Category	Issue code	Description
Employment is freely chosen	EFC-01	The factory does not have a written policy regarding forced labour/employment is
		freely chosen
Employment is freely chosen	EFC-02	Workers are not allowed to leave the premises outside legal working hours
Employment is freely chosen	EFC-03	Factory management withholds wages and documents of workers
Employment is freely chosen	EFC-04	Workers are not free to terminate their employment with reasonable notice or leave when their contracts expire
Employment is freely chosen	EFC-05	Workers are obliged to pay significant deposits when starting employment
Employment is freely chosen	EFC-06	Factory management delays paying workers when workers decide to resign
Employment is freely chosen	EFC-07	Factory management restricts worker movement within factory premise
Employment is freely chosen	EFC-08	The factory subcontracts work to a prison
Employment is freely chosen	EFC-09	Workers with debts from management are forced to stay in the job
Employment is freely chosen	EFC-10	Workers are required to sign/put thumb impression on blank papers
Employment is freely chosen	EFC-11	Workers have debts to/loans from the management without any written terms and conditions
Employment is freely chosen	EFC-12	Overtime is not voluntary
Factory communication	FCS-01	Factory management has not communicated about Fair Wear code of labour practices / local regulations on rights and duties to its workforce
Factory communication	FCS-02	Factory management has not communicated its own policies and procedures to the workforce
Factory communication	FCS-03	There is no internal factory communication systems wherein workers can raise grievances
Factory communication	FCS-04	Factory has internal communication systems but not all workers can access it
Factory communication	FCS-05	Workers do not have awareness about the worker representatives
Factory communication	FCS-06	Workers do not know the use of worker information sheet nor aware of the local complaints handler's number
Factory communication	FCS-07	Supplier has internal communication systems but there is no documentation of the grievance handling process
Factory communication	FCS-08	Factory management has not provided any trainings to worker representatives on compliance requirements
Factory management systems	FMS-01	Factory management has not displayed the Fair Wear code of labour practices / worker information sheet (with updated helpline number)
Factory management systems	FMS-02	Factory management has not informed member brand about the subcontracted units used for its products

Factory management systems	FMS-03	Factory management has coached its workers in preparation of the audit leading to uncorroborated information
Factory management systems	FMS-04	Factory management has maintained falsified documents in preparation to the audit leading to uncorroborated information
Factory management systems	FMS-05	There is no designated staff member in the factory to monitor and oversee the compliance status
Factory management systems	FMS-06	Factory policies and procedures are maintained but do not comply with local law / international standard or FW code of labour practices
Factory management systems	FMS-07	Disciplinary actions are not documented and/or not in accordance with factory's own rules
Factory management systems	FMS-08	Managers and supervisors do not follow the disciplinary procedures
Factory management systems	FMS-09	Factory management has displayed the Fair Wear code of labour practices / worker information sheet but it is not easily accessible
Factory management systems	FMS-10	Factory management does not maintain any documented records of its compliance progress
Freedom of association	FOA-01	Factory does not have a policy and/or procedure on FOA and collective bargaining
Freedom of association	FOA-02	Factory management does not comply with national law regarding trade unions
Freedom of association	FOA-03	There is no Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), where applicable
Freedom of association	FOA-04	There is a CBA but is not recognised by the management
Freedom of association	FOA-05	There is legal noncompliance relating to strikes
Freedom of association	FOA-06	Workers cannot freely form or join the union of their choice
Freedom of association	FOA-07	Workers are not aware of union(s) or its function
Freedom of association	FOA-08	Factory management does not allow trade unions to approach workers
Freedom of association	FOA-09	Factory management does not treat different unions equally
Freedom of association	FOA-10	Factory management provides incentives to workers to keep them from joining a union or engaging in union activities
Freedom of association	FOA-11	Factory management punishes, threatens, intimidates, harasses, terminates or does not renew workers' contracts due to their union membership or activities
Freedom of association	FOA-12	The existing trade union(s) or worker representatives are not allowed to be involved/are not involved in improving working conditions
Freedom of association	FOA-13	There is no documented evidence of negotiations between management and worker representatives
Freedom of association	FOA-14	Documented evidence of meetings and negotiations between management and worker representatives exist, but there is no action taken
Freedom of association	FOA-15	Union(s) is not independent (including under influence of the management)
Freedom of association	FOA-16	Worker / union representatives are not chosen by workers or not democratically elected

Freedom of association	FOA-17	Managerial staff such as human resource managers, finance managers, and personnel managers appointed as union officials in workers' unions
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-01	Factory working conditions pose threat to the lives of workers
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-02	Factory working conditions pose threat to the health of workers
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-03	There is no written safety & health policy and procedure
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-04	Factory management has not conducted any risk assessment of working conditions
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-05	Legal licenses, certificates and reports on safety & health are missing or invalid
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-06	Polices and procedures of safety & health are not adequately communicated to workers
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-07	Factory has not appointed any designated staff who is qualified to oversee the H&S management
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-08	Safety & health representatives or committee are not available
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-09	There is no record or incomplete record of work related accidents and diseases
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-10	Safety & health training for workers is not provided or inadequate
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-11	Workers are given tight deadlines and less time to do their job leading to stress
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-12	Factory management does not provide workers with suitable PPEs
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-13	Workers do not have any channel to raise grievances on safety standards.
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-14	Factory management does not monitor whether workers are wearing appropriate PPE at all times
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-15	Workers pay for their own PPE used at workplace
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-16	The childcare facilities are inadequate
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-17	Medical checks for workers are not provided or insufficient
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-18	First aid personnel is not trained or insufficient
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-19	Medical room or medical facility is not available or inadequate
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-20	First aid kit is missing or insufficient
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-21	Workers feel lack of respect from supervisory staff and management
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-22	Evidence of workplace violence or harassment (sexual, physical, verbal etc.) exists
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-23	Safety & Health procedure for pregnant or nursing workers does not exist or is inadequate
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-24	Insufficient number of toilets
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-25	Worker transport provided by the factory is unsafe or inadequate
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-26	Dust density is high
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-27	Noise level exceeds maximum exposure limit
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-28	Temperature of the environment is not appropriate
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-29	Slippery surfaces are not designated
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-30	Work environment is cluttered/untidy

Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-31	Ventilation is insufficient or inadequate
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-32	Overall lighting is insufficient or inadequate
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-33	Workers in standing positions are not provided with anti-fatigue mat
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-34	Workers in sitting positions are not provided with chairs with back support
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-35	Evacuation drills are not conducted as legally required
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-36	Evacuation plan is not available, incorrect or inappropriate
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-37	Fire evacuation route(s) are blocked, inadequate or not clearly marked
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-38	Fire alarm is inadequate
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-39	Fire fighting equipment is insufficient and/or not appropriately maintained
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-40	Fire exits are insufficient and/or signs and maps are defective or missing
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-41	Emergency lighting is missing, inadequate or malfunctioned
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-42	Inadequate storage of inflammable materials
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-43	Regular electrical safety inspections are not conducted or insufficient
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-44	Electrical wiring is inadequately encased or secured
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-45	Access to breaker switch is blocked
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-46	Electrical distribution board is inadequate
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-47	An inventory of chemicals and hazardous substances is not kept or incomplete
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-48	Chemicals and hazardous substances are not appropriately handled
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-49	Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) is not available
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-50	Chemicals and hazardous substances are not properly labelled
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-51	Storage for chemicals and hazardous substances is not appropriate
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-52	Eye wash or cleansing materials are missing or inadequate
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-53	Building safety is inadequate
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-54	Factory dormitories do not ensure safety and health of workers
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-55	Factory dormitories are not separated from production areas
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-56	Factory dormitories do not comply with minimum personal space requirements
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-57	Workers are not trained on machine safety
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-58	Machine safety instructions are not posted
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-59	Warning signs are not posted
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-60	Safety guards of machines are not installed
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-61	Machines are not maintained regularly and appropriately
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-62	Food storage and preparation is not hygienic
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-63	Water or food containers are not labelled or not stored appropriately
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-64	Factory management does not provide hygienic materials for workers in the toilets
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-65	Toilets are not cleaned adequately
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-66	Canteen staff certificate is invalid or insufficient
Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-67	Handwashing facilities in the canteen are inadequate

Safe & healthy working conditions	HS-68	Clean drinking water is not available
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-01	Factory does not have a policy and procedure on employment relationship
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-02	There are no work contracts or other proof of employment relation for all workers
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-03	Workers are not provided copies of contracts or appointment letters
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-04	Content of the work contract does not comply with legal requirements
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-05	Work contracts do not specify the employment terms and conditions
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-06	Workers do not understand the employment terms and conditions
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-07	Factory management does not cover all eligible workers under the social security
		scheme
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-08	Factory management does not hire apprentices or workers in probation period, as
Legally binding employment relationship	EBEIX 00	per the law
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-09	The factory uses an employment agency that does not meet local requirements as
	EBER 00	a labour provider
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-10	Individual personnel files are incomplete, inaccurate or falsified
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-11	Workers hired through employment agencies do not receive full legal and social
		security entitlements
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-12	Workers are dismissed and rehired to avoid paying wages and benefits for
		permanent workers
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-13	Workers are consistently employed on temporary contracts
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-14	Workers sign on work contracts or resignation letters without knowledge of the
		content
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-15	Factory management fails to comply with requirements when dismissing workers
		(valid reasons, prior notice, termination payments, unused annual leave etc.)
Legally binding employment relationship		Factory management does not comply with logal requirements concerning out
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-16	Factory management does not comply with legal requirements concerning sub-
Legally binding employment relationship	LBER-17	contracted workers, homeworkers and/or migrant workers
	LW-01	There is no childcare facility, if applicable Factory does not have any policy or procedure on payment of wages
Living wage	LW-01	Not all workers are paid legal minimum wages
Living wage	LW-02 LW-03	Piece rate workers are not guaranteed legal minimum wages
Living wage	LW-03 LW-04	Allowances, bonuses or social security benefits are not paid as legally required
Living wage	LW-04 LW-05	
Living wage		Overtime premium is not paid as legally required
Living wage	LW-06	Wages are paid later than legally required.
Living wage	LW-07 LW-08	Statutory leaves are not paid to workers as legally required
Living wage		Wages paid are below collective bargaining agreement (CBA) wage.
Living wage	LW-09	Workers are paid below living wage as estimated by local stakeholders
Living wage	LW-10	Workers are not paid during work stoppages
Living wage	LW-11	Workers are not paid during downtime

Living wage Living wage	LW-12 LW-13	Factory management makes unauthorised deductions from workers' wages Inconsistencies exist between payroll, payslip and other records due to poor
		record keeping
Living wage	LW-14	Wages could not be verified due to falsification of wage records
Living wage	LW-15	Wages could not be verified due to inconsistent or incomplete records
Living wage	LW-16	Workers do not understand how wages are calculated.
Living wage	LW-17	Workers do not receive a payslip OR receive a payslip but it is not in the language understood by the workers
Member monitoring	MM-01	Fair Wear member brand has not shared Fair Wear code of labour practices to the factory
Member monitoring	MM-02	FW member brand has not checked if the FW code of labour practices is easily accessible at the workplace
Member monitoring	MM-03	Fair Wear member brand has not shared previous audit reports with the supplier
Member monitoring	MM-04	Fair Wear member brand has not ensured that the supplier shares the previous audit reports with worker representations or union(s)
Member monitoring	MM-05	FW member brand has not checked if the FW code of labour practices is shared with the subcontracted units
Member monitoring	MM-06	Fair Wear member brand does not have any system to monitor the supplier site on compliance requirements
Member monitoring	MM-07	Fair Wear member brand or its local representative have never visited the factory premise to monitor the compliance standards
Member sourcing	MS-01	According to factory management, the prices of the member do not support the payment of living wages
Member sourcing	MS-02	According to factory management, the prices of the member do not support the payment of minimum wages or OT premium
Member sourcing	MS-03	The production planning of the member contribute to excessive overtime
Member sourcing	MS-04	According to factory management, the payment of the member is late
Member sourcing	MS-05	According to factory management, the member has not set any minimum compliance expectations for suppliers for sourcing its products
Member sourcing	MS-06	According to factory management, the member does not provide any incentive to supplier for its compliance to FW standards
No child labour	NCL-01	Factory management does not have policy against use of child labour and child labour and child labour remediation procedures
No child labour	NCL-02	The factory employs children under the age of 15
No child labour	NCL-03	The factory does not have a written policy regarding juvenile workers
No child labour	NCL-04	Juvenile work is not compliant to local law and/or international standards
No child labour	NCL-05	Factory does not maintain complete age or identity records in workers' personnel files

No child labour	NCL-06	Factory does not check age proof documents of workers at the time of employment
No child labour	NCL-07	Factory does not conduct alternate age verification for workers who cannot produce age records
No child labour No child labour	NCL-08 NCL-09	Contracts for juvenile workers are not signed by parent or legal guardian Juvenile workers are not registered and/or recorded as per law with the local labour bureau or equivalent
No child labour	NCL-10	No regular health check-ups for juvenile workers are conducted
No discrimination	ND-01	There are no written policies and procedures regarding discrimination
No discrimination	ND-02	Race, gender, caste, origin, religion, age, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, union membership and/or political opinion are influencing factors in hiring, compensation, access to training, promotion, termination and/or retirement
No discrimination	ND-03	There is no internal grievance system where workers can raise complaints on discrimination and harassment
No discrimination	ND-04	There is a grievance mechanism on discrimination and harassment, but it is ineffective
No discrimination	ND-05	Factory management conducts health screenings (pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, HBV etc.) during recruitment process or during employment
No discrimination	ND-06	There is no record of workers who availed maternity benefits
No discrimination	ND-07	Male workers are not granted paternity leave when legally required
No discrimination	ND-08	Factory management changes the employment status, position, wages, benefits or seniority of workers during/after maternity leave
No discrimination	ND-09	Factory management dismisses workers or forces them to leave based on their health status, pregnancy or maternity leave
No discrimination	ND-10	The percentage of women in supervisory and other higher-paid positions is low
No discrimination	ND-11	Workers with disabilities who apply for work are not evaluated according to their ability to perform the job
No discrimination	ND-12	There is no formal performance review system of workers which increases the risk of discrimination
Reasonable hours of work	WH-01	Factory does not have policy on working hours and overtime
Reasonable hours of work	WH-02	Overtime policy is not communicated to workers
Reasonable hours of work	WH-03	Legally required daily break period is not provided
Reasonable hours of work	WH-04	Workers do not receive 1 day off per 7 days of work
Reasonable hours of work	WH-05	Required leaves are not provided to workers
Reasonable hours of work	WH-06	Total working time per week exceeds the legal limit, but is not over 60 hours
Reasonable hours of work	WH-07	Total working time per week exceeds 60 hours
Reasonable hours of work	WH-08	Overtime is not announced in advance

Reasonable hours of work	WH-09	There is no regulated or functional working hour registration system
Reasonable hours of work	WH-10	Working hour record does not reflect the hours actually worked
Reasonable hours of work	WH-11	Overtime hours are conducted but not documented

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