People Provide a supportive, pleas and healthy workplace for our staff, and foster a caring community in our working		Maintain the loss of working hours due to injuries at manufacturing facilities at or below 0.01%	Lost hour rate was 0.014% in FY2023
		environment	Zero work-related fatality case	No fatality case had been reported since FY2014
			Maintain employee satisfaction rate at or above average level based on the employee satisfaction survey	Average employee satisfaction rate had been above average since FY2014
	Support People in Need	Use our expertise and resources to support the communities in which we operate	Ensure that the total number of VTech volunteers is no less than 2,500 or 10% of total employee	Total number of volunteers reached 2,540 in FY2023
	Collaborate with Local Charities	operate	Ensure that the volunteering hours are no less than 23,000 hours	Total voluntary hours was 20,444 in FY2023 which was lower than that of FY2020 due to social distancing policy implemented in various countries arising from COVID-19 pandemic
(***) (***)			Collaborate with corporate philanthropies and participate in more local charitable events	We had worked closely with different charitable organisations to arrange various local charitable events for volunteers to take part in
Society	Provide Training Opportunities for Young People		Extend scholarship programme in countries we operate	We extended the programme to provide scholarship to 14 students from Hong Kong universities in FY2023
	Nourish an Innovative Environment		Engage 300 students to participate in innovative activities or studies	We engaged with over 300 students to participate in innovative activities or studies
	Develop a Healthy and Green Community	Develop and promote a healthy and green lifestyle within VTech and the community	Continue to organise VTech Green Day in our major operation locations	VTech Global Green Day was held for major operation locations including Hong Kong and overseas offices on March 2023









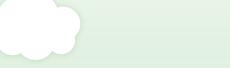
VTech Sustainability Plan 2025

In order to ensure that our continuous improvement programmes and approaches on sustainability could be carried out effectively and consistently throughout the Company and in a sustainable manner, we have established our first 5-year Sustainability Plan 2020. Following the successful implementation of the first 5-year Sustainability Plan which has built the foundation for further sustainability improvement, VTech is proud to present our second 5-year Sustainability Plan 2025, which covers FY2021 to FY2025, outlining a wider range of targets on sustainability.

Sustainability Pillar	Strategy Themes	Appro	aches	Ta	argets for FY2024	Targets for FY2025
	Corporate Governance	Continuously important company policy to ensure our congovernance structure.	and procedures rporate cture meets the	to review th	neeting of the Group's RMSC e Group's risk management control system and their ss	Bi-annual meeting of the Group's RMSC to review the Group's risk management and internal control system and their effectiveness
		applicable laws and regulations, industry best practice and global trends			gular meetings with s, investors and analysts	Maintain regular meetings with shareholders, investors and analysts
					ning for our employees ate of listing rules and ts	Provide training for our employees on the update of listing rules and requirements
	Risk Management	Set up Risk Man Sustainability Co	mmittee to		sk registry update and t from each business unit	Bi-annual risk registry update and assessment from each business unit
		monitor and revi management an strategy of the G review reports fro	d sustainability iroup and	Annual Bus	iness Continuity Plan update	Annual Business Continuity Plan update
		Security Governa		Provide train	ning on cyber security for our	Provide training on cyber security for our employees
Governance and Business Ethics					update the data security dress the potential cyber	Review and update the data security policy to address the potential cyber security risk
	Business Ethics		est ethical siness integrity	Provide Coo	de of Conduct training for ees	Provide Code of Conduct training for our employees
		and foster a culture of compliance throughout the company		Review reports under the Whistleblowing Policy biannually		Review reports under the Whistleblowing Policy biannually
				Provide anti-corruption training for our directors and employees		Provide anti-corruption training for our directors and employees
				Regularly monitor the latest update on the Privacy Regulations worldwide and review our Data Security Policy		Regularly monitor the latest update on the Privacy Regulations worldwide and review our Data Security Policy
					ular training for our on the Intellectual Property ction	Provide regular training for our employees on the Intellectual Property Right protection
	Product Innovation	Design for Excellence – Design for Environment	Improve our products to make them more sustainable and eco-friendly	ELP	Continuously develop ELPs made from sustainable materials such as recycled, reclaimed, recyclable, plant-based plastics, or FSC-certified wood	Continuously develop ELPs made from sustainable materials such as recycled, reclaimed, recyclable, plant- based plastics, or FSC-certified wood
					Maintain application of waterborne paint for over 90% of ELPs	Maintain application of waterborne paint for over 90% of ELPs
				TEL	Increase the use of sustainable materials such as recycled, reclaimed, recyclable or plant-based plastics for TEL products	Increase the use of sustainable materials such as recycled, reclaimed, recyclable or plant-based plastics for TEL products
Product Responsibilities and Value Chain Management					Continue to adopt anti- bacteria technology on hotel phones launched to the market	Continue to adopt anti-bacteria technology on hotel phones launched to the market
					Gradually replace the use of solvent-based paint with waterborne paint for TEL products	Continue to use waterborne paint for TEL products
				CMS	Study the application of sustainable materials for selected CMS designed products	Apply sustainable materials for selected CMS designed products
					Continue to use waterborne paint for 40% of CMS designed products	Continue to use waterborne paint for 50% of CMS designed products



Sustainability Pillar	Strategy Themes	Appro	aches	1	Targets for FY2024	Targets for FY2025			
	Product Innovation	Design for Excellence – Design for Environment		products i	LCA analysis for 8 key n TEL products and ELPs to rbon footprint throughout the e cycle	Undertake LCA analysis for 10 key products in TEL products and ELPs to reduce carbon footprint throughout the product life cycle			
			Improve our product	ELP	Apply waterborne paint for 95% of ELP packaging	Apply waterborne paint for 95% of ELP packaging			
			packaging to make them more sustainable and eco- friendly		Maintain 95% of packaging materials for ELPs to be recyclable, and maintain 85% of them to be made from recycled materials	Reduce the use of non-recyclable materials for packaging to less than 3%, and maintain 85% of them to be made from recycled materials			
					Eliminate blister in 99% of all ELP packaging	FY2030 Goal: Eliminate blister or use sustainable alternatives such as biobased or recycled PET for the blister in ELP packaging			
					Maintain a 45% size reduction of the instructions leaflet for new ELPs to reduce paper consumption	Maintain a 45% size reduction of the instructions leaflet for new ELPs to reduce paper consumption			
					Participate in different local packaging recycling programmes and educate customers to recycle the packaging in other major markets	Participate in different local packaging recycling programmes and educate customers to recycle the packaging in all major markets			
	Product					TE	TEL	Continue to phase out plastic in 60% of baby monitor packaging, and begin to phase out plastic packaging for other TEL products, or replace with sustainable packaging materials	Continue to phase out plastic in packaging for TEL products, or replace with sustainable packaging materials
					Extend the use of waterborne paint to TEL packaging	Continue to use waterborne paint for TEL packaging			
				CMS	CMS	Use sustainable materials for 90% of CMS designed product packaging	Use sustainable materials for 95% of CMS designed product packaging		
Responsibilities and Value Chain Management			Provide channels for customers to recycle VTech products after use	programm	ost-consumer recycling le for VTech products in anada and the US	Engage post-consumer recycling programme for VTech products in major markets			
		Excell Desig	Design for Excellence – Design for Quality	Continue to ensure that all products are compliant with the international quality and safety standards		uct recall, fines or penalties non-compliance with	Zero product recall, fines or penalties relating to non-compliance with regulation		
		Design for People	Continue to use our technological expertise to design and provide products to enhance the well-being of our customers and benefit the society		ne total sales of health and ducts by 8% compared with	Increase the total sales of health and safety products by 10% compared with FY2020			
	Sustainable Supply Chain	Manage our sup socially and envi responsible man from approved s who meet our V	ronmentally iner and source suppliers	programm	supplier engagement activities he reinforcing our sustainability r suppliers and monitor their	Conduct supplier engagement activities programme reinforcing our sustainability plan to our suppliers and monitor their progress			
		requirements	TOOL S COL		CSR audits of identified per VTech CSR requirements	Complete CSR audits of identified suppliers per VTech CSR requirements			
					to work with suppliers to oduct and packaging waste	Work with suppliers to reduce product and packaging waste			









Sustainability Pillar	Strategy Themes	Appro	aches	Targets for FY2024	Targets for FY2025
	Circular Economy and Environmental Management	Analyse, monitor the associated e impacts following Environmental M System	nvironmental g our	Regular review on update of environmental standards and regulations	Regular review on update of environmental standards and regulations
	Climate Change – Risks and Opportunities	Review our approach on climate change and develop sustainability initiatives to identify		Continue to use sustainable materials in our products and recycle our products in a responsible way	Continue to use sustainable materials in our products and recycle our products in a responsible way
	Оррогиниез	and address the physical and trar and opportunitie	nsitional risks	Reduce GHG emission per production output in assembly factories by 8% compared with FY2020	Reduce GHG emission per production output in assembly factories by 10% compared with FY2020
				Reduce GHG emission per production output in plastic factories by 7% compared with FY2020	Reduce GHG emission per production output in plastic factories by 8% compared with FY2020
				Increase renewable energy use by 80% compared with FY2020	Increase renewable energy use by 100% compared with FY2020
				Disclose scope 3 emission	Disclose scope 3 emission
	Green Manufacturing	Energy	Reduce energy consumption and thus	Reduce the electricity usage per production output in assembly factories by 8% compared with FY2020	Reduce the electricity usage per production output in assembly factories by 10% compared with FY2020
			the carbon emissions	Reduce the electricity usage per production output in plastic factories by 7% compared with FY2020	Reduce the electricity usage per production output in plastic factories by 8% compared with FY2020
				Adopt high efficient energy system and equipment for high performance operation - upgrade on heating and cooling systems	Adopt high efficient energy system and equipment for high performance operation - upgrade on heating and cooling systems
Environment		Water Material, Waste and Recycling	Reduce water consumption and improve effluent treatment	Reduce total water consumption per production output by 8% compared with FY2020	Reduce total water consumption per production output by 10% compared with FY2020
			Recycle materials to minimise waste and conserve resources	Maintain the recycling rate of reusable materials at or above 75%	Maintain the recycling rate of reusable materials at or above 75%
		3		Reduce amount of hazardous waste per production output by 2% compared with FY2020	Reduce amount of hazardous waste per production output by 3% compared with FY2020
				Reduce amount of non-hazardous waste per production output by 2% compared with FY2020	Reduce amount of non-hazardous waste per production output by 3% compared with FY2020
				Reduce material use per production output by 4% compared with FY2020	Reduce material use per production output by 5% compared with FY2020
				Reduce packaging material used for finished goods per production output by 4% compared with FY2020	Reduce packaging material used for finished goods per production output by 5% compared with FY2020
	High Performance Production Chain High Implement more le automation projec strengthen the op management to ir production efficier productivity	ects and further perational improve the	Increase production output per worker by 16% compared with FY2020	Increase production output per worker by 20% compared with FY2020	
	Sustainable Logistics Practice	Reduce the envii impact from ship products		Maintain the average loading capacity of each container shipment at or above 80%	Maintain the average loading capacity of each container shipment at or above 80%
				Maximise the usage of ocean and rail freight for long distance and inland shipments respectively	Maximise the usage of ocean and rail freight for long distance and inland shipments respectively
				Continue to locate VTech's distribution centers close to the distribution centers of our customers in the major markets for efficient delivery of our products	Continue to locate distribution centers in other major markets for efficient distribution to customers



Sustainability Pillar	Strategy Themes	Approaches	Targets for FY2024	Targets for FY2025
	Communication and Staff Relations	Enhance our good staff relations through various communication channels and staff activities	Maintain employee satisfaction at or above average level based on the employee satisfaction survey	Maintain employee satisfaction at or above average level based on the employee satisfaction survey
		stan activities	Maintain average staff turnover rate at or below 10%	Maintain average staff turnover rate at or below 10%
	Advancement in Careers	Foster a continuous learning environment and encourage employees to develop and advance their careers in VTech	Maintain average training hours per employee at or above 25 hours	Maintain average training hours per employee at or above 25 hours
	Respect of Labour and Human Rights	Respect the labour and human rights of all our employees with clearly defined human resources management policies, and	Increase number of staff with years of service longer than 5 years by 12% compared with FY2020	Increase number of staff with years of service longer than 5 years by 15% compared with FY2020
Our People		promote an inclusive culture throughout the company	Conduct diversity and inclusion awareness training in all operational sites for employees	Conduct diversity and inclusion awareness training in all operational sites for employees
			Ensure that the percentage of women in all management positions at or above 25%	Continue to ensure that the percentage of women in all management positions at or above 25%
	Environment for Our People	Provide a supportive, pleasant and healthy workplace for our staff, and foster a caring community in our working environment	Maintain the loss of working hours due to injuries at manufacturing facilities at or below 0.01%	Maintain the loss of working hours due to injuries at manufacturing facilities at or below 0.01%
			Zero work-related fatality case	Zero work-related fatality case
			Maintain employee satisfaction rate at or above average level based on the employee satisfaction survey	Maintain employee satisfaction rate at or above average level based on the employee satisfaction survey
	Support People in Need	Use our expertise and resources to support the communities in which we operate	Ensure that the total number of VTech volunteers is no less than 2,500 or 10% of total employee	Continue to ensure that the total number of VTech volunteers is no less than 2,500 or 10% of total employee
	Collaborate with Local Charities	Operate	Ensure that the volunteering hours are no less than 23,000 hours	Continue to ensure that the volunteering hours are no less than 23,000 hours
**			Collaborate with corporate philanthropies and participate in more local charitable events	Collaborate with corporate philanthropies and participate in more local charitable events
Society	Provide Training Opportunities for Young People		Extend scholarship programme in the countries we operate	Extend scholarship programme in other countries
	Nourish an Innovative Environment		Engage 400 students to participate in innovative activities or studies	Engage 500 students to participate in innovative activities or studies
	Develop a Healthy and Green community	Develop and promote a healthy and green lifestyle within VTech and the community	Continue to organise VTech Green Day in our major operation locations	Continue to organise VTech Green Day in our major operation locations



Governance and Business Ethics







VTech promotes a culture of integrity, accountability and innovation throughout the Company. It also ensures that its corporate governance framework complies with the applicable laws and regulations as well as industry best practice with effective internal control and risk management systems in place.

Highlights

- Provided training on Code of Conduct, cyber security and intellectual property right protection
- Provided training on anti-corruption for directors, senior management and general staff



VTech has developed a comprehensive management structure throughout the years. We have continuously reviewed our company policies and procedures to ensure our corporate governance structure meets the applicable laws and regulations, industry best practice, global trends, and market expectation. To achieve these goals requires both broad ranging and in-depth governance structures and risk management processes.

Corporate Governance



Risk Management and Sustainability Committee

Effective risk management is crucial for maintaining our stable daily operation and indicates our ability to respond and adapt to the changing environment. In order to minimise the possible disturbances to our operation during the event of disruptions, it is important to be prepared for emergency and to build resilience in the face of adversity. VTech has implemented an organisational structure with formal and clearly defined lines of responsibility and delegation of authority. There are also established procedures for financial planning, capital expenditure, treasury transactions, information and reporting systems, and monitoring the Group's businesses and their performance.

The RMSC is chaired by Dr. Allan WONG Chi Yun – Chairman and Group Chief Executive Officer (Chairman & Group CEO) with Dr. PANG King Fai – Group President, Mr. Andy LEUNG Hon Kwong – Chief Exceutive Officer of CMS (CMS CEO), Mr. WONG Kai Man – Independent Non-executive Director (INED), Mr. Hillson CHEUNG Hoi – President of TEL Products (TEL President), Ms. Shereen TONG Ka Hung – Group Chief Financial Officer (Group CFO) and Mr. CHANG Yu Wai – Company Secretary and Head of Internal Audit (Co Sec & Head of IA), as members – a combination of Executive Directors, an INED and senior management.



The RMSC is responsible for monitoring and reviewing the risk management and internal control systems, as well as the sustainability strategies, performance and activities of the Group on a regular basis.

The RMSC has also developed an internal risk management structure at both management and operational levels, which has clearly defined the roles and responsibilities in managing potential risks in the respective areas, and set up procedures for execution of the Group's Business Continuity Plan in the event of disruptions.

The Company maintains a Risk Register to record the major and identifiable risks in the critical functions in the operation of the Company. The Risk Register is reviewed by the RMSC on a biannual basis. At management level, department representatives of each key business unit/function maintain a risk register documenting the key risks and the mitigation measures for the relevant risk. To facilitate the review of the Risk Register by the RMSC, the Internal Audit Department will review the effectiveness and operation of the risk management framework, including the frequency of reporting to the Board, and the continuing operation of appropriate mitigation measures.

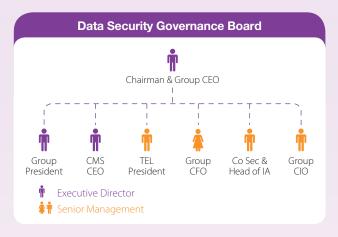




The RMSC has held two meetings during the financial year to review the Group's risk management and internal control systems, and its sustainability strategies, policies and activities.

Data Security Governance Board

The Data Security Governance Board was established with defined terms of reference reporting to the RMSC. The Data Security Governance Board is chaired by Chairman and Group CEO and comprises the Group President, CMS CEO, TEL President, Group CFO, Co Sec & Head of IA, and Group Chief Information Officer (Group CIO). It is responsible for decision-making, implementation, enforcement, oversight, compliance and periodic review of the Data Security Policy and practices, as well as the cybersecurity risks and mitigation measures of the Group. It also ensures that the Group's data security practices are compliant with international and local laws and regulations, including but not limited to, the applicable privacy ordinances and data protection regulations in the respective countries such as the General Data Protection Regulation in Europe. The Data Security Governance Board has held two meetings during the financial year. It has reviewed and monitored the implementation and execution of the Data Security Policy and practices of the Group for the compliance with the latest privacy ordinances and data protection regulations in the respective countries. It has also reviewed the implementation progress of the additional preventive measures, technologies enhancement and staff trainings for the mitigation of cybersecurity risks of the Group. In addition, the Data Security Governance Board has reviewed and monitored the remedial actions of the identified security related issues which have been brought to its attention.



Investor Communication

All of the Group's investor communications are governed by a Shareholders Communication Policy. The Policy sets out the procedures for providing shareholders and investment community with ready, equal and timely access to balanced and understandable information about VTech.

For details of our Shareholders Communication Policy, please refer to

www.vtech.com/en/investors/corporate-governance/shareholders-communication-policy/

Regulatory Requirements

We are in full compliance of the Listing Rules of the Stock Exchange. Regular training is delivered by professionals to our staff on the update of Listing Rules and requirements. We keep monitoring the update of the Stock Exchange's ESG Guideline and update our Sustainability Report accordingly.

Risk management





ESG Risks and Opportunities

The RMSC has oversight of all ESG issues including ESG risks. It is responsible for identifying and evaluating ESG risks and opportunities. ESG risks are reviewed in the RMSC biannual meetings as well as the Board meetings.

ESG risk management and opportunities are integrated into our Sustainability Plan 2025. Please refer to pages 42-46 for details of climate-related risks and opportunities.

Business Continuity Management

Business Continuity Management (BCM) is important for ensuring that we always have a smooth business operation. Our BCM programme not only helps us to identify and mitigate our potential operational risks, but also increases our resilience capability, in the event of disruptions, to resume our operations in an effective and timely manner. VTech's RMSC has developed an internal risk management structure at both the management and operational levels, which has clearly defined the roles and responsibilities in managing the potential risks in the respective areas, and set up procedures for the execution of our Business Continuity Plan (BCP) in the event of disruptions. At each of our key business functions, the management team who is responsible for BCM, consisting of the senior management at the operational level of the relevant departments, is given the responsibility for developing and executing the BCP to ensure the continuous operation of the critical and essential functions of the Company in the event of emergency or business interruption. We have adopted a fourstep BCM framework to identify the events that could affect our operation, assess the identified risks, establish measures and controls to manage the impacts with recovery actions, and review and monitor the BCP for continuous improvement on a regular basis. Facing the unprecedented challenges from COVID-19, we have developed a comprehensive set of precautionary measures and guidelines to tackle the issue following the BCM framework, to ensure the health and safety of the employees and our operation and business continue to run smoothly. For details of the measures, please refer to page 61-63 under "Environment for Our People".

BCM Framework of VTech Step 1: Identification of Potential Event of Disruption Step 2: Assessment of Identified Risks Step 3: Establish Measures and Controls Step 4:

Monitor and
Review the
Effectiveness
of BCP







Cyber Security

The proliferation of new technologies has significantly changed the ways people access information. VTech has established a multifaceted cyber security programme with data and system security policies and measures in place to protect the data and information from any unauthorized access, accidental loss or destruction.

Cyber Security Risk Management Framework follows internationally recognised cyber security standards, and revolves around four pillars:

Governance – Establish organisational structure, policies and procedures to ensure that cyber security-related activities and compliance are appropriately prioritised and aligned with company requirements

Protection – Deploy and maintain security systems and controls that protect the corporate environment

Detection – Identify potential threats via risk assessment and implement monitoring practices to ensure that safeguards are in place

Response – Maintain a strong level of staff awareness and readiness through regular cyber security awareness training and drills

The Data Security Governance Board reporting to the RMSC established at the Board level, is also responsible for ensuring that our data security practices are compliant and aligned with international and local laws and regulations, including but not limited to the applicable privacy ordinances in the respective countries such as the General Data Protection Regulation in Europe.

To proactively detect cyber threats and system vulnerabilities, VTech has started the implementation of comprehensive Endpoint Detection & Response (EDR) solution that leverages Al and behaviour models to strengthen real-time threat detection and response capabilities in FY2023. Additional fit-for-purpose security monitoring controls are also in place to proactively enhance infrastructure security while maintaining business productivity. These cover our network gateways, computing devices and business systems. A dedicated internal information security team stays up to date with new threats and we also manage risks of third-party vendors and partners by establishing a process to vet their security practices, ensuring adequate security measures are in place. Proper work-from-home policies and procedures have been established without jeopardising the risk of network security.

To ensure that our products are best protected, we have engaged best-in-class penetration testers to review our network-connected products before rollout. For internal systems, we continue to regularly conduct security assessments in order to meet international security standards. Regular risk assessment, internal and external audits mechanism provide further layers of feedback to ensure that threat detection and mitigation activities are effective and done in a timely manner.

In response to threat and incident handling, a proper procedure for incident escalation and handling have been established. We have also carried out incidence response drills to ensure that our cross-department response team is ready.

To ensure preparedness, our staff are required to attend mandatory cyber security awareness training and testing on a yearly basis and are subject to simulated phishing drills to maintain vigilance.

Business Ethics





Code of Conduct and Whistleblowing Policy

Our Code of Conduct serves as one of the cornerstones of our governance and operation, underpins our culture of integrity and represents the Group management's commitment to a vigorous, responsible and forward-looking compliance culture. It spells out the guiding principles for our corporate and staff behaviour and sets the high standards of integrity and honesty we apply in our operation and business. We have additional policies for staff in specific risk-related areas to cover conflicts of interest, bribery, accounting standards and internal management. Staff are required on joining to confirm that they understand and accept the requirements and standards laid down in the Code of Conduct appropriate to their role and position in the Company, and in addition, avail themselves to attend and complete various governance trainings provided online, and provide annual confirmation of compliance of the Code of Conduct in writing. Staff is required to strictly follow the Code of Conduct so that the Group operates to the highest standard of business behaviour and ethics in its engagement with customers, business partners, shareholders, employees and the community at large. Due to a constantly changing business environment and the emergence of increasing demands on responsible corporate behaviour, we review our Code of Conduct periodically to ensure that it reflects the current industry and global best practices and meets the expectations of all stakeholders.

VTech operates a Whistleblowing Policy in order to encourage and assist whistleblowers to disclose information relevant to misconduct, malpractices or irregularities through a confidential reporting channel without the fear of recrimination. Reports are referred to the Group Chief Compliance Officer, who will review the complaints and determine the appropriate mode of investigation and any subsequent corrective action. Recommendations on improvements are communicated to the respective department's senior management for implementation. All reports are handled by the Company with care and all legitimate concerns are investigated in a fair and proper manner. All reports under the Whistleblowing Policy are reviewed by the Group's Audit Committee on a bi-annual basis to ensure proportionate action where needed are taken and to identify any need for further policy development.

Full details of our Whistleblowing Policy and Code of Conduct are available on

www.vtech.com/en/investors/corporate-governance/whistleblowing-policy/www.vtech.com/en/investors/corporate-governance/code-of-conduct/



Business Integrity and Anti-Corruption Policies

The Company is committed to zero tolerance towards corruption and a culture of integrity. It promotes the core values of integrity, honesty, fairness, impartiality and ethical business practices. VTech Group and its officers, employees, agents and intermediaries are prohibited from giving or offering to give money or anything of value to any third party who includes government officials, political parties, party officials or candidates for political office, in order to influence the commercial acts or official duties or decisions of that person or entity, or to obtain or retain business, or secure any improper advantage. The Company does not make any donations to political parties in any country but it does not restrict its employees from joining or participating in individual associations provided that there is no conflict of interest between their role as a member of the association and their role as an employee of VTech. Employees are prohibited from representing or purporting to represent the Company in any social or political forum and using the Company's brand, time or assets to advance the interests of any social or political party or group.

Anti-corruption is one of the major governance areas covered by our Code of Conduct. In addition to the Anti-Corruption Policy, the Company has also issued policy to guide its staff on the offer and receipt of gifts, entertainment and gratuities and the related reporting and approval procedures. VTech's management shall ensure that employees are familiar with these polices and the related control procedures in their job areas. Employees receive regular anti-corruption and internal control training to reinforce their awareness and understanding of the Code of Conduct and the relevant policies.

For details of our Code of Conduct and Anti-Corruption Policy, please refer to www.vtech.com/en/investors/corporate-governance/

Anti-Corruption Training to Directors and Staff

Anti-corruption training is provided to our staff via our eLearning platform to facilitate continuous learning on the topic. The training covers anti-corruption laws and common corruption pitfalls in the private sector and the roles of management and staff in corruption prevention. New joiners are required to complete the online training within 3 months after joining VTech. The online training and the related training materials are made available to Directors and senior management for their study and reference.

Privacy and Data Protection

We acknowledge the importance of data security and privacy for our stakeholders. Data protection is also an essential consideration in the workplace. In order to safeguard the privacy of our stakeholders, we have developed personal data protection policies and personal data handling practices that cover how we collect, use, disclose, transfer, retain and dispose stakeholders' personal information.

Consumer personal information is usually collected from several sources, namely, our online shop, authorised dealers or agents and media channels for enquiries and complaints, and in general whenever it is necessary to provide services to the consumers. We are committed to using the consumer personal information we have collected only for the purpose intended and notified. We follow the US Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA) to protect the privacy of children when managing personal data. VTech will not sell the personal information to a third party for any consideration.

As required by the Data Security Governance Board, a designated Data Protection Officer has been appointed to facilitate VTech's compliance with the applicable privacy laws and regulations, and its own privacy and data protection policies. A privacy and data protection team consisting of business managers of different departments regularly involved in the processing of personal information assists the Data Protection Officer from time to time with the preparation, implementation and enhancement of any actions required for the compliance with any privacy legislation and VTech's personal data protection requirements.

Protection of Intellectual Property Right

VTech is devoted to protecting its own intellectual property rights and the intellectual property rights of others. VTech has adopted and implemented proper policy and protocol in place to protect its intellectual property rights through different means including, but not limited to its patents, designs, trademarks, copyrights and licences in different areas such as logos, designs, technologies, trade secrets, computer programmes, inventions, product information, instruction manuals, video and sound recordings. Without our permission, a third party cannot acquire any rights to use or display any related intellectual property. VTech will take legal actions and seek legal remedies against any violations of its intellectual property rights or misuse of its intellectual property wherever such may have been found.

For details of our intellectual property rights protection measures, please refer to www.vtech.com/en/investors/corporate-governance/

Global Tax Policy

VTech is committed to full compliance with all statutory obligations, full disclosure to relevant tax authorities, and to act in a way which upholds its reputation as a responsible corporate citizen. The Group's tax affairs are managed in a way which takes into account the Group's wider corporate reputation in line with VTech's overall high standards of governance.

Each group company has the responsibility to understand and comply with tax laws and regulations applicable to its business, with support from the external tax advisors. We have implemented a series of processes and controls to identify, manage and report tax risk appropriately. These include regular updates from Finance teams; documented review processes and regular training for staff involved in tax return preparation and review.











Product Responsibilities and Value Chain Management

VTech's culture of innovation not only supports its employees to continuously design and develop innovative and high quality products for the wellbeing of people and benefits of society, but also facilitates the Company to integrate sustainability concepts throughout the factory and business operations as well as its supply chain.

Highlights

- Developed four new eco-friendly products made from recycled PET bottles or reclaimed plastic
- · Launched two wooden toys with materials sourced from responsibly managed forests certified by FSC
- Launched LeapFrog[®] Magic Adventures Microscope™ and LeapFrog® Touch & Learn World Map™ for children's learning and development
- Introduced LeapFrog® Smart Video Baby Monitors with Enhanced Features for improving parents' monitoring experience
- · Launched a series of hotel phones made from recycled PET bottles
- Engaged in various post-consumer products and packaging recycling programmes in major markets

VTech's culture of innovation, which supports and encourages creative thinking and sharing of new ideas in the workplace, not only facilitates its employees to design and develop innovative and high quality products for the wellbeing of people and benefits of society, but also upholds the highest international and local quality and safety standards. It is also dedicated to incorporating sustainability concepts into the design of products to make them more eco-friendly and sustainable. Our management approach continues to focus on two key management principles - "Design for Excellence" and "Design for People". VTech has a well established "Supply Chain Management System" to monitor the quality of our suppliers as well as their environmental and ethical performance to ensure their compliance with VTech's CSR requirements.

Product Innovation





Design for Excellence

VTech products comply with the highest international and local environmental and safety standards. All our products also meet the specific standards and requirements on material usage, energy consumption and disposal method in the respective markets. A list of environmental and safety standards for our products is shown on page 86.

Design for Environment

Consumers are increasingly pursuing environmentally responsible brands that protect the environment, health, and safety of stakeholders. As an environmentally conscious Company, VTech strives to further improve our products to make them more sustainable and eco-friendly.

It starts in the product design and development. We explore the transition towards circular economy by following the life cycle assessment (LCA) principle from the beginning of the product design to different stages of production chain, with a focus on minimising our environmental impacts throughout the whole product life cycle from cradle to grave.

Our designers and engineers are required to follow the requirements on the LCA checklist to select more eco-friendly product and packaging materials, reduce the use of materials and energy, maximise the use of reusable items and avoid disposal of recyclable materials to landfill during the product development stage.



To further minimise the environmental impact of the colouring process, we continue to replace solvent-based paint with waterborne paint in our products and packaging and adopted the overmolding and inkjet printing technologies in the manufacturing process. Significant progress has been made over the past years. We are working on extending our product life cycle from cradle-to-grave to cradle-to-cradle, through the increasing use of sustainable materials and engaging in recycling programmes for our products and packaging.

Sustainable Product Design and Material

We have initiated our "Every Component Counts" programme and "Compact Design" principles since 2008 and we have made continuous improvements in the reductions of materials and components usage in our products.

Through our "Every Component Counts" programme, our designers and engineers also make suitable adjustments for components and material reductions. In recent years, we have continued to embed the principle of "Compact Design" in our packaging design, choosing more environmentally friendly packaging materials and reducing the weight of materials used for all VTech products. With the compliance of RoHS2 (Restriction of Hazardous Substances) and REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals) standards, we aim to use minimum permitted hazardous substances and chemicals in all ELPs and TEL products.

VOCs Reduction Initiatives

As a responsible corporate citizen, we strive to reduce VOCs emission, which may have negative impact on the environment.

In FY2017, we successfully launched our first TEL product that uses waterborne paint. Over the past years, we have further extended the application of waterborne paint in most of our products. It significantly reduced the amount of solvent used for dilution within the factory. In our metal factory, waterborne paint has replaced solvent-based paint for all products. Waterborne paint has also been applied to the pad printing and silkscreen printing procedures for our packaging. The application of waterborne paint has greatly reduced emission of VOCs into the atmosphere during manufacturing process and improved air quality.

At some of our operating sites, inkjet printing technology has been adopted to substitute silkscreen printing and pad printing to reduce odor and VOCs emission during colouring process.

Starting from FY2019, we began to adopt plastic overmolding technology. It is a multiple injection molding process where multiple-coloured plastic components are being produced in a multiple molding cycle. The adoption of plastic overmolding technology allows us to minimise paint spraying process and thus VOCs emission.

Vacuum Plasma Treatment technology has been adopted to replace Polypropylene Water Spraying, eliminating the spraying process and reducing VOCs emissions. To minimise the consumption of solvents containing VOCs, Isopropyl alcohol based Wave Soldering Flux will be replaced with VOC-free flux which utilises deionized water as major solvent. In FY2023, we began phasing out solvent-based adhesives through applying waterborne alternatives, so as to further reduce the VOCs emission in our production.

In FY2023, waterborne paint was used in about 90% of ELPs and 87% of TEL products. As for packaging, waterborne paint was used in about 99% of ELP packaging and about 82% of TEL product packaging. We will continue to extend the use of waterborne paints for our TEL products, ELPs and CMS designed products.



Inkjet Printing Technology





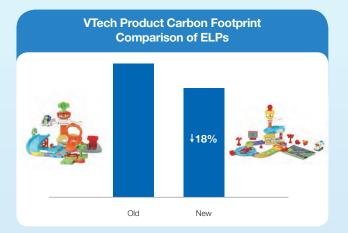


We continue to incorporate eco-design principles from the manufacturing phase of the production life cycle to the product usage in the end user's home. Every year we conduct LCA for our key products to compare the carbon footprint between the old and new models, and ensure that there is continuous reduction in carbon footprint of the new model. By embedding the eco-design principles and with continuous reduction in plastic materials and components usage, the carbon footprints of the two new ELP and TEL

models have reduced 18% and 8% respectively compared with the old generation.

We have been studying the application of sustainable materials for ELPs, selected hotel phone products and CMS designed products. For ELPs, we continue to develop models made from bio-based plastics or reclaimed plastics, and wooden toys with materials sourced from responsibly managed forests certified by the FSC.

VTech Product Carbon Footprint Comparison of TEL Products 18% Old New



Green Electronic Learning Products

VTech has continued launching a variety of electronic learning products made of sustainable materials in FY2023. These included Busy Musical Bee, Soft Discovery Turtle, LeapFrog® Tapping Colours 2-in-1 Xylophone, LeapFrog® Wooden AlphaPup™, LeapFrog® Interactive Learning Easel, Touch & Feel Sensory Keys and Stack, Rattle & Link Elephant, which had been well received from the consumers.

With the sustainability goal to replace fossil-based virgin plastics with sustainable materials such as recycled, reclaimed, recyclable, plant-based plastics, or FSC-certified wood, VTech continues to use sustainable materials in its products and packaging with target towards a circular economy. In FY2023, we expanded

our range of eco-friendly ELPs made from sustainable materials. These included the Snuggle Sounds Whale and Bundle of Fun Zebra Gift Set with fabrics sourced from recycled PET bottles, and the Make & Spin Bouquet™ and Sorting Fun Apple made from reclaimed plastics. We also launched more wooden toys with materials sourced from responsibly managed forests certified by the FSC, which included the LeapFrog® ABCs & Activities Wooden Table™ and LeapFrog® Touch & Learn Wooden Activity Cube™. Our R&D team will continue to study the application of sustainable alternatives for other product lines. For a full list of ELPs made from sustainable materials, please visit our website: sustainability.vtech. com/product-and-value-chain







Green Hotel Phone Made From Recycled PET Bottles

VTech successfully launched the first hotel phone with an environmentally friendly cabinet made using recycled PET bottles in FY2022. To further enhance this new range, a series of hotel phones; one with a high quality hands-free speakerphone and another that can be easily wall mounted were launched in FY2023. The hotel phone cabinet was fabricated by combining nonrecycled acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) resin and recycled plastic resin from post-consumer PET plastic. Seven 500mL recycled PET bottles were used in the manufacture of each hotel phone. The recycled material not only exhibits good chemical resistance and wellbalanced plastic properties but also complies with current RoHS2 regulations. The plastic is further enhanced by the addition of an industry leading anti-bacterial coating which helps inhibit the growth of bacteria.



Sustainable Packaging

We continuously reduce environmental impacts of our packaging through material sourcing, usage reduction, design change and recycling as part of our effort moving towards circular economy.

Currently 95% of our ELP packaging materials are recyclable, of which about 85% was made from recycled materials. VTech has also eliminated blister in 99% of the ELPs packaging, and continued to replace fossil-based blister packaging with sustainable alternative such as bio-based or recycled PET in new ELPs packaging. We have made effort to reduce the size of the instructions leaflet of the ELPs to save paper. By adding QR code for full instruction menu, we were able to reduce 45% of the leaflet size. For TEL products, we have eliminated plastic in over 60% of baby monitors packaging.

Product Disposal and Recycling

In order to support circular economy initiatives in its major markets, VTech has engaged in various postconsumer packaging recycling programmes in the US, the UK, Australia and New Zealand. Packaging recycling labels such as How2Recycle® and "OPRL" the On-Pack Recycling Label have also been placed on the product packaging of its electronic learning products for consumers' easy reference.

To encourage post-consumer product recycling, VTech has partnered with leading international recycling companies such as TerraCycle® in the US and Electronic Products Recycling Association in Canada. It has also followed the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive in Europe by adding product recycling labels on the product packaging. These recycling programmes provide an easy way for consumers to recycle VTech's electronic learning products in the respective countries.

We have extended the post-consumer product recycling to our telecommunication products in the US. By partnering with Electronic Scrap Recycling (ESR), consumers can send our products to ESR for collection and sorting prior to recycling process. The collected products will be shredded, and recyclable materials such as paper and metals are separated and sorted by type before being processed into raw materials.

We will continue to explore opportunity for a wider end-oflife product collection and recycling scheme and search for partner for cooperation on this matter, aiming to extend the post-consumer recycling programmes to the rest of our key markets.

























Design for Quality

VTech is committed to designing and manufacturing products that meet the highest international and local health and safety standards. All VTech products follow robust specifications on banned and restricted substances. Our products, including TEL products and ELPs, sold in the US and Europe are RoHS2 compliant, and our products sold in the US and Europe fully comply with REACH. We have implemented a stringent quality control system, from all materials, components, machines and equipment, operational techniques and methods to the final products assessment, to ensure that the use of all materials and manufacturing processes are compliant with both international and local standards and requirements.

VTech Quality Control System

Upholding the highest quality standards of our products, all VTech's manufacturing facilities for TEL products, ELPs and CMS are certified with ISO 9001. VTech has implemented a comprehensive quality management system framework to set up quality assurance policies and procedures to address the product quality and reliability on a regular basis, as well as improve the work efficiency. By going through the incoming materials inspection, we could ensure all selected parts and components comply with required specifications, international and local standards before production, whereas the in-process quality audit could constantly improve our manufacturing process, production efficiency and

consistency. Our outgoing quality assessment helps to verify the reliability and compatibility of our products, ensuring that our products meet the required specification and are free from defects at the time of delivery. We also build trust with our customers and ensure our products meet their expectations through our after-sales management.

All VTech products are fully covered by our warranty. We have set up different communication channels, such as call centres and social networking platform that can be accessed around the world, where customers can raise their concerns directly to us. We also work proactively on all reported cases in a timely manner by carrying out reviews, evaluations and investigations, followed by immediate corrective or preventive actions to satisfy our customers' needs.

During the year, there was no product recall as a result of health and safety issues and we have received 11 complaints related to product health and safety. They have been handled promptly and carefully by the legal, quality assurance, R&D and customer service teams, in order to resolve underlying issues and prevent safety incidents resulting from product usage. As product quality and safety is always our number one priority, VTech will continue to strengthen our manufacturing process, product specifications, quality assurance and management programmes throughout the whole product life cycle from the early stage of product design, to the manufacturing and after-sales services and warranties to ensure that our products are free from safety defects at the time of delivery.

Incoming Materials

- New Component Evaluation
- Supplier Quality Audit
- Incoming Materials Inspection
- RoHS2 & REACH Control

Manufacturing Process

- In-Process Quality Audit
- Outgoing Quality Control
- RoHS2 & REACH Control

Finished Products

- Product Reliability (Product Testing)
- Hardware Evaluation
- Software Evaluation
- Human Factor Evaluation

After-Sales Quality Management

- Call Centre
- Warranty Service

VTech Quality Laboratories

To improve the quality, durability and performance of our products, we have set up our in-house product quality and reliability validation laboratories (labs) at the manufacturing sites of our product lines. All our products must go through reliability tests during different design stages. The comprehensive tests provide data for our engineers to improve the quality and reliability during the stages of production, transportation, storage and throughout the intended product life cycle under a wide range of use conditions.

Ongoing reliability test is also conducted during the mass production stage on a sampling basis to detect any anomalies or changes that may occur in the design, supply chain or production process that adversely changes field reliability performance of our products. The reliability lab of TEL products is designed based on the international requirements and standards, and our UL Safety Lab is the first telecommunication manufacturing facility to comply with UL 60950 in Guangdong. Our in-house physical and chemical laboratory of ELPs is a China National Accreditation Service (CNAS) certified laboratory for ASTM F963 & EN71-1 (specific test items) standards since 2011 and complies with ISO 17025 standards. Equipped with advanced testing instruments, our in-house chemical laboratory is also able to test specific chemicals such as heavy metals and phthalates. Samples of our VTech products are also sent to independent safety testing labs before they are brought to market to ensure that they meet the highest levels of international and local quality and safety standards.



TEL Products Test Labs

Compliance Lab

- Signal Performance
- Alerting
- Transmission Characteristics
- Environmental Considerations
- Caller Identity (CID) Test
- Acoustic Test

Reliability Lab

- Salt Fog Test
- Autoclave Test
- · Height Measurement
- Carton Vibration Test/Carton Drop Test/Carton Stacking Test
- Unpacked Drop Test
- Waterproof Test/Surface Temperature/Battery Life
- ESD Test/Energy Star/CEC
- Charge-contact life/Keypad Life/Coil Cord Life
- Silkscreen & Painting Abrasion Test

UL Safety Lab

- Stress Relief Test
- Drop Test
- Impact Test
- Over-voltage Test
- Hi-pot Test
- Steady Force Test

Environment Test Lab

- High Low Temperature Test
- High Low Storage Test
- Humidity Test
- Thermal Shock Test
- Temperature Cycle Test



ELPs Test Labs

Reliability Lab

- Wire Bending Test
- Keyboard Life Test
- Component Life Test
- Storage Test
- Operating Temperature
- ESD Test
- Transportation Test Vibration Test
- Transportation Test Carton Box Drop Test
- Sound Test
- Tension Test
- Torque Test
- Drop Test
- Compression Test

Chemical Lab

- Pb, Hg, Cr & Cd on Electronics Components
- Heavy metals (soluble & total contents) on Surface Coatings and Substrates
- Phthalates & Organostannic Compounds Test on Surface Coatings and Substrates
- Polycyclic Aromatic
 Hydrocarbons (PAHs) Test
 on Surface coatings and
 Substrates



Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) Test on Surface Coatings and Substrates

CMS Test Labs

Measurement & Reliability Lab

- Temperature Humidity Environmental Stress Test
- Vibration Test
- Salt Spray Corrosion Test
- Abrasion Test
- Switch On-Off Cycling Test
- XRF Spectrum Analysis
- Melt Flow Index Analysis
- Automated 3D Dimension Measurement
- Height Measurement
- Optical Microscopy Analysis
- RCL Measurement
- IV Curve Analysis
- Signal Analysis
- Quartz Oscillator Test
- Color Spectrum Analysis
- X-Ray Imaging Analysis
- Wire Load Swing Test
- Speaker Test
- Burn in Test



Burn in Test







Responsible Marketing and Labelling

VTech is committed to delivering high quality products to customers while upholding the highest legal and ethical standards for its marketing activities to protect the rights of its consumers. We adhere to all relevant laws and regulations on responsible marketing at all locations where we operate. We have a Responsible Marketing and Labelling Policy in place to ensure that the Group adheres to the applicable regulatory requirements on responsible marketing for the provision and communication of accurate and reliable marketing information about its products and services to its customers. It is our objective that all our marketing communications are lawful, decent, honest, truthful, transparent, free from exaggeration and not misleading. Marketing materials are thoroughly reviewed and approved by the marketing team to ensure they complied with relevant standards and regulations. VTech recognises the special nature of the child audience. We take extra care in marketing activities directed towards them to safeguard the rights of children and parents. All our marketing communications must be age-appropriate and inclusive, taking into account children's levels of experience, sophistication and maturity. We aim to enrich the play experience of children while protecting them from physical and mental harm. We work with trusted digital media partners and websites to ensure advertising contents reach our customers via appropriate platforms.

For details of our Responsible Marketing and Labelling Policy, please refer to: sustainability.vtech.com/reports_policies

Customers' health and safety are important considerations in the design, manufacturing and marketing of our products. We provide and place clear and comprehensive labels on our products, packaging, and manuals that contain plain

and accurate information. All efforts are made to ensure our product labelling complies with all relevant laws and regulations. The contents of the description, labels and all other communications on our products, packaging and marketing communications including but not limited to safety standards and warnings, quality, green labels, disposal and recycle instructions, and copyright logos undergo routine internal review conducted by the marketing and quality teams which when necessary, will be guided by the legal team for accuracy and compliance.

Design for People

Addressing our customers' needs is our primary responsibility in the stage of product design. We continuously use our technological expertise to help improve the health and safety of our customers, which is our number one objective. We have developed a series of baby monitors that help parents take care of their babies. Meanwhile, VTech continues to use its global leadership position in electronic learning products to develop high-quality and innovative educational products that inspire children's creativity through fun and smart play. In order to stay in harmony with the environment, we also incorporate the eco-design principles into our products and launch many eco-friendly products.

Products for Customers' Health and Safety

With increasing global awareness of people's health and lifestyle, VTech's product design team has applied innovative designs and functionality elements in developing products that could help customers live with ease and safety. We also work closely with different target customers including parents, seniors and children to design our products in order to address their needs for the enhancement of their well-being.

LeapFrog® Smart Video Baby Monitors with Enhanced Features



The new LeapFrog® & smart video baby monitors incorporate a range of features designed to provide parents with a better remote monitoring experience.

The 5.5" Super Long Range 1080p monitor goes beyond the standard range of traditional baby monitors, which typically cover around 1,000 feet, to an impressive field range of up to 2,500 feet. This improvement enables parents to secure transmission from all across the house.

The TOUCH Screen 1080p monitor offers parents an added level of convenience to control the camera through the touch screen display of the parent unit.

Additionally, the screen resolution of both monitors has been upgraded from 720p to 1080p with premier colour and viewing angles. The higher definition video transmitted allows parents to view their babies with clearer images on the display, providing a better monitoring experience.





Enhanced Ultrasound System

VTech CMS manufactured the ultrasound system for its customer, which is designed to perform imaging diagnostics for various medical purposes. The device is featured with the ultrasonic sensor and diagnostics program, which achieve smooth ultrasonic imaging and supports efficient and high-quality examination including general routine checks and follow-ups. This device provides high mobility and flexibility by being able to operate for diverse health care purposes, including home caring and therapy, bringing comprehensive and caring experience for our customers.



Products for Children's Learning and Development

VTech believes that each child has his unique pace of learning mentally, emotionally and physically. Our ELPs are specially designed to grow with the children through these various stages of learning. Our ELPs guide children throughout the development stages of three key aspects (1) Language & Cognitive (2) Social & Emotional, and (3) Physical & Motor. We recognise that playing is important for children to learn and

develop. Young children could learn how to communicate easily through playing creatively with toys, games and anything they can get hold of. It is a very important channel to develop their language skills and express their feelings. Through creative play, children will also learn to recognise and empathise other people's feeling, to appreciate and respect other people. After consulting our educational expert panel, we have developed a wide range of electronic learning toys that are fun to play with and provide children with many important learning opportunities.



LeapFrog[®] Magic Adventures Microscope™

LeapFrog® Magic Adventures Microscope™ is designed to stimulate and nurture children's interest in science through interactive learning. Children can explore fun knowledge and vocabularies in 15 topics, including flowers, animals, food, minerals and more by using the double-side smart slides that activate BBC videos and images. They can make their own discovery using the microscope feature to observe microorganism of their samples collected with up to 200x magnification. Children can also test their knowledge with quizzes and the adventure games. This toy has received the STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) Accreditation Stamp by The Toy Association™.

LeapFrog® Touch & Learn World Map™

LeapFrog® Touch & Learn World Map™ is an illustrated world map featured with 200 interactive touch points. Kids can press the touch points and learn more than 1,000 fun facts about oceans and continents, natural wonders, countries and languages, animals and habitats, landmarks and monuments. Three games are included for kids to challenge their knowledge about geographic locations of countries, animals, and famous landmarks. This toy helps children to discover and explore the world, and unearth their interest in nature.











Eco-friendly Products

VTech products comply with the international and local environmental regulations and we have embedded the eco-design principles into our products. We continue to develop Digital Enhanced Cordless Telecommunication cordless phones with the

Blue Angel eco-label, certifying that those models meet the German standards of low radiation. We have upgraded our power adaptor to the level VI standard with Energy Star eco-label in our US cordless phone products.







Smart Home System

In FY2023, VTech CMS produced the Smart Home System for its customer, it is designed to connects multiple electronic appliances into one control system. It enables user to access and control the lighting, air conditioner, coffee makers, music player and more, easily and remotely through a control panel, smart switch, smart plug and mobile app. This device transforms households with high level of convenience and energy-efficiency.



To ensure that our consumers are well informed of their choices of purchases, all related product specifications and information are clearly labelled on the gift boxes and could also be easily accessed through our social media channels, which assures the quality and environmental performance of our products.

Sustainable Supply Chain





A well-established Supply Chain Management System and a good procurement practice are crucial for our sustainable operations. Including the manufacturers of printed circuit boards (PCBs) and other electronic components, over 85% of our major suppliers are from the local industries in Mainland China. Logistics services providers form the bulk of the downstream suppliers. VTech's Supply Chain Management System monitors the quality of its suppliers as well as their environmental, social and ethical performance to ensure they have complied with our Supplier Code of Conduct and Conflict Mineral Policy. We are committed to managing our supply chain in a socially and environmentally responsible manner and sourcing from approved suppliers who meet VTech's CSR requirements.

Supplier Code of Conduct

To mitigate environmental and social risks, we have established the Supplier Code of Conduct in adherence to the requirements of the RBA Code of Conduct (the Code). The Code covers a wide range of sustainability topics such as labour rights, anti-slavery, health and safety, environment and business ethics etc. VTech requires all suppliers that provide goods and services related to its manufacturing process to align their practices with the standards set out in the Code, and put in place similar requirements for their own suppliers. The Code is reviewed regularly and amended when necessary to remain relevant and compliant with all relevant laws and regulations.

We strongly oppose and have no tolerance for child labour, modern slavery or human trafficking in our supply chain or in any part of our business. Our Modern Slavery and Transparency in Supply Chains Statement stipulates the suppliers' obligation to align with VTech's policies regarding human rights and labour rights according to International Labour Organisation Conventions on Labour Standards and the 10 UN Global Compact principles. Suppliers shall also take responsibility to minimise their environmental impact including but not limited to emissions, energy consumption, water and waste, through complying with relevant environmental laws and regulations and implementing effective environmental management systems.

For details of our Supplier Code of Conduct, please refer to sustainability.vtech.com/reports_policies

Procurement Policy

We recognise the potential CSR risks along the supply chain that may adversely affect our product quality and safety. Our procurement criteria is based not only upon price, quality, delivery capacity and reputation, but also integrity, social and environmental performance.

All new suppliers need to go through a comprehensive supplier audit to ensure they meet VTech's CSR and quality standards. Prior to placing any orders with any supplier, we engage with them to evaluate the risks they may pose to VTech and request them to provide supporting documents such as ISO 14001 and ISO 45001 certificates, as well as relevant environmental permits. Site visits may be conducted when necessary to ensure full compliance with our requirements. All information is reviewed by our procurement team before engaging the suppliers. All purchases made by the Company are handled by the procurement team in a fair, objective and professional manner. Inspections are carried out on incoming materials, especially for critical safety-related components and materials, to detect any non-compliance issues and implement corrective actions if needed.





VTech's CSR Requirements for Suppliers

Labour

- Freely Chosen Employment
- Child Labour Avoidance and the protection of Young Workers
- Working Hours
- Wages and Benefits
- Humane Treatment
- Non-Discrimination
- Freedom of Association and Collective Bargaining

Health and Safety

- Occupational Safety
- Emergency Preparedness
- Occupational Injury and Illness
- Industrial Hygiene
- Physically Demanding Work
- Machine Safeguarding
- Sanitation, Food, and Housing
- Health and Safety Communication

Environmental

- Environmental Permits and Reporting
- Pollution Prevention, Resource Reduction and Biodiversity
- Hazardous Substances
- Solid Waste
- Air Emissions
- Materials Restrictions
- Water Management
- Energy Consumption and Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Ethical Standards

- Business Integrity
- No Improper Advantage
- Disclosure of Information
- Intellectual Property
- Fair Business, Advertising and Competition
- Protection of Identity
- Responsible Sourcing of Minerals
- Privacy
- Supply Chain Security

Management Systems

- Company commitment
- Management Accountability and Responsibility
- Legal and Customer Requirements
- Risk Assessment and Risk Management
- Improvement Objectives
- Training
- Communication
- Worker Feedback, Participation and Grievance
- · Audits and Assessments
- Corrective Action Process
- Documentation and Records
- Supplier Responsibility

Supplier Risk Classification and Monitoring

We regularly monitor and evaluate suppliers' CSR performance according to their risks exposure. Suppliers are classified into three risk levels including low, medium and high, based on a set of criteria including procurement amount, industries with high risks of labour issues and environmental pollution, the locations of operations, as well as third-party certifications of relevant CSR management systems. All suppliers are required to sign the Supplier CSR Agreement, pledging to comply with our Supplier Code of Conduct and Conflict Minerals Policy. Such obligation is also stated in our standard purchasing agreement. Various measures are also implemented to mitigate the supplier's risks depending on our risk level assessment of the relevant suppliers, including submission of supplier CSR self-assessment and CSR audit. Our procurement teams assess the risk level of suppliers and closely monitor their performance periodically. We also identify and monitor CSR risks for critical Tier 2 suppliers through conducting audits.

Following the audit process, suppliers with any areas of non-compliance identified are required to propose corrective actions with an implementation schedule to eliminate the identified deficiencies. We follow up on the corrective actions to ensure that the non-compliance areas have been improved and managed accordingly. VTech reserves the right to terminate business relationship with suppliers with major non-compliances with the Code that are not remedied within a timeframe. Reporting channel is also in place to encourage our stakeholders to report any suspected violations of the practices and conditions covered by the Code. In FY2023, we conducted CSR audits for 133 suppliers, which included all high-risk Tier 1 suppliers and critical Tier 2 suppliers.

Supplier Engagement

We believe that we can achieve a sustainable supply chain by building a long-term relationship with our suppliers based on mutual trust. We have developed a comprehensive supplier management programme to assist suppliers to meet our CSR requirements, including adopting a supplier scorecard system to assessing their performance. We work closely with our suppliers to further improve the manufacturing energy efficiency and social aspect of our upstream suppliers. Trainings are provided to them as a continuous improvement process to facilitate their implementation of any corrective actions. VTech also collaborates with our suppliers to provide a safe, inclusive and sustainable workplace for their employees, and promote ethical sourcing practices with suppliers' commitment to VTech's Code of Conduct.







We invited suppliers to our annual CSR workshops, offering hands-on training and resources to suppliers and providing guidance for them to meet our CSR requirements and achieve continuous improvement in their sustainability performance. Through experience sharing, we encourage them to take action to enhance energy efficiency, reduce carbon footprint of the components used in our products, improve working conditions and protect human rights.



Collaboration with Suppliers For Waste Reduction

We have been collaborating with several suppliers to develop waste reduction plan since FY2021, including collecting and returning containers of Pledge® Furniture Care and polyamide to suppliers for recycling. To reduce the disposal of the flux and glue containers as a hazardous waste, we coordinated with suppliers to reuse the containers by adding inner bags to avoid contamination to the containers. In FY2023, we continued to work with suppliers to reduce packaging waste. We provided plastic boxes for suppliers to send the materials to the factory, replacing single-use paper boxes. We also required suppliers to use waterborne paint instead of oil painting for packaging labels to reduce VOCs emissions along the supply chain.

Conflict Minerals Policy

VTech recognises its responsibility to source materials in an ethical and sustainable way throughout its supply chain. This includes minimisation of the negative societal and environmental impacts of mining minerals in conflict-affected and high-risk areas ("CAHRAs"), including human rights infringements and environmental problems.

VTech does not directly procure minerals from mines, smelters or refiners. We expect suppliers not to procure products that contain tin, tantalum, tungsten, or gold (collectively "3TG"), cobalt and mica originated from CAHRAS, and if such procurement is unavoidable, the involved smelters and refiners shall be compliant under the Responsible Minerals Assurance Process (RMAP) or other relevant standards. We comply with the EU Conflict Minerals Regulations and US Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Act of 2010. We identify and assess risks on the use of conflict minerals along the supply chain by conducting due diligence work set forth in the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's (OECD) Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains from CAHRAS (the Due Diligence Guidance).

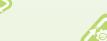
Our Conflict Minerals Policy contains the details of our requirements. VTech actively monitor its suppliers to ensure they do not procure products that contain 3TG, cobalt and mica originated from CAHRAs. VTech requests its suppliers to warrant that all materials and goods supplied to VTech do not and shall not contain 3TG, cobalt or mica originated from CAHRAs, or in case of containing such materials, the relevant smelters and refiners are compliant under RMAP. We expect suppliers to make informed choice about responsibly sourced minerals in their supply chains by using RMAP's third party assessment of smelter and refiner management systems and sourcing practices so as to enable them to source 3TG, cobalt and mica only from smelters and refiners which are validated as conformant.

We require suppliers to perform due diligence which aligns with the Due Diligence Guidance and the Conflict Minerals Reporting Template (CMRT). Our Sustainability Team works with relevant departments including Procurement, Legal & Compliance to closely monitor suppliers' compliance status, and will request additional information and implementation of corrective actions if any risks are identified. Business relationship with suppliers may be discontinued if any violation against the policy is found. Suppliers shall apply the same requirements to their upstream suppliers to ensure alignment and traceability throughout the supply chain and back to the smelters and refiners.

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Environment













VTech has developed "Climate Change Strategy" to assess and address the potential risks and opportunities arising from climate change. It also promotes a culture of innovation and incorporates sustainability concepts in its operation, including high performance production chain, green manufacturing and sustainable logistic practices.

Highlights

- GHG emission per production output in our assembly and plastic factories decreased by 10.3% and 2.9% respectively compared with FY2020
- Material and packaging material used per production output reduced by 6.7% and 18.6% compared with FY2020
- Total water consumption per production output decreased by 24.4% compared with FY2020
- Procured and generated about 1,160 MWh of renewable energy globally

As an environmentally conscious and sustainable company, we are committed to protecting the environment and easing the impacts of climate change to move towards a circular economy. Our culture of innovation also facilitates VTech to strengthen its operational excellence with innovative solutions in the factory operation to continuously improve its productivity, and incorporate sustainability aspects in the business operations. Recognising that climate change could create uncertainties in our business development, in our 5-year Sustainability Plan 2025, we have developed "Climate Change Strategy" to assess impact of climate change on our business operations, identify the associated risks and opportunities, and develop sustainability initiatives to address them. We operate our manufacturing processes and facilities in a manner that minimises the impacts to the environment, and ensure that our operations are compliant with all the relevant environmental, legal and statutory requirements.

We continuously review our environmental management approach and carbon reduction programmes in order to manage our carbon emissions in the supply chain and daily operations efficiently and effectively.

In order to ensure that our manufacturing operations are always following the best practices of the industry, we have developed a sustainable manufacturing process which includes the programmes on achieving a high performance production chain, and also established a green manufacturing practice across the facilities of all our three business units.

Through the adoption of the green logistics management approach, and choosing the most eco-friendly transportation mode for delivering our incoming materials from suppliers and outgoing products to our customers, we have reduced our Scope 3 GHG emissions along our supply chain.







Circular Economy and Environmental Management



At VTech, we support a circular economy by designing products with minimum environmental impacts throughout the whole product life cycle. We strive to operate efficiently, reduce GHG emission, avoid waste generation, conserve natural resources and turn unavoidable waste into resources. All our existing manufacturing sites of our TEL products, ELPs and CMS are certified with the ISO 14001 standard for environmental management. We incorporate sustainability concepts into our production and product design without compromising the product quality and safety which are always our priority.

We have incorporated the 3Rs (Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle) principle into our manufacturing process, and established energy and resources management system to better utilise the resources in our manufacturing process, aiming to reduce the energy and water consumption, minimise the waste production and improve the reuse rate of resources.

VTech has continuously worked with government bodies to minimise the environmental impact of our production facilities. Our TEL products manufacturing site has been certified as the "Hong Kong – Guangdong Cleaner Production Excellent Partners" by the Hong Kong Productivity Council and Guangdong Provincial Government in recognition of our positive contribution to improving the air quality and local environment in FY2023 for eight consecutive years. It has also been recognised as the "Dongguan Environmentally Friendly Enterprise" by the Dongguan, Guangdong Province Environmental Protection Bureau in China in FY2023 for eight years. Moreover, our VOCs purification system was recognised as "Demonstration Project" under the Cleaner Production Partnership Programme of Hong Kong Productivity Council in FY2019. The Dongguan Economy & Information Technology Bureau launched an energy programme to encourage corporate and manufacturers to take the initiative of managing the energy consumptions. Our TEL products manufacturing site has also taken part in this programme since FY2015, along with the implementation of our energy saving and management projects. In return, our TEL production site was rewarded with credit for participation in this programme.

VTech Environmental Policy

The major environmental impacts from VTech's operations relate to energy and water consumption, waste generation and logistics. We are committed to minimising the potential environmental impacts from our operations with the following principles:



Comply with all relevant environmental, legal and other statutory requirements



Integrate environmental objectives into our business decisions in a cost effective manner



Maintain an Environmental Management System in line with the requirements of ISO 14001



Require all staff to address environmental responsibilities within normal operating procedures



Quantify and monitor the significant environmental impacts of our activities, products and services and set specific targets for improvement where appropriate, and review these annually



Enhance awareness of environmental and resource efficiency issues amongst our customers, suppliers, staff and stakeholders through improvement projects and programmes in the respective areas

In order to meet the above requirement in a sustainable manner, VTech has functional teams comprising individuals from different product lines and departments across the organisation. Our environmental policy is reviewed annually to ensure that it is relevant and up to date.



Climate Change – Risks and Opportunities



Climate Change Strategy

The Paris Agreement adopted at the UN Climate Change Conference (COP21) in 2015 addressed the common standards and set ambitious goals for downsizing the global carbon emission amount to mitigate the environmental impacts caused by climate change. The Chinese government also announced its carbon pledge, aiming to achieve carbon neutrality before 2060.

VTech has major manufacturing sites located in Mainland China. As an environmentally conscious company, we are committed to contributing to GHG reduction and aligning our sustainable growth with the national and international climate change agenda. To this end, we have addressed the climate change challenges and developed our Climate Change Strategy to minimise the potential environmental impacts arising from our daily operation. We also gather relevant emissions data and maintain our carbon inventory to facilitate the setting of GHG reduction targets and tracking progress. As part of our strategy, we are dedicated to reducing our GHG emissions by minimising the energy consumption from our daily operation through our various energy and resources saving programmes. We have also been working closely with our suppliers and customers to reduce the carbon emissions through enhancing our environmentally friendly product designs, green logistic practices and carbon reduction programme.

VTech acknowledges that the extreme weather caused by climate change could affect our business in various ways. Our Climate Change Strategy is established to prepare for downside risk, maximise upside opportunities, and ensure our business strategies are not only following the longer term trajectory of climate change, but also sufficiently flexible to respond to the inevitable changes in the business environment. We also encourage our procurement team to explore eco-friendly materials and equipment. By choosing the right materials and equipment, we can ensure the product quality while further reducing the GHG emission generated through the manufacturing process. VTech continuously reviews our approach on climate change to enhance our resilience in response to the associated risks and opportunities.

The Environmental Protection Department of Guangdong Province has strengthened the VOCs emission standards for various manufacturing industries, regulating the local VOCs emissions and encouraging manufacturers to apply more environmental friendly materials throughout the manufacturing process, aiming to improve regional air quality. We have not only developed the waterborne paint to replace solvent-based paint, but also adopted overmolding and inkjet printing technologies in the printing process to reduce the VOCs emission generated during our manufacturing process. In addition, VOCs purification system with high VOCs elimination rate was installed in one of our production facilities.

VTech Carbon Management Approach

Supply Chain

- Work closely with our suppliers and require them to follow our CSR requirements
- Share our energy efficiency programmes with our suppliers and help them to reduce the environmental impacts from operations

Operations

- Disclose the total GHG emissions including Scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions
- Strive to reduce our GHG emission per production output
- Report our GHG information and progress in our Sustainability Report
- Review and update our climate change policies and projects annually

Customers

- Share GHG information with customers
- Optimise the energy efficiency in the use of our products
- Measure and reduce the carbon footprint of our key products in each generation

Communities

- Support local climate change policy of our sites of operation
- Update our Climate Change Strategy and carbon reduction programmes with reference to the international and local climate mitigation targets, plans, and adaptation initiatives







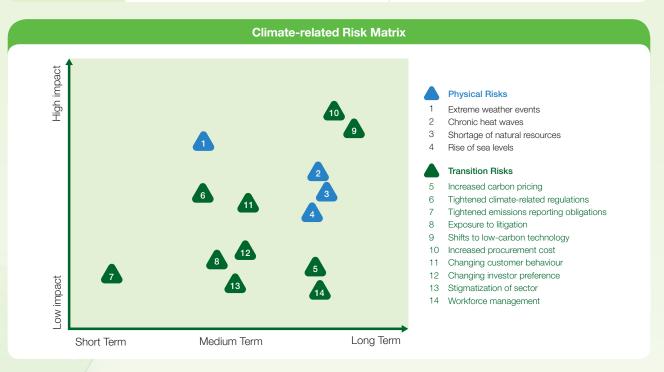


Climate-related Risks and Opportunities

The Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosure (TCFD) was established in 2015 to provide a voluntary reporting framework for companies to consistently report climate risk to investors. Recognising the importance of assessing the climate-related risks and opportunities for a company in combating climate change and supporting the transition to a low-carbon economy, since FY2020, VTech has disclosed climate-related initiatives using the TCFD's framework. A number of potential risks and opportunities have been identified and our RMSC performs close oversight of these potential risks to make sure they are monitored, measured, and mitigated appropriately.

In FY2022, we further analysed our climate-related risks by adopting climate scenarios during the risk assessment process. Risks exposure level and likelihood of occurrence were evaluated under two scenarios selected with reference to the TCFD recommendations. The business-as-usual scenario was selected to assess the physical risks under high GHG emissions and limited climate action. The Paris-aligned scenario was selected to help in developing our climate strategy and actions in achieving the Paris ambition of limiting the temperature at well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels. The results are shown at the climate risk matrix with risk level indicated. We strive to integrate this analysis into the existing risk management mechanism and continue to evaluate our climate risks periodically in order to reflect the latest development of the Group and the industry as well as government policy changes.

	Business-as-usual Scenario	Paris-aligned Scenario
Model Referenced	IPCC Representative Concentration Pathway (RCP) 8.5	International Energy Agency's Sustainable Development Scenario (SDS)
Rationale	RCP 8.5 is selected to assess the impact of physical risks under a high-emissions scenario, consistent with a future with no policy changes to reduce emissions. This would enable evaluation of our adaptability to severe consequences of climate change.	SDS is selected to assess the impact of transition risks as we shift towards a low-carbon economy. This would enable our strategic planning in contributing to the Paris Agreement commitment.
Assumptions	Global average temperature increases by around 4°C by 2100, with high frequency and intensity of extreme weather events.8	All current net zero pledges are achieved in full, with extensive policy efforts and technological advancement to realise emissions reductions. The temperature rise could be limited to below 2°C by 2100.9



- We consider the assumptions and potential physical impact (including extreme weather, flooding, heat waves, sea level rise etc.) under the Business-as-usual scenario with reference to TCFD (2020) Guidance on Risk Management Integration and Disclosure.
- We consider the assumptions and potential impact of transition risks (including shifts in energy mix, net-zero assumptions, clean technology development of the industry sector etc.) under the Paris-aligned scenario with reference to the International Energy Agency (IEA) World Energy Outlook 2021.





We have identified the climate change risks over the short-(0-1 year), medium- (1-5 years), and long-term (5+ years). While mitigation and adaptation measures are formulated in response to the various risks, some challenges brought by transition risks also present opportunities for us to align our strategies and action towards a positive change. We will continue to gear up and collaborate with suppliers and business partners to seize climate change opportunities through designing low carbon products and services through innovation, setting benchmark for the industry on climate action.

Climate-related Physical Risks

In medium term, physical risks include acute risk from extreme weather events such as flood, tropical cyclone and breaking out of natural disasters. While for long term, we anticipate chronic physical risk including water shortage, changes in precipitation pattern and extreme variability in weather patterns. Both medium-term and long-term acute and chronic physical risks affect VTech's operation which could lead to assets write-offs, increased insurance premiums and reduction in revenue from decreased production capacity and supply chain disruption. We mitigate physical risks through implementing and reviewing the Business Continuity Management (BCM) programme and other emergency measures to ensure adequate climate change resilience capacity.

Climate-related Transition Risks

Transition risks are also identified for moving towards a low-carbon, less polluting, greener economy. For VTech, the major transition risks are related to the shifts towards low-carbon technology which lead to increased capital expenditure in the long-term. The unexpected shifts in fuel and energy price due to changing climate policies will also increase our procurement cost. In short-term, we anticipate that the regulatory authorities will keep enhancing the emissions-reporting obligations which will increase our costs in meeting the new requirements. New regulatory requirements in relation to climate change on operation, product and service are expected to be released in the medium term. With the requirement for companies to bear the cost of GHG emission, such as carbon tax and GHG emissions trading scheme, we expect increases in operation costs in the long term.

Market risk in medium term has been identified as loss of market share due to changing customer preference towards sustainable products. A failure to address stakeholder concerns and their changing perceptions of an organisation's contribution to the transition to a low carbon economy can also damage our reputation.

These transition risks will lead to substantial cost increase, including operation cost, compliance cost and R&D expenditure, as well as decreased revenues arising from change in consumers' preference. We keep abreast of the regulatory changes and build internal capabilities to minimise the adverse impact of such risks on our business.

Climate-related Opportunities

The pressure stemming from climate risks also creates significant opportunities for VTech to align our strategies with the direction of climate change. To fully seize the opportunities and mitigate the climate-related risks, VTech has established the Sustainability Plan 2025 to use sustainable materials in our products, recycle our products in a responsible way, increase the use of renewable energy and reduce the natural resources consumption in our production process, and use more eco-friendly transportation modes in our supply chain management.

In short, medium and long term, we will continue to transform towards high performance production chain and collaborate with suppliers to maximise our resources efficiency and reduce our material used, electricity consumption and thus the manufacturing costs. Our green logistic practice will lead to efficient distribution processes, minimising the transportation distance and thus the GHG emissions. We will accelerate the launch of innovative green products to address consumer preference in the medium and long terms.

By switching to lower-emission or renewable sources of energy and investing in low-GHG emission technology in the long term, it could reduce our exposure to future fossil fuel price fluctuations. We aim to increase the use of renewable energy by 100% by FY2025 compared with FY2020.





	Risks Description	Potential Financial Impact	Timeframe	Impact Level ¹⁰	VTech's Response – Risks and Opportunities
Physical Ris	sks				
Acute Risk	Frequent extreme weather events	Reduced revenue from decreased production capacity and supply chain disruption Increased operation cost from increased insurance premiums, increased expenditure on emergency response	Mid-term	***	Risk Mitigation: The RMSC reviews the Business Continuity Management programme annually to ensure adequacy of contingency policy to protect employees and minimise loss under extreme weather events. Building capacity on climate resilience, including necessary financial resources, equipment and employee training.
		Write-offs and early retirement of existing assets due to facility damage			
	Chronic heat waves	Increased operation cost from expenditure on maintaining productivity	Long-term	**	Risk Mitigation: Use of more efficient production and distribution processes. Close monitoring of our operation sites
Chronic Physical Risk	Shortage of natural resources	Reduced revenue from decreased production capacity and supply chain interruptions Ingressed apparation and from	Long-term	**	that are highly exposed to chronic physical risks. Integrating such risks in key business decisions such as adding new manufacturing sites.
		Increased operation cost from increased water and energy cost			
	Rise of sea levels	Increased capital costs, write- offs and early retirement of existing assets	Long-term	**	
		Reduced revenue from supply chain disruption			
Transition F	Risks				
Technology Risk	Shifts to low-carbon technology	Increase in production and product development costs to explore eco-friendly solutions for products and services Uncertain investment returns on lower emissions technology Write-offs and early retirement of existing equipment due to adoption of new technology	Long-term	***	Opportunities: Development and/ or expansion of low GHG emission products and services through R&D and innovation and collaboration with suppliers. Strive to achieve sustainable use of energy and resources through adopting efficient production process. Transforming towards high automation and smart manufacturing model to further reduce resources consumption.
	Increased carbon pricing	Increased GHG emissions cost from carbon tax and/or GHG emissions trading scheme	Long-term	*	Risk Adaptation: Keep updated on the carbon tax implementation and emissions trading market at the locations where we operate, and continue to develop and maintain our carbon inventory for future assessments.
Policy and Legal Risk	Tightened climate-related regulations	New regulatory requirements in relation to climate change on operation, product and service resulting in increased operation cost, change in revenue mix and sources resulting in decreased revenues	Mid-term	**	Risk Adaptation: Developing adaptive capability, including an improved organisational structure to handle updated policy and legal requirements.
	Tightened emissions- reporting obligations	Enhanced emissions reporting obligations resulting in higher compliance cost	Short-term	*	Risk Adaptation: Continue to modify our data collection system according to relevant disclosure requirements.
	Exposure to litigation	Increased compliance cost due to significant fines and penalty from environmental non- compliance	Mid-term	*	Risk Adaptation: Keep abreast of the latest environmental laws and regulations through periodical reviews. Adjust internal policies when necessary to ensure compliance.





	Risks Description	Potential Financial Impact	Timeframe	Impact Level ¹⁰	VTech's Response – Risks and Opportunities
	Increased procurement cost	Increased operational cost from increased cost of raw materials due to abrupt and unexpected increase in fuel and energy price	Long-term	***	Risk Adaptation: Maintain emergency mechanism and use of lower emission or renewable sources of energy to reduce exposure to future fossil fuel price fluctuations. Invest in R&D to develop alternative materials.
Market Risks	Changing customer behaviour	Decline in product competitiveness and loss of market share due to shift in consumer preference	Mid-term	**	Opportunities: Accelerate the innovation of green products, developing a better competitive position to address consumer preference. e.g. Switching to plant-based plastic or reclaimed plastics, and sourcing FSC-certified materials.
Reputation Risks	Changing investor preference	 Drop in share price due to reputation damage Reduced capital availability due to changing investor preferences 	Mid-term	*	Opportunities: Develop a green branding as our long-term business strategy, supported by innovation and R&D. Strengthen reporting and communication with shareholders and stakeholders on our sustainability strategy.
	Stigmatization of sector	Decreased revenue due to increased stakeholder concern and their changing perceptions of an organisation's contribution to the transition to a low carbon economy, leading to deteriorating image of the industry	Mid-term	*	
	Workforce management	Increase operational cost from employee attraction and retention as employees are more concerned with companies' environmental performances	Long-term	*	

Green Manufacturing







Energy and Resources Management

Our Resource Efficiency and Conservation Team (RECT) at each manufacturing site has been making significant achievements in monitoring the energy saving progress through the implementation of our resources saving projects. The RECT includes our production floor managers, equipment technicians and internal energy analysts. They ensure our resources are well utilised at the operational level by focusing on the following areas:

Plan and Monitor the Resources Saving Programmes

- Develop energy and resources saving projects
- Maintain the energy and resources monitoring system
- Perform energy and resources usage analysis

Improve Energy Efficiency in Production Chain

- Manufacturing resource planning
- Low energy production process

Enhance Production Efficiency of Machinery

- Assess the energy efficiency and utilisation rate of the machinery
- Continuously upgrade low efficiency machines

Improve the Reuse and Recycle Rates of Resources

- Promote internal reuse of materials
- Continuously improve the waste management programme







Energy Monitoring System

As part of our energy management measures, we continue to use the real-time monitoring system and small zone lighting & timer system to control, measure and monitor the energy consumption patterns on our production floors. By collecting the daily real-time data, we could then plan for a more detailed energy saving projects, as well as optimise our energy resources through different manufacturing processes.

Energy Patrol Team

The RECT has set up the energy patrol team which conducts weekly patrols throughout our manufacturing and dormitories areas, to identify any cases of energy waste. The result of the energy patrol is added as part of the Environment, Health and Safety (EHS) rewarding scheme so that all merit and demerit points recorded by the energy patrol team will affect the monthly EHS assessment. A monthly summary report will then be sent to the factory operations management and relevant RECT members. Corrective action plan will also be prepared by RECT to address the identified weakness areas with EHS training workshops provided to the relevant employees for improvement.

This approach continues to make a significant contribution in our energy saving programmes. It not only prevents the excessive energy consumption, but also raises the awareness of preserving our valuable resources through employee engagement.

Energy Saving Programmes in Manufacturing Process

As VTech manufacturing facilities mainly consist of assembly and plastic injection plants, electricity is the major energy resource in our production process. Therefore, the majority of our energy saving projects focus on reducing our electricity consumption.

We seek every opportunity to enhance energy efficiency among our manufacturing sites. This includes regular maintenance of facilities and ongoing retrofits of machinery and equipment. New energy-saving technologies and measures are also introduced where appropriate. At our facilities, we adopt a centralised air conditioning system and connect the cooling pipelines of multiple buildings. It cools down production areas separately while using fewer chiller units, and thus save the usage of cooling water during low seasons. To further reduce energy consumption in ventilation, we replaced the screw chillers with magnetic bearing centrifugal chillers.



Regarding machinery and equipment, several retrofits were implemented to reduce electricity usage. In the plastic injection processes, we applied the hydraulic servo control system to enhance energy efficiency compared with the conventional models. We adopted blowgun remodelling, variable-frequency drives for air compressors, and sensor control air valves for hot bar soldering machines to prevent energy waste in the compressed air system. We also introduced an energy recycling system that retrieves and reuses excessive energy in our burn-in process, further reducing energy consumption in our manufacturing operations.

Application of Renewable Energy

VTech has increased its use of renewable energy by accelerating the installation of solar panels at its manufacturing sites in FY2023. We completed solar panels installation at the manufacturing sites in a few phrases, including the rooftop of four factory buildings and one dormitory. The solar panels now cover around 7,120 square metres of our rooftop. Four of our overseas offices have also switched to renewable energy providers for their electricity consumption. In FY2023, we procured and generated about 1,160 MWh of renewable electricity globally. More solar energy projects are planned for the manufacturing sites in FY2024.



Site Consolidation of Production Lines

We have consolidated the production lines to eliminate redundant spaces in our factory buildings. By reducing the usage of air conditioners, ventilations and lightings in the idle production lines, the consolidation reduces unnecessary electricity consumption, and hence improves the energy efficiency of the buildings.

Energy Consumption and Carbon Emission

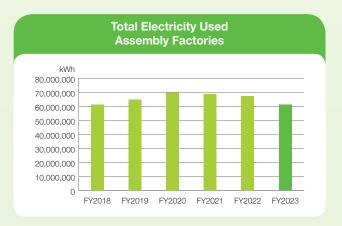
With our continuous efforts on implementation of many energy saving programmes, VTech's total electricity consumption per production output decreased by 11.0% compared with FY2020. In addition, our total energy consumption per production output in assembly and plastic factories decreased by 7.4% and 4.2% respectively compared with FY2020. We will continue to promote resources conservation programmes in the living and working areas of our factories, without compromising the provision of a comfortable and pleasant living environment for our employees.

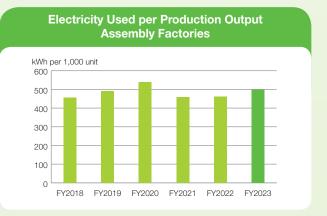


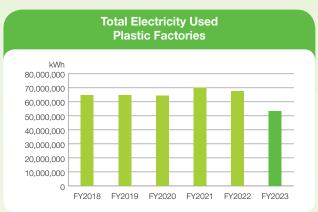
The use of energy is the major contributor of both direct (Scope 1) and indirect (Scope 2) emissions in VTech. With the target of minimising the environmental impacts, our energy conservation programmes and activities have made a notable reduction in the energy consumption and thus the carbon emissions. Direct emissions (Scope 1) only account for 5.3% of our total carbon emissions in the manufacturing sites while the dominance of electricity (Scope 2) for carbon emission is more noticeable in our operations. As a result, most of our energy saving activities are focused on reducing electricity consumption.

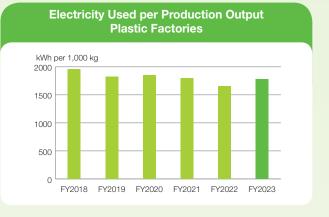
VTech's GHG objectives and targets are set and tracked relative to a base year of FY2020. Our total Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions were 73,222 tonnes of CO₂e with emission per production output decreased by 10.8% against FY2020. We have also managed to reduce total Scope 1 and Scope 2

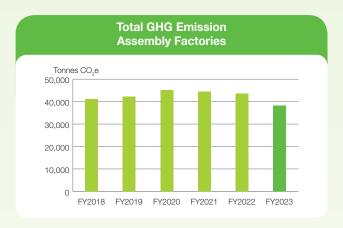
emissions per production output in our assembly and plastic factories by 10.3% and 2.9% respectively compared with FY2020. The higher GHG emission per production output for assembly and plastic factories in FY2023 compared with FY2022 was mainly due to the reduction in production output, which offset the reduction in GHG Emission between the two years.

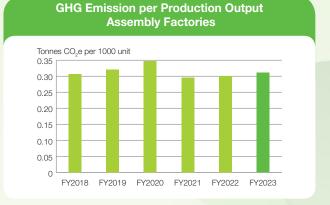








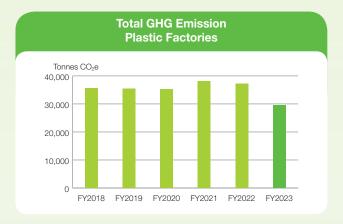


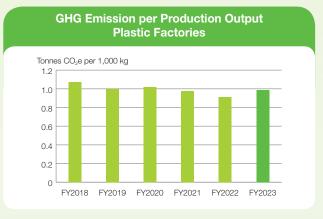










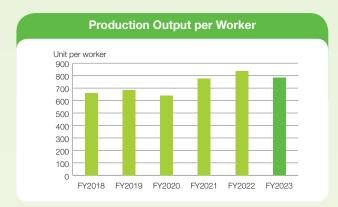


High Performance Production Chain





VTech has developed a high performance production chain to maximise our resources efficiency and improve the productivity while maintaining a green manufacturing and logistics practice. VTech strives to operate its manufacturing processes and facilities in a manner that minimises the impacts to the environment, and ensure that our operations are compliant with all the relevant environmental, legal and regulatory requirements.



Two key principles – "produce for quality" and "produce for efficiency" are the main drivers for our manufacturing process improvement. In FY2023, our production output per worker increased by 21.4% compared with FY2020. We have been implementing the low cost automation and lean manufacturing management to maximise our resources efficiency and improve our productivity without compromising the quality of our product, while aiming to reduce the potential environmental impacts throughout the manufacturing process.

Lean Manufacturing

In order to further improve our production efficiency and flexibility, our manufacturing team has been implementing our lean manufacturing principles. The idea of lean manufacturing

is to add value at each production stage while reducing the handling time in each process and increasing the flexibility for production. It shortens the through-put time and minimises the idle time during the process.

Application of Automatic Robot Arms

We adopted robot arms to automate our manufacturing processes, including glue spraying, metal stamping, and manual loading and unloading. By connecting the conveyor belt with the robot arm, we can perform continuous production processes. For instance, the robot arm loads and unloads the PCB to an odd form component insertion machine before being transferred to another machine for a function test. This application not only ensures product quality but also reduces the manpower required in the production line.

Semi-automated Production Line

We set up semi-automated production lines that connect multiple production procedures, including glue dispensing, component insertion, selective soldering, printed circuit board assembly (PCBA), and functional tests. With some procedures being streamlined and replaced by automated technologies, production efficiency is enhanced as human error and manufacturing deviations are prevented.

Transforming Towards Industry 4.0

Industry 4.0 is a paradigm shift that is transforming the manufacturing landscape. At our facility, we have implemented closed-loop control systems with minimal human intervention to achieve greater automation. Our Management Information System (MIS) integrates multiple operational modules and leverages the Internet of Things (IoT) to enable real-time data exchange and analysis. This enhances the decision-making process and facilitates automated execution, enabling swift resolution of production problems, accurate product inspection and error tracing, and optimized production capacity with reduced operational costs. Such advancements yield significant cost-saving opportunities and elevate our innovative solutions to provide an enhanced customer experience.



In FY2023, we aim to integrate a new Operation System of i4.0 (MES) with our current MIS. We have successfully completed the blueprint and development stages of the project, and we plan to launch it at the end of March 2023 for demo production. The Manufacturing Execution System (MES) offers automated bug detection and debugging capabilities, ensuring the reliability of the entire production process while reducing the dependency on manual error detection. This feature minimizes the likelihood of potential disruptions during manufacturing, thus boosting operational efficiency. Moreover, the system leverages comprehensive data analysis to increase flexibility in planning, production, and shipment to meet evolving customer demands.

Low Cost Automation

VTech has dedicated its efforts to incorporate Low Cost Automation into the production chain. In order to fulfil the market demand, we have started to introduce our in-house-developed mechanical and electrical devices that are "fit for use" since FY2015. These devices have improved our production efficiency and consistency, as well as enhanced the flexibility of the manufacturing process. These include automatic solder dispensers, glue dispensers, screw fastening machines, auto box folding machines, robotic arm for assembly and automatic locator for positioning the components. They not only create less labour intensive working environment, but also make significant improvements in the quality of our products. We continued to phase

out old machinery and increase the application scale of these in-house-developed devices to further optimise the manufacturing process.

Air Compressor Cloud Monitoring System

The air compressor cloud monitoring system adopted the Internet of Things technologies to collect real-time data of the conditions of air compressors. Abnormality can be detected and alerted immediately via the notification system, without the need to check the air compressors located in different areas manually. This instantaneous monitoring system reduces potential production and safety risk, allows prompt response in case of malfunctions, and saves time and costs for maintenance.

Automatic IC Programming Machine

The automatic integrated circuit (IC) programming machine was designed to perform IC programming automatically. This automation enhances the production efficiency, reduce labour and total cost of programming, maintains the quality of PCBA, and prevents the occurrence of human error.

Automated Plastic Moulding Parts Packing Machine

Automated packing machine has replaced the existing semi-automated machine, it is designed to combine the procedures of flatten plastic mould runner and packing plastic parts. This simplifies the procedures, smooths the process and reduces the number of workers required for packing.

Lean Manufacturing and Low Cost Automation



















Water

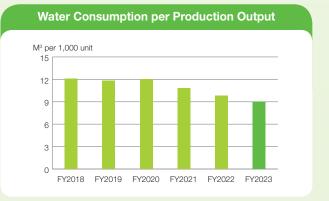


Clean water is a valuable resource, which VTech is committed to conserving. We only use water supplied from municipal sources and do not have any on-site wells or boreholes. None of our factories are operating in the water-stressed regions. The wastewater is mainly generated from employees' living activities. To prevent water pollution, VTech continuously reinforces wastewater treatment by strictly following ISO 14001 and local government requirements, carrying out measurements of required items, in order to meet the wastewater standards. To effectively implement our water conservation policy, we have been carrying out various water saving campaigns at dormitories and manufacturing sites.

To avoid water loss, we have upgraded our water infrastructures at our manufacturing sites. By installing the anti-sprinkler net and cooling fan control system, it has reduced water splashing out of the cooling tower. Maintenance and repair work for water pipelines are carried out regularly. Infrared sensor taps, water usage controller, low-flow shower heads and flow restrictors have been installed in order to avoid water wastage.

In FY2023, we adopted an automatic vegetable washing machine at one of our canteens. The machine adjusts water pressure to control the amount of water required and automatically filter the water for reuse, which save freshwater consumption.





Reuse of rainwater and treated wastewater

We have put extensive effort into reusing rainwater, industrial wastewater, and greywater. Rainwater harvesting system has been in place to gather rainwater for greenery and flushing to reduce freshwater consumption. In one of the sites, the rainwater harvesting system was constructed with rain wells, pumps and pipe networks across the site, supplying water for greenery, cleaning and dormitory consumption.

Since FY2014, we have installed a wastewater treatment system to purify the industrial wastewater for reusing. Greywater harvesting system has also been set up to collect water for cooling ovens at canteens. We reuse wastewater in different stages of the manufacturing process, including the cooling of air-conditioning facilities, water curtain spray booth for painting, and washing painting equipment at our metal factory. To facilitate water reuse for multiple purposes, we have increased the volume of rainwater and treated wastewater storage by adding more water tanks.



Rainwater Harvesting System at VTech Factory



With the extensive effort in our water saving programmes, we reduced total water consumption per production output by 24.4% compared with FY2020. Going forward, we will continue to evaluate opportunities to improve water efficiency and management through various innovative water saving projects.

Material, Waste and Recycling



In support of the transition towards a circular economy, VTech operates the factories with maximum resources efficiency by minimising the materials used throughout the manufacturing process. By keeping track of the materials used, we implement source reduction such as downsizing the PCB rims and adopting compact design for packaging, which avoids waste and utilises recyclable and reusable materials.

Non-hazardous Waste Management

We embrace the 3Rs (Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle) principle for non-hazardous waste management to minimise direct disposal. On-going measures include increasing our internal reuse rate by replacing disposable cardboard boxes and dividers with durable plastic ones, reusing plastic bags and blisters as internal packaging materials. We reused construction waste for building the cargo platform extension and the roof insulation board at the rooftop of canteen, so as to divert construction wastes from landfill.

Recycling centres are established at all our manufacturing sites, where staff collect and compact recyclable materials, including cardboard, plastics and metals. Recyclable materials are recycled and reused internally at material recovery centres before being further handled by licenced recyclers. Concurrently, non-recyclable wastes are collected by municipal authorities. To build awareness and habits of waste reduction, an upcycling campaign was organised for employees to transform waste into decorations or useful gadgets. We also work closely with our suppliers by returning our plastic recyclables to suppliers for reuse. As a result, we could create a close-loop recycling system by increasing the use of recycled materials. We have achieved recycling rate of 80.9%. The higher non-hazardous waste per production output in FY2023 compared with FY2022 was mainly due to the reduction in production output, which offset the reduction in non-hazardous waste between the two years. However, we maintained a 6.9% decrease in non-hazardous waste by weight compared to FY2022.











Reduction of Food Waste

We have continued to promote food waste reduction among our workers through supporting the nationwide "Clean Your Plate" Campaign. In FY2023, we have installed automatic rice serving machines in one of our CMS canteen. It allows staff to choose and serve the portion of rice they can finish, and thus prevent food waste.



Automatic Rice Serving Machines

Reduction of Plastic Waste

In FY2023, we have adopted recycled kraft paper and reusable rope as sustainable alternatives to replace plastic wrapping for our ELPs stored in the warehouse. We promote the Bring Your Own Container campaign at the canteen for takeaway, through posters and multimedia platforms. In one of our canteen of CMS, we began to replace plastic lunch boxes with biodegradable boxes to reduce plastic waste.

Hazardous Waste Management

Our approach in Hazardous Waste Management Scheme is to reduce the environmental impact that is caused by the use of hazardous chemical and to deal with the hazardous substance responsibly by controlling the use of these chemicals and strictly following the Management of Solid Waste Disposal Ordinance released by the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China (PRC Government).

The PRC Government has published the Management of Solid Waste Disposal Ordinance, where all hazardous waste is clearly defined under this ordinance with the reference to a list of hazardous substances and chemicals. To meet our stakeholders' expectations and our environmental goals, it is critical to ensure that we have the highest degree of safety in treating our hazardous waste, as well as complying with the local industrial solid waste disposal legislation. We strive to achieve our goals by following the best practices:

- Provide clear work instructions and personal protective equipment for employees at all times
- Ensure employees have attended the hazardous waste and chemical management training before getting on board

- Hazardous wastes are stored in rigid and articulated containers that are acid and solvent resistant. Hazardous wastes are also delivered in isolated truck and spark arrested solvent vehicle within the site
- Storage units for storing the hazardous wastes are specially constructed to prevent exposure, spillage, fire and explosion at isolated area within the site
- Hazardous wastes are categorised and stored in corresponding sections within the storage units
- Conduct hazardous waste and chemical spill drill every year
- Hazardous waste will be disposed of and handled by PRC Government authorised hazardous waste disposal companies
- Disposal of wastes with approvals granted by the Environmental Protection Division of local government





In FY2023, our total hazardous wastes generated from our operations including deactivated carbon, PCB breakaway, waste chemicals and containers were 495 tonnes as compared to 422 tonnes in FY2020. It was mainly due to our increasing use of activated carbon to purify the air emissions including VOCs generated in the manufacturing process. Our total hazardous wastes per production output increased by 24.1% compared with FY2020. We will continue to minimise the generation of hazardous waste through reviewing our manufacturing process, upgrading our machinery and reducing the materials used in our products at the design stage.



Sustainable Logistics Practice

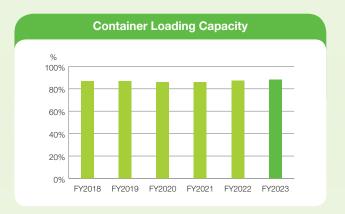


As most of our products are shipped to the major markets in North America and Europe, it is crucial for us to manage our shipping orders in an energy efficient manner so as to reduce the transportation costs and minimise the associated environmental impacts. We also work closely with our suppliers and customers to consolidate and combine the shipping orders for the incoming materials and outgoing products respectively, in order to reduce the frequency of shipments. For our Continental European operations, our logistic hub in Netherlands which is managed by our major logistic service provider also helps us to consolidate shipping volume and increase the filling rate of each truck for the delivery of goods within Europe. As for the transportation mode, sea shipment is always our primary option for long distance transportation compared to the air shipment. For the inland goods delivery, we are also increasing the use of rail freight as it is the most cost efficient mode of transport with less environmental impacts compared with shipment by truck.

In recent years, we have implemented the decentralised warehousing strategy to locate our distribution centres in the US and Australia. Originally the only distribution centre of ELPs in the US was located on West Coast, after relocating our distribution centres to both the East and West coasts, we are able to respond to customers demand more efficiently. As

for Australia, we previously had only one distribution centre in Melbourne for ELPs. Three more distribution centres in Sydney, Brisbane and Perth were set up. Compared with the previous approach, this strategy has greatly enhanced our logistics efficiency. It not only reduces the time and distance for transporting our products to our customers but also saves a great deal of fuel consumption and thus carbon emission. In FY2021, we relocated the distribution centre in Canada from Vancouver to Toronto as it is closer to the distribution centres of our major distributors. In FY2022, we set up a new distribution centre in Spain to reduce delivery time and carbon emission. In FY2023, we planned to set up a new warehouse in France to reduce both the time and distance for delivering products to our French customers.

Our logistics team has kept on using our cargo measuring software (CargoWiz) to optimise the loading capacity of each container. In FY2023, we reached the average of 88.1% of loading capacity.





Our People















VTech cares for its employees and aims to provide a safe, inclusive and motivating working environment for its people. It also promotes a culture of integrity with human resources management policies in place to foster a caring atmosphere with mutual respect in the workplace.

Highlights

- Promoted inclusive workplace with Human Rights policies in place
- Implementation of various precautionary measures in workplaces for our people to fight against COVID-19
- Number of participants in staff activities is more than 271,000
- Average training hours per employee increased by 7.4% compared with FY2020



VTech aims to provide a safe, inclusive and motivating workplace for our people, and to foster a caring community and promote a culture of integrity in our working environment. We care for our employees and recognise that having good staff relations and a motivated workforce play a vital role in the Company's efficient operations.

All our existing VTech assembly and plastic factories are certified with the Occupational Health and Safety Management System (ISO 45001). Our TEL and CMS

Communication and Staff Relations

 Enhance our good staff relations through various communication channels and staff activities

Advancement in Careers

 Foster a continuous learning environment and encourage employees to develop and advance their careers in VTech

Communication and Staff Relations



To ensure the effectiveness of our workplace management system, we conduct employee satisfaction survey regularly and have cross functional teams and committees at different

assembly factories are also certified with Social Accountability (SA 8000) certification and ELPs with ICTI Ethical Toy Program compliance certification. These external verified certifications validate our compliance with local laws and high quality working conditions.

Our human resources management policy builds on our four key values – "Communication and Staff Relations", "Advancement in Careers", "Respect of Labour and Human Rights", and "Environment for Our People" (CARE).

Respect of Labour and Human Rights

 Respect the labour and human rights of all our employees with clearly defined human resources management policies, and promote an inclusive culture throughout the company

Environment for Our People

 Provide a safe, inclusive and motivating workplace for our employees, foster a caring community and promote a culture of integrity in our working environment

manufacturing sites to determine goals and targets, discuss new projects, and review project progress on improvement of workplace and employees related issues based on the feedback from our employees.

Staff Communication

Open communications is an important element in achieving effective workplace management system.



We encourage employees to voice their opinions through various communication channels at all levels throughout the Company. We provide suggestion box, websites, staff-caring hotline, internal newsletters and communication meetings, where employees can express their concerns and suggestions freely.

Employee engagement surveys and meetings are also conducted in our manufacturing facilities on a regular basis to receive feedback from our employees. All information, opinions and suggestions gathered are followed up by our employee relations team.

Staff Relations

Written and verbal communication are not the only solution for building bridges. VTech believes staff relation could be further strengthened by their participations in staff activities. Our Staff Association continues to offer a variety of activities to the employees with different talents and interests, providing opportunities for them to relax, develop hobbies and bond with colleagues.

Well-being and Creative Activities

We implement health and wellness schemes through well-planned initiatives. To encourage people to stay health and fit, we sponsored our employees to participate in various charity sports activities. These included the 25th Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon and the Sowers Action Challenging 12 Hours Charity Marathon 2022 V-Run which VTech was awarded the "Bronze Sponsor", VTech also made donation to the "Oxfam Trailwalker – Virtually Together" and "Oxfam Trailwalker – In person" in support of our employees who had completed the race.

We invited two Cardiologists give a health talk on common heart diseases in Hong Kong, such as heart diseases symptoms, diagnostics items and treatment. Through the talk, participants gained useful knowledge in heart diseases prevention and tips to maintain heart health. A Thai Boxing Class was also organised, where participants learned basic techniques of Thai Boxing and tips to prevent injuries, under the guidance from a professional coach. We continued our partnership with the Hong Kong Society for the Blind to organise the Health Massage Day. The event not only boosted employee wellbeing, but also promoted an inclusive society by inviting the visually-impaired masseurs to provide massage services for our colleagues.

We also organised a variety of mental wellness activities in FY2023 to relieve the stress from work and create a pleasant workspace. We have invited a certified trainer of stress management to organise a Zentangle workshop, introducing the concept of mindfulness and breathing exercises. Through drawing simple, structured and repeated patterns, employees were able to relax and think positive. The DIY Mini Desktop Aquarium workshop is hosted by a qualified and experienced instructor to guide participants to make their own desktop aquarium for decorating their workstations.

Most of our employees in the China manufacturing sites come from different provinces and they might not be able to celebrate traditional festivals with their families. We have organised different festive activities during the special times to develop and maintain the sense of belonging among our employees. Lantern riddles, gaming and lucky draw events were held to celebrate the Mid-Autumn Festival, National Day and other festivals.

The number of participants in our staff activities was over 271,000 in FY2023.

VTech Staff Activities and Sport Event



















Advancement in Careers



The Training and Development (T&D) team of the Human Resources Department at VTech encourages our employees to develop and advance their careers in our Company. We actively promote continuous learning, a culture of integrity and develop a wide range of training programmes for our employees to instill and reinforce the Group's values of acting lawfully, ethically and responsibly.

The T&D team continues to review the training needs of our staff, evaluate the content and result of training courses and develop training programmes that are not limited to meeting VTech business needs, but also enhancing individuals' knowledge and skills.

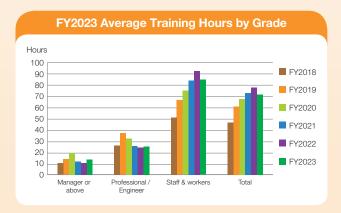
In FY2023, we organised a series of interactive workshops on essential skill set including negotiation skills, project management, and coaching skills. The workshops were delivered by qualified and experienced trainers who introduced a variety of practical tools, such as techniques to handle conflicts, approaches to manage project risks and motivate the team, as well as core skills in establishing coaching dialogues. Through exercises, case studies and experience sharing during the workshop, participants were encouraged to apply the skills at work to enhance their performance and productivity. We also provided a variety of training programs in our Mainland China office, include promoting moral values, stress management as well as effective communication in the workplace.

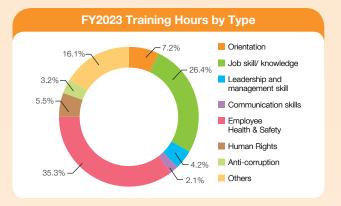
Global eLearning Platform

We have launched various online courses on Microsoft Office on our global eLearning platform, Percipio. The courses cover topics from basic to advance levels. Participants can enjoy the online learning by viewing videos of different modules and completing the test after each module.

In FY2023, we continued to embrace the benefits of digitalization and launch new online trainings modules covering various topics, including 6S lean workplace and effective communication, so as to enhance staff efficiency, knowledge and skills. Self-assessment quizzes are also provided for employees after reviewing the online learning materials.

We also subsidise external professional courses for employees, and ensure that the development opportunities are equally open to staff at all levels. We have continuously adopted the succession plan in manufacturing sites, which allows us to explore the potential talents and provides opportunities to our employees to attend specific management courses and learn valuable technical and management skills from various departments and teams. These training programmes ensure that our future leaders are well prepared to take up the leadership roles in supporting the continuous growth of the Company.







Respect of Labour and Human Rights







Our Commitment

Respect and protection of human rights are the fundamental values of VTech and at the heart of our culture of integrity. VTech has a Human Rights Policy with risk management programme in place for the Group to protect and safeguard the human rights of its stakeholders including its employees, customers, suppliers and the local communities in which it operates. It supports the internationally-recognised human rights principles laid out in the International Bills of Human Rights and the International Labour Organization's Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work. Our policies and operation are set up and structured with due consideration of the Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact, the UN's Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, the OECD's Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, the RBA Code of Conduct which is widely observed in global supply chains, and other relevant international standards.

Our human rights policy reaffirms our stance on upholding the fundamental human rights across our operations and our determination in eradicating any unethical practices from our business. We are committed to protect the rights of our stakeholders including employees, suppliers and customers. We respect the rights of all our employees and at the same time, we expect them to meet and maintain high standards of integrity, honesty and behaviour. Expectations to uphold human rights and comply with ethical business practices are set out in VTech's Code of Conduct and internal human resources management policies.

For details of our Human Rights Policy, please refer to: sustainability.vtech.com/reports_policies

Governance and Risk Assessment

The RMSC reviews and monitors the risk management and internal control systems of the Group. The RMSC supported by the Sustainability team is tasked to assess the effectiveness of the policies and risk management programmes in addressing the risks of human rights in VTech's operation and supply chains. Multiple departments within VTech are responsible for implementing the policies and procedures to address risks and impacts related to human rights protection as well as supporting the Group's and Stakeholders' overall adherence to the human rights policy.

VTech seeks to avoid causing or contributing to adverse human rights impacts through its own activities and is dedicated to addressing such impacts, if they do occur, in a timely and appropriate manner. We make efforts to prevent or mitigate adverse human rights impacts that are directly related to our operations, products and services through our business relationships. We use an on-going due diligence process to identify, assess, prevent and mitigate potential and actual human rights risks across our businesses and value chain. We conduct human rights risks assessment regularly that covers our major operations including local and overseas manufacturing sites and offices. To minimise negative human rights impacts, we implement risk prevention and mitigation measures according to the risk severity and likelihood identified in the relevant focus area. Such measures are tracked, evaluated and improved when necessary to ensure effectiveness. Progress and results of the due diligence are reported and reviewed by the RMSC from time to time. The table on pages 59-60 presents employee-related human rights risks identified with impact on our employees. For supplier-related human rights risks mitigation measures, please refer to "Sustainable Supply Chain" section of this report. For customer-related human rights risks mitigation measures, please refer to "Business Ethics - Privacy and Data Protection" and "Product Innovation – Responsible Marketing and Labelling" section of this report.

Grievance Mechanisms, Remedy and Engagement

VTech maintains a Whistleblowing Policy to facilitate the report of matters of serious concern by employees and third parties, in confidence and with anonymity, without the fear of any recrimination or victimisation. Multiple communication channels are provided to all parties interested in reporting suspected violations of this Policy. Grievance reports can be submitted through the communication channels stated in the Whistleblowing Policy.

We have established procedures to determine the appropriate mode of investigation and implement any subsequent corrective actions. We will take prompt and necessary steps to mitigate adverse impacts and make appropriate remedies available to the affected stakeholders based on the issues and circumstances identified in our investigation.

Sufficient organisational awareness on human rights is promulgated across the Group, the human rights policy and other related internal policies and procedures are communicated to employees via internal Bulletin Board and trainings. Over 85,400 hours of human-rights-related training were provided to staff during the year. Employee interviews and surveys were also conducted on a regular basis. We seek to engage and collaborate with our stakeholders to prevent, mitigate and address adverse impacts on human rights.







Human Rights Topics	Policies	Risk Mitigation Measures
Freely Chosen Employment	We strongly oppose and have no tolerance for all forms of forced, bonded (including debt bondage) or indentured labour, involuntary or exploitative prison labour, modern slavery or human trafficking. These practices are completely unacceptable to VTech. We are devoted to combating modern slavery and human trafficking, and committed to respecting and treating our employees with dignity. We ensure that the terms of employment are voluntary. Our employees work at VTech of their own free will and are free to leave the Company upon reasonable notice under the related internal regulations. We do not require employees to make deposits or hand over passports as a condition of employment, and work permits are only required if it is so prescribed by the applicable law. We do not accept any physical punishment for employee's wrongdoing.	Employees have the freedom to leave the Company upon reasonable notice under the relevant regulations. We do not require employees to make deposits or hand over passports as a condition of employment, and work permits are only required if it is so prescribed by the applicable law. We do not accept any physical punishment for employee's wrongdoing.
Child Labour	We do not use child labour. We comply with all appropriate local and international regulations in relation to the restrictions on the employment of child labour.	We ensure our employees are over minimum working age by conducting identity checks in recruitment process. Suspected cases of child labour will be handled in accordance to local regulations, with an aim to protect the rights of the child concerned.
Freedom of Association	We respect our employees' freedom of association and the right to join any organisations or professional bodies of their own choices. Since the labour regulations for some of the places that we operate are not fully established, collective bargaining for staff working at those locations could not be comprehensively attained. However, we strive to engage with our employees and understand their needs through multiple communication channels to create direct dialogues with our employees.	We engage with employees regularly, creating direct dialogues to understand their needs through multiple communication channels, including suggestion box, hotline, websites, internal newsletters and communication meetings.
Benefits and Wages	The remuneration and benefits for all employees comply with or exceed the minimum legal requirements of the country where employees are employed. We do not make any deductions from wages as a disciplinary measure.	Comprehensive assessments are performed to offer fair, equitable and competitive compensation in line with local market expectations. Pay slips are provided to employees for every pay period to show the basis on which they are paid. We do not make any deductions from wages as a disciplinary measure.
Overtime	Overtime is voluntary and employees are compensated for overtime in accordance with local laws.	We maintain and provide work time records of employees. Adequate rest time is also provided.





Human Rights Topics	Policies	Risk Mitigation Measures
Health and Safety	We are committed to providing a healthy, clean and safe workplace for employees, contractors, visitors and the community. We comply with applicable health and safety regulations and standards. We strive to maintain healthy and safe working conditions and manage safety risks via comprehensive occupational health and safety management system.	Proactive hazard identification, risk assessment and control measures are implemented to reduce existing and potential health and safety risks. Comprehensive training programme is provided to build a safety culture at the manufacturing sites. Investigations are carried out to analyse the cause of accidents to prevent reoccurrence.
Equal Opportunity and Non-Discrimination	Our hiring, compensation, training, promotion, termination and retirement policies and practices do not discriminate on the grounds of age, sex, marital status, race, religion, disability or any other non-job related factors. Remuneration is determined with reference to performance, qualifications and experience.	We continue to maintain the percentage of women in management positions and provide training on equal opportunity. We also promote diversity and inclusion in the workplace.
Harassment and Abuse	We do not tolerate any physical, sexual, psychological or verbal harassment or abuse towards our employees.	Grievance mechanism is in place for employees to raise their concern on unethical behaviour.

Workplace Diversity

With our dedicated efforts on promoting diversity and inclusiveness in our workplace, we were awarded the Equal Opportunity Employer Gold Award by Equal Opportunities Commission under the Equal Opportunity Employer Recognition Scheme. We were also the Signatory of The Racial Diversity & Inclusion Charter for Employers, and were recognised as the Mental Health Friendly Supreme Organisation by Department of Health. We also received the Inclusive Organisation Logo under Talent-Wise Employment Charter and Inclusive Organisations Recognition Scheme, as well as the Partner Employer Award by The Hong Kong General Chamber of Small and Medium Business.

Our US office has developed and implemented policies to build a more diverse and inclusive workplace. During the recruitment process, personal information is redacted from resumes to eliminate unconscious bias. Flexible holiday policies are offered for colleagues to celebrate occasions that are most meaningful to them. Paid volunteer time encourages employees to help in underserved communities. Paid parental leave is inclusive of all family types.

Gender Diversity

VTech believes a diverse and inclusive workforce makes us and the society stronger and more harmonious. Aligning with SDG 5 Gender Equality, we are committed to promoting greater work opportunities for women. We recognise the working contributions of women. In addition to the gender diversity in its Board of Directors, VTech's global workforce consisted of 41% women, with 26% of management positions held by women. We aim to progressively increase the level of women workforce participation and build a more gender-balanced organisation.

To achieve this goal, we have organised child care courses and provided nursery facilities in our manufacturing sites to better support the working mothers in VTech. We create a breastfeeding friendly workplace by offering one hour lactation break per day for pregnant employees. Breastfeeding room is provided with appropriate facilities. We have launched an online platform for our women employees to share videos about their interests such as dancing, cooking or working out. It provides a communication channel for them to educate and inspire each other.

VTech has engaged with Women in Toys to champion the advancement of women through leadership, networking and educational opportunities. Our France office supports the creation of Women in Toys France. Our employees have participated as the Board of Directors and members of the network. Employees are allowed to go to the various events during the office hours and are reimbursed with the annual subscription.







Racial Diversity and Inclusion

Creating a culture in which colleagues from different backgrounds feel inclusive could result in better staff engagement and retention. A diverse workforce could also bring different viewpoints and perspectives to the company. In FY2023, we continued to provide online training on Racial Diversity and Inclusion, which was part of our Onboarding eLearning Program. The training content included an introduction of the ethnic minorities in Hong Kong and a discussion on how to break through racial barriers to create a cultural friendly working environment. Through the training, participants understand how the unconscious bias and micro-behaviours may affect their interpersonal relationships and learn to respect each other's differences.

VTech is committed to embracing an equal and supportive working environment for our employees. In VTech, 99.8% of our employees have been recruited by the Company with full time employment contracts and 97% of our senior management staff have been hired from the local area of the sites of operation in respective countries for supporting local employment. We also conduct annual performance appraisals with transparent performance evaluation system for all employees to assess their performance and communicate the results with them. The appraisal is used as a reference for rewarding our staff accordingly.

In addition, VTech celebrates and shows appreciation of the employee contribution by presenting long service awards to our employees who have completed five years of services. Awards will also be made for each subsequent five-year period of services. In FY2023, 8,572 staff have worked at VTech for more than five years, increase of 11.9% compared with FY2020. The Company also presents "Distinguished Staff Award" and "Distinguished Team Award" for recognition of the outstanding performances and accomplishment achieved by our employees and teams.





Environment for Our People







We are committed to not only upholding our responsibilities to put occupational health and safety as our top priority, but also committed to protecting our contractors, customers and the general public against health and safety risks. All our existing VTech assembly and plastic factories are certified with the Occupational Health and Safety Management System (ISO 45001). The system comprises a proactive hazard identification and risk assessment, as well as comprehensive control measures for continual improvement on organisational health and safety. In order to further reduce existing and potential risks in our operations, our EHS teams at all our manufacturing sites have conducted regular health and incident investigations to analyse any potential causes or impacts of workplace hazards, as well as monitored our safety practices among the functional teams.

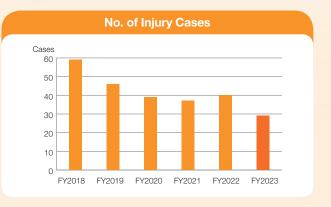
In order to foster and nurture a positive company culture of health and safety, our EHS teams at manufacturing sites have established a comprehensive and intensive training programme to increase the awareness of workplace safety. This programme includes compulsory regular fire drills practices, occupational injury prevention training, fall prevention training, electrical safety training, workplace safety training and tests such as chemical usage, machinery safety and forklift operation.

Our EHS teams are also responsible for building effective and open two-way communication channels for our staff to report work-related hazards and share constructive feedback so that staff are involved and consulted in the health and safety policy establishment.

The overall average health and safety training hours per employee increased by 38.1% compared with FY2020. In FY2023, our lost hour rate per working hour was 0.014% and we did not have any work-related fatality case. We will continue to provide various health and safety training courses to our employees especially in our manufacturing sites to enhance their awareness and knowledge of occupational health and safety at the workplace.







Lost hours is the total working hours that workers cannot attend work due to injuries occurred inside factory area (including manufacturing facilities, canteens and living areas)

Lost hour rate is calculated as total number of lost hours divided by total working hours

Health and Safety Measures and Training

To effectively improve our EHS practices and prevent accidents, the EHS teams review the work-related injuries and investigate the root cause of the incidents. Corrective actions are proposed and implemented by responsible person, and monitored periodically by the EHS teams.

In FY2023, safety measures implemented included installing additional protective partitions on equipment to enhance the safety during machinery operation. We have continued to implement EHS safety assessment for newly purchased equipment. New equipment has to pass internal assessments on site safety, equipment safety, occupational safety and health, and environmental pollution. Safety hazards that cause potential harm to our staff, property and processes are identified and mitigated prior to work. To prevent safety incidents, we ensure standard operation procedures are strictly followed, adequate personal protective equipment and specific pre-job safety training are provided to workers. Warning labels are displayed in appropriate areas visible to workers. We have enhanced the fire safety system by upgrading the fire water tank system to cloud-based monitoring. Water level, water pressure in fire water tanks and status of water pumps are all connected to the cloud. This has enabled abnormalities in the fire water tank system to be spotted and remedied immediately.

Workers direct involvement is crucial in building a safety culture. To prevent injuries during staff activities, we affixed safety reminders at our factory's sports facilities to remind workers to put safety first. Apart from online training programmes provided at our eLearning platform, we closely engaged our employees on health and safety by organising safety campaigns at our sites in FY2023. In Mainland China, we organised Fire Safety Day Prize Quiz to enhance workers' safety awareness. The quiz included knowledge on daily safety precautions, fire safety and emergency response. In Malaysia, we continued to promote the safety campaign by placing safety suggestion boxes at the site to encourage workers to make recommendations for improving safety conditions, holding safety short video competitions and exhibitions in which workers took the lead in promoting safety culture to their colleagues with their creative videos and posters. Safety announcements were made regularly via the centralised broadcast system and communication applications, to keep delivering the latest safety information. In Mexico, located in a seismic zone, colleagues participated in earthquake simulations to raise safety awareness in case of emergency. In Hong Kong, during the wellness month, we invited trainers from Fire Services Department to provide a CPR & AED course to educate our employees on the basics of using a defibrillator and the proper techniques of conducting CPR.

















Precautionary Measures Against COVID-19

Our employees' health and safety is always our top priority. As COVID restrictions have been loosened, VTech has maintained and adjusted precautionary measures to prevent the outbreak of COVID-19 in the workplaces.

In Hong Kong office, we have continued to adopt flexible working hours. We have monitored body temperatures for visitors and staff who enter the workplace. We have also distributed the COVID-19 rapid antigen test kits to our staff based on their exposure risks.

A comprehensive set of preventive measures and guidelines have been put in place at all VTech factories in Mainland China and Malaysia. We have provided health protection and personal hygiene guidelines to our workers, monitored their physical condition while they are working in the factories, and maintained social distance in the canteens and dormitories. We encourage our employees to be vaccinated for better protection.

Continuous Improvement in Living Area

The majority of employees in our China manufacturing facilities are from different provinces of the country. We recognise that to make them feel at home, and have a sense of belonging while they are living in our dormitories are very important for our people. We continue to maintain a supportive, caring and healthy living environment for our employees. We make improvements in their quality of life at the manufacturing sites by providing adequate accommodations, tasty, nutritious food and seasonal cuisines at the canteens, adequate medical facilities and a wide range of leisure and recreational facilities. The CMS R&D Centre was expanded and the New Product Introduction Centre was

renovated with CSR ideas in FY2021. It provides staff with a modern style of working environment, including a comfortable pantry for staff to take a rest and enjoy their lunch. In FY2023, dormitories in our ELP and CMS factories were refurbished to provide better living environment. The recreational facilities CMS factory were also upgraded by setting up table tennis courts, snooker, gymnasium, and dancing rooms for workers to enjoy the facilities in leisure time. To continuously promote a green living style, we continue to expand green spaces in their living area; we set up greenery roofs to utilise the empty space, which cool the building, and offer enjoyable space for staff to gather during leisure time, plant vegetables and sharing the harvest with the team.













Society







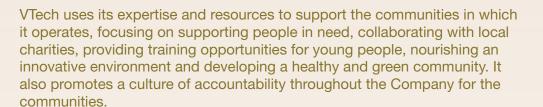












Highlights

- Continued to collaborate with Save the Children in organising various charitable events worldwide
- Continued to organise the VTech Innovation & Sustainability Award in collaboration with the City University of Hong Kong and the Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Continued to arrange VTech Scholarship Programmes to cover five universities in Hong Kong
- Continued to organise the annual VTech Global Green Day in FY2023



As a responsible corporate citizen, VTech uses its expertise and resources to support the communities in which it operates in various ways. VTech continues to focus on the following areas for our social programmes.



Support People in Need

Provide helping hands for people



Collaborate with Local Charities

Support local charitable events and the general corporate philanthropy



Provide Training Opportunities for Young People

Attract the best talents to VTech and provide training opportunities for young people



Nourish an Innovative Environment

Sponsor and support the breakthroughs in communications and technologies



Develop a Healthy and Green Community

Foster a healthy and green living environment in the community

Support People in Need









Since the establishment of VTech's voluntary teams in different manufacturing sites and global offices, we have participated in various voluntary events, and created a strong social network to assist and support the people in need. We also encourage our employees and their families to participate in our volunteering activities, bringing positive impact to the families and society.

Our Mainland China and Hong Kong voluntary teams frequently participate in various types of voluntary services including visiting elderly homes and children hospitals, and assisting crowd control at community events. In FY2023, we recruited 2,540 volunteers and contributed over 20,400 hours in volunteering activities. Besides being recognised as the "Heart to Heart Company" by the Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups, VTech was the proud recipient of the

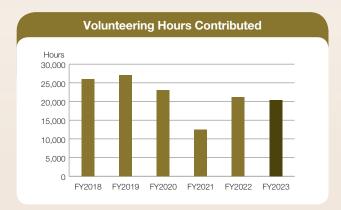


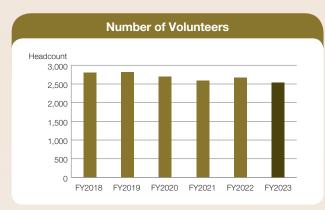






"Outstanding Caring Awards (Enterprise Group)" presented by Federation of Hong Kong Industries in FY2023. In addition, we have been awarded as a "Caring Company" by The Hong Kong Council of Social Service for fifteen consecutive years in recognition of our relentless contribution to the Hong Kong community through various charitable activities. We were also awarded with the Partner Employer Award 2022 presented by the Hong Kong General Chamber of Small and Medium Business in 2022. These awards are great encouragement for our continued voluntary work for the community.





Donation to Primary School in Germany

We collaborated with Metatop GmbH, a professional sponsor broker in Germany, to make a sponsor to a primary school in Filderstadt, Germany for basic sports equipment. The equipment were used in daily fitness education for underprivileged students.

Toys for Charity in Spain

VTech Spain donated toys to three charity organisations in Madrid, Spain. Through the organisations network, toys were gifted to hospitalised children, children suffering from cancer and schools that support children with special education needs.

Meals Packing for Starving Children in the US

To help children suffering from hunger and malnutrition, VTech Electronics North America partnered with Feed My Starving Children to hand-pack meal bags which will be shipped to the children in need around the world. A total of over 14,000 meal bags were packed by our volunteers in the activity.

Balloon Twisting with People in Need

The Hong Kong office partnered with Chinese YMCA of Hong Kong to organise the Balloon Twisting with People in Need programme. Our staff volunteers paired up with underprivileged children and their families to twist balloons into various shapes. Through the program we hope to spread our love and care to children and promote inclusion in our communities.



Collaborate with Local Charities









VTech works with a number of local charities to build a harmonious community. Our partners include Hong Kong Federation of Youth Group, Red Cross, Hong Kong Children and Youth Service, Tai Po Baptist Church Social Service, Greeners Action, St. James' Settlement and Hong Kong Young Women's Christian Association. Through our long term commitments to various charitable activities, we have brought about positive impacts to the community.

As the blood supply is unstable, we collaborate with Hong Kong Red Cross to set up a temporary blood donation station at our Hong Kong office each year. By encouraging our employees to donate blood, we hope to contribute to the blood inventory replenishment.

We have also partnered with local charities to support numerous charitable activities around the world. In FY2023, we made charitable and other donations of over USD227,000.





Collaboration with Save the Children

VTech also uses its expertise and resources to support the communities in which it operates. While the world is slowly recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic, global hunger crisis continued to be an imminent issue as reflected from the increasing number of children experiencing acute malnutrition. We have collaborated with Save the Children, an international charitable organisation supporting marginalised and vulnerable children, to organise fundraising and toys donation events across multiple countries for three consecutive years. We supported the "Save the Children from Hunger" initiative and organised fundraising activities including "A Meal for Meals" and "Master Chef for Hunger". For all fundraising activities held, every dollar donated by our employees was matched by an equivalent donation on the part of the company.

A Meal for Meals

VTech employees in Hong Kong, Canada and Germany had joined the "A Meal for Meals" fundraising event. Staff donated their lunch money to offer monetary support to children living in hunger. Fruits were distributed to participating staff as an appreciation. A total of over HK\$61,000 was raised and donated to Save the Children.

Master Chef for Hunger

VTech employees in Malaysia joined the "Master Chef for Hunger" fundraising event. Staff competed against each other by cooking and selling their best dishes to their colleagues. The colleague who raised the most funds with their dish wins the title of "Master Chef for Hunger". They have raised over HK\$4,400 for Save the Children.

Christmas Jumper Day

Our offices in Australia, Benelux, France, Spain, the UK and the US hosted the Christmas Jumper Day. Staff dressed up in their favourite festive attire at the Christmas gathering and make a donation to help transforming children's lives around the world. A total of over HK\$41,000 was donated to the Children's Emergency Fund to support children struggling in humanitarian crisis.

World Children's Day Fun Carnival

We sponsored our colleagues to join the World Children's Day Fun Carnival organized by Save the Children Hong Kong. Our colleagues and their family members enjoyed a fun weekend at the West Kowloon Cultural District, participating in game booths and workshops at the carnival. The event successfully raised public awareness on children's mental health and the power of art in children education via a series of parent-child activities.

Toy Donation

Under the global toy donation programme, over 3,600 electronic learning toys were donated to children in various countries around the world, including the US, Canada, the UK, the Netherlands, Spain, Australia and Hong Kong. Through the donation of electronic infant, toddler and school grade learning toys, which include VTech® Go! Go! Cory Carson® The Carson Playhouse™, LeapFrog® Tad's Fridge Phonics™, VTech® Kidizoom® Smartwatch DX2, and VTech® KidiBuzz™ G2, we hope to help children to learn while staying and playing at home.

Ongoing Donation Event

For 2 consecutive years since December 2020, a donation of US\$1 was made to Save the Children for every baby monitor and toy sold through our online shops in Canada and Hong Kong, and every baby monitor sold through our online shop in the US. We have further extended the donation event for our online shops in Canada and Hong Kong for another 12 months till the end of November 2023.

















Provide Training Opportunities for Young People





VTech recognises that attracting the best talents is important for the sustainable growth of the Company. We regularly recruit interns from local universities and organise various workshops with schools for young people.

In FY2023, we continued to arrange the IE engineering programme with Dongguan University of Technology. During the programme, participants were rotated among different departments to have better understanding on the factory operation. We provided workplace health and safety courses,

theory courses on manufacturing engineering and training on engineering change in process flow, production line management and product design. We provided practical training sessions for the students, helping them to gain better understanding on the concepts of smart manufacturing by putting the theory into practice. We also offered internship opportunities for engineering college students, helping them to gain working experience and develop their job skills.

To attract potential candidates from local universities, we have joined the virtual career fair organised by The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, The Hong Kong Baptist University and School of Professional Education and Executive Development, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University. We can utilise the online tools to communicate with identified young talents.

VTech Internship Programmes

Our Management trainee programme provides participants with abundant learning opportunities to gain all-rounded exposure in various business functions. The management trainees will obtain a comprehensive understanding about the industry, company culture and our core business within the first 18-month Generalist Scheme. They will further develop their career under 6-month Specialist Scheme. The customised training curriculum and project presentations will strengthen their professional development and business acumen. In addition, we also offer 1-year programme to develop a pool of professional engineers with the specific skills and experience necessary. They will be involved in different aspects of the engineering projects to expand their skill set. We also offer various



internship opportunities for students at our headquarters in Hong Kong, which help students from different backgrounds to make connections with peer groups and explore their interest and abilities through real-life learning experience.

Experience Sharing by the Student

I am grateful for the internship opportunity at VTech Legal Department. I was entrusted to independently manage, update and audit VTech's Trademark Database alongside working in the day-to-day operations of the Legal Department. Although I had limited prior experience, the team were extremely trusting in my judgments and decisions. This supportive work culture gave me an extra boost in my self-confidence and encouraged me to work to the highest standard I could. I have definitely left more detail orientated, organized and driven to pursue my career goals in Law. Many thanks to the Legal Department and to the colleagues at VTech for making my internship enjoyable and fruitful! --- Shen Tan (VCO/Legal)

VTech Scholarship Programme

VTech Scholarship Programme was established in FY2018 to support the outstanding local and non-local undergraduates in their career development. In FY2023, we continued to offer the programme which covers five universities in Hong Kong. The scholarship was awarded to 14 engineering students from The University of Hong Kong, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, City University of Hong Kong and The Hong Kong Polytechnic University.







Nourish an Innovative Environment







In order to nourish an innovative environment and stay ahead of the latest trends and developments in the industry, VTech has supported various technology forums and participated in a number of trade associations around the world. We primarily engage as members and collaborate with the others on the industry projects to help develop the industry and technology standards.

VTech Innovation & Sustainability Award

VTech partnered with the School of Energy and Environment of the City University of Hong Kong and Department of Mechanical and Automation Engineering of The Chinese University of Hong Kong to establish the "VTech Innovation & Sustainability Award" to nurture a new generation of young talents in the sustainability field. The participants were required to come up with innovative solutions that contribute





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to sustainable development. The awardees were selected based on judging criteria in creating positive environmental impact

and sustainable value for lives of the people, which is in line with VTech's sustainability vision. We had received inspiring proposals from the students and one of the awardees joined VTech to start his career in June 2021.

Made in Asia: Decarbonisation in Supply Chains

VTech joined with distinguished industry leaders at the "Made in Asia: Decarbonisation in Supply Chains" hybrid conference organised by The French Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Hong Kong. We shared our experience on integrating eco-design into the product life cycle, and had fruitful exchanges on how to make decarbonisation a reality. We believe that our sustainable journey could bring insights to the industry to pursue innovative solutions to decarbonisation. The event was a valuable opportunity for us to connect with key industry players to make a positive impact on sustainable development.



VTech featured in the "EARTH with John Holden" TV series

VTech was featured in the "EARTH with John Holden" TV series. John, the program host, visited VTech's operation sites in Hong Kong, Dongguan and San Francisco to explore how it became a global leader in electronic learning products – by creating toys that enhance our children's education and creativity. The episode showcased VTech's dedication to creating a world where children develop a deeper understanding of Earth's environment, and humanity's impacts upon it. VTech's use of sustainable manufacturing technologies and ongoing efforts to develop eco-friendly products and packaging, and continuous engagement in various post-consumer recycling programmes in the major markets, have demonstrated its commitment to the 5-year Sustainability Plan 2025.



Develop a Healthy and Green Community





VTech not only dedicates its efforts to minimising the environmental impacts from our operations, but also contributes in different community events to develop and promote a healthy and green lifestyle within VTech and the community. To support a sustainable lifestyle, we had established the organic farm in one of our manufacturing sites a few years ago, where employees could practise their

urban farming techniques and enjoy the low carbon living experience during their break time. Moreover, we have continued to sign up the pledge for Earth Hour.

Small changes in our habits around the factories and offices can help us to live a more eco-friendly lifestyle. We believe promoting recycling can have a positive effect on the environment. In FY2023, we continued to partner with the Greener Actions to launch the "Red Packets Reuse and Recycle Program 2023". To prevent wasting useful materials, we collected used and excess red packets from our employees for upcycling purpose.









VTech Global Green Day

In FY2023, we continued to organise the "Global Green Day" at our Hong Kong headquarters and overseas offices to promote a healthy and green lifestyle in VTech and our communities, as well as to maximise our sustainability efforts and strengthen staff relation.

Hong Kong

The Hong Kong office partnered with Food Grace to organise a beetroot lip balm workshop, where our colleagues were guided by experienced instructors to create their own lip balm with leftover beetroots. The instructors also shared about the food waste issue in Hong Kong and provided tips on reducing food waste at source and handling it sustainably.



UK

Our colleagues in the UK gathered surplus food of their own and donated to the local food bank. The generous donations not only aided the underprivileged families who are struggling with cost of living crisis, but also avoided food wastage.



Netherlands

Our colleagues in the Netherlands visited the Nature and Environmental Center in IJzeren Man. Beekeeping experts first offered an informative introduction to honey bees. This is followed by a climate change workshop about the impact of rising temperature to biodiversity. Various tree species were introduced by observing their branches. The educational event was concluded with a prize quiz.



France

Our colleagues in France kick-started the green day by using green travelling means to work including cycling, walking or carpooling. They brought their packed lunch with zero waste. A green ideas workshop was organised to brainstorm new ways to create an environmentally friendly workplace. Then they spent an hour collecting waste and cleaning up the community nearby. Each colleague was gifted a glass cup to reduce the use of paper cups.



Germany

The Germany office hosted a green lunch gathering in the office pantry. Apart from enjoying delicious vegetarian pizza, colleagues engaged in a constructive discussion on actions we can take to reduce energy consumption in the office in response to the energy shortage in Europe. Some of the excellent ideas will be implemented.





Malaysia

Our Malaysia office organised a series of activities to promote the green lifestyle at the workplace, such as 3R Day and No Plastic Day. These events aim to embed the habits of reducing, reusing, recycling waste and avoiding consumption of singleuse plastic. Staff also went outdoors to join the Gomi Zero Day to collect waste at Maharani Rivera. They are encouraged to reuse waste items from their households to decorate the indoor plants at the office. Colleagues also donate to Melaka butterfly and Reptile Sanctuary to conserve the habitat of butterflies in the region.



The U.S.

Our US offices initiated a sustainability challenge campaign. Staff are provided with a list of challenges to choose from, such as using a reusable straw or water bottle, preparing meals using only the items available in their freezer and pantry, donating food to a local food bank and composting waste. Each challenge was assigned a specific number of points based on its level of difficulty. Staff who participated in the challenges were rewarded with small prizes based on the number of points they earned.



Spain

Our colleagues in Spain conducted a talk on the environmental benefits of consuming seasonal and local fruits. They also placed plants which are particularly effective in purifying the ambient air in the office. After that, they collected waste on the streets and parks surrounding the office building.



Mainland China

To promote the awareness of environment protection, we organised the tree planting activity in Mainland China.



Australia

The Australia office partnered with Ben's Bees, an ethical beekeeping organization, to host a beeswax wrap workshop. Guided by an environmentalist, our colleagues learned about the importance of bees to the environment, and created their own reusable beeswax wraps that could replace the use of plastic cling wraps.



Key Performance Data

Items	GRI Indicator	HKEX Indicator	FY2018 ¹⁰	FY2019 ¹⁰	FY2020 ^{10,11,15}	FY2021 ¹⁵	FY2022	FY2023 ¹⁹
Organisation Profile								
Number of countries where VTech operates	2-1		13	14	14	15	14	15
Total number of operations	2-6		24	24	27	27	28	28
Revenue (US\$ million)	2-6		2,130.1	2,161.9	2,165.5	2,372.3	2,370.5	2,241.7
Total debt (US\$ million)	2-6		Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Total equity (US\$ million)	2-6		646.6	607.0	610.5	731.1	678.8	634.7
Portion of senior management hired from local community ¹	202-2		98%	97%	96%	97%	97%	97%
Proportion of spending on local suppliers	204-1		88%	86%	90%	88%	90%	83%
Environmental								
Air Pollutants Emission (kg)								
Nitrogen oxides (NOx)		A1.1						10,607
Sulphur oxides (SOx)		A1.1						17
Particulate Matter (PM)		A1.1						839
Material Usage								
Material used by weight or volume (1000 Tonnes)	301-1		100.5	94.7	93.4	105.1	105.0	82.4
Energy Consumption (GJ) ²								
Total	302-1	A2.1	611,607	622,005	635,555	645,230	631,713	534,945
Diesel	302-1	A2.1	18,642	22,463	21,535	23,431	29,712	20,578
Gasoline	302-1	A2.1	6,021	5,666	6,394	6,550	4,847	5,198
Natural Gas	302-1	A2.1	33,190	30,515	28,514	26,430	27,483	21,949
Electricity	302-1	A2.1	553,754	563,361	579,110	588,819	569,671	487,220
Energy Use per Production Output (GJ per 1,000	unit)							
Total	302-3	A2.1	4.404	4.352	4.906	4.302	4.332	4.366
Diesel	302-3	A2.1	0.134	0.157	0.166	0.156	0.204	0.168
Gasoline	302-3	A2.1	0.043	0.040	0.049	0.044	0.033	0.043
Natural Gas	302-3	A2.1	0.239	0.213	0.220	0.176	0.188	0.179
Electricity	302-3	A2.1	3.988	3.942	4.471	3.92615	3.907	3.976
Electricity Consumption								
Electricity used (kWh)	302-1	A2.1	153,820,653	156,489,059	160,864,220	163,560,993	158,241,682	135,338,943
Electricity used per production output (kWh per 1,000 unit)		A2.1	1,108	1,095	1,242	1,090	1,085	1,105
Water Consumption								
Water comsumption ³ (meter cube)	303-1	A2.2	1,633,105	1,556,998	1,550,354	1,613,186	1,431,270	1,108,107
Water comsumption ³ per production output (meter cube per 1,000 unit)		A2.2	11.8	10.9	12.0	10.8	9.8	9.0
Greenhouse Gas Emission (tonne of CO ₂ e) ⁴								
Scope 1	305-1	A1.2	5,791	5,015	4,617	4,462	4,728	3,886
Scope 2	305-2	A1.2	78,020	79,378	82,187	83,712	81,013	69,336
Scope 3 ¹⁴	305-3	A1.2			7,130	8,007	16,295	7,538
Total Emission ¹⁸	305	A1.2			93,934	96,181	102,036	80,760

Key Performance Data

Items	GRI Indicator	HKEX Indicator	FY2018 ¹⁰	FY2019 ¹⁰	FY2020 ^{10,11,15}	FY2021 ¹⁵	FY2022	FY2023 ¹⁹
Greenhouse Gas Emission Intensity (tor	nne of CO ₂ e per 1,000 unit) ⁴							
Scope 1	305-4	A1.2	0.042	0.035	0.036	0.030	0.032	0.032
Scope 2	305-4	A1.2	0.562	0.555	0.634	0.558	0.556	0.566
Scope 3 ¹⁴	305-4	A1.2			0.055	0.053	0.112	0.062
Total emission intensity ¹⁸	305-4	A1.2			0.725	0.641	0.700	0.660
Hazardous Waste								
Total hazardous waste produced (tonnes)	306-3	A1.3	358.5	346.3	421.5	399.6	449.5	494.7
Total hazardous waste produced per produc output (tonnes per 1,000 unit)	ation 306-3	A1.3	0.00258	0.00242	0.0032513	0.00266	0.00308	0.00404
Non-hazardous Waste								
Total non-hazardous waste produced (tonnes)	306-3	A1.4	9,705	9,111	9,621	10,103	10,407	9,684
Total non-hazardous waste produced per production output (tonnes per 1,000 unit)	306-3	A1.4	0.070	0.064	0.074	0.067	0.071	0.079
Packaging Materials								
Total packaging material used for finished goods (tonnes)		A2.5	34,470	33,050	32,781	35,411	33,491	25,232
Total packaging material used for finished goods per production output (tonnes per 1,000 unit)		A2.5	0.248	0.231	0.253	0.236	0.230	0.206
Environmental Compliance								
Monetary value of significant fines	2-27		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total number of non-monetary sanctions for non-compliance	2-27		0	0	0	0	0	0
Our Workforce ¹⁶								
By Gender								
Total	2-7	B1.1	26,464	25,273	26,179	25,351	23,844	21,772
Male	2-7	B1.1	15,964	15,326	15,710	14,867	14,184	12,850
Female	2-7	B1.1	10,500	9,947	10,469	10,484	9,660	8,922
By Age								
Below 30		B1.1	14,032	12,221	11,810	10,780	9,168	6,921
30-50		B1.1	11,885	12,378	13,442	13,470	13,353	13,364
Above 50		B1.1	547	674	927	1,101	1,323	1,487
By Geographical Location								
Asia Pacific Male	2-7	B1.1	15,653	15,025	15,417	14,561	13,885	12,499
Female	2-7	B1.1	10,223	9,669	10,202	10,218	9,396	8,652
North America Male	2-7	B1.1	181	170	162	167	162	212
Female	2-7	B1.1	153	151	139	138	138	145
Europe Male	2-7	B1.1	129	131	131	139	137	139
Female	2-7	B1.1	125	127	128	128	126	125

Items		GRI Indicator	HKEX Indicator	FY2018 ¹⁰	FY2019 ¹⁰	FY2020 ^{10,11,15}	FY2021 ¹⁵	FY2022	FY2023 ¹⁹
By Employment Type									
Average number of full-time staff		2-7	B1.1	26,420	25,063	26,018	25,261	23,794	21,736
Average number of part-time sta	ff	2-7	B1.1	44	210	161	90	50	36
Proportion of full-time staff			B1.1	99.8%	99.2%	99.4%	99.6%	99.8%	99.8%
Woman Representation									
Overall		405-1		40%	39%	40%	41%	41%	41%
By function	Management position ⁵	405-1		24%	25%	25%	25%	25%	26%
	Professional	405-1		37%	37%	37%	37%	37%	38%
	General staff & Worker	405-1		38%	39%	40%	40%	41%	43%
	Worker	405-1		41%	40%	41%	43%	42%	42%
Turnover Rate									
Overall			B1.2	7.15%	5.98%	6.41%	6.34%	6.54%	4.69%
By geographical region	Asia Pacific		B1.2	7.29%	6.10%	6.53%	6.47%	6.67%	4.81%
	North America		B1.2	1.12%	0.96%	1.44%	0.57%	0.83%	1.94%
	Europe		B1.2	1.12%	0.91%	0.64%	0.62%	1.20%	0.96%
By gender	Male		B1.2	7.83%	6.43%	7.14%	6.81%	7.25%	5.16%
	Female		B1.2	6.12%	5.28%	5.32%	5.68%	5.49%	4.02%
By age	Below 30		B1.2	10.28%	9.20%	10.17%	10.80%	11.41%	8.61%
	30-50		B1.2	3.74%	3.08%	3.50%	3.21%	3.69%	3.08%
	Above 50		B1.2	1.08%	0.74%	0.83%	0.85%	1.52%	1.32%
Health and Safety									
Injury ^a cases		403-2		59	46	39	37	40	29
Lost Hours ⁷		403-2	B2.2	9,788	7,310	9,235	8,766	11,571	7,621
Injury rate per employee ⁸	Overall	403-2		0.002	0.002	0.002	0.001	0.002	0.001
	Male	403-2		0.003	0.003	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.001
	Female	403-2		0.002	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001
Work-related fatalities cases	Work-related fatalities cases		B2.1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Work-related fatalities cases per	employee (%)		B2.1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Absentee rate ⁹	Overall	403-2		0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%
	Male	403-2		0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%
	Female	403-2		0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%

Key Performance Data

Items		GRI Indicator	HKEX Indicator	FY2018 ¹⁰	FY2019 ¹⁰	FY2020 ^{10,11,15}	FY2021 ¹⁵	FY2022	FY2023 ¹⁹
Training	Training								
Percentage of employee train	ned								
Overall			B3.1					96%	97%
By gender	Male		B3.1					97%	98%
	Female		B3.1					95%	96%
By function	Management staff		B3.1					88%	93%
	Professional/ Engineer		B3.1					92%	95%
	Staff & workers		B3.1					98%	98%
Average Training Hours per E	mployee								
Overall		404-1	B3.2	46.7	61.0	66.8	73.2	78.1	71.8
By gender	Male	404-1	B3.2	49.2	63.4	69.6	78.5	84.8	71.6
	Female	404-1	B3.2	42.9	57.3	62.6	65.9	70.9	72.1
By Function	Management staff	404-1	B3.2	10.2	13.8	16.7	11.7	10.4	13.6
	Professional/ Engineer	404-1	B3.2	26.0	37.1	31.7	25.7	24.3	25.0
	Staff &workers	404-1	B3.2	51.3	66.7	74.6	84.3	93.0	84.9
Compliance									
Product Compliance									
Incidents of non-compliance with health and safety impact on production	n regulations on ducts	416-2		0	0	0	0	0	0
Incidents of non-compliance with product and service information	n regulations on and labelling	417-2		0	0	0	0	0	0
Sales of banned products		2-6		0	0	0	0	0	0
Socioeconomic Compliance									
Total monetary value of significant fines		2-27		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total number of non-monetary s	anctions	2-27		0	0	0	0	0	0
Cases brought through dispute mechanisms	resolution	2-27		0	0	0	0	0	0

Note:

- The location of operation sites.
- Energy value for fuels are obtained from "2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories" published by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.
- Water consumption data includes water usage data from manufacturing facilities in China and offices in China and overseas.
- GHG Calculation Methodology
 All emissions are calculated with reference to the methodology set out in the Greenhouse Gas Protocol Corporate Standard and Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Guidelines. GHG objectives and targets are set and tracked relative to a base year of FY2020.
 - Scope 1: Direct GHG emissions come from sources (physical units or processes that release GHG into the atmosphere) that are owned or controlled by the organisation. The GHG emission factors of scope 1 for stationary and mobile combustion sources is based on the "2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories" published by the Intergovernmental
 - Panel on Climate Change.

 Scope 2: Indirect GHG emissions that result from the generation of purchased or acquired electricity, heating, cooling and steam consumed by the organisaton. GHG emissions factors are referenced from the "2019 China Regional Grid Average Carbon Dioxide Emission Factors" published by the National Center of Climate Change Strategy and International Cooperation (NCRC) of the People's Republic of China, Sustainability Report 2021 of CLP Holdings Limited, and 2017 CDM Electricity Baseline For Malaysia published by Malaysian Green Technology Corporation.

 Scope 3: Indirect GHG emissions not included in energy indirect (Scope 2) GHG
 - emissions that occur outside of the organisation, including both upstream and downstream emissions. In this report, scope 3 emissions includes GHG emission data from ocean shipment of contractors engaged by VTech. In FY2022, indirect emissions from air shipment was added to the data reporting boundary. Emission factors are referenced from the GaBi

- Staff with grade above supervisor level.
- Injury types accounted for include: Vehicle Accident, Falling Object Injury, Machines Entanglement, Cutting Injury, Falling from heights, Collapse Injury, Burnt injury,
- Chemical injury, Collision injury, Electric shock.

 Total working hours that workers cannot attend work due to injuries in manufacturing operations.
- The frequency of injuries relative to the number of employees. Minor (first-aid level)
- injuries are included. Number of days the employees are absent from work over total hours scheduled to be 9. worked.
- 10. The report scope was expanded with the acquisition of our high precision metal tooling
- and parts (Metal) factory for enriching the vertical integration of our CMS. The report scope was expanded with the acquisition of our production facilit Malaysia.
- The unfavourable change in the company performance data per production output was due to the expanded scope as described in note 10 above as the components output of the Metal factory were not included in the per-production-output data calculation.
- The unfavourable change in the company performance data per-production-output was due to the continued vertical integration, and/or change of product mix and/or the negative impact of COVID-19.
- Scope 3 data for FY2020 and FY2021 were restated due to adjustments in calculation methodology and to allow fair comparison of the performance data. Certain environmental data for FY2020 and FY2021 was restated due to adjustments
- in calculation methodology and to allow fair comparison of the performance data
- Certain social data for prior years were restated for fair comparison of the performance data.
- Increase in material use per production output was due to the change of product mix.
- Total GHG emissions in FY22 increased by 5,855 tonnes of CO2e against FY21 which was mainly due to the inclusion of indirect GHG emission of 8,405 tonnes of CO2e arising from air freight in FY22. The indirect GHG emissions of air freight were not available in FY21 and earlier years.
- The report scope was expanded with the acquisition of our production facilities in

Associations List

Associations VTech belongs to	Involvement
British Toy & Hobby Association	С
Dutch Toy Association	С
French Toy Association	С
Toy Association Belgium	С
China Toy & Juvenile Products Association	С
Dongguan Toy & Juvenile Products Association	M
Australian Toy Association	M
German Toy Association	M
Spanish Toy Association	M
Toy Industry Association – United States	M
Toy Association – Guangdong, China	M
Toy Industry Association – Shenzhen, China	M
Canadian Toy Association	M
DECT Forum	S
ULE Alliance	S
EcoVadis	M
SD Card Association	M
Wi-Fi Alliance	M
Sedex	M
Hong Kong Opto-Mechatronics Industries Association	M
The Chinese Manufacturers Association of Hong Kong	M
The Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce	M

M = regular member

C = member of committee

S = strategic participation

Verification Statement



VERIFICATION STATEMENT

Scope and Objective of Verification

Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency (HKQAA) has been engaged by VTech Holdings Limited (HKSE Stock Code: 303) "VTech" to undertake an independent verification of its Sustainability Report 2023 (the Report). The Report stated the economic, environmental and social performance of VTech in the period of 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023.

The aim of this verification is to provide a reasonable assurance on the reliability of the report content. The Report has been prepared in accordance with the Global Reporting Initiative Sustainability Reporting Standards ("GRI Standards") and the Appendix 27 "Environmental, Social and Governance Reporting Guide" ("ESG Reporting Guide") of the Main Board Listing Rules of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("SEHK").

Level of Assurance and Methodology

The process applied in this verification was based on the International Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 (ISAE 3000) – "Assurance Engagements Other Than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information" issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. Our evidence gathering process was designed to obtain a reasonable level of assurance as set out in the standard for the purpose of devising the verification conclusion. The extent of this verification process covered the criteria set in the GRI Standards and the ESG Reporting Guide of the SEHK.

Our verification process included verifying information relevant to reporting and management procedures, stakeholder engagement methods and results, and materiality assessment processes, reviewing relevant documentation, interviewing responsible personnel with accountability for preparing the report contents. In addition, system and process for collecting, collating and reporting sustainability performance data were verified. Raw data and supporting evidence of the selected representative samples were also thoroughly examined during the verification process.

Independence

VTech is responsible for the collection and presentation of the information presented. HKQAA does not involve in calculating, compiling, or in the development of the Report. Our verification activities are independent from VTech. There is no relationship between HKQAA and VTech that will affect the independence of HKQAA for providing the verification service.

Conclusion

Based on the verification results and in accordance with the verification procedures undertaken, HKQAA has obtained reasonable assurance and is of the opinion that:

- The Report has been prepared in accordance with the GRI Standards;
- The Report has complied with all mandatory disclosure requirements and "comply or explain" provisions set out in the ESG Reporting Guide;
- The Report illustrates VTech's sustainability performance covering all material and relevant aspects and/or topics in a balanced, clear, consistent, and timely manner; and
- The data and information disclosed in the Report are reliable and complete.

Nothing has come to HKQAA attention that the selected sustainability performance information and data contained in the Report has not been prepared and presented fairly and honestly, in material aspects, in accordance with the verification criteria. In conclusion, the Report reflects truthfully the sustainability commitments, policies and performance of VTech, and discloses transparently their sustainability performance that is commensurate with their sustainability context and materiality.

Signed on behalf of Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency

Connie Sham Head of Audit

May 2023

GRI Content Index

This report was prepared in accordance with the GRI Standards, and Stock Exchange ESG Guide. The General Standard Disclosures, Material Topic Disclosures, and Stock Exchange ESG Guide reference are presented below with either linkage to the reported section(s) or direct answer.

GRI Content Index

Statement of use	VTech has reported in accordance with the GRI Standards in FY2023 (1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023)
GRI 1 used	GRI 1: Foundation 2021

	GRI 2: General Disclosures 2021							
GRI Indicator	Description	Location and Notes						
	The organisational and its repo	rting practices						
2-1	Organizational details	Page 4, About this Report						
2-2	Entities included in the organization's sustainability reporting	VTech Major Subsidiaries						
2-3	Reporting period, frequency and contact point	About this Report, Back Cover						
2-4	Restatements of information	Page 75						
2-5	External assurance	About this Report, Page 76						
	Activities and worker	ers						
2-6	Activities, value chain and other business relationships	Pages 4, 37-39, About this Report, Key Performance Date						
2-7	Employees	Page 4, Key Performance Data						
2-8	Workers who are not employees	All workers perform work for VTech are in employment relationship with VTech.						
	Governance							
2-9	Governance structure and composition	Page 5; Annual Report - Corporate Governance Report						
2-10	Nomination and selection of the highest governance body	Annual Report - Corporate Governance Report - Nomination Committee Report						
2-11	Chair of the highest governance body	Annual Report - Corporate Governance Report						
2-12	Role of the highest governance body in overseeing the management of impacts	Pages 5, 9-11						
2-13	Delegation of responsibility for managing impacts	Pages 5-12						
2-14	Role of the highest governance body in sustainability reporting	Pages 5, 11						
2-15	Conflicts of interest	Annual Report - Corporate Governance Report						
2-16	Communication of critical concerns	Annual Report - Corporate Governance Report - Risk Management and Sustainability Committee Report						
2-17	Collective knowledge of the highest governance body	Annual Report - Corporate Governance Report						
2-18	Evaluation of the performance of the highest governance body	Annual Report - Corporate Governance Report						
2-19	Remuneration policies	Annual Report - Corporate Governance Report - Remuneration Committee Report						
2-20	Process to determine remuneration	Pages 59-60; Annual Report - Corporate Governance Report - Remuneration Committee Report						
2-21	Annual total compensation ratio	Not applicable. Although related data is available, making a definitive statement about the compensation ratio at the corporate level is difficult as compensation metrics vary greatly depending on the market trend, geographic location and inflation rate etc VTech performs comprehensive assessments to ensure fair, equitable and competitive compensation. This includes but not limited to conducting regular salary survey, engaging with external human resources agencies for benchmarking, and reviewing salary policy in a timely manner. With such measures, our compensation packages comply with the local regulations and in line with the local market expectations.						

GRI 2: General Disclosures 2021							
GRI Indicator	Description	Location and Notes					
	Strategy, policies and p	ractices					
2-22	Statement on sustainable development strategy	Pages 2-3					
2-23	Policy commitments	Pages 25-28, 35-39, 40, 58					
2-24	Embedding policy commitments	Pages 35-39, 42-54, 58-60; Annual Report - Corporate Governance Report					
2-25	Processes to remediate negative impacts	Pages 9-10, 58-60					
2-26	Mechanisms for seeking advice and raising concerns	Pages 27,58					
2-27	Compliance with laws and regulations	Key Performance Data					
2-28	Membership associations	Page 75					
	Stakeholder Engager	nent					
2-29	Approach to stakeholder engagement	Pages 9-12					
2-30	Collective bargaining agreements	Employees covered by collective bargaining agreement is managed and monitored at local level. Only employees in Spain, France and Malaysia are bound by the collective agreement, which account for 6.9% of VTech's employees. Although the majority of VTech's employees are from Hong Kong and China which do not have regulatory requirement with regard to collective bargaining, we maintain clear and open communication channels for our staff to raise concerns on a range of employment issues. Employees can also enjoy the freedom to participate in trade unions if they wish.					
	Material Topics						
GRI Indicator	Description	Location and Notes					
3-1	Process to determine material topics	Pages 9-11					
3-2 Economic	List of material topics	Page 12					
	omic Performance 2016						
3-3		Page 4					
201-1	Management of material topics Direct economic value generated and distributed	Page 4					
	t Presence 2016	rage 4					
3-3	Management of material topics	Pages 58-61					
202-2	Proportion of senior management hired from the local community	Key Performance Data					
GRI 204: Procurement practice 2016							
3-3	Management of material topics	Pages 37-39					
204-1	Proportion of spending on local suppliers	Key Performance Data					
Environmental							
GRI 301: Materi	ials 2016						
3-3	Management of material topics	Pages 30-32					
301-1	Materials used by weight or volume	Key Performance Data					

	Material Topics							
GRI Indicator	Description	Location and Notes						
GRI 302: Energ	y 2016							
3-3	Management of material topics	Pages 41, 47-48						
302-1	Energy consumption with the organisation	Pages 47-48, Key Performance Data						
302-3	Energy intensity	Pages 48-49, Key Performance Data						
GRI 303: Water	and Effluents 2018							
3-3	Management of material topics	Pages 41, 51-52						
303-1	Interactions with water discharged-related impacts	Pages 51-52, Key Performance Data						
303-2	Management of water discharged-related impacts	Pages 51-52, Key Performance Data						
303-5	Water consumption	Pages 51-52, Key Performance Data						
GRI 305: Emiss	ions 2016							
3-3	Management of material topics	Pages 42-49						
305-1	Direct (Scope 1) GHG emissions	Key Performance Data						
305-2	Energy indirect (Scope 2) GHG emissions	Key Performance Data						
305-3	Energy indirect (Scope 3) GHG emissions	Key Performance Data						
305-4	GHG emissions intensity	Key Performance Data						
GRI 306: Waste	2020							
3-3	Management of material topics	Pages 52-53						
306-1	Waste generation and significant waste-related impacts	Pages 52-53						
306-2	Management of significant waste-related impacts	Pages 52-53						
306-3	Waste generated	Pages 52-53, Key Performance Data						
GRI 308: Suppli	er Environmental Assessment 2016							
3-3	Management of material topics	Pages 37-39						
308-2	Negative environmental impacts in the supply chain and actions taken	Pages 37-39						
Social - Labour	and Human Rights Policy							
GRI 402: Labou	r/Management Relations 2016							
3-3	Management of material topics	Pages 58-60						
402-1	Minimum notice periods regarding operational changes	Employees in Spain, France and Malaysia which is accountable for 6.9% of VTech's employee are covered by collective bargaining agreement. Notice period provided to employees and their representative prior to the implementation of significant operational changes is between fifteen days to six months depends on the significance. In our operating sites where are not bound by the collective agreement, we do not have a fixed minimum notice regarding operational change. However, to the extent possible, we do inform our colleagues well in advance the intention and details of the change. Prior to such change, we will conduct briefing for employees to collect their feedback and try to put relevant notice within a month's time.						

	Material Topics							
GRI Indicator	Description	Location and Notes						
GRI 403: Occup	pational Health and Safety 2018							
3-3	Management of material topics	Pages 61-63						
403-1	Occupational health and safety management system	Pages 61-63						
403-2	Hazard identification, risk assessment and incident investigation	Pages 61-63						
403-3	Occupational health services	Pages 61-63						
403-4	Worker participation, consultation, and communication on health and safety	Pages 61-63						
403-5	Worker training on occupational health and safety	Pages 61-63						
403-6	Promotion of worker health	Pages 56, 61-63						
403-7	Prevention and mitigation of occupational health and safety impacts directly linked by business relationships	Pages 61-63						
403-9	Work-related injuries	Pages 61-63, Key Performance Data						
GRI 404: Traini	ng and Education 2016							
3-3	Management of material topics	Page 57						
404-1	Average hours of training per year per employee	Page 57, Key Performance Data						
Social - Produc	et Responsibilities							
GRI 416: Custo	mer Health and Safety 2016							
3-3	Management of material topics	Pages 33-36						
416-2	Incidents of non-compliance concerning the health and safety impacts of products and services	Key Performance Data						
GRI 417: Marke	ting and Labeling 2016							
3-3	Management of material topics	Pages 33-35						
417-1	Requirements for product and service information and labeling	Page 35						
417-2	Incidents of non-compliance concerning product and service information and labeling	Key Performance Data						
GRI 418: Custo	mer Privacy 2016							
3-3	Management of material topics	Pages 26-28						
418-1	Substantiated complaints concerning breaches of customer privacy and losses of customer data	VTech does not report the number of substantiated complaints or loss of customer data since this information is not rolled up to a global level						

Stock Exchange ESG Guide Index

Aspects	Disclosure		Location and Notes		
Mandatory Disclosure Require	ments				
Governance Structure	A statement from	A statement from the board containing the following elements:			
	(i) a disclosure of	of the board's oversight of ESG issues;			
		SG management approach and strategy, including the process used rioritise and manage material ESG-related issues (including risks to the lesses); and			
		d reviews progress made against ESG-related goals and targets with n of how they relate to the issuer's businesses			
Reporting Principles		or an explanation on, the application of the following Reporting reparation of the ESG report.	About this report		
Reporting Boundary	A narrative explai process used to there is a change the change.	About this report, Page 75			
A. Environmental					
A1. Emission	General Disclosure	Information on: (a) the policies; and (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the issuer relating to air and greenhouse gas emissions, discharges into water and land, and generation of hazardous and non-hazardous waste. Note: - Air emissions include NOx, SOx, and other pollutants regulated under national laws and regulations. - Greenhouse gases include carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons and sulphur hexafluoride. - Hazardous wastes are those defined by national regulations.	Pages 40-42		
	KPI A1.1	The types of emissions and respective emissions data.	Pages 48-49, Key Performance Data		
	KPI A1.2	Direct (Scope 1) and energy indirect (Scope 2) greenhouse gas emissions (in tonnes) and, where appropriate, intensity (e.g. per unit of production volume, per facility).	Key Performance Data		
	KPI A1.3	Total hazardous waste produced (in tonnes) and, where appropriate, intensity (e.g. per unit of production volume, per facility).	Page 53, Key Performance Data		
	KPI A1.4	Total non-hazardous waste produced (in tonnes) and, where appropriate, intensity (e.g. per unit of production volume, per facility).	Page 52, Key Performance Data		
	KPI A1.5	Description of emission target(s) set and steps taken to achieve them.	Pages 23, 44-49		
	KPI A1.6	Description of how hazardous and non-hazardous wastes are handled, and a description of reduction targets(s) set and steps taken to achieve them.	Pages 23, 52-53		

	Aspects	Disclosure		Location and Notes
A	2. Use of Resources	General Disclosure	Policies on the efficient use of resources, including energy, water and other raw materials. Note: Resources may be used in production, in storage, transportation, in buildings, electronic equipment, etc.	Page 41
		KPI A2.1	Direct and/or indirect energy consumption by type (e.g. electricity, gas or oil) in total (kWh in '000s) and intensity (e.g. per unit of production volume, per facility).	Pages 48-49, Key Performance Data
		KPI A2.2	Water consumption in total and intensity (e.g. per unit of production volume per facility).	Pages 51-52, Key Performance Data
		KPI A2.3	Description of energy use efficiency target(s) set and steps taken to achieve them.	Pages 23, 44-49
		KPI A2.4	Description of whether there is any issue in sourcing water that is fit for purpose, water efficiency target(s) set and steps taken to achieve them.	Pages 51-52
		KPI A2.5	Total packaging material used for finished products (in tonnes), and if applicable, with reference to per unit produced.	Key Performance Data
A	3. The Environment and Natural Resources	General Disclosure	Policies on minimising the issuer's significant impact on the environment and natural resources.	Pages 40-54
		KPI A3.1	Description of the significant impacts of activities on the environment and natural resources and the actions taken to manage them.	Pages 40-54
А	4. Climate Change	General Disclosure	Policies on identification and mitigation of significant climate-related issues which have impacted, and those may impact, the issuer.	Pages 42-46
		KPI A4.1	Description of the significant climate-related issues which have impacted, and those which may impact, the issuer, and the actions taken to manage them.	Pages 42-46
B. S	ocial			
Е	mployment and Labour Pra	ectices		
В	1. Employment	General Disclosure	Information on: (a) the policies; and (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the issuer relating to compensation and dismissal, recruitment and promotion, working hours, rest periods, equal opportunity, diversity, anti-discrimination, and other benefits and welfare.	Pages 55-56, 58-60
		KPI B1.1	Total workforce by gender, employment type (for example, full- or part-time), age group and geographical region.	Key Performance Data
		KPI B1.2	Employee turnover rate by gender, age group and geographical region.	Key Performance Data
В	2. Health and Safety	General Disclosure	Information on: (a) the policies; and (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the issuer relating to providing a safe working environment and protecting employees from occupational hazards.	Pages 55, 61-63
		KPI B2.1	Number and rate of work-related fatalities occurred in each of the past three years including the reporting year.	Pages 61-62, Key Performance Data
		KPI B2.2	Lost days due to work injury.	Key Performance Data
		KPI B2.3	Description of occupational health and safety measures adopted, and how they are implemented and monitored.	Pages 61-63
В	3. Development and Training	General Disclosure	Policies on improving employees' knowledge and skills for discharging duties at work. Description of training activities. Note: Training refers to vocational training. It may include internal and external courses paid by the employer.	Pages 55, 57
		KPI B3.1	The percentage of employees trained by gender and employee category (e.g. senior management, middle management).	Key Performance Data
		KPI B3.2	The average training hours completed per employee by gender and employee category.	Page 57, Key Performance Data

Aspects	Disclosure		Location and Notes
B4. Labour Standards	General Disclosure	Information on: (a) the policies; and (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the issuer relating to preventing child and forced labour	Pages 58-60
	KPI B4.1	Description of measures to review employment practices to avoid child and forced labour.	Pages 58-59
	KPI B4.2	Description of steps taken to eliminate such practices when discovered.	Pages 58-60
Operating Practices			
B5. Supply Chain Management	General Disclosure	Policies on managing environmental and social risks of the supply chain.	Pages 37-39
	KPI B5.1	Number of suppliers by geographical region.	85% suppliers are local suppliers
	KPI B5.2	Description of practices relating to engaging suppliers, number of suppliers where the practices are being implemented, how they are implemented and monitored.	Pages 37-39
	KPI B5.3	Description of practices used to identity environmental and social risks along the supply chain, and how they are implemented and monitored.	Pages 37-39
	KPI B5.4	Description of practices used to promote environmentally preferable products and services when selecting suppliers, and how they are implemented and monitored.	Pages 37-39
B6. Product Responsibility	General Disclosure	Information on: (a) the policies; and (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the issuer relating to health and safety, advertising, labelling and privacy matters relating to products and services provided and methods of redress.	Pages 28-29, 33-35
	KPI B6.1	Percentage of total products sold or shipped subject to recalls for safety and health reasons.	Page 18
	KPI B6.2	Number of products and service related complaints received and how they are dealt with.	Page 33, 11 products and services related complaints were received during FY2023.
	KPI B6.3	Description of practices relating to observing and protecting intellectual property rights.	Page 28
	KPI B6.4	Description of quality assurance process and recall procedures.	Pages 33-34
	KPI B6.5	Description of consumer data protection and privacy policies, how they are implemented and monitored.	Page 28
B7. Anti-corruption	General Disclosure	Information on: (a) the policies; and (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the issuer relating to bribery, extortion, fraud and money laundering.	Page 28
	KPI B7.1	Number of concluded legal cases regarding corrupt practices brought against the issuer or its employees during the reporting period and the outcomes of the cases.	Zero case in FY2023
	KPI B7.2	Description of preventive measures and whistle-blowing procedures, how they are implemented and monitored.	Page 27
	KPI B7.3	Description of anti-corruption training provided to directors and staff.	Page 28
Community			
B8. Community Investment	General Disclosure	Policies on community engagement to understand the needs of the communities where the issuer operates and to ensure its activities take into consideration the communities' interests.	Pages 64-70
	KPI B8.1	Focus areas of contribution (e.g. education, environmental concerns, labour needs, health, culture, sport).	Page 64
	KPI B8.2	Resources contributed (e.g. money or time) to the focus area.	Pages 64-65

TCFD Index

In FY2020, VTech started to disclose climate-related initiatives using the TCFD's framework. The information on how we assess and manage climate-related risks and opportunities, as well as strategies for mitigating risks and realizing opportunities are provided to our stakeholders under four thematic areas - governance, strategy, risk management and metrics and targets.

TCFD recommendation	Disclosure	Reference
Governance: Disclos	e the organization's governance around climate-related risks and opportunities.	
a) Describe the board's oversign of climate-related risks and opportunities	At VTech, our RMSC established by the Board comprises Executive Directors, an Independent Non-executive Director, the TEL President, the Group CFO, and the Company Secretary and Group Chief Compliance Officer and oversees climate change-related issues, and provides vision and strategic direction through its regular meetings on a biannual basis. The RMSC is also responsible for reviewing our sustainability strategies and improvement activities, assessing how the policies are implemented in achieving the sustainability goals and targets, and monitoring the performance progress.	Pages 5, 25-26
b) Describe management's rol in assessing and managing climate-related risks and opportunities.	Our RMSC has also formed the Sustainability Sub-Committee which has the strategic and operational responsibility to manage sustainability issues while implementing the policies and measures to achieve strategic vision and direction approved by RMSC. The Sub-Committee comprises key employees from the Company's different product lines and relevant departments, including Group Chief Financial Officer, TEL President, Vice President of ELP Operation, Managing Director of CMS, and the Sustainability team. It is responsible for monitoring the progress of our sustainability activities compared with targets in their responsible product lines and functions, evaluating and determining the sustainability investments from economic, environmental and social aspects, and sharing new and significant industry sustainability concerns with the committee members quarterly. We have recognised our climate change risk and formulated the Sustainability Plan 2025. Approved by the RMSC, the plan ensures our continuous improvement programmes and approaches on sustainability would be carried out effectively and consistently.	Pages 6-7, 43-46
Strategy: Disclos	e the actual and potential impacts of climate-related risks and opportunities on the org	ganization's businesses,
strateg	y, and financial planning where such information is material.	
 a) Describe the climate-related risks and opportunities the organization has identified of the short, medium, and long term. 	In the short (0-1 year) and medium (1-5 years) terms, interruptions in the supply chain due to extreme weather events, climate-related new regulatory requirements and reporting obligations, and changing customer behaviour and increased stakeholder concern are identified as potential risks whereas adaptive capacity enhancement, and development of low emission goods and services via R&D are considered opportunities. In the long term (5 years+), it will be essential to transform rapidly towards sustainable use of energy and resources through technological advancement, in face of potential risks of chronic physical risks and shifts in energy prices.	Pages 43-46
b) Describe the impact of climate-related risks and opportunities on the organization's businesses, strategy, and financial planning.	The climate-related risk and opportunities have affected our products and services, supply chain, R&D, and other operations. Therefore, VTech is striving to combat climate change by utilising necessary financial resources to build capacity for climate mitigation and adaptation. We also seize opportunities by investing in R&D and low-carbon technologies to align our strategies to drive positive impact in the long term.	Pages 43-46
c) Describe the resilience of the organization's strategy, taking into consideration different climate-related scenarios, including a 2°C or lower scenario.		Pages 23, 43-46
Risk Management: Disclos	e how the organization identifies, assesses, and manages climate-related risks.	
Describe the organization's processes for identifying and assessing climate-related risks.	Potential climate-related risks have been identified with reference to TCFD recommendations. We have evaluated the impact level and likelihood of occurrence of the risks under the two scenarios identified. For physical risks, we consider the impact of extreme climate events on our supply chain, manufacturing process as well as in-bound and out-bound logistics. For transition risks, we have considered the development on regulatory requirements and carbon tax, as well as the impact of technological advancement and shifting market preferences on our product life cycle.	Pages 43-46

TCFD recommendation	Disclosure	Reference
b) Describe the organization's processes for managing climate-related risks.	Risks have been formally identified and recorded in the risk register for key operations. The risk register is updated regularly and risk exposure and mitigation performance are reviewed biannually.	Pages 25-26, 43-46
	The RMSC held two meetings during the financial year to review the Group's business and sustainability risk management and internal control systems and their effectiveness.	
 Describe how processes for identifying, assessing, and managing climate-related risks are integrated into the organization's overall risk management. 	Climate-related risks are considered throughout the entire company-wide risk identification, assessment, and management processes. The climate-related risks are identified and assessed by the Sustainability Sub-Committee and related operation departments, and further reviewed by the RMSC. The committee is responsible for putting in place policies, procedures and frameworks for the identification and management of risks.	Pages 25-26, 43-46
Metrics and Targets: Disclose the metrics and targets used to assess and manage relevant climate-related risks and opportunities where such information is material.		
Disclose the metrics used by the organization to assess climate-related risks and opportunities in line with its strategy and risk management process.	We have established our Sustainability Plan 2025 as a metric for managing the risks and opportunities posed by climate change. Results are reported every year.	Page 23
 b) Disclose Scope 1, Scope 2, and, if appropriate, Scope 3 greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and the related risks. 	Scope 1: 3,886 tonnes of CO₂e Scope 2: 69,336 tonnes of CO₂e Scope 3: 7,538 tonnes of CO₂e As of FY2023, scope 3 emission only included GHG emission data from ocean and air shipment of contractors engaged by VTech.	Key Performance Data
 c) Describe the targets used by the organization to manage climate-related risks and opportunities and performance against targets. 	In our Sustainability Plan 2025, we have set GHG emission target – to reduce GHG emission per production output in assembly factories and plastic factories by 10% compared with FY2020 respectively, as well as targets on water usage and energy usage. For details, please refer to our Sustainability Plan 2025 on page 23.	Pages 18, 23, Key Performance Data

Certifications in Manufacturing Facilities

	TEL Products
SCAN	Supplier Compliance Audit Network
ISO 9001/TL 9000	Quality Management System
ISO 14001	Environmental Management System
IETP	ICTI (International Council of Toy Industries) Ethical Toy Program
ISO 45001	Occupational Health and Safety Management System
SA 8000	Social Accountability
	ELPs
GSV	Global Security Verification
ISO 9001	Quality Management System
ISO 14001	Environmental Management System
ISO 17025	Laboratory Accreditation Certificate by China National Accreditation Service for Conformity Assessment (CNAS)
IETP	ICTI (International Council of Toy Industries) Ethical Toy Program
ISO 45001	Occupational Health and Safety Management System
	CMS
ISO 9001	Quality Management System
ISO 13485	Medical Devices Quality Management System
ISO 14001	Environmental Management System
IATF 16949	Automotive Quality and Management System
ISO 45001	Occupational Health and Safety Management System
SA 8000	Social Accountability
QC 080000	Hazardous Substance Process Management System

Environmental and Safety Standards

TEL Products

Environmental Standards of TEL Products		
RoHS2	Restriction of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment	
Directive 94/62/EC & 2004/12/EC	European Parliament and Council Directive on Packing and Packaging Waste	
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals	
WEEE	Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment	
Energy Star ® eco-label	Certified Energy Saving Products	
Blue Angel eco-label	German standards of low-radiation and energy efficiency with benefits to the environment	
	Safety Standards of TEL Products	
UL 60950/62368	Safety standards for US Market	
EN 62368	Safety standards for European countries	
CCC	China Compulsory Certification	
UL	Underwriters Laboratories	

ELPs

	Environmental Standards of ELPs	
RoHS2	Restriction of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment	
Directive 94/62/EC & 2004/12/EC	European Parliament and Council Directive on Packing and Packaging Waste	
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals	
WEEE	Waste Electrical and Electronic equipment	
CP65	California Proposition 65: Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act	
FSC	Forest Stewardship Council	
GRS	Global Recycle Standard	
Safety Standards of ELPs		
CCC	China Compulsory Certification	
ASTM-F963-17	Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Toy Safety	
CPSIA	Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act	
EN71	European Standard Safety for Toys	
ISO 8124	Safety of Toys	
CCPSA	Canada Consumer Product Safety Act	

CMS

	Environmental Standards CMS products
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Directive 94/62/EC & 2004/12/EC	European Parliament and Council Directive on Packing and Packaging Waste
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals
WEEE	Waste Electrical and Electronic equipment
Energy Star ® eco-label	Certified Energy Saving Products: Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act
CP65	California Proposition 65
	Safety Standards of CMS Products
CCC	China Compulsory Certification
CE	Conformance European
CQC	China Quality Certification
CSA	Canadian Standards Association
ETL	Electrical Testing Laboratories
GS	German Safety
KC	Korea Certification
UL	Underwriters Laboratories
NEMKO	Norges Elektriske Materiell kontroll
PSE/JQA	Product Safety of Electrical Appliance & Materials from Japan Quality Assurance Organisation
MET	Maryland Electrical Testing
UL 62368	Safety standards for US Market
EN 62368	Safety standards for European countries
KTL	Certificate from Korea Testing Laboratory
ENEC	European Norms Electrical Certification
VDE	Verband Deutscher Elektrotechniker
TUV Rheinland	Technischer Überwachungs-Verein Rheinland
BIS	Bureau of Indian Standard

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