

# **Sustainability Newsletter**



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# **APACHE Group**

Advancing Environmental & Talent Sustainability!

# 2023 The Cleanest Award 2024 Best Ownership Award

At Apache, environmental and talent sustainability is our core mission. This year, thanks to everyone's efforts, we were honored with two awards from adidas. "The Cleanest Award" from adidas Global Supplier Summit and the "Environment Excellence Ownership Award" at the North Asia ESG Annual Summit. These accolades recognize our achievements and inspire us to strive for excellence in the future.



To advance environmental sustainability, we have implemented intelligent management systems and diverse action plans to optimize energy efficiency and resource usage. We also enhance employees' environmental awareness through training and encourage participation in green initiatives to reduce the environmental impact and support long-term sustainability.

### Apache's Focus of Sustainable Resource Management

#### Energy/Resource Management

- Implement energy-saving measures for efficient energy use.
- Set decarbonization targets and adopt renewable energy.
- Manage water efficiency, waste, and wastewater treatment.
- Use chemicals with ZDHC certification.

### Supply Chain Management

- Select qualified suppliers as partners.
- Establish the supplier sustainability management system.
- Conduct regular supplier sustainability performance evaluations.
- Provide sustainability training to encourage engagement.

### Intelligent Management System

- Utilize intelligent systems for realtime monitoring.
- Create a digital management platform to ensure data accuracy.
- Analyze energy data for timely alerts and risk management.
- Optimize energy distribution system to reduce consumption.

### Compliance Management & Kaizen

- Create green factories.
- Provide ongoing training to enhance employees' environmental awareness.
- Audit regularly to ensure compliance.
- Kaizen culture and the implementation for sustainability.

## Apache Focus - Environment Sustainable Resource Utilization





# Optimize VOC treatment system to ensure compliance & environmental sustainability!

At APE, we collect and deliver exhaust gases via pipelines. After purification and proper treatment, we release into the atmosphere. We ensure compliance with air quality standards through real-time monitoring.









Collect

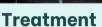
**Energy management** 

system for real-time

Facility & production energy consumption

monitoring & data analysis

Delivery



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### Monitoring

### Enhance energy efficiency with intelligent management system!

APH launches a smart energy management system for real-time monitoring and optimizes energy distribution, reducing waste and ensuring electrical safety. We have established a visualization platform to collect data, monitor energy usage, and facilitate decision-making.



Identifies energy waste & enables rapid improvement

> Real-time adjustments & alerts ensure safety

Enhance efficiency, reduce energy consumption.



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# Regularly analyze water consumption and develop action plans to improve water efficiency!

APC improves water efficiency to minimize waste and total usage, optimizing management and ensuring sustainable resource recycling.

### (Regular Tracking)

Analyze water consumption, develop reduction strategies, and take actions.

### Water Flow Analysis

Install water flow sensors to develop improvement.

Auto Cut-off

Install auto cut-off valve to avoid & control overflow.

### (Water Leakage Audit)



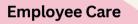
Regularly audit to control leakage & wastage.





In advancing corporate sustainability, establishing a diverse, equitable, and inclusive (DEI) working environment is a crucial part of Apache sustainability strategy. This foundation fosters innovation, competitiveness, and employee cohesion. Committed to a people-centered approach, we actively implement DEI principles to support employee growth, empower individual, and reinforce our social responsibility.

### **Apache's DEI Initiatives and Implementation**



## Provide childcare and parental support for work-family balance.

- Support female employees with women-friendly facilities. (nursing rooms & dining area)
- Regular health checks and medical assistance.
- Mentorship and buddy programs to support new employees.

#### **Friendly Workplace**

- Safe and healthy workplace
- Cultural activities to promote DEI.
- Facilitate cross-culture/functional communication.
- Build diverse leadership teams to lead innovation.
- Foster inclusive culture in a positive, barrier-free workplace.

#### Our Vision: Become the best employer in the footwear manufacturing industry!

#### Learning & Development

- Diverse learning resources that empowering employees.
- Gender equality and women leadership programs.
- DEI training to promote workplace harmony and inclusive culture.
- Anti-bias, violence, & harassment trainings to foster a respectful and equal workplace.

#### Policies & Management Mechanisms

- Diverse recruitment approaches and processes.
- Clear promotion channels.
- Fair compensation and benefits.
- DEI data collection for continuous policy improvement and review.
- Zero tolerance for bias, violence, and harassment.
- Employee feedback management mechanisms and communication platforms.



### **DEI in Apache**

At Apache Vietnam (APH), we foster cross-department communication through regular meetings and activities, promoting cultural diversity and inclusion. At Apache China (APE), we advance gender equality and female leadership, enhancing employees' leadership skills and gender awareness. In August, we organized a DEI workshop to empower our employees. We aim to create a diverse, equitable, and inclusive workplace.





At Apache India (APC), we actively promote gender equality by providing training on anti-bias, violence and harassment. This September, 50 female supervisors participated in the Women Leadership Forum organized by adidas and Apache, aiming to encourage and empower our female employees.

