

Thank you for submitting your annual report under the *Fighting Against Forced Labour and Child Labour in Supply Chains Act*.

Complete the questionnaire and submit your report

The next reporting deadline for the *Fighting Against Forced Labour and Child Labour in Supply Chains Act* (Act) is May 31, 2025. Reports are submitted to Public Safety Canada through the online questionnaire. Questionnaire responses and annual reports must reference the activities undertaken during the entity's or government institution's previous financial year.

If an entity or government institution is unsure whether they are required to report, refer to <u>guidance</u> on the application of the Act for entities or government institutions.

Purpose of the questionnaire

To submit their annual report, entities and government institutions must complete this questionnaire. The questionnaire collects information that responds to the Act's reporting requirements and is the mechanism for submitting an annual report to Public Safety Canada.

Questionnaire responses are used internally by Public Safety Canada to track submissions and catalogue reports. Submission information collected through the questionnaire supports the search function in the online repository of annual reports. Public Safety Canada may also use questionnaire responses for analytical purposes.

Entities and advernment institutions subject to the Act may refer to the list of auestions and examples within the auestionnaire when developing their annual reports. The reporting exercise, over time, is expected to improve entities' and government institutions' capacity to identify, prevent, reduce and address forced labour and child labour risks.

Completing the online questionnaire

The questionnaire is completed using information from activities undertaken during the entity's or government institution's previous financial year before the May 31 reporting deadline. There is no prescribed level of detail required for the responses. However, entities and government institutions must ensure that their responses to the questionnaire are accurate and that the information is consistent with their annual report.

In the case of a joint report, <u>only the entity submitting the report should complete the questionnaire on</u> <u>behalf of all entities covered by the report.</u> A joint report should only be submitted if the information provided generally applies to all entities covered by the report.

The questionnaire is considered complete if all of the mandatory fields have been filled out and a report has been uploaded at the end of the questionnaire that meets the following requirements of the Act:

- Contains information addressing each of the requirements in <u>subsections 6(1) and 6(2)</u>, for government institutions, or in <u>subsections 11(1) and 11(3)</u>, for entities;
- For entities, has received the necessary approvals and includes the signed attestation;
- For government institutions, is submitted in both official languages;
- Is a PDF file that does not exceed 100MB in size.

Public Safety Canada recognizes that the online questionnaire does not allow entities and government institutions to elaborate on all answers within the questionnaire. Entities and government institutions are encouraged to respond to the best of their ability and provide further clarification and detail within the annual report, as necessary.

At the end of the questionnaire, entities and government institutions must upload their annual report in PDF format, and select "submit". Entities and government institutions will receive a confirmation email following submission, and will have the option to download a copy of their responses to the questionnaire.

Language requirements

Entities must complete the questionnaire and submit the PDF report at the end of the questionnaire in one of the two Canadian official languages. It is recommended, however, that reports be submitted in both English and French, in order to make reports accessible to the broader Canadian public. Entities that opt to submit their report in both Canadian official languages can upload two separate PDF files at the end of the questionnaire. Requests for translated copies of reports may be directed to the responsible entity.

Government institutions may complete the questionnaire in either Canadian official language. but are required to submit the PDF version of their report in both English and French. as per the *Official Languages Act*. At the end of the questionnaire, government institutions must upload their reports in both English and French as separate PDF files before they select "submit."

Publication requirements

On providing a report to Public Safety Canada, entities must publish their report in a prominent place on their website.

Reports submitted to Public Safety Canada will also be made publicly available in a searchable <u>online</u> <u>catalogue</u> which is updated on an ongoing basis.

Only the PDF reports and select information submitted through the online questionnaire will be published on the Public Safety Canada website.

Public Safety Canada is not responsible for reports submitted by entities, which may or may not meet federal standards related to accessibility and official languages.

Failure to report

Failure to submit an annual report in accordance with the Act is considered an offence under subsection 19(1).

Knowingly making a false or misleading statement or providing false or misleading information is considered an offence under subsection 19(2).

All offences under subsections 19(1) and 19(2) are punishable on summary conviction and a fine of not more than \$250,000.

Data Management Disclaimer

Questionnaire responses will be stored by Public Safety Canada and will be disposed of in accordance with the Policy on Service and Digital, the *Access to Information Act*, the *Privacy Act* and the *Library and Archives Act*. The report itself will be added to the Public Safety Library's collection and will be subject to the Public Safety Canada Library Collection Development Policy.

Public Safety Canada may proceed with the manipulation or translation of answers to align the bibliographical data of the report to Treasury Board Secretariat (TBS) Standard for Managing Metadata and Public Safety Canada Library cataloguing and description procedures.

In addition to the TBS standards for managing metadata, the library maintains a bilingual cataloguing style that reflects Library and Archives Canada's own policy on the Directive on the Official Language of Description (canada.ca). Specifically, metadata is entered in the language of submission, in order to present a "true and accurate representation of that publication".

In instances where an entity submits two reports: one in French, and one in English, these resources are divided and catalogued separately, with metadata being entered once in French, and once in English, to accurately reflect the contents of each.

If a singular bilingual publication is submitted, then we will enter all metadata twice in the same record, once in French, and once in English. In all scenarios, the goal is to accurately reflect the language contents of the published work within the metadata itself.

Privacy Notice Statement

Personal information is collected by Qualtrics on behalf of Public Safety Canada for the purpose of verifying information contained in reports submitted under the *Fighting Against Forced Labour and Child Labour in Supply Chains Act* (Act).

Public Safety Canada requires entities and government institutions required to report under the Act to complete the questionnaire. Please note that information entered in any open text box field could be identifiable depending on the information provided. In order to protect privacy, entities and government institutions must not add personal information of any kind in these open text areas.

Personal information will be managed and administered in accordance with the *Access to Information Act,* the *Privacy Act* and any other applicable laws. Public Safety Canada may use the personal information provided in the questionnaire responses for policy development purposes, but the information may also be used for investigative purposes.

For more information on Public Safety Canada's privacy practices related to online activities, please refer to Public Safety Canada's <u>Terms and conditions</u>.

You have the right to the protection of, access to and correction of your personal information. Find instructions for obtaining information through <u>Public Safety Canada's Access to Information and</u> <u>Privacy (ATIP)</u>.

Any questions, comments, concerns or complaints you may have regarding Public Safety Canada's handling of your personal information may be directed to our Access to Information and Privacy Coordinator by emailing <u>atip-aiprp@ps-sp.gc.ca</u>. If you are not satisfied with Public Safety Canada's response to your privacy concern, you have the right to file a complaint with the <u>Privacy</u> <u>Commissioner of Canada</u> regarding the institution's handling of your personal information.



PART 1

Submission Information

In order to protect privacy, entities and government institutions must not provide personal information of any kind in the open text box fields of this questionnaire.

Public Safety Canada recognizes that some aspects of the online questionnaire may limit an entity or government institution's ability to elaborate on complex information or provide detailed responses. Entities and government institutions are encouraged to respond to the best of their ability and provide further clarification and detail in the annual report, as necessary.

An entity submitting a joint report on behalf of multiple entities (e.g., its subsidiaries) may complete **Part 1: Submission Information** using information that reflects its own circumstances and operations. However, <u>any information provided in **Part 2: Annual Report** should reflect the activities <u>of all entities covered by the joint report</u>. In cases where the information applicable to each entity differs significantly, each entity should submit its own report and complete the online questionnaire separately.</u>

*This report is for :

Note: Government institution has the same meaning as in section 3 of the Access to Information Act.

An entity

A government institution

*State the legal name of the reporting entity or government institution:

Note for entities: You must use an alphanumeric naming convention. Do not include acronyms. If you are an entity submitting a joint report, only the legal name of the entity submitting the report should be included in this field. Do not list all entities covered by the report, you will be asked to identify the names of the entities covered in the report later in the questionnaire.

Birla Carbon Canada Ltd.

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*Reporting year:

Select from the drop down menu the applicable **reporting deadline** for which you are submitting a report):

Note: this may not reflect the financial reporting year.

May 31, 2025, deadline

*Financial year covered by report (Start Date):

Note: All reports must reference the activities undertaken during the entity or government institution's previous financial year. Reports may be submitted on or before May 31. As such, the submission date of the report will determine which financial year you are reporting on.

Month	April	•
Day	1	•
Year	2024	•

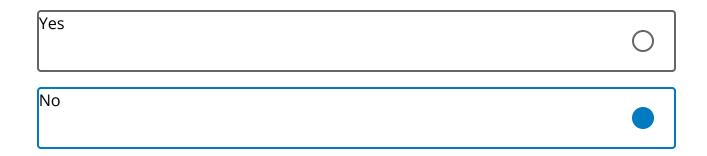
*Financial year covered by report (End Date):

Note: All reports must reference the activities undertaken during the entity or government institution's previous financial year. Reports may be submitted on or before May 31. As such, the submission date of the report will determine which financial year you are reporting on.

Month	March	•
Day	31	•
Year	2025	•

*Is this a revised version of a report that was already submitted this reporting year?

Note: The previous version will be deleted and users will be unable to recover the previously submitted version.



Business number(s) (if applicable, provide the business number of the entity completing this questionnaire):

Corporate file number: 2016210276 Federal Business No. 101058428 RC 0002

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*ls this a joint report?

Yes	0
No	

*Is the entity also subject to reporting requirements under supply chain legislation in another jurisdiction?

Yes	0
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*Which of the following categories apply to the entity? Select all that apply.

Note: If none of these categories apply to your organization, you may not be required to report. Please visit Public Safety Canada's <u>guidance for entities</u> to confirm your obligations under the Act before proceeding with your submission.

Listed on a stock exchange in Canada	
Canadian business presence (select all that apply):	
Has a place of business in Canada	
Does business in Canada	
Has assets in Canada	
Meets size-related thresholds (select all that apply):	
Has at least \$20 million in assets for at least one of its two most recent financia years	
Has generated at least \$40 million in revenue for at least one of its two most recent financial years	2
Employs an average of at least 250 employees for at least one of its two most recent financial years	

*In which of the following sectors or industries does the entity operate? Select all that apply.

Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	
Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction	
Utilities	
Construction	
Manufacturing	
Wholesale trade	
Retail trade	
Transportation and warehousing	
Information and cultural industries	
Finance and insurance	
Real estate and rental and leasing	
Professional, scientific and technical services	

Management of companies and enterprises	
Administrative and support, waste management and remediation services	
Educational services	
Health care and social assistance	
Arts, entertainment and recreation	
Accommodation and food services	
Other services (except public administration)	
Public administration	
Other, please specify:	

*Manufacturing

Food manufacturing	
Beverage and tobacco product manufacturing	
Textile mills	
Textile product mills	
Apparel manufacturing	
Leather and allied product manufacturing	
Wood product manufacturing	
Paper manufacturing	
Printing and related support activities	
Petroleum and coal product manufacturing	
Chemical manufacturing	
Plastics and rubber products manufacturing	

Non-metallic mineral product manufacturing	
Primary metal manufacturing	
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	
Machinery manufacturing	
Computer and electronic product manufacturing	
Electrical equipment, appliance and component manufacturing	
Transportation equipment manufacturing	
Furniture and related product manufacturing	
Other manufacturing	

*In which country is the entity headquartered or principally located?

Canada

*In which province or territory is the entity is headquartered or principally located?

Ontario	Ontario	ario						•	r
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Part 2

Annual Report

In order to protect privacy, entities must not provide personal information of any kind in the open text box fields of this questionnaire.

Public Safety Canada recognizes that some aspects of the online questionnaire may limit an entity's ability to elaborate on complex information or provide detailed responses. Entities are encouraged to respond to the best of their ability and provide further clarification and detail in the annual report, as necessary.

Information provided in response to **Part 2: Annual Report** should reflect the activities of <u>all entities</u> covered by the report submitted at the end of the questionnaire.

*Which of the following accurately describes the entity's structure?

Corporation	
Trust	
Partnership	
Other unincorporated organization	

*Which of the following accurately describes the entity's activities? Select all that apply.

Note: If an organization is not involved in any of the following activities, then it may not be required to report under the Supply Chains Act, even if it meets the definition of **entity**. Entities that do not engage in these activities but wish to submit a report in the interest of transparency may do so by selecting 'Other' below and further describing their activities in the PDF report.

Producing goods (includes manufacturing	extracting, growing and processing) in	
Canada	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	

Producing goods (includes manufacturing, extracting, growing and processing) outside Canada

Importing into Canada goods produced outside Canada

Controlling an entity engaged in producing goods in Canada

Controlling an entity engaged in producing goods outside Canada

Controlling an entity engaged in importing into Canada goods produced outsic	d <u>e</u> _
Canada	

Other

*What steps has the entity taken in its previous financial year to prevent and reduce the risk that forced labour or child labour is used at any step of the production of goods in Canada or elsewhere by the entity or of goods imported into Canada by the entity? Select all that apply.

Mapping activities	
Mapping supply chains	
Conducting an internal assessment of risks of forced labour and/or child labo the organization's activities and supply chains	our in
Contracting an external assessment of risks of forced labour and/or child labour and/or child labour and/or child labour and/or child labour and supply chains	our in
Developing and implementing an action plan for addressing forced labour an child labour	d/or
Gathering information on worker recruitment and maintaining internal contrensure that all workers are recruited voluntarily	ols to
Addressing practices in the organization's activities and supply chains that ma cause or contribute to the risk of forced labour and/or child labour	ay
Developing and implementing due diligence policies and processes for identi- addressing and prohibiting the use of forced labour and/or child labour in the organization's activities and supply chains	
Carrying out a prioritization exercise to focus due diligence efforts on the mo severe risks of forced and child labour	st
Requiring suppliers to have policies and procedures for identifying and prohi the use of forced labour and/or child labour in their activities and supply chai	

Developing and implementing child protection policies and processes

Developing and implementing anti-forced labour and/or -child labour contractual clauses

Developing and implementing anti-forced labour and/or -child labour standards, codes of conduct and/or compliance checklists

Auditing suppliers

Monitoring suppliers

Enacting measures to provide for, or cooperate in, remediation of forced labour and/or child labour

Developing and implementing grievance mechanisms to address complaints in the workplace

Developing and implementing training and awareness materials on forced labour and/or child labour

Developing and implementing procedures to track effectiveness in addressing forced labour and/or child labour

Engaging with supply chain partners on the issue of addressing forced labour and/or child labour

Engaging with civil society groups, experts and other stakeholders on the issue of addressing forced labour and/or child labour

Engaging directly with workers and families potentially affected by forced labour and/or child labour to assess and address risks

Information not available for this reporting period

Please provide additional information describing the steps taken (if applicable) (3,000 character limit).

Please note that information entered could be identifying information. In order to protect privacy, entities must not provide personal information of any kind in the open text box fields of this questionnaire.

In this regard, Birla Carbon adopted and published its consolidated Code of Global Business Ethics and Compliance Standards (the "Code of Conduct" or "Code") in 2014, which codifies our commitment to (i) conducting our business ethically and in accordance with all applicable laws; (ii) adhering to standards of safety and care for the protection of our Employees, the public, and the environment; and (iii) promoting these policies through education, supervision, and regular reviews. We require all our employees to complete annual training on the Code and certify that each employee, has received, reviewed, and understands the Code and his or her obligation to report any violations thereof. In FY 2025, we added In FY 2025, we added a discreet module to our online Code of Ethics training program specifically aimed at equipping our employees and contractors to recognizing, report, and prevent force labour, child labour, and human trafficking. Further, Birla Carbon maintains a robust Hotline program for reporting suspected violations of the Code or applicable laws. Moreover, we have implemented a robust enterprise due diligence program whereby we screen all our suppliers, contractors, consultants, and vendors for legal and ethical violations, and we have incorporated a provision into our standard Terms and Conditions of Purchase similarly requiring our approved suppliers to comply with such laws as well as to Birla Carbon's policies, including those regarding safety, security, and ethical business practices.

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*Does the entity currently have policies and/or due diligence processes in place related to forced labour and/or child labour?

Yes	
No	0

*If yes, which elements of the policies and/or due diligence process has the entity implemented in relation to forced labour and/or child labour? Select all that apply.

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*Has the entity identified parts of its activities and supply chains that carry a risk of forced labour or child labour being used?

Note : Entities are being asked to indicate if they have considered the ways in which their activities and supply chains could potentially cause, contribute to, or be linked (directly or indirectly) to actual or potential forced labour or child labour. Identifying parts of an entity's activities and supply chains that carry a risk does not indicate that forced labour or child labour was or is actually being used.

Yes, we have identified parts of our activities and/or supply chains that carry a risk to the best of our knowledge and will continue to identify emerging risks.

Yes, we have started the process of identifying parts of our activities and / or	supply
chains that carry risks, but there are still gaps in our assessments.	

No, we have not started the process of identifying parts of our activities and /	or
supply chains that carry risks of forced labour or child labour being used.	\bigcirc

*If yes, has the entity identified forced labour or child labour risks related to any of the following aspects of its activities and supply chains? Select all that apply.

The sector or industry it operates in	
The types of products it produces or imports	
The locations of its activities, operations or factories	
The types of products it sources	
The raw materials or commodities used in its supply chains	
Tier one (direct) suppliers	
Tier two suppliers	
Tier three suppliers	
Suppliers further down the supply chain than tier three	
The use of outsourced, contracted or subcontracted labour	
The use of migrant labour	

The use of forced labour	
The use of child labour	
None of the above	

*Has the entity identified forced labour or child labour risks in its activities and supply chains related to any of the following sectors and industries? Select all that apply.

Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	
Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction	
Utilities	
Construction	
Manufacturing	
Wholesale trade	
Retail trade	
Transportation and warehousing	
Information and cultural industries	
Finance and insurance	
Real estate and rental and leasing	

Professional, scientific and technical services	
Management of companies and enterprises	
Administrative and support, waste management and remediation services	
Educational services	
Health care and social assistance	
Arts, entertainment and recreation	
Accommodation and food services	
Other services (except public administration)	
Public administration	
None of the above	
Other, please specify:	

Please provide additional information on the parts of the entity's activities and supply chains that carry a risk of forced labour or child labour being used, as well as the steps that the organization has taken to assess and manage that risk (if applicable) (3,000 character limit)

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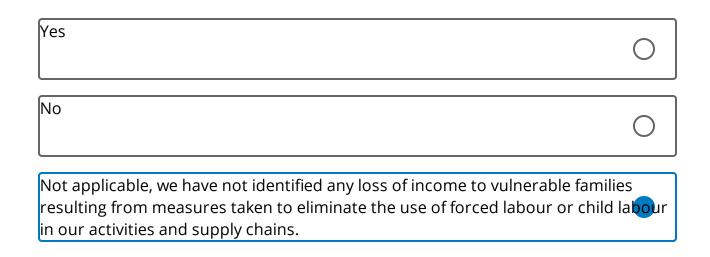
Birla Carbon Canada utilities contractors in certain circumstances, and these may be vulnerable to the use of forced labour.

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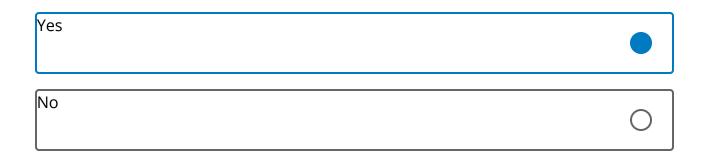
*Has the entity taken any measures to remediate any forced labour or child labour in its activities and supply chains?

Yes	0
No	0
Not applicable, we have not identified any forced labour or activities and supply chains.	child labour in our

*Has the entity taken any measures to remediate the loss of income to the most vulnerable individuals and families that results from measures taken to eliminate the use of forced labour or child labour in its activities and supply chains?



*Does the entity currently provide training to employees on forced labour and/or child labour?



*If yes, is the training mandatory?

Yes, the training is mandatory for all employees.

Yes, the training is mandatory for employees making contracting or purchasing decisions.

Yes, the training is mandatory for some employees.

No, the training is voluntary.

*Does the entity currently have policies and procedures in place to assess its effectiveness in ensuring that forced labour and child labour are not being used in its activities and supply chains?

Yes	0
No	

*Upload report (Required) (100MB limit):

Upload your report, including the signed attestation, in PDF format

Canada Forced and Child Labour in Supply Chains Act Report (BC CAN 5-29-2025) SIGNED.pdf

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Upload report in second Canadian official language (Optional) (100MB limit):

Upload your report, including the signed attestation, in PDF format

Drop files or click here to upload

* I confirm that the attached report is approved and attested, as required under subsection 11(4) and subsection 11(5) of the *Fighting Against Forced Labour and Child Labour in Supply Cha*

*Please identify the name, title and email address of the person authorized to fill out this questionnaire.

(Note: Public Safety Canada may use the contact information provided should it require additional

details regarding the submission. Info will be used as per the privacy note statement.)

Name: Richard J. Paris, Jr. Title: Deputy General Counsel, Assistant Secretary Email address: richard.paris@adityabirla.com

*Do you wish to submit your responses to this questionnaire? (If you wish to amend your answers, please click the "Previous" button.)

Yes			

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