

# SUZLON ENERGY LIMITED

#### WATER STEWARDSHIP POLICY

#### Policy History

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12 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Introduction and Implementation of Water Stewardship Policy	12 <sup>th</sup> March 2025
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# Policy statement and purpose

Suzlon Energy Limited ("SEL" or the "Company") is committed to promoting responsible water management practices that support the long-term sustainability of our operations, the environment, and the communities we serve. Through this Water Stewardship Policy, we aim to optimize water consumption, prevent pollution, conserve water resources, promote water recharge and augmentation in catchment areas, and ensure compliance with local, regional, national, and international regulations and standards. This policy applies to all of our existing operations and across the lifecycle of our projects and activities to create long-term value for our business, society, and the environment.

Our policy is aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and adheres to relevant international and national frameworks for water management such as ISO 14001, ISO 14046, ISO 46001, Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), IFC Performance Standards, Global Reporting Initiative (GRI), Business Responsibility and Sustainability Reporting (BRSR). We are dedicated to improving water efficiency, enhancing the sustainability of our water use, and contributing to the broader water stewardship agenda through active engagement with our stakeholders, including customers, employees, investors, vendors, partners, and the local communities in which we operate.

As part of our broader sustainability objectives, we strive to minimize the ecological impact of our operations by focusing on efficient water use, reducing consumption, and promoting water recycling and reuse. This policy reflects our commitment to safeguarding ecosystems, protecting water resources, and fostering a sustainable future for all. By adopting a holistic approach to water stewardship, we aim to ensure that our actions contribute positively to water conservation, environmental protection, and community well-being.



# Applicability of this Policy

This Policy applies to Suzlon Energy Limited (the "Company"), and all its subsidiaries, including Manufacturing plants, offices, construction sites, operational sites, supply chain and stakeholders.

The Policy also applies to investees not belonging to the Company but over which it has effective control, within the limits established by the law.

This Policy applies across the life cycle of our projects to ensure long term value creation for the business, the environment and society at large.

# Definitions

Unless repugnant to the context:

- "Stewardship" is the responsible management and protection of resources, ensuring their sustainable use for the long term. It involves efficient use, conservation, and ethical care of resources, balancing environmental, social, and economic needs for future generations
- "Act" shall mean the Companies Act, 2013 including the Rules made thereunder, as amended from time to time.
- "Applicable Laws" shall mean the Act and Rules made thereunder, the Listing Regulations, the NGRBC Guidelines and / or such other Act, Rules or Regulations which are / may be applicable to the objective and/or subject matter of this Policy.
- "Board" or "Board of Directors" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Company.
- "Company" or "SEL" shall mean Suzlon Energy Limited.
- "Guidelines" or NGRBC Guidelines shall mean the National Guidelines on Responsible Business Conduct issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019.
- "Listing Regulations" shall mean the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 together with the circulars issued thereunder, including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof for the time being in force.
- "Policy" or "this Policy" shall mean this Water Management Policy.

Interpretation – In this Policy unless the contrary intention appears, words and expressions used and not defined in this Policy but defined in the Applicable Laws shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in those Applicable Laws.

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#### **Review of the Policy and disclosure requirements**

This Policy has been developed and adopted on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

This Policy is subordinate to the Listing Regulations or other applicable statutory provisions including the Companies Act, 2013, as amended, and in the event of disparity between this Policy and the Applicable Laws (including due to subsequent amendments to the Applicable Laws), the provisions of the Applicable Laws will prevail.

The Board shall oversee the implementation of this Policy and review this Policy and allied management systems periodically to ensure their continuing applicability and relevance to its operation and evolving stakeholder expectations. This exercise shall be conducted once a year or as and when there are changes or future developments so as to incorporate the best practices and changes required in terms of compliance with Applicable Law.

The Board reserves any right to alter, modify, add, delete or amend any of the provisions of this Policy subject to Applicable Laws.

The content and robustness of the implementation of this policy will be reviewed periodically and revised accordingly.

# **Our Commitment**

Water is a shared resource essential for the sustenance of all living beings. Effective water management is critical to ensuring the smooth operation of our facilities, promoting sustainability, and fostering responsible resource utilization. Our approach goes beyond regulatory compliance, actively addressing water-related challenges associated with our operations and conserving water. We are committed to fostering collaboration and partnerships with water advocacy organizations, stakeholders, and communities to promote sustainable water management practices. We recognize the importance of collective action in addressing water challenges and aim to work together to protect water resources, raise awareness, and drive innovative solutions. We aim to actively participate in and maintain memberships with esteemed water alliances and advocacy groups. These partnerships empower us to collaborate with industry leaders, exchange best practices, and support collective initiatives to tackle global water challenges. Through these collaborations, we strengthen our dedication to safeguarding water resources and fostering sustainable outcomes for the environment and communities.

We are committed to achieving Water Neutrality by 2030 while effectively managing our water footprint and improving water accessibility in the communities where we operate, demonstrating our dedication to environmental stewardship.

We shall strive to identify and implement appropriate actions within our operating locations, and work with stakeholders across the lifecycle of our projects as follows:



# 1. Planning and Construction Facilities:

- Adhere to local regulations and standard for water and aminating compliance with water-related laws.
- Commit to achieve 'Water Neutrality' across our operations by 2030.
- Providing clean drinking water that meets necessary water quality standards.
- Ensure that WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) facilities are easily accessible and inclusive for all employees and workers.
- Ensure that proper management of storm water runoff and prevent any sediment discharge into nearby water bodies.
- Routinely monitor drinking water and wastewater quality
- Ensure that there are no spills and leaks which can contaminate the groundwater or nearby water bodies.
- Provide necessary trainings to our workforce on water and wastewater management and WASH.
- Ensure that water usage does not negatively impact local ecosystems, particularly in areas with sensitive aquatic biodiversity or endangered species.
- Implement measures to protect and conserve aquatic ecosystems and habitats, including avoiding water withdrawals from ecologically sensitive or protected areas

# 2. Manufacturing Plants and Operational Facilities:

- Adhere to local regulations and standards for water and maintain compliance with water-related laws and regulations.
- Arrive at water footprint across all our products and processes, resulting in a scientific water balance
- Allocate necessary resources for effective water management across our facilities.
- Prioritize water-efficient practices and technologies to minimize freshwater withdrawal.
- Prioritize water conservation across our manufacturing plants and operational facilities by promoting the reusing, recycling of treated wastewater, rainwater harvesting, replenishment and preventing pollution of water bodies.

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- Commit to achieve 'Water Neutrality' across our manufacturing plants and operational facilities by 2030.
- Conduct a thorough water risk mapping for all operational facilities, considering regional water scarcity, climate change impacts, and potential risks to water availability and develop strategies to adapt these risks.
- Assess water-related risks within our operations and enable, through capacity building and knowledge sharing, and carry out assessments to identify water-risk related priorities.
- Monitor, review, and assess water performance against targets for continuous improvement and transparent reporting.
- Regularly monitor water and wastewater quality as per the prescribed standards.
- Ensure that there are no spills and leaks which can contaminate the groundwater or nearby water bodies.
- Engage with key stakeholders to incorporate inclusive water management practices.
- Regularly monitor water use, discharge, recycling and conservation. And disclose to relevant stakeholders our water management goals.
- Organize training programs and raise awareness about water conservation among employees, business partners, suppliers and communities.
- Support evidence-based decision making by sharing operational data and utilizing global scientific insights.
- Collaborate with suppliers on water management efforts, assisting them in assessing and mitigating their impacts as part of our supply chain sustainability program.
- Regularly explore and implement new technologies that improve water efficiency across all operations, reducing the overall environmental footprint of water use.

# 3. Decommissioning and Redevelopment:

- Prioritize reuse and recycling of decommissioned materials to reduce reliance on virgin resources and lessen water-related impacts, on owned/controlled assets.
- Where feasible, and as permissible by local laws, redevelop previously developed areas, minimizing the need for freshwater withdrawal and reducing water consumption.



- Commit to restoring owned decommissioned sites, collaborating with local stakeholders to support local ecosystems when reuse is not possible.
- Prevent water contamination during decommissioning activities.

# **Responsibility and Accountability**

The company will at minimum review this Policy on an annual basis to ensure its effectiveness and alignment with changing water management policies, technological advancements, and global sustainability targets. We are committed to continuously improving our practices and ensuring that we meet the highest environmental standards. The results of these reviews will be communicated to stakeholders and used to guide future strategies.

The implementation and adherence to this policy are the responsibility of the Company's Senior Leadership Team, with oversight provided by the CSR & ESG Committee at Board level. Water management performance will be reviewed, and progress towards targets will be measured and communicated transparently on an annual basis.

**Date:** 12<sup>th</sup> March 2025

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