

# SK's Journey with Challenge, Passion and Integrity



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# **SK ESG Story**

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## **ESG** Letter

Recent shifts in the global economy, driven by ongoing geopolitical conflicts, prolonged wars, and the rise of trade protectionism, have led to a landscape of heightened uncertainty. As these profound changes unfold, companies face increasing challenges to their sustainability, making innovation more vital than ever for overcoming adversity.

In the midst of such challenges, SK remains steadfast in upholding the SK Management System (SKMS) philosophy of "creating sustainable happiness for all stakeholders." A company's existence is rooted in society, and without a sustainable society, corporate sustainability cannot be achieved.

In response to the demands of our times, SK is redefining the purpose and role of business, shifting its focus from profit generation alone to the enhancement of social value, and is actively working to resolve social issues by leveraging its technology and capabilities.

SK is swiftly implementing operational improvements across all areas of its business to strengthen core competitiveness and establish a solid foundation for future growth, fostering synergies within the group in sectors such as semiconductors, AI, energy solutions, and bio.

Al, in particular, has emerged as a driving force for transformative change across every sector. Drawing on its advanced AI semiconductor technology, expertise in energy solutions, and partnerships with leading global AI service providers, which support the global expansion of its Al business, SK is accelerating Al innovation so that Al can positively shape people's lives.

SK remains dedicated to creating value that contributes to humanity and the environment, grounded in responsible and innovative management. We pledge to collaborate with all stakeholders, including customers, business partners, local communities, and shareholders, to build a better future.

Thank you.

Chey, Tae-won Chairperson & CEO, SK Inc.



## **ESG** Letter

Dear valued stakeholders,

In 2025, the global economy is experiencing continued deceleration, with protectionist policies gaining strength and geopolitical tensions mounting, leading to a contraction in global trade.

As a result, companies are confronted with a level of macroeconomic uncertainty and risk that is more complex than ever before.

As the holding company of the SK Group, SK Inc. is committed to building a strong foundation for enhancing corporate value by responding swiftly and systematically to global risks. To this end, we are working closely with our subsidiaries to strengthen our business structure through portfolio rebalancing and advance fundamental business competitiveness through operation improvement (O/I). These efforts are designed to reinforce the basis for sustainable growth and create a platform for long-term value, even in an environment marked by considerable volatility.

Furthermore, SK Inc. recognizes ESG as a core pillar for enhancing competitiveness and sustainability.

We continue to advance our ESG management system in order to realize sustainable value for the future, and we are committed to maintaining stakeholder trust by transparently disclosing our ESG performance and information.

As a result of these ongoing efforts, in 2024, SK Inc. received top-level recognition from leading global rating agencies, securing the highest 'AAA' rating from MSCI for the third consecutive year and being listed on the S&P Global Dow Jones Sustainability World Index (DJSI World) for the 13th straight year.

Looking ahead, SK Inc. will remain proactive in driving change, pursuing sustainable growth, and delivering greater value in partnership with all stakeholders.

We sincerely appreciate your continued trust and support as we continue on our journey toward a brighter future.

Thank you.

President & CEO, SK Inc. Jang, Yong-ho



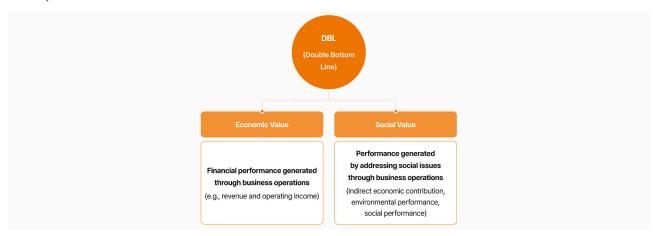
## **SK Double Bottom Line**

SK Inc. adopts the Double Bottom Line (DBL) approach of the SK Group, striving to create both economic and social value to achieve shared growth with society. Through this philosophy, SK fulfills its social responsibilities while building a business model that enables sustainable growth.

## **SK DBL Management Philosophy**

- · The social value pursued by SK refers to all value created by the company to enhance the happiness of its stakeholders
- · By leveraging its innovation capabilities, SK not only contributes to economic development but also actively creates social value to promote stakeholder wellbeing

### SK DBL System

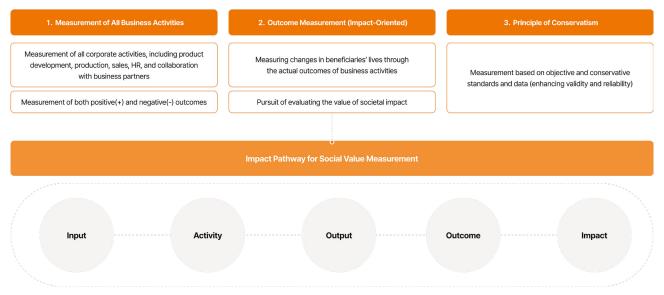


### SK DBL Measurement

- · Since 2018, SK Group has monetized and disclosed its social value, along with the relevant calculation methodologies, to enhance transparency and credibility
- · SK Inc. measures social value based on the SK Group's methodology, which comprehensively reflects the impact of its business operations on various stakeholders, including the environment, employees, suppliers, and local communities

## Social Value Measurement System

### Principles of SK DBL Measurement



### Social Value Measurement System

- $\cdot \text{The social value measurement system is aligned with ESG perspectives to enhance stakeholders' understanding} \\$
- · It is categorized into three areas: indirect economic contribution, environmental performance, and social performance



### on Indirect Economic Contribution

- Employment: Amount paid in wages and employee welfare-related expenses
- Dividends: Cash dividend payments and retained earnings reduction due to treasury stock retirement
- · Taxes: Tax payments including national and local taxes

### Environmental Performance

- · Products & Services: Positive environmental impact generated through eco-friendly products and services
- · Processes: Negative environmental impact from water consumption, greenhouse gas emissions, and pollutant discharge during production and operational processes

### Social Performance

- · Products & Services: Value created by improving quality of life and promoting public interest through product manufacturing and service delivery
- $\cdot Labor / Mutual Growth: Value created through improving employee working conditions and promoting mutual growth with suppliers$
- $\cdot Social \ Contributions: \ Value \ generated \ through \ community \ contribution \ and \ inclusive \ social \ engagement \ activities$

### 2024 Social Value Measurement Results

\* Scope of Measurement: SK Inc. and six domestic subsidiaries (SK Forest, SK Pinx, SK Biotek, SK Signet, SK REITs Management, SK Powertech)

Indirect Economic Contribution (Unit: KRW 100 million)

Employment	Employment Dividends		Total
6,479	5,386	300	12,165

- · Employment: A 3% year-over-year decrease in total wages and welfare-related expenses due to a reduction in workforce
- · Dividends: A 20% year-over-year increase due to higher dividend payments (KRW +2,000 per common share) and retirement of treasury stock
- · Taxes: A 33% year-over-year decrease in tax payments due to lower corporate and other tax liabilities

### **Environmental Performance**

(Unit: KRW 100 million)

Products & Services	Processes	Total	
1,526	△196	1,330	

- · Products & Services: A 12% year-over-year increase due to continued expansion of social value creation through IT service-based business areas
- · Processes (Resource Consumption / Environmental Pollution): A 29% year-over-year decrease due to increased electricity usage and greenhouse gas emissions resulting from rising demand for data centers

### Social Performance

(Unit: KRW 100 million)

Products & Services	Products & Services Processes		Total
154	372	75	601

- · Products & Services: A 36% year-over-year decrease due to discontinuation of certain services in business areas
- · Processes (Labor / Mutual Growth): A 13% year-over-year increase due to rising costs including employee education
- · Social Contributions: A 39% year-over-year decrease due to reduction in donation amounts and related activities

# Value Creation Story

As the holding company of SK Group, SK Inc. supports its member companies in strengthening core competitiveness and building a foundation for sustainable growth. In response to a rapidly evolving business landscape, the company is transforming its investment portfolio and exploring future growth opportunities to enhance corporate value and generate synergies across the SK Group. In addition, SK Inc. AX leverages its expertise across diverse industries and advanced AI technologies to deliver differentiated customer value and drive AI Transformation (AX), thereby contributing to the reinforcement of digital competitiveness and AI innovation for customers

### **Business Model**

### **IT Services Business Overview**

- · Leveraging deep insights into industry-specific business landscapes, SK Inc. AX supports clients in advancing AI innovation as a trusted AI Transformation Partner, contributing to the enhancement of core business competitiveness and innovation in customer value.
- · By establishing a system and culture where all employees collaborate with AI, transforming business execution through Agentic AI, redesigning the organization for the AI era, and building an Agentic AI technology stack, SK Inc. AX is evolving into a company that works alongside 'AI-powered members'
- · Through its Al capabilities and off/nearshoring strategies, SK Inc. AX is strengthening global execution and cost competitiveness to drive continuous growth in the global market.



#### Customer-Centric Business **Execution System**

- · Enhancement of business and technology consulting services
- Establishment of an account-oriented organizational structure



#### Al Powered ITS Transformation

- · Adoption of Al across all operational
- · Backoffice Al innovation



#### **Global Growth**

- · Factory automation
- · Global localization of cloud/infracentered businesses



### **Enhanced Delivery Efficiency**

- · Diversification of delivery structure
- · Expansion of offshoring



SK Inc. AX has grown into a trusted Digital Transformation partner, helping clients across various industries address their IT challenges based on our foundation of stability and expertise.

However, the rapid rise of Al is now bringing fundamental changes to society and industry. At SK Inc. AX, we recognize that AI must no longer be viewed merely as a tool for automation. Instead, it calls for a new paradigm that redefines the standards of work, organizational culture, processes, and systems around Al.

In response to this shift, SK Inc. AX announced its new name in June, reaffirming—both internally and externally —our commitment to becoming "the best partner for strengthening business competitiveness through AI."

This reflects our dedication to leading by example as a Being AX Role Model, and to driving innovation across our clients' entire value chains and management practices through an Al-First strategy.

By leveraging our capabilities in AI, data, cloud, and digital platforms, SK Inc. AX aims to establish itself as a true Being AX Company, and ultimately become an AI-First & Default Company that is aligned with the era of AI.

With innovation at our core, SK Inc. AX will continue to support the growth of our customers, employees, and business partners, while actively contributing to solving social issues and realizing responsible management for a sustainable future.

Thank you.

### **Poong-young Yoon**

President, SK Inc. AX



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## **Enhancing Corporate Value**

### Corporate Value Enhancement Plan

- · In October 2024, SK Inc. became the first holding company (excluding financial institutions) to announce a 'Corporate Value Enhancement Plan,' reinforcing its commitment to shareholder-friendly management and strengthened market communication
- · By strengthening core competitiveness through member company operation improvement (O/I), portfolio integration and rebalancing, and financial structure stabilization, SK Inc. aims to drive sustainable growth and gradually expand shareholder returns, thereby enhancing long-term corporate value

### Approach to Enhancing Return on Equity (ROE)



### **Expansion of Shareholder Returns**



## **Enhancing Shareholder-Oriented Management**

### **Protection of Shareholder Rights**

- · SK Inc. adheres to the 'one share, one vote' principle, ensuring that shareholders can exercise their voting rights on key management matters
- · Golden shares for government institutions are not issued, ensuring equal rights for all shareholders
- · The Articles of Incorporation can only be amended by a resolution at the General Meeting of Shareholders, requiring the approval of at least two-thirds of the voting rights of attending shareholders and one-third of the total number of issued shares (pursuant to Articles 433(1) and 434 of the Korean Commercial Act)

### Facilitating Exercise of Voting Rights

- · Electronic voting was introduced at the 27th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in 2018 to improve the convenience of exercising voting rights
- · Shareholders may exercise their voting rights by attending the general meeting in person, voting by proxy, or responding to a proxy solicitation

### Measures to Strengthen Shareholder Communication



# **ESG Key Metrics**

SK Inc. systematically manages its ESG performance based on key ESG metrics established at the SK Group level. All member companies use these metrics to periodically assess their ESG performance, identify company-specific key issues, and develop phased action plans aimed at achieving a global top-tier level. These goals are reflected in KPIs to drive continuous performance improvement. ESG-related data for each metric is regularly entered and managed through the group-wide integrated ESG management system, the Social Value Management System (SVMS).

## **ESG Key Metrics**

## **Key ESG Performance Metrics**

### Environmental

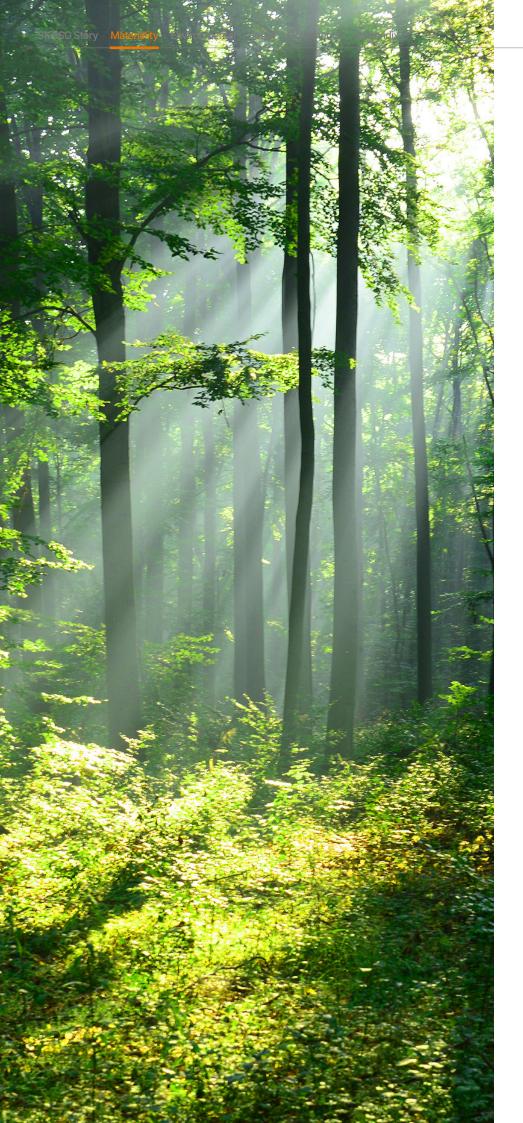
Metrics (12)	Disclosure Management	Assessment Management
General Energy Consumption	Total energy consumption     Direct energy consumption by source     Indirect energy consumption by source	· Energy consumption intensity
Renewable Energy Consumption	Total electricity consumption     Total renewable energy consumption     Renewable energy consumption by source     Renewable energy consumption by procurement method	· Renewable energy usage rate (%)
Greenhouse Gas Emissions	<ul> <li>Target greenhouse gas emissions</li> <li>Greenhouse gas reduction performance</li> <li>Achievement rate of greenhouse gas reduction target (%)</li> <li>Total greenhouse gas emissions</li> <li>Scope 1/2/3 emissions</li> </ul>	
Climate Change Response (TCFD Disclosure)		· Related policies/strategies/performance
Environmental Pollution Prevention	Status of pollution control facilities and monitoring systems     Status of environmental technology and education support     Status of violations of domestic and international environmental regulations	· Related policies/strategies/performance
Air Pollutant Emissions	NOx emissions     SOx emissions     Dust emissions     VOC emissions	NOx emissions intensity     SOx emissions intensity     Dust emissions intensity     VOC emissions intensity
Waste Generation	· Total waste generation · Waste generation by type	· Waste generation intensity
Waste Recycling	· Total volume of waste recycled	· Waste recycling rate (%)
Water Consumption	Total water withdrawal     Water withdrawal by source     Water withdrawal in water-stressed areas	· Water withdrawal intensity
Water Recycling	Total water consumption     Total volume of water recycled	· Water recycling rate (%)
Water Pollutant Emissions	· COD emissions · BOD emissions · T-N emissions	· COD emissions intensity · BOD emissions intensity · T-N emissions intensity
Clean Technology		· Related policies/targets/performance

### Social

Metrics (14)	Disclosure Management	Assessment Management
Employee Profile	Total number of employees Employee demographics (by gender, age group, and employment type) Number of new hires Number of employees with disabilities Proportion of female executives Number of female executives	· Proportion of employees with disabilities
Employee Safety	LTIR by employment type (in-house / supplier employees)  Number of lost-time injuries (in-house / supplier employees)  Employee fatality rate  Number of employee fatalities	· LTIR-related policies/targets/performance
Employee Health	· Occupational illness frequency rate (OIFR) · Number of occupational illness cases	· Related policies/targets/performance
Employee Human Rights		· Related policies/targets/performance
Employee Development	· Employee training hours (HRD)	· Related policies/targets/performance
Work-Life Balance		· Related policies/targets/performance
Product/Service SV		· SV(Social Value) generated through products/services
Product/Service Safety and Quality	· Number of violations of product/service safety regulations	· Related policies/targets/performance
Corporate Data and Customer Information Protection	· Number of corporate data and customer information breaches	· Related policies/targets/performance
Support for Supplier Mutual Growth		· Related policies/targets/performance
Supplier ESG Risk Management	Number of suppliers assessed for ESG risks     Percentage of suppliers with corrective actions implemented	· Related policies/targets/performance
Support for Local Communities	· Percentage of employees participating in volunteer activities	· Related policies/targets/performance
Support for the SE Ecosystem		· Related policies/targets/performance
Fair Evaluation and Compensation	Policies on employee evaluation and compensation     Status of performance evaluation and feedback processes	

### Governance

Metrics (9)	Disclosure Management	Assessment Management
Executive Performance Evaluation and Compensation	· Status of Compensation Committee establishment and operation	· Policies/targets/performance on ESG-based executive evaluation and compensation systems
Identification of Stakeholder ESG Needs		· Related policies/targets/performance
ESG-Based Business Portfolio Strategy and Process		· Policies/targets/performance for new businesses and investments applying ESG criteria
Board Composition and Operation	Status of board operations     Board remuneration policy     Status of board evaluations     Status of Independent Director Nomination Committee establishment and operation	Policies/targets/performance related to board diversity/ expertise/independence     Proportion of female directors     Policies/targets/performance related to ESG discussions within the board
Audit Committee Operation	· Status of Audit Committee establishment and operation	
Enhancement of Shareholder Value	· Shareholder rights protection policy · Shareholder return policy	
Anti-Corruption Management	· Number of violations of anti-corruption regulations	Policies/targets/performance for anti-corruption     Policies/targets/performance on employee anti- corruption training
ESG Disclosure		· ESG key metrics disclosure rate · ESG management of subsidiaries and sub-subsidiaries
Participation in Global Partnerships		· Policies/targets/performance on participation in ESG- related global partnerships



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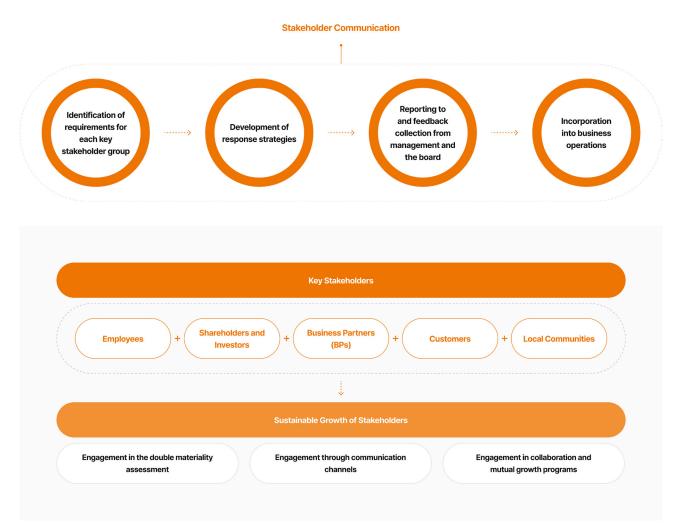
# Stakeholder Engagement

SK Inc. systematically identifies key stakeholders whose interests are closely tied to its business, aiming to integrate their expectations into its management practices. The ESG-related expectations of these stakeholders are regularly gathered and reported to the management and the Board of Directors. The insights are then incorporated into strategic and operational decisions, fostering open communication and building trust with stakeholders.

## **Stakeholder Engagement Policy**

### Key Stakeholders

SK Inc. seeks to understand the level of awareness and interest that stakeholders have in ESG issues related to its business and to incorporate these insights into its management practices. To identify the ESG-related concerns of stakeholders, SK Inc. recognizes five key stakeholder groups: employees, shareholders and investors, suppliers, customers, and local communities. Key stakeholder expectations are regularly reviewed to develop appropriate response strategies, with findings reported to the management and the Board of Directors. Feedback from the management and the Board is reflected in business operations and forms the basis for continued engagement with stakeholders.



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### Stakeholder Communication Channels

- $\cdot \text{Communication with stakeholders is regarded as a critical element of management, and various customized channels are actively utilized$
- $\cdot \text{Key issues identified by stakeholders are disclosed transparently each year through the sustainability report and official channels$
- · Efforts are continuously made to enhance information accessibility by improving disclosure and communication channels

Stakeholder	Communication Channel	SK Inc.'s Response Strategy	
	Evaluation/coaching programs	Diversifying and specifying discussion topics and formats     Expanding employee feedback collection and data-driven approaches	
	Communication with management	Gathering and discussing employee opinions on happiness     Building an integrated online/offline communication platform	
	Employee participation/networking	Hosting Self-Design Sessions     Restarting offline programs     Facilitating team-level communication     Promoting employee-led initiatives	
Employees	Happiness-related programs	Performing activity assessment     Providing personalized happiness assessments and solutions     Building a happiness data and reference     Conducting organizational happiness workshops	
	Hangarae	· Securing ESG/Stakeholder Account content · Enhancing bulletin board functionality · Running regular events	
	Н.Арр	Strengthening communication channels     Building a two-way communication environment     Fostering ongoing improvements in employee-led initiatives	
	Analyst and investor meetings	Supporting publication of business reports     Visiting key business sites and hosting IR events	
Shareholders and Investors	General shareholders' meeting	Diversifying communication channels     Creating events that meet shareholder expectations	
	Disclosure and performance announcements	Complying with regulatory guidelines     Expanding the sharing of detailed performance data	
Suppliers	Mutual Growth Day Biz. Partner CEO Seminar	Providing ESG risk management and support programs for suppliers     Expanding mutual growth programs for suppliers     Creating shared value while strengthening mutual competitiveness	
	VOC collection and follow-up	· Establishing regular survey and interview practices · Presenting discussion points	
Customers	Operation of team leader consultative body	Holding regular meetings     Providing regular insight reports     Facilitating networking activities	
	Customer satisfaction surveys	Conducting on a regular basis     Expanding survey scope and target companies	
Local Communities	Participation in community consultative councils	· Developing strategic CSR-linked programs based on local community issues	
Local Communities	Local governments/schools/institutions	· Continuing to develop and operate environmental education programs for vulnerable groups	

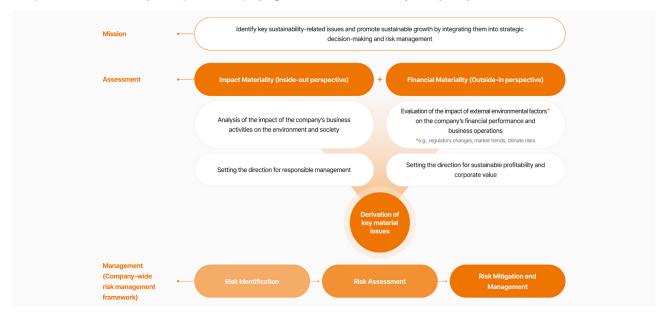
# **Double Materiality Assessment**

SK Inc. conducts a double materiality assessment every year to establish a more refined sustainability strategy. Through this process, key sustainability-related issues are identified and incorporated into strategic decision-making and risk management to promote sustainable growth.

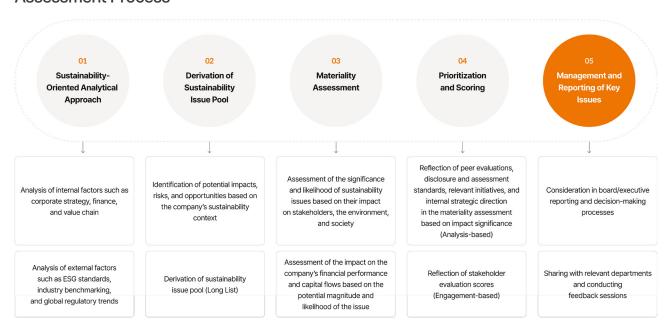
## **Materiality Assessment Process**

### Overview of the Assessment

- · The double materiality assessment evaluates ESG issues from two perspectives: impact materiality and financial materiality
- · The assessment is conducted in accordance with the principles of GRI 2021 and the guidelines of the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD) of the European Union
- · The process has been verified by an independent third-party organization to ensure the reliability and objectivity of the assessment



### **Assessment Process**



### Internal and External Environmental Analysis

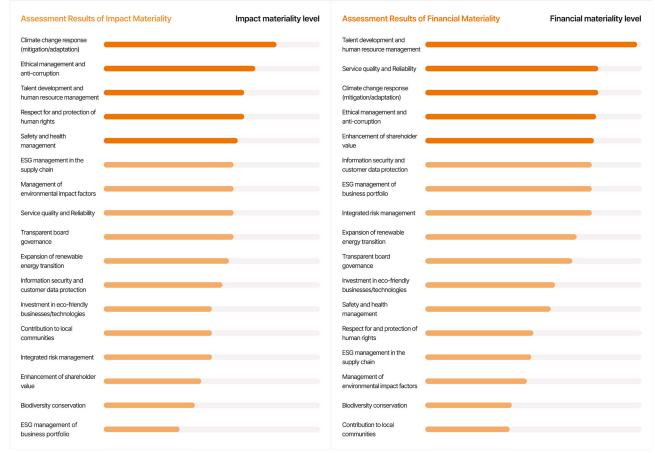
To identify material issues, SK Inc. conducts an internal and external environmental analysis of its business activities and the stakeholders they impact, including employees, customers, shareholders and investors, suppliers, and local communities

Category	Subject of Analysis	Detailed Description	
	IR data (business plan, strategy, financial statements, board agendas, internal KPIs, etc.)	Analysis of the company's current and future strategies, financial status, and key management metrics to define the direction for sustainability	
Internal	Company's business activities (products/services, geographic locations, etc.)	Assessment of the environmental and social impacts of the company's business activities and the products/services it provides	
Analysis	Company's business relationships (value chain type, stakeholders affected, etc.)	Analysis of the company's relationships with its supply chain, customers, and partners, and their impact on corporate sustainability	
	Issue pool from previous year	Evaluation of sustainability issues and performance presented in the previous year's report to reflect them in the current sustainability strategy	
External Analysis	ESG standards and guidelines (GRI, SASB, ESRS, MSCI, etc.)	Analysis of external standards such as ESG evaluations, disclosures, and initiatives to establish management policies that align with them	
	Benchmarking of leading domestic and global companies	Benchmarking of sustainability initiatives among industry peers to establish strategies that incorporate industry trends and enhance competitiveness	

## **Materiality Assessment Results**

## Results of the Company-wide Materiality Assessment by Issue

- Based on quantified data, the top 30% of issues were classified as material, and five issues each from the impact and financial areas were selected as priority topics
- · To ensure balanced decision-making, an equal number of impact material topics and financial material topics were selected



<sup>\*</sup> Impact materiality: Quantitative thresholds are established based on severity and likelihood of occurrence

<sup>\*\*</sup> Financial materiality: Quantitative thresholds are established based on the likelihood and potential magnitude of risks and opportunities over the short, medium, and long term

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# **Impact Material Topics**

Achieving sustainable management requires a clear understanding and systematic management of the environmental, social, and governance (ESG) impacts associated with business operations. Impact material topics, in particular, have the potential to significantly affect business strategy. Effectively assessing and addressing these topics is key to strengthening both corporate competitiveness and fulfilling social responsibility.

## **Key Issue Analysis**

Five key topics were identified by assessing the scope and scale of impact, likelihood of occurrence, and irreversibility of the issues derived from the issue pool

Material Topic	Scope of Impacted Value Chain	Impact Level (Positive/ Negative)	Impacted Stakeholders	Output Metric	Assessment of Environmental and Social Impacts	Impact Measurement Metric
① Climate Change Response (Mitigation/ Adaptation)	Business sites Products/ services Supply chain	•••	Environment Customers (End users) Suppliers	· Greenhouse gas emissions · Greenhouse gas emission reduction	Change in environmental value Reduction of environmental impact through greenhouse gas emission reduction Aggravation of the climate crisis due to fossil fuel and electricity consumption	Negative environmental impact and social cost resulting from greenhouse gas emissions (estimated using the Social Cost of Carbon proxy value)
© Ethical Management and Anti- Corruption	Business sites Supply chain	•••	Society Customers (End users) Suppliers	Number of ethical management reports     Handling rate of ethical management reports	Change in social costs  Enhancement of corporate ethics and reinforcement of global trust  Decline in social trust and emergence of legal risks	Reduction of costs incurred from ethical management and anti-corruption violations
3 Talent Development and Human Resource Management	Business sites	•••	Society Employees Suppliers	· Number of employees from vulnerable worker groups, including persons with disabilities · Employee satisfaction level (Culture Survey – 'Happiness'' score) · Number of participants and satisfaction score for in-house/ core competency development programs	Change in household income level and improvement/ deterioration in quality of life Contribution to quality job creation and economic revitalization Potential imbalance in talent development and risk of social inequality	Measurement of social value - measuring quality-of-life improvement through employment creation across society - labor - vulnerable groups     Degree of improvement in work engagement     Level of actual application in the workplace     Proportion of in-house instructors utilized through enhanced job expertise
Respect for and Protection of Human Rights	Business sites Supply chain	•••	Society Employees Suppliers	Achievement rate of human rights impact assessment improvements	Change in social costs  Enhancement of corporate management reliability and minimization of social loss  Social harm caused by human rights violations and unethical practices	Reduction in the number of human rights grievances through improved human rights awareness and mitigation of human rights risk factors
© Safety and Health Management	Business sites Supply chain	•••	Society Employees Suppliers	Number of resolved risk factors within business sites	Change in health-related costs - Establishment of accident prevention systems through the promotion of a safety culture - Environmental pollution and health risks to local communities	Measurement of social value – evaluation of negative impact and social cost related to safety in the domains of society – labor – employees/suppliers, measured as negative performance

The material issues of SK Inc. are rated as High, Mid, or Low according to the level of their positive or negative impact on the environment and society

\*High: ●●●, Mid: ●●○, Low: ●○○

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## **Impact Occurrence and Control**

## On Climate Change Response (Mitigation/Adaptation)

Actual/Potential Impacts	Achieving the Paris Agreement's target of limiting global warming to 1.5°C requires not only the role of governments and local authorities, but also the role of companies. Corporate efforts to address climate change play a critical role in supporting national greenhouse gas reduction goals and minimizing environmental and social impacts—both of which are essential for corporate sustainable development.  SK Inc. has identified climate change response as a key priority within its company-wide sustainability management. The company is committed to enhancing environmental value by reducing greenhouse gas emissions through initiatives such as expanding renewable energy use, optimizing production processes, transitioning to electric vehicles, and decarbonizing the supply chain. These efforts contribute to increasing environmental value by generating positive outcomes such as mitigating climate risks.  However, in certain business areas, there is still a dependency on fossil fuel-based energy and electricity, posing potential risks that could worsen the climate crisis. These risks may lead to increased carbon-related costs, stricter regulations, and heightened ESG expectations from stakeholders, all of which could negatively affect corporate sustainability.  Scope of impacted value chain: Business sites, products/services, supply chain  Key stakeholders impacted: Environment, customers (end users), suppliers
Response strategies	1) Climate risk management system Recognition of climate change as a significant risk to financial soundness and operational continuity Advancement of risk management through the establishment of a scientific, data-based identification and monitoring system Integration of policy changes, industry trends, and stakeholder expectations into company-wide risk strategy  2) Expansion of renewable energy use Implementation of RE100 (self-generation, PPAs, etc.) Achievement of a 24.7% RE100 implementation rate in 2024, exceeding the target by 1.7%
Mid- to Long- Term Plans	- Establishment of Scope 1 and 2 reduction targets (near-term and long-term) for achieving Net Zero - Establishment of Scope 3 reduction targets to achieve SK Group's 2050-α Net Zero goal  ▶ See detailed report

## 02 Ethical Management and Anti-Corruption

Actual/Potential Impacts	Ethical management and anti-corruption may result in widespread societal harm and increased social costs. Responsible practices such as anti-corruption, fair trade, and human rights protection serve as key standards for building trust with various stakeholders including investors, customers, and governments. As such, they represent material issues with significant implications for society at large.  SK Inc. upholds ethical management and transparency as top priorities across all aspects of its business operations. These principles are fundamental to earning trust in global markets and establishing long-term relationships with stakeholders. A strong commitment to ethical conduct not only reduces social costs but also enhances corporate reputation and brand equity. This helps build trust with investors, customers, and business partners, and strengthens the foundation for sustainable business practices.  Conversely, unethical behavior or corruption involving employees or executives can severely damage brand image and erode stakeholder confidence. It may also disrupt corporate culture, leading to lower employee morale, decreased productivity, and increased turnover. In light of tightening ESG-related regulations and heightened disclosure expectations, a lack of transparency may result in tangible social costs, such as fines, lawsuits, and divestments.  • Scope of impacted value chain: Business sites, supply chain
	Key stakeholders impacted: Society, customers (end users), suppliers
Response strategies	1) Operation of Committees and Implementation of Audits Operation of an internal control and ethics/compliance risk management system centered on the Audit Committee Execution of 14 Audit Committee meetings in 2024 and implementation of annual audits focused on domestic and overseas subsidiaries and staff functions Enhancement of risk response effectiveness through the early identification and prevention of operational risks, including those related to the supply chain, quality, and finance  2) Ethical Management Training Provision of annual ethical management training for all members of the organization (including permanent, contract, and part-time employees) to enhance awareness and prevent corruption Mandatory annual completion of at least one training program related to assigned audit areas by all members of the dedicated team Provision of online ethical management training for supplier personnel assigned to company projects, including an overview of the company's ethical management system, key violation cases, and available reporting channels
Mid- to Long- Term Plans	Achievement of 'Leader' level in the ethical management evaluation system     Establishment and expansion of the anti-corruption management system     Elimination of unfair trade and unfair competitive practices     See detailed report

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## 03 Talent Development and Human Capital Management

SK Inc. plays a key role in enhancing the quality of life for employees and local communities by providing quality employment, maintaining a fair compensation system, and promoting mutual growth with supplier companies. These efforts represent a core strategy for fulfilling social responsibility while laying the foundation for sustainable growth. Effective talent management allows the company to strengthen its competitiveness, improve productivity and operational efficiency, and foster a positive corporate culture. In the process of strengthening talent development and human resource practices. SK Inc. also contributes to local economic revitalization by offering educational and vocational training opportunities to communities. Such initiatives help generate employment opportunities and support the inclusion of vulnerable groups and youth in the labor market, thereby reinforcing the company's commitment to Actual/Potential **Impacts** However, disparities in job quality and access to employment—as well as growth concentrated in specific sectors or regions—pose potential risks, such as widening gaps in talent development and increasing social inequality. In particular, during periods of digital transformation and industrial restructuring, low-skilled workers and younger generations may face exclusion from the workforce, leading to potential declines in their Scope of impacted value chain: Business sites · Key stakeholders impacted: Society, employees, suppliers 1) Implementation of Fair Recruitment and Evaluation Systems Introduction of Al-based recruitment agents in 2024, the first among major domestic corporations, to ensure fair and consistent evaluation throughout the recruitment process Execution of objective evaluations based on competency-driven criteria (e.g., career vision, expertise, potential) to prevent gender discrimination risks in recruitment and promotion processes Selection of leadership candidates based on competency, qualifications, and performance regardless of gender, and provision of Response individualized career development planning and support strategies 2) Operation of AX College Recognition of talent development as a core driver of corporate competitiveness and implementation of various training and support programs Systematic support for capability development of employees and supplier companies through AX College, with customized training programs Promotion of balanced growth across job functions and expansion of educational opportunities for diverse groups in collaboration with local communities through comprehensive talent development policies

### Mid- to Long-**Term Plans**

Mid-to Long-

Term Plans

Expansion of the proportion of female employees and managers

Advancement and integration of human rights management

Expansion of human rights management achievements

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- Securing of talent for future growth, along with structural improvement and process innovation
- Establishment of a corporate culture that supports work-life balance for employees
- See detailed report

## 04 Respect for and Protection of Human Rights

Ensuring the protection of workers' rights and proactively identifying and addressing potential human rights risks across the supply chain are fundamental to establishing a foundation for corporate sustainability. A structured approach to human rights risk management enables the protection of not only employees but also a wide range of stakeholders, including supplier companies, making it a critical component of corporate governance and social responsibility. Regular human rights impact assessments, improvements in working conditions, and the implementation of systems to prevent discrimination and harassment help mitigate the risk of legal disputes, consumer boycotts, and reputational damage—thereby reducing potential social costs before they arise. Proactive prevention of human rights risks enhances long-term corporate credibility and fosters positive ripple effects, such as Actual/Potential reduced social conflict and operational cost savings. Impacts On the other hand, failures to address human rights issues can significantly damage a company's reputation and erode public trust, potentially resulting in legal action or regulatory sanctions. If such violations lead to investor withdrawal or divestment, the resulting social losses can escalate rapidly. Moreover, a breakdown in trust with local communities may intensify conflicts between the company and the region, increasing the cost of recovery and negatively impacting social stability. · Scope of impacted value chain: Business sites, supply chain · Key stakeholders impacted: Society, employees, suppliers 1) Implementation of Regular Human Rights Impact Assessments Identification and improvement of potential risks through regular human rights impact assessments across all business sites and supplier Assurance of objectivity and credibility in assessments through collaboration with external expert organizations Response Planned expansion of the assessment scope to include mergers and acquisitions (M&A) and joint ventures strategies 2) Operation of a Human Rights Risk Assessment System Operation of a human rights risk assessment and management system led by the legal department Establishment of a framework aligned with global standards and reinforcement of stakeholder human rights protection Maintenance of a consistent level of human rights management with an achievement rate exceeding 90% since 2022

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Expansion of supplier capacity-building programs for autonomous human rights management and risk management

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Actual/Potential Impacts	In the course of business operations, preventing safety incidents and managing the health of employees and supplier personnel are critical issues with implications that extend beyond the company to society as a whole. Strengthening safety and health policies, monitoring their implementation, and consistently providing training and awareness activities can significantly reduce the risk of industrial accidents and related social costs. These efforts also help foster a strong safety culture that enhances corporate sustainability.  SK Inc.'s efforts to establish a company-wide safety culture and prevent industrial accidents and occupational health risks serve to protect the lives and well-being of individual workers while also reducing healthcare-related costs at the societal level. By operating a proactive safety and health management system, SK Inc. seeks to identify and eliminate workplace hazards in advance and provide safety training to all employees to minimize the risk of accidents. Such measures help reduce not only direct costs—such as medical expenses and compensation—but also long-term losses related to decreased productivity and costs arising from social losses.  In contrast, insufficient safety and health measures can negatively affect not only employees but also the health of neighboring communities. In the event of an accident or major industrial incident, the consequences may extend beyond corporate risk, resulting in public criticism and significant economic losses.  • Scope of impacted value chain: Business sites, supply chain
Response strategies	1) Operation of Risk Assessment Implementation of annual risk assessments at all business sites to identify hazardous and risk factors in advance Development of improvement plans based on quantified risk levels and acceptability-based risk grading Integration of risk assessment results into company-wide safety management strategies to enhance the overall management system 2) Enhancement of Supplier Capabilities Improvement of supplier response capabilities through safety training and risk management support programs Introduction and implementation of an accident prevention-centered management system
Mid- to Long- Term Plans	Establishment of an optimized SHE system aligned with business operations and early stabilization of SHE Basic     Enhancement of SHE competitiveness through a virtuous cycle of training, assessment, and improvement     Internalization of a business organization-centered autonomous safety culture at worksites     See detailed report

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# **Financial Material Topics**

In the face of a rapidly evolving business environment, SK Inc. is exposed to a variety of financial risks and opportunities. Factors such as global economic volatility, interest and exchange rate fluctuations, supply chain risks, and regulatory changes can significantly affect financial performance. To ensure sustainable growth, it is essential to conduct in-depth analysis and implement proactive response strategies.

## **Key Issue Analysis**

Five financially material topics were derived by assessing the likelihood of risks and opportunities and the potential scale of their financial impact within the issue pool

5 .	<b>.</b>	Topic Area of Impact	Risk Impact		Opportunity Impact		M	<b>V</b> O:	
Rank	Горіс		Impact Level	Impact Horizon	Impact Level	Impact Horizon	Mid- to Long-Term Goal	КРІ	
1	Talent Development and Human Resource Management	Cost Revenue	••0	Medium- term	•••	Medium- term	Development of experts with top-tier core competencies in Korea by 2030 Establishment of a work-life balance culture led by employees	Annual measurement and scoring of employee satisfaction (Culture Survey – 'Happiness' score), reflected in company-wide KPIs linked to executive compensation	
2	Service Quality and Reliability	Cost Revenue	•••	Short- term	••0	Medium- term	Establishment of an operational system based on Al and big data analysis to predict service failures and enable proactive responses by 2027     Achievement of zero failures in controllable areas such as human error	Annual scoring of customer satisfaction (VoC) improvements and zero-failure efforts, reflected in company-wide KPIs linked to executive compensation	
3	Climate Change Response (Mitigation/ Adaptation)	Cost Risk	••0	Medium- term	••0	Long- term	Target of a 60% reduction in emissions by 2030 compared to the 2023 base year	Establishment of company- wide KPIs linked to executive compensation based on the Net Zero goal (achievement level of annual emissions targets)	
4	Ethical Management and Anti- Corruption	Cost Risk	•••	Short- term	••0	Long- term	Attainment of the 'Leader' rating in the SK Group ethical management evaluation system by 2030	Annual assessment and scoring of the level of ethical management, reflected in company-wide KPIs linked to executive compensation	
S	Enhancement of Shareholder Value	Cost Risk	•••	Medium- term	•••	Medium- term	Minimum annual dividend of KRW 5,000 per share by 2027 (FY2026), and use of asset sale proceeds and other sources for share repurchase and retirement or additional dividend payment equivalent to 1–2% of market capitalization.	Incorporation of corporate value (stock price at the end of the evaluation year) into company- wide KPIs linked to executive compensation	

The material issues are rated as High, Mid, or Low based on the magnitude of their impact on SK Inc.'s earnings and financial position

<sup>\*</sup>High: •••, Mid: ••O, Low: •OO

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## **Risk Management and Strategy**

## on Talent Development and Human Capital Management

Risk/Opportunity Analysis	1) Cost Increased cost burden for recruiting high-level personnel due to intensified competition for top talent Short-term financial burden from enhanced welfare benefits aimed at preventing talent loss Expansion of welfare benefits contributing to higher employee satisfaction and talent retention, potentially leading to reduced turnover and lower recruitment costs through improved long-term retention  2) Revenue Improved operational efficiency and creation of new business opportunities through enhancement of digital capabilities Increased employee productivity through capability development, resulting in faster time-to-market for new services and expansion of market share
Response strategies	1) Employee Support Programs Operation of practical support programs to enhance employees' mental health and work engagement Implementation of regular mindfulness programs and psychological assessments, including job stress and happiness surveys, to support emotional well-being and assess communication within the organization  2) Provision of Reasonable and Fair Compensation Operation of a reasonable and fair compensation system that reflects job performance and market value for all employees Implementation of reward programs such as the 'CEO Pride Award' and 'SKMS Practice Award' in addition to base salary and incentive bonuses Motivation and continuous development of employees through the compensation system
КРІ	· Implementation of systematic talent development activities in accordance with the annual business planning and execution management process, with regular review of targets and progress by the management · Reflection of company-wide KPIs linked to executive compensation based on annual measurement and scoring of employee satisfaction (Culture Survey – 'Happiness' score)
Mid- to Long- Term Plans	<ul> <li>Securing of talent for future growth, along with structural improvement and process innovation</li> <li>Establishment of a corporate culture that supports work-life balance for employees</li> <li>See detailed report</li> </ul>

## O2 Service Quality and Reliability

Risk/Opportunity Analysis	1) Cost Increase in costs for quality assurance and certification required for IT infrastructure upgrades and security enhancement Reduction of incident response costs through the establishment of proactive quality management and failure prevention systems Prevention of customer compensation costs resulting from quality-related issues  2) Revenue Risk of customer attrition due to loss of trust caused by service disruptions and quality issues Acquisition of new customers and expansion of market share through the provision of high-quality IT services Opportunity for global market expansion and client acquisition through the attainment of international standard certifications
Response strategies	1) Risk Management System Implementation of a service quality policy and operational management system to ensure uninterrupted IT service delivery Enhancement of incident response capabilities through biannual simulation and scenario-based training  2) Customer Satisfaction Survey and Management Continuous improvement of service quality through identification and execution of improvement tasks based on customer satisfaction surveys Strengthening of trust-based partnerships with customers by setting the annual customer satisfaction target at the 'Outstanding' level (70 points or higher) and implementing company-wide IT service improvement initiatives
KPI	· Establishment of company-wide KPIs linked to executive compensation based on annual scoring of customer satisfaction (VoC) improvement and zero-incident performance outcomes
Mid- to Long- Term Plans	<ul> <li>Establishment of an AI-based service operation system</li> <li>Leadership in AI operations at a global level</li> <li>See detailed report</li> </ul>

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## 03 Climate Change Response (Mitigation/Adaptation)

Risk/Opportunity Analysis	1) Cost  Need for financial risk management due to increased costs associated with energy transition and regulatory compliance Increase in capital expenditures (CAPEX) for improving the energy efficiency of data centers and building carbon reduction infrastructure Reduction of operating expenditures (OPEX) through the implementation of energy efficiency solutions for data center operations 2) Risk Increase in supply chain disruptions and operational risks due to extreme weather events (e.g., heatwaves, floods, typhoons) caused by climate change Intensification of government regulations and investor pressure in the event of failure to meet carbon reduction targets Proactive preparation for regulatory tightening and mitigation of legal risks through climate change response initiatives
Response strategies	1) Development of Low-Carbon Infrastructure  Reduction of long-term operating expenditures (OPEX) by replacing existing equipment with energy-efficient systems at major business sites  Continuous expansion of renewable energy, including the installation of 650kW-scale on-site solar power systems in data centers  2) Management of Carbon Reduction Targets and Implementation  Establishment and execution of company-wide carbon reduction targets  Introduction of an internal carbon pricing system to control long-term costs and risks
КРІ	The incentive system contributes to the achievement of climate goals, enhancement of corporate sustainability, and improvement of climate response and ESG management performance     Establishment of company-wide KPIs linked to executive compensation based on the Net Zero goal (achievement level of annual emissions targets)
Mid- to Long- Term Plans	· (Scope 1+2) 2040 Net Zero achievement (Base year 2023) · (Scope 3) 90% emission reduction by 2050 compared to 2021 levels <u>See detailed report</u>

## 04 Ethical Management and Anti-Corruption

Risk/Opportuni Analysis	1) Cost Increase in financial burden from fines, litigation costs, and sanctions in the event of legal or regulatory violations Increase in costs for establishing legal compliance and oversight infrastructure due to inadequate internal controls Reduction of litigation and sanction-related costs through enhanced internal controls and ethical management practices  2) Risk Reputational damage and decline in brand value due to insufficient management of ethics, anti-corruption, and compliance, potentially leading to fines, penalties, legal actions, and other negative impacts in the mid- to long term Prevention of ethical risks and improvement of internal trust through the operation of an internal reporting system (anonymous whistleblower program) Prevention of legal risks through strengthened internal controls and rigorous management of ethics and anti-corruption issues
Response strategies	1) Strengthening of Internal Controls Delivery of in-person briefings to all employees on key unethical conduct cases, reporting channels, insider trading, and anti-corruption guidelines Annual rollout of a company-wide ethics pledge including the anti-corruption policy Ongoing communication through occasional newsletters to share recent case examples, reporting channels, and principles for whistleblower protection  2) Whistleblower System Management Delegation of reporting and case-handling procedures to the internal audit department Transparent communication of investigation results, corrective actions, and follow-up measures to whistleblowers Annual training for all employees on the use and procedures of ethics and anti-corruption reporting channels
KPI	Annual assessment and scoring of the level of ethical management, reflected in company-wide KPIs linked to executive compensation
Mid- to Long- Term Plans	Achievement of 'Leader' level in the ethical management evaluation system     Establishment and expansion of the anti-corruption management system     Elimination of unfair trade and unfair competitive practices     See detailed report

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## 05 Enhancement of Shareholder Value

Risk/Opportunity Analysis	1) Cost Increase in financial burden associated with dividend expansion and strengthened shareholder return policies Alleviation of financial burden through efficient strategies for dividends and share buybacks  2) Risk Risk of declining corporate value due to increased stock price volatility when shareholder expectations are not met Possibility of heightened financial burden and deterioration of credit ratings by financial institutions if shareholder return efforts are overly focused on short-term gains Contribution of shareholder return and capital efficiency enhancement strategies to sustainable corporate value creation and strengthened market trust
Response strategies	1) Improvement of Capital Efficiency Strengthening of Operation Improvement (O/I) initiatives and execution capabilities Advancement of portfolio rebalancing strategies and enhancement of financial structure  2) Shareholder-Oriented Management Strengthening of transparent communication with shareholders through advance notice of general meetings and facilitation of voting rights Building shareholder trust and delivering returns through a consistent dividend policy and share repurchase programs
KPI	Incorporation of corporate value (stock price) at the end of the evaluation year into company-wide KPIs linked to executive compensation
Mid- to Long- Term Plans	<ul> <li>Target of achieving a price-to-book ratio (PBR) of 1.0 by 2027 from a long-term perspective</li> <li>▶ See detailed report</li> </ul>



## **Environmental**

Climate Change Response (TCFD)

Clean Technology / **Business Investment** 

Environmental Impact Management

# Climate Change Response (TCFD)

SK Inc. reports its climate change response in accordance with the TCFD framework, covering governance, strategy, risk management, and metrics and targets. Climate change response strategies are developed and implemented based on scenario analyses conducted for both the investment and business divisions.

### Governance

### **Board Oversight Structure**

### Operation of the Strategy and ESG Committee

· The Strategy and ESG Committee, established under the Board of Directors, is responsible for promoting the company's mid- to long-term sustainable growth, overseeing climate-related matters, and reviewing the climate strategy and its implementation plans

### **Functions and Roles**



### **Committee Composition**

Category	Members
Independent Director	Lee, Kwan Young (Chairperson); Yoon, Chi Won; Pak Hyun Ju Helen; Kim, Seon Hee; Jeong, Jong Ho
Executive Director	Jang, Yong Ho

## Climate-Related Agenda Reported in 2024

- · The Strategy and ESG Committee addresses climate-related topics at least once annually
- · In 2024, the committee reviewed the company's climate response progress, trends in domestic and international climate regulations and policies, and the strategic direction for complying with mandatory climate disclosure requirements

Agenda	Date of Meeting	Board Attendance
ESG response status and future plans (including the sustainability report)	September 25, 2024	6 out of 6 members
ESG disclosure/regulatory trends and response measures	September 25, 2024	6 out of 6 members

## Role of Top Management

- · The CEO concurrently serves as Chair of the Environmental Business Committee under the SUPEX Council, SK Group's highest-level consultative body, and participates in discussions and decision-making on key ESG issues, including climate change response
- Recognizing the significant impact of climate change response on major stakeholders—such as investors, customers, and governments—the CEO leads company-wide collaboration by promoting eco-friendly business expansion and developing new business models. The CEO also oversees the incentive system through a performance monitoring process to ensure that climate-related achievements are linked to financial rewards
- · Through the Environmental Management System (ISO 14001), the CEO regularly reviews reports on environmental risks, impact assessments, and internal audit results across business sites, incorporating these insights into organizational performance management
- · The Chief Sustainability Officer (CSO) oversees ESG and sustainability issues, with responsibilities including the management of ESG-related goals and performance—such as climate change response—and the supervision of ESG and climate-related disclosures

## **Executive Compensation and Performance Linkage**

- · Climate-related metrics are incorporated into KPIs, with climate performance integrated into the compensation framework.
- · The incentive system promotes the achievement of climate goals, enhances corporate sustainability, and contributes to the advancement of ESG management.

Climate Change Performance and Compensation Framework

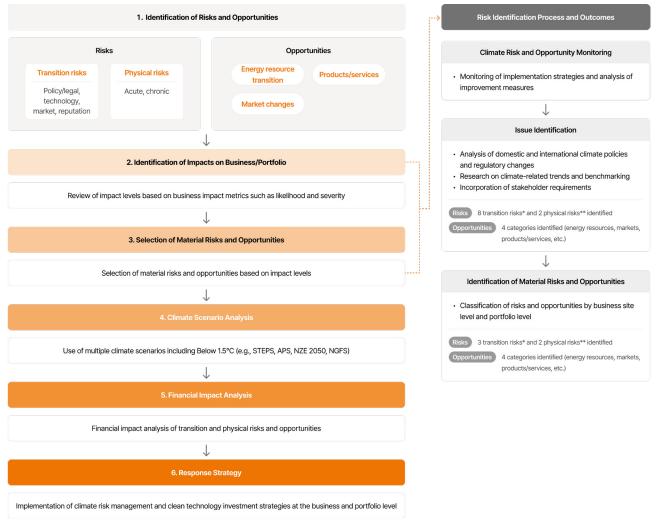
Target	Details	Scale	Relevant KPI	
CEO	Incentives are determined based on the performance of key strategic initiatives—such as participation in global climate initiatives like Net Zero and RE100, TCFD disclosure—and external stakeholder evaluations		GHG reduction targets, GHG reduction projects, energy efficiency improvement goals, supply chain engagement, and climate-related sustainability indices	
CFO, ESG-Related Executives, and Other Company- Wide Executives	KPI targets are established in connection with the CEO's KPIs, reflecting responsibility for company-wide ESG management	Determined based on performance evaluations against company-wide, team, or individual targets		
Employees	Employee bonuses are adjusted based on year-end individual performance evaluations and KPI achievement, with additional points added or deducted based on the extent of achievement in Net Zero goals and ESG metrics	_		

## Key Climate Change-Related KPI Tasks

KPI Tasks	Details		
Expansion of board reporting on ESG agenda items	Expanding board (Strategy and ESG Committee) reporting on ESG agenda items, including climate change response		
Maintenance of top-level performance in external ESG ratings	Maintaining top-level ESG ratings, including those related to climate response		
Strengthening Net Zero implementation capabilities	Reducing greenhouse gas emissions (60% reduction from base year by 2030)		

## **Strategy**

## Impact Analysis Scope and Process



<sup>\*</sup> Transition risks: Risks of increased costs or reduced revenues that may arise during a company's transition toward carbon reduction or eco-friendly business practices, due to the introduction of new regulations, investments in technologies, or changes in consumer demands

<sup>\*\*</sup> Physical risks: Risks of direct damage and economic loss caused by natural disasters such as heavy rainfall, droughts, heatwaves, and rising sea levels resulting from climate change

### **Identification of Climate Risks and Opportunities**

- · Climate risks and opportunities are identified in accordance with the TCFD framework, with issues derived based on the specific characteristics of each
- · Progress in implementing climate strategies is reviewed, and material issues are defined by incorporating policy changes, benchmarking insights, and stakeholder expectations

### Issue Pool Selection Results

- · Scope of coverage: Covers the entire value chain across the enterprise, including core business areas, major assets, and customer-related activities
- · Analysis horizon: Short-term (through 2025), mid-term (through 2030), and long-term (through 2040)
- Impact application criteria: Determined with reference to agenda items approved by the Board of Directors and the Strategy and ESG Committee, stakeholder expectations, and potential business impacts

Category	Type*		Risk and Opportunity	Time Frame	Impacted Stage of the Value Chain**	Impact
		T1	Policy volatility in RE100 implementation in South Korea	Short/Medium/Long Term	Operation	High
	Policy/	T2 Policy/	Introduction of Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM), ISSB, and other mandatory domestic requirements	Medium/Long Term	Operation	Mid
	regulation	Т3	Strengthened Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS) regulations	Short/Medium Term	Operation	High
Transition Risks		T4	Litigation by environmental groups and others against companies failing to reduce greenhouse gas emissions	Long Term	Operation	Low
(8)	Technology T5		Loss of competitiveness due to failure to secure early investment in clean technologies	Medium/Long Term	Downstream	High
	Market	T6	Demand for eco-certified product information from customers	Medium/Long Term	All	Low
		T7	Need for climate risk management in investment portfolio	Short/Medium/Long Term	Downstream	High
	Reputation	Т8	Stakeholder demands for climate transition planning and implementation performance	Medium/Long Term	All	Low
Physical Risks (2)	Acute	P1	Increasing frequency and intensity of natural disasters (e.g., floods, typhoons)	Long Term	All	High
	Chronic	P2	Increasing likelihood of extreme weather events and sea level rise	Long Term	All	High
	Energy resources	01	Transition from fossil fuel-based energy sources to renewable energy sources	Medium/Long Term	Downstream	High
Opportunities (4)	Market	02	Growing demand for electric vehicle materials and technologies	Short/Medium Term	Downstream	High
Opportunities (4)	Market	03	Rising demand in the sustainable food market	Medium/Long Term	Downstream	High
	Products & services	04	Growing demand for IT management solutions and services for climate change response	Short/Medium Term	Operation	High

<sup>\*</sup> P: Physical Risk, T: Transition Risk, O: Opportunity

### Criteria for Identifying Material Risks/Opportunities

Category	Details
Probability	Speed of global climate policy and regulatory changes     Frequency of similar cases within the industry and their financial impact     Increasing demands for climate-related disclosures
Severity	Impact on business revenue and cost structure     Scale of damage caused by supply chain disruptions and operational risks     Potential decline in corporate reputation and customer trust due to negative media exposure
Impact	· Identification of high-level material risks and opportunities through comprehensive analysis of climate-related risk and opportunity factors · Determination of priority areas for response by reflecting industry-specific characteristics

<sup>\*\*</sup> All: Entire value chain; Operation: Business operations; Upstream: Activities that occur before a product or service is created (e.g., sourcing and processing of inputs); Downstream: Activities that occur after a product or service is created (e.g., sales, distribution, consumption, disposal)

### Identification Results of Material Risks and Opportunities

- · Prioritization of material risks is determined by comprehensively considering Board linkage, stakeholder expectations, likelihood of occurrence, degree of severity, and enterprise-wide impact
- · All risks and opportunities are categorized into the business-site level and portfolio level, reflecting the structural characteristics of SK Inc.'s business operations

### Material Risks and Opportunities

Level	Туре	Material Risk/Opportunity
Business-site Level	Cost of implementing carbon reduction measures	T1, T3
Dusiliess-site Level	Impact on data center operations/expansion	P1, P2, O4
Portfolio Level	Level of climate risk exposure by investment sector	T7, P1, P2
Portiolio Levei	Market outlook driven by the transition to low carbon	01, 02, 03

### Analysis of the Impact of Material Risks and Opportunities

Level	Material Risk and Opportunity	Time Horizon	Aspect of Impact	Business Impact	Response Measure
	Volatility in South Korea's renewable energy policy (T1)	Short/Medium/ Long Term	Operation	Limited availability of feasible procurement options for RE100 implementation, combined with instability in government policies regarding supply and pricing	
	Strengthened Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS) regulations (T3)	Short/Medium Term	Operation	Increase in paid emission allowance purchases due to higher electricity consumption at data centers, driven by customer expansion during the 3rd commitment period     Calculation of the paid allocation ratio for the 4th commitment period*, based on emissions from 2022 to 2024	ď
Business-	Data center operating costs due to rising temperatures (P1)	Long Term	All	· Increase in electricity costs for operating cooling systems at data centers due to rising external temperatures	
site Level	Disaster recovery costs for data centers due to large-scale river flooding (P1)	Long Term	All	· Incurred costs for data center disaster recovery and customer compensation due to large-scale river flooding	
	Operational disruption of supplier manufacturing facilities due to natural disasters (P2)	Long Term	All	Procurement delays caused by difficulties in sourcing raw materials due to natural disasters, and revenue loss and financial damage resulting from price increases in raw materials and similar competing products	C
	Growing demand for IT management solutions and services for climate change response (O4)	Short/Medium Term	Operation	Increasing demand for the advancement of energy management systems among energy-intensive companies     Expected growth in IT service demand linked to ecofriendly vehicle infrastructure management	C
	Need for climate risk management in investment portfolio (T7)	Short/Medium/ Long Term	Downstream	· Market-perceived risk exposure related to the cost of corporate low-carbon transition	
	Heightened financial impact of physical risks on the investment portfolio (P1, P2)	Long Term	All	· Economic losses caused by natural disasters resulting from the increasing frequency of extreme weather events	
Portfolio Level	Transition from fossil fuel-based energy sources to renewable energy sources (O1)	Medium/Long Term	Downstream	· Continued market expansion driven by active investment and support for clean energy by governments worldwide	
	Growing demand for electric vehicle materials and technologies (O2)	Medium/Long Term	Downstream	· Promotion of the replacement of commercial vehicles with eco-friendly vehicles under the Eco-Friendly Vehicle Act	
	Rising demand in the sustainable food market (O3)	Medium/Long Term	Downstream	· Target of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 180,000 tons in the agriculture and livestock sector by 2030, compared to 2018 levels	ď

<sup>\*</sup> The 4th commitment period: Refers to the fourth implementation period (2021–2025) of the Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS), operated in accordance with the Act on the Allocation and Trading of Greenhouse Gas Emission Permits

## **Business-Site Level Analysis**

- · The transition risk analysis is based on the implementation of the 'Net Zero 2040 Roadmap,' incorporating IEA's carbon price projections, Korea's national greenhouse gas reduction target (NDC), and relevant regulations
- · The physical risk assessment evaluates the likelihood of climate hazards such as heatwaves, floods, and droughts using the Climanomics® model by S&P Global, based on the locations of operating sites and major suppliers

### 1. Scenario Analysis

### 1) Transition Risk Scenarios

### Scenario Analysis Methodology

- Analysis conducted using three scenarios developed by the International Energy Agency (IEA)
- Financial impact assessed based on the implementation of the Net Zero roadmap, using carbon prices under each scenario pathway as a key variable

Category	Stated Policies Scenario(STEPS)	Announced Pledges Scenario(APS)*	Net Zero Emission by 2050 Scenario (NZE 2050)*
Scenario Overview	Projection incorporating existing national policies, implemented measures, and currently announced reduction targets	Projection of a 40% reduction in GHG emissions by 2050, despite implementation of the nationally determined contributions (NDCs) announced by governments	Projection of a phase-out of fossil fuels by 2030 and achievement of Net Zero emissions by 2050
Temperature Rise	Above 3 °C	Above 2 °C	Below 1.5°C
Carbon Price in Korea	USD 42 by 2030 USD 67 by 2040	USD 40 by 2030 USD 110 by 2040	USD 90 by 2030 USD 160 by 2040

<sup>\*</sup> Based on emerging market and developing economies with Net Zero emissions pledges

### Scenario Analysis Results

- Financial impact is assessed based on the extent of Net Zero implementation under each scenario
- · The BAU (Business As Usual) baseline assumes no implementation of Net Zero, and represents the cost of purchasing emission allowances for excess emissions
- The Net Zero implementation basis refers to the costs incurred to avoid purchasing emission allowances (e.g., allowance avoidance costs), (emissions trading gains or losses) - (RE100 and energy efficiency investment costs)

### Estimated Financial Impact of Each Scenario Relative to Net Zero Implementation

(Unit: KRW 100 million)

Scenario	Category	~2025	~2030	~2035	~2040	Total
STEPS	Based on BAU	24.9	166.9	190.9	307.3	690.1
31673	Net Zero implementation criteria	63.8	280.5	336.8	476.9	1,158.0
APS	Based on BAU	24.4	159.6	235.2	475.9	895.1
APS	Net Zero implementation criteria	63.4	273.5	379.3	638.2	1,354.4
NZE 2050	Based on BAU	37.5	342.1	428.0	723.8	1,531.3
NZE 2030	Net Zero implementation criteria	73.3	448.9	563.8	875.5	1,961.5

### 2) Physical Risk Scenario

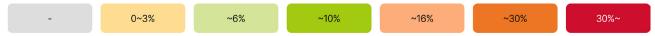
### Scenario Analysis Method

- To assess physical climate risks through 2040, projection data from four SSP-based scenarios were used to compare and analyze the physical risk levels of major business sites in relation to seven climate risk factors (abnormal temperature, sea level rise, drought, wildfires, typhoons, water scarcity, and river flooding)
  - · Scenarios used: SSP1-2.6, SSP2-4.5, SSP3-7.0, SSP5-8.5
  - · Scope of analysis: Directly operated sites (Daedeok Data Center, Pangyo Data Center) and major supplier sites (three global suppliers accounting for 45% of IT equipment procurement, five manufacturing facilities for products purchased by the company)
  - · Analytical approach: Modeled Average Annual Loss was calculated in relation to the asset value of each site, based on the frequency of risk occurrence by site location and the vulnerability data by asset type

### Scenario Analysis Results (Directly Operated Sites)

- Under all scenario pathways, the Average Annual Loss relative to the asset value of each business site was calculated to be below 3% (0-3%)
  - · No significant physical loss risks were identified for the directly operated sites
- In particular, even under the most conservative SSP5-8.5 (highest emissions scenario), the structural loss risk due to climate change for both data centers was assessed to be very low
- · Based on these findings, SK Inc. aims to continue improving energy efficiency and strengthening disaster response systems at its data centers

### Modeled Average Annual Loss



- \* Analysis based on Climanomics Hazard data from S&P Global
- \*\* Items with no relevant risk sources are excluded from the analysis (indicated as '-')

### SSP1-2.6 Pathway Analysis Results

		Chronic				Acute										
Directly Operated Site	Extreme Temperature			Sea Level	Pluvial Flooding			Fluvial Flooding			Drought	Wildfire		Water		
	2020	2030	2040	Rise	2020	2030	2040	2020	2030	2040	Drought	Wildfire	Typhoon	Stress		
Daedeok Data Center				-												
Pangyo Data Center				-												

<sup>-</sup> SSP1-2.6: A scenario in which Net Zero is achieved by 2050, with the global average temperature projected to rise by 1.3-2.4°C by 2100 (aligned with the Paris Agreement target)

### SSP2-4.5 Pathway Analysis Results

		Chronic				Acute										
Directly Operated Site	Extreme Temperature		Sea Level	Pluvial Flooding			Fluvial Flooding			Dunasaha	Milakina		Water			
	2020	2030	2040	Rise	2020	2030	2040	2020	2030	2040	Drought	Wildfire	Typhoon	Stress		
Daedeok Data Center				-												
Pangyo Data Center				-												

<sup>-</sup> SSP2-4.5: A scenario in which emissions stabilize at current levels by 2050 and decline by 2100, with the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.1–3.5°C by 2100 and decline by 2100, with the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.1–3.5°C by 2100 and decline by 2100, with the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.1–3.5°C by 2100 and decline by 210

### SSP3-7.0 Pathway Analysis Results

		Chronic				Acute									
Directly Operated Site	Extreme Temperature			Sea Level	Pluvial Flooding			Fluvial Flooding			Drought	Wildfire	Typhoon	Water	
	2020	2030	2040	Rise	2020	2030	2040	2020	2030	2040	Drought	vviidille	турлооп	Stress	
Daedeok Data Center				-											
Pangyo Data Center				-											

<sup>-</sup>SSP3-7.0: A scenario in which emissions double by 2100, with the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 and the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 and 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 and 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2100 are the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8-4.6°C by 2.8-4.0°C by

### SSP5-8.5 Pathway Analysis Results

		Chronic				Acute										
Directly Operated Site	Extreme Temperature			Sea Level	Pluvial Flooding			Fluvial Flooding			Drought	NC 16		Water		
	2020	2030	2040	Rise	2020	2030	2040	2020	2030	2040	Drought	Wildfire	Typhoon	Stress		
Daedeok Data Center				-												
Pangyo Data Center				-												

<sup>-</sup>SSP5-8.5: A scenario in which emissions triple by 2075, with the global average temperature projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 and 2000 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 2100 are the projected to rise by 3.3-5.7°C by 3.3-5.

### Scenario Analysis Results (Supply Chain)

- · Physical climate risks across all climate factors were generally assessed to be minimal
- · However, under the Worst Case scenario (SSP5-8.5), relatively high water stress risk was identified at some supplier sites located in Jiangsu, China
- $\cdot \text{In response, SK Inc. collects data annually from suppliers on greenhouse gas reduction efforts and climate risk response to} \\$ strengthen climate resilience throughout the supply chain
- · The status of Business Continuity Plan (BCP) implementation among key suppliers is reviewed to ensure minimal disruption to production in the event of natural disasters

### Modeled Average Annual Loss



- \* Analysis based on Climanomics Hazard data from S&P Global
- $\hbox{*** Items with no relevant risk sources are excluded from the analysis (indicated as '-')}$
- \*\*\* For major supplier sites, information was based on suppliers that agreed to disclose location data (asset type uniformly categorized as 'General Manufacturing')

### SSP1-2.6 Pathway Analysis Results

	Chro	Chronic			Acute								
Major Supplier Site	Extreme Temperature	Sea Level Rise	Drought	Wildfire	Typhoon		Water Stress	i	Fluvial Flooding	Pluvial Flooding			
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Supplier B (Facility1)													
Supplier B (Facility2)													
Supplier B (Facility3)													
Supplier C													

<sup>-</sup> SSP1-2.6: A scenario in which Net Zero is achieved by 2050, with the global average temperature projected to rise by 1.3-2.4°C by 2100 (aligned with the Paris Agreement target)

### SSP2-4.5 Pathway Analysis Results

	Chro	Chronic				Acute								
Major Supplier Site	Extreme Temperature	Sea Level Rise	Drought	Wildfire	Typhoon		Water Stress	3	Fluvial	Pluvial Flooding				
	Extreme remperature	Sea Level Rise	Drought	whalle	турноон	2020	2030	2040	Flooding					
Supplier A														
Supplier B (Facility1)														
Supplier B (Facility2)														
Supplier B (Facility3)														
Supplier C														

<sup>-</sup> SSP2-4.5: A scenario in which emissions stabilize at current levels by 2050 and decline by 2100, with the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.1–3.5°C by 2100

## SSP3-7.0 Pathway Analysis Results

	Chro	Chronic				Acute								
Major Supplier Site	Extreme Temperature	Sea Level Rise	Drought	Wildfire	Typhoon		Water Stress	3	Fluvial	Pluvial Flooding				
		Sea Level Rise	Drought		турпосп	2020	2030	2040	Flooding					
Supplier A														
Supplier B (Facility1)														
Supplier B (Facility2)														
Supplier B (Facility3)														
Supplier C														

<sup>-</sup> SSP3-7.0: A scenario in which emissions double by 2100, with the global average temperature projected to rise by 2.8–4.6°C by 2100

### SSP5-8.5 Pathway Analysis Results

Major Supplier Site	Chronic		Acute							
	Extreme Temperature	Sea Level Rise	Drought	Wildfire	Typhoon	Water Stress			Fluvial	Pluvial
						2020	2030	2040	Flooding	Flooding
Supplier A										
Supplier B (Facility1)										
Supplier B (Facility2)										
Supplier B (Facility3)										
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### 2. Impact Analysis and Response Measures

- · SK Inc. identifies key climate-related risks and opportunities and presents corresponding response strategies across the following three areas
- · 1) Net Zero implementation, 2) Response strategies for business sites and supply chain, 3) Transition opportunities related to climate change

### 1) Net Zero Implementation

Policy Volatility in RE100 Implementation in South Korea

### **Impact Analysis**

- South Korea's renewable energy supply policies and pricing mechanisms present structural risks for companies pursuing RE100, particularly in terms of limited procurement options and price volatility
- In practice, the availability and efficiency of renewable energy procurement methods—such as self-generation, green premiums, and PPAs—are heavily influenced by government policies, leading to significant variability and potential uncertainty in establishing long-term strategies for achieving RE100

RE100 Implementation Options in South Korea	Limitation				
Green Premium	Lack of recognition as actual GHG reduction under the Emissions Trading Scheme				
REC	Price risk due to volatility in the government's RPS* operations				
PPA Scheme	Constraints such as higher prices compared to conventional electricity and limited supply volume				

<sup>\*</sup> RPS: Renewable Portfolio Standard; A regulatory system that mandates a specific percentage of total electricity generation to be supplied or procured from renewable energy sources

#### Response Measures

- · In line with the self-generation-first strategy, solar power facilities with a total capacity of 650kW are in operation by maximizing the use of available space within business sites. This is expected to reduce annual electricity costs by approximately KRW 100 million and cut more than 400 tons of greenhouse gas emissions
- In addition to self-generation, a strategic combination of multiple renewable energy procurement methods—such as green premiums, power purchase agreements (PPAs), and renewable energy certificates (RECs)—is under active review
- Since 2021, SK Inc. has participated in RE100 policy discussions hosted by the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy. In 2022, it joined the Corporate Renewable Energy Foundation (CREF) as a member and sponsor, contributing as a private-sector participant to government policy improvement efforts

### Estimated Additional Electricity Purchase Costs for Implementing the RE100 2040 Roadmap (2021-2040)

General Electricity Cost	Green Premium Only	Mixed*		
KRW 1,166.7 billion	+ KRW 56.6 billion	+KRW 17.0 billion		

<sup>\*</sup> Mixed: Electricity cost + Green Premium fee + PPA + Emissions Allowance

## Strengthening of the Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS)

- · In 2022, SK Inc. was designated as a covered entity subject to paid allocation under the national Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS), and changes in ETS policy and carbon price fluctuations are now recognized as material financial risks at the company-wide level
- As of 2024, 18 business sites are subject to both free and paid allocations under the scheme. While the paid allocation ratio stood at 10% during the 3rd commitment period, it is expected to rise in the 4th commitment period
- · The increasing share of paid allocations is projected to drive up domestic carbon prices, resulting in higher carbon allowance purchase costs for SK Inc

- · A company-wide response framework has been established to manage the Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS), enabling flexible responses to evolving conditions through continuous monitoring of GHG emissions, policy shifts, and carbon market fluctuations
- $\cdot \textbf{Aligned with the Net Zero 2040 roadmap, SK Inc. is progressively implementing GHG reduction initiatives such as the deployment of self-generation systems, procurement and the progressive of the pro$ of renewable energy through RECs and PPAs, and enhanced energy efficiency at data centers
- · In preparation for an increase in the proportion of paid allocations and rising carbon prices, the company is reinforcing its emissions management system and executing complementary strategies to mitigate the financial impact of allowance purchases
- As a fundamental approach to decarbonization, SK Inc. is continuously evaluating and expanding the adoption of carbon reduction and energy-efficient technologies, including high-efficiency HVAC systems

<sup>\*</sup> Key assumptions for cost estimation: Assumes an average annual electricity rate increase of 3% through 2040 and reflects profit and loss from emissions allowances based on a carbon credit price of KRW 15,000

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### 2) Business Site & Supply Chain Response Strategy

P1 Impact of Rising Temperatures on Data Center Operating Costs

### Impact Analysis

- Electricity consumption from cooling systems and IT equipment accounts for approximately 45% of total data center operating costs, and rising ambient temperatures are a key physical risk factor that directly leads to increased electricity expenses
- The growing frequency of heatwaves and tropical nights during summer elevates cooling system usage, resulting in higher energy consumption and potentially driving up cumulative annual operating costs
- A sustained 1°C increase in average external temperature could raise annual electricity costs by approximately 2.5–3.5%, resulting in an estimated additional expenditure of KRW 440 to 620 million per year

#### Response Measures

- · To mitigate physical risks associated with rising temperatures, high-efficiency HVAC systems are being introduced and energy-saving operational strategies are being implemented in phases
  - To enhance cooling efficiency, an automatic misting system has been installed around the chiller units to supplement the performance of outdoor air cooling
  - Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) solutions are utilized to precisely analyze airflow and optimize the performance of the HVAC system
  - Data center-specific energy efficiency strategies are being continuously reinforced, including the replacement of inefficient HVAC equipment, relocation of IT devices, and advanced temperature control by zone
- P1 Disaster Recovery Costs from Large-Scale River Flooding at Data Centers

#### **Impact Analysis**

- · Under the SSP5-8.5 scenario (a global warming pathway exceeding 4°C), the likelihood of damage to data center assets from large-scale river flooding—currently considered 100-year occurrences—is projected to increase significantly after 2030
- · In the event of flooding, facility restoration costs and business interruption losses could amount to more than 30% of the total asset value of the data center
- · Power outages and service disruptions may result in compensation claims due to customer SLA violations, along with additional recovery costs

### Response Measures

- Disaster response infrastructure is being established to withstand heavy rainfall exceeding 100mm per hour, with flood response drills and humidity control simulation training conducted at least once a year on a regular basis
- During weather advisories, preemptive inspections and reinforcements of key infrastructure—such as leakage points, drainage pumps, and channels—are conducted to prevent potential damage
- To prepare for large-scale power outages, a dual power system with high-capacity UPS units and emergency generators is maintained, along with regular power switchover drills to ensure immediate and uninterrupted transition to backup power during grid failure
- These measures are intended to ensure the availability of data centers and the continuity of customer SLAs in the event of a disaster
- P2 Disruption of Supplier Manufacturing Facilities Due to Natural Disasters

### **Impact Analysis**

- · Approximately 60% of the hardware (H/W) and network (N/W) equipment required for IT service delivery is sourced from overseas manufacturing facilities located in countries such as China, Malaysia, Ireland, and Singapore (as of 2022)
- According to scenario analyses under SSP5 to SSP8.5, these regions are identified as having relatively high risks of water stress and other climate-related disasters, including floods and heatwaves, indicating vulnerabilities in the supply chain
- · In the event of natural disasters that disrupt raw material procurement or suspend the production of specific equipment, indirect impacts may include delivery delays, increased procurement costs, higher prices of competing products, disruptions to customer project timelines, and revenue losses

### Response Measures

- · To address physical risks at the supply chain level, business continuity planning (BCP) status is reviewed for key suppliers, and suppliers are requested to establish climate risk response plans
- · To prevent overconcentration of manufacturing bases in high-risk areas, the results of regular risk monitoring are incorporated into supply diversification strategies
- · Physical climate risk levels at supplier locations are pre-assessed using Climanomics®-based risk modeling and are integrated into the supply chain management process at least once a year

### 3) Climate Transition Opportunities

04 Growing Demand for IT Solutions/Services for Climate Change Response

### **Impact Analysis**

- · South Korea has introduced mid- to long-term national strategies through its '2050 Carbon Neutrality Scenario,' including energy management systems (EMS), building energy efficiency improvements, and expansion of electric vehicle (EV) infrastructure—serving as a foundation for increased demand for related IT solutions
- Demand is expected to rise, particularly in the manufacturing sector and energy-intensive industries, for advanced EMS, EV charging station management platforms, and IT services linked to emissions monitoring
- · According to the latest IEA Net Zero scenario, achieving the 1.5°C target is unlikely under the current Net Zero 2050 strategies alone, indicating the need for stronger regulations and carbon reduction efforts driven by digital technologies
- · As Scope 3 reduction requirements (including supply chain emissions) continue to expand, managing carbon footprints based on life cycle assessment (LCA) and participating in carbon credit markets are emerging as key non-financial strategic priorities among global companies

### Response Measures

- · As the importance of value chain management grows and transparency in emissions reductions becomes increasingly demanded, the need for digital management systems to support GHG measurement and verification, emissions tracking, and carbon credit transactions is expected to rise
- · Leveraging its digital capabilities in big data, Al, and blockchain, SK Inc. views this rising climate response demand as a business opportunity driven by digital transformation
- In particular, SK Inc. is developing and providing end-to-end climate response services—from carbon emissions monitoring and reduction simulation to carbon credit-linked transactions—from the perspective of serving as a 'Green Digital Partner' to support customers in their Net Zero transition

# Types of IT Solutions/Services

Category	Key Focus Areas	Description	
Expansion of the Net Zero Ecosystem	Renewable energy, EMS, carbon reduction IT systems	Focused on supporting voluntary carbon reduction solutions	
ESG-Based IT Services	ESG diagnosis, reporting, and consulting platforms	Linked to addressing Scope 3 emissions and supply chain management	
Carbon Trading Market-Linked Business Models	Emission reduction certification, credit trading, and platform operation	Opportunity-driven approach for the voluntary carbon market	
Generative Al-Based Automation Solutions for ESG/ Climate Tasks	Automation of ESG/Net Zero reporting and policy response	GHG estimation and ESG strategy consulting	

# 3. Climate Resilience Enhancement Strategy

# Environmental Strategy for Net Zero Implementation



02 **Energy Efficiency** Improvements

- · The share of renewable energy in total electricity consumption at data centers—which account for over 90% of total electricity use—is designated as a key performance metric and is managed with priority
- · Energy audits are conducted every five years through a certified energy audit agency designated by the Minister of Trade, Industry and Energy (most recently conducted in August 2022)
- Dedicated data center personnel assess actual energy use, identify sources of loss, develop energy-saving improvement plans, and continue to invest in high-efficiency energy-saving equipment

Category	Energy Efficiency Status
High-Efficiency Equipment	Modular uninterruptible power supply (UPS), pre-cooling chillers, inverter-based precision air conditioning units
Energy-Saving HVAC Solutions	Application of water mist spray functions during the summer season and installation of new overhead containment systems for high-heat-density equipment
Others	Optimization through real-time monitoring of facilities and power systems and the use of CFD solutions

03 Operation of **Eco-Friendly** Company Vehicles

- Adoption of eco-friendly vehicles (electric and hybrid) to reduce carbon emissions from corporate transportation
- · Support for voluntary use of eco-friendly vehicles by employees through the installation of EV charging infrastructure and dedicated parking spaces at office buildings
- $\cdot$  As of the end of 2024, eco-friendly vehicles account for 22.3% of the total fleet







# Portfolio-Level Analysis

- · SK Inc. conducts a carbon cost-based risk exposure analysis across different sectors of its investment portfolio using NGFS scenarios
- · For physical risk assessment, the MSCI Climate Value-at-Risk (Climate VaR) Report is referenced to identify regional exposure of major listed subsidiaries, while global energy policy and technology outlooks are analyzed based on the IEA Net Zero Scenario and supplemented with projections from South Korea's 2050 Carbon Neutrality Scenario (NDC) to inform investment strategy

# 1. Scenario Analysis

### 1) Transition Risk Scenarios

# Scenario Analysis Method

- ·Three commonly referenced scenarios from financial institutions and government policy banks were selected, and transition risks were assessed based on the carbon price and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions trends under each scenario
- · For the NGFS Current Policies scenario, the carbon price was adjusted using the average emission allowance price from the 2nd commitment period (2018–2020) of Korea's Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS)

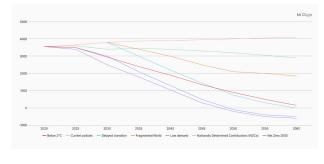
### Types of NGFS Scenarios

Category	Current Policies	Delayed Transition	Net Zero 2050
Description	Maintenance of current government regulations	Regulatory strengthening after 2030	Gradual regulatory strengthening
Temperature Rise	Above 3°C	1.6°C	1.4°C
Key Parameters	Carbon price & national emissions trends	Carbon price & national emissions trends	Carbon price & national emissions trends

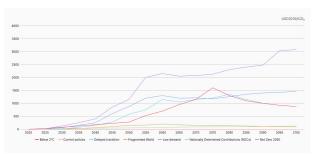
# Scenario Analysis Results

- · Under the Current Policies pathway, greenhouse gas emissions remain at 2020 levels
- · Under the Delayed Transition pathway, if the transition plan is postponed, emissions can be maintained through 2030, but carbon prices begin to rise sharply
- Under the NDC-aligned pathway, greenhouse gas emissions gradually decrease, and the carbon price burden is lower compared to other scenarios

# Carbon Emissions by NGFS Scenario



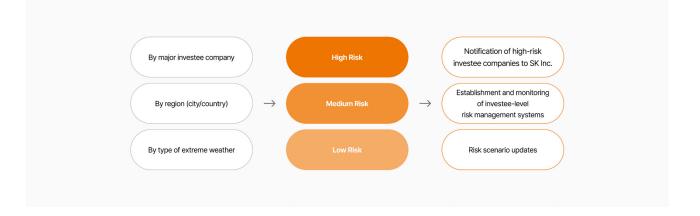
# Carbon Prices by NGFS Scenario



# 2) Physical Risk Scenario

# Scenario Analysis Method

- · Climate risks with the potential to affect the value of investment assets were compared and analyzed for each scenario using the MSCI Climate Value-at-Risk (Climate VaR) tool based on RCP scenarios
  - Scenarios used: Representative Concentration Pathways (RCP) scenarios based on the IPCC Fifth Assessment Report (AR5)
  - Scope of analysis: Business sites located in each country within the portfolio (South Korea, the United States, Japan, China, Indonesia, Vietnam, India, Hungary, UAE, etc.)
  - Risk factors: Expected impacts from more than 10 climate-related hazards (heatwaves, strong winds, coastal flooding, wildfires, tropical cyclones, heavy snowfall, heavy rainfall, droughts, floods/inundation, extreme cold, etc.)



# Scenario Analysis Results

- RCP scenarios are used to quantify the physical and financial impacts of climate change, based on assumed levels of radiative forcing driven by future changes in greenhouse gas concentrations
- $\cdot \text{Physical risks to key investment portfolios were compared under RCP 2.6, RCP 4.5, RCP 6.0, and RCP 8.5 pathways}$
- · The analysis focused on the business sites of major investee companies, with a 15-year time horizon, to identify regions with high levels of financial loss due to climate-related risks

High-Risk Factor	High-Risk Region
Heatwaves, coastal flooding, tropical cyclones	Busan/Incheon in South Korea, Dumai in Indonesia

# 2. Impact Analysis and Response Measures

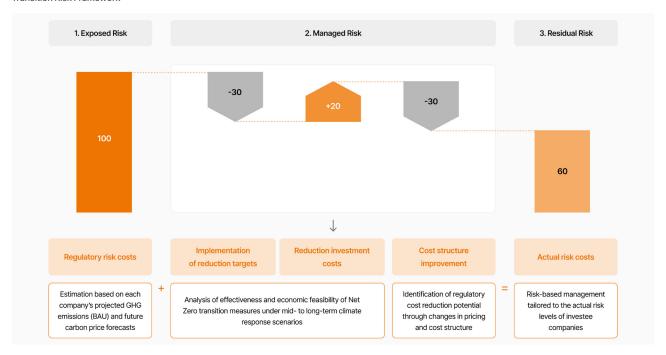
### 1) Transition Risks in the Investment Portfolio

Need for Climate Risk Management in the Investment Portfolio

# Financial Impact Management Framework

- · The actual risk—calculated by deducting the mitigated portion of regulatory risks through management of each investee company—is used as the basis for evaluating investee companies
- · Alongside the effectiveness and cost-efficiency of each investee company's emissions reduction measures, the analysis also considers whether the company has sufficient marketability to withstand transition risks
- · The resulting actual transition risk is converted into the 'carbon risk burden ratio,' a metric comparing the risk against the investee company's future revenue-generating capacity, to assess the financial soundness in terms of carbon risk

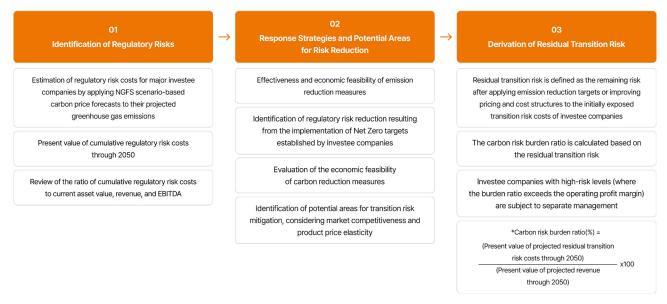
#### Transition Risk Framework



# **Phased Management Strategy**

- · Assessment of climate risk exposure across all portfolio companies based on BAU emissions to determine industry-specific climate risk levels
- · If the carbon risk burden ratio of a portfolio company exceeds its operating profit margin, the company is classified as carbon-constrained and becomes subject to a portfolio adjustment review
- · Companies that are not classified as carbon-constrained but exhibit greater climate risk exposure than industry peers are required to implement more cost-effective emission reduction measures

## Carbon Risk Burden Ratio Assessment Process



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# 2) Physical Risks in the Investment Portfolio



- P1 P2 Investment Decision-Making Framework Reflecting Physical Risks
  - $\cdot \text{A multi-layered response strategy has been established to protect the investment portfolio from physical risks}$
- Highly reliable external climate and weather data sources, such as MSCI Climate VaR, are actively utilized to pre-assess the expected financial impact by business site for each investee company
- Each investee company's physical risk management system is regularly reviewed to ensure that proper response mechanisms are in place
- For business sites located in high-risk areas, separate monitoring systems are operated, and continuous reviews are conducted to confirm whether climate risk response systems are functioning effectively
- When planning new investments or business expansions, a preliminary analysis is conducted to determine the level of climate risk exposure in the relevant region
- The results of the analysis are considered as key input in the investment decision-making process
- The availability of infrastructure or strategic measures to mitigate the identified risks serves as a critical criterion in determining whether to proceed with investments in regions with high climate risk

#### 3) Climate Transition Opportunities



on Transition from Fossil Fuel-Based Energy Sources to Renewable Energy Sources

#### Impact Analysis

- · According to IEA and NDC scenarios as well as various market reports, the global clean energy market is expected to continue expanding, driven by active investments and policy support in major countries
- In South Korea, limited renewable energy resources highlight the need to overcome domestic resource constraints
- · The International Energy Agency (IEA) projects in its IEA Net Zero 2050 scenario that CCUS will contribute 10% of cumulative carbon emissions reductions in the global energy sector between 2021 and 2050 (CCUS is considered essential in South Korea due to the carbon burden associated with its current power generation and industrial structure)

- Investment plans in CCUS technology companies for the establishment of a clean hydrogen-based ecosystem, aimed at overcoming resource limitations and driving innovation in the domestic energy market
- · Investments in the hydrogen industry, including the construction of hydrogen refueling stations and the operation of liquefied hydrogen plants
- · Investment in the world's largest CCS project and promotion of collaboration on small modular reactor (SMR) power generation projects

# O2 Growing Demand for Electric Vehicle Materials and Technologies Impact Analysis

- · The South Korean government aims to distribute 4.5 million electric and hydrogen vehicles by 2030 and reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector by approximately 29.7 million tons, while promoting the transition of commercial vehicles to eco-friendly alternatives in line with the Act on Environment-Friendly Motor
- $According to the IEA \ Net \ Zero \ Emissions \ (NZE) \ 2050 \ scenario, the \ global \ electric \ vehicle \ market \ share \ is \ expected \ to \ surge \ from \ 4.3\% \ in \ 2020 \ to \ 60.9\% \ by \ 2030 \ to \ 203$

## Response Strategy

- · Continued expansion of investments to lead key technologies and infrastructure in the electric vehicle market in line with policy direction and global trends
- · Market leadership through investments in global companies specializing in core materials and infrastructure for the electric vehicle industry
- · Expansion of leading EV charging-related technologies and provision of eco-friendly energy solutions based on the existing investment portfolio

# Rising Demand in the Sustainable Food Market

## **Impact Analysis**

- ·The South Korean government has set a target to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the agriculture and livestock sector by 180,000 tons by 2030 compared to 2018, including reductions through alternative processed foods
- · The agriculture and livestock sector accounts for 22% of global greenhouse gas emissions and is increasingly contributing to land and water pollution through the use of pesticides and waste, positioning sustainable food as a proposed solution
- Despite a downward trend in investment since 2022 due to macroeconomic factors and other influences, the market is expected to grow rapidly, driven by future key consumer groups such as the millennial generation

# Response Strategy

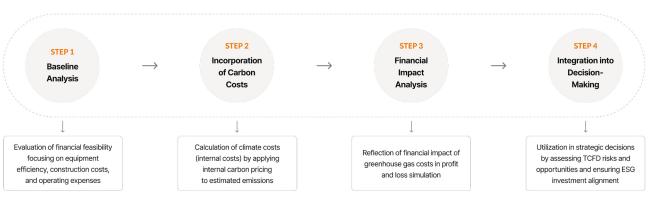
- Entry into the alternative food sector in 2020 in response to its rapid growth and large market potential
- Strategic sourcing of alternative food and food tech startups through the acquisition of board seats via additional investments
- · Investment in leading global companies in the alternative food industry

# 3. Climate Resilience Enhancement Strategy

# Internal Carbon Pricing Policy

- · Potential costs associated with greenhouse gas emissions are preemptively considered by applying an internal carbon price to business decision-making processes (new business investments and operations)
- $\cdot \text{When calculating the internal carbon price, both the domestic emissions trading price and carbon price projections from reputable international institutions are taken into account}\\$
- The base price for each year is calculated by reflecting the previous year's closing price of Korea Allowance Units (KAUs)\* and the NGFS 1.5°C scenario carbon price projection, and is updated annually with mid- to long-term carbon price forecasts through 2040

# Investment Decision-Making Process 03 Investment Preparation of Request for Investment estment Execution Performance **RM Review** Investment Plan Investment Review Approval Request Management Management (Closure) Investment decision-making process incorporating Internal Carbon Pricing (ICP)



# Case of Investment Decision-Making Using Internal Carbon Pricing

Prior to the construction of a new data center, SK Inc. applied an investment decision-making process based on the Internal Carbon Pricing (ICP) system to assess the business feasibility.

	1. Conventional Analysis Method	Assessment of financial feasibility focused on facility efficiency, construction cost, and operating cost $$
Internal Carbon Pricing Application	2. Carbon Cost Inclusion	Estimated GHG emissions × Internal carbon price = Inclusion of climate-related costs (internal cost)
Method	3. Financial Impact Analysis  Assessment of emissions-related costs and associated financial impacts, incorporated into profit and loss simulations	
4. Reflection in Decision-Makin		Use of financial simulation analysis, reflected in investment decision-making
Estimated Profit and Loss Impact	Profit and loss was estimated by incorporating internal carbon pricing, prior to major decisions such as investments     It was determined that the estimated profit and loss impact could be significant due to the projected increase in carbon prices during the actual colocation service period of the data center (2027–2031)	

<sup>\*</sup>Year-end closing price of Korea Allowance Units (KAUs) in 2024: KRW 9,490/tCO₂eq

# **Risk Management**

# Integrated Environmental Risk Management

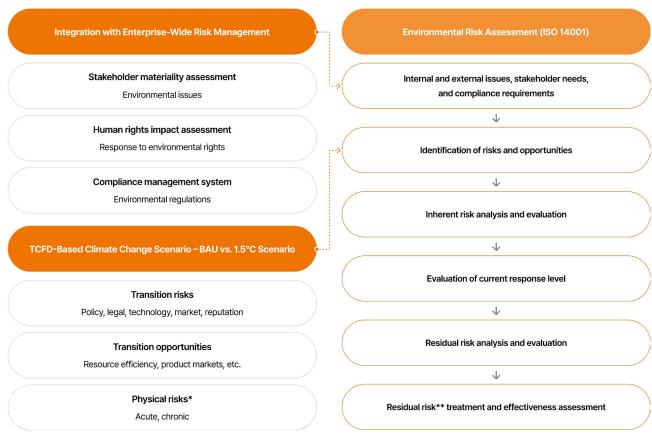
# **Operating System and Process**

- · An integrated process is operated that links the Environmental Management System (ISO 14001) with the company-wide Enterprise Risk Management system (ISO 31000) to preemptively identify and assess climate risks, while simultaneously implementing preventive measures using proactive response strategies such as self-generation, transition to renewable energy, and improvement of cooling efficiency
- · The appropriateness and effectiveness of risk assessments are verified through internal and external audits conducted at least once a year
- Adequacy of the enterprise risk management system is ensured, and ESG and business risks are managed in an integrated manner based on the process of 'Identification-Analysis-Response-Evaluation-Improvement'

Climate Risk Identification and Monitoring System

- · A systematic climate risk identification and monitoring system has been established and is operated based on scientific
- Domestic and international policy environments, climate-related issues, industry benchmarking cases, and the needs of stakeholders (including clients, government, and investors) are comprehensively taken into account
- · Likelihood of occurrence, level of severity, and business impact are comprehensively considered through the Risk Management Council to define risk appetite and establish response strategies
- · Material environmental and climate risks are reported to the CEO and the Board of Directors to ensure a company-wide response and integration into key decision-making

Climate Risk Management Process



<sup>\*</sup> Assessment includes new operations

<sup>\*\*</sup> Any material risks are escalated to the CEO and the Board for review



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# Climate Risk Management Across the Value Chain

- Strengthen climate risk management for suppliers, customers, and investee companies by identifying transition and physical risk factors, managing Scope 3 emissions, and improving the environmental performance of products and services
- $\cdot \text{Expand the scope of environmental risk impact levels and establish the foundation to enhance the environmental risk management system$

#### Upstream (Suppliers)

- Provision of support activities to improve suppliers' environmental management, including ESG Code of Conduct dissemination and ESG performance assessment advisory
- Implementation of greenhouse gas reduction engagement activities focused on major upstream emission sources, particularly in HW/NW equipment manufacturing
- Request for eco-friendly product certifications, LCA information, and climate risk-related business continuity plans (BCPs) in 2023, based on the climate risk management framework

#### ownstream (Investee Companies)

- · Initiation of climate risk exposure management for investee companies starting in 2022
- Execution of financial analysis, including comparison of operating profit margins that reflect actual risk costs based on reduction target implementation costs and marketdriven price/cost structures
- Advancement of downstream climate risk management through expansion of the management scope and reinforcement of assessment methodologies

# **Metrics and Targets**

# Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Reduction Targets



### Scope 1 & 2 Emissions

- · SK Inc. manages its Scope 1 and Scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions, with Scope 2 emissions calculated using both location-based and market-based approaches
- · Third-party verification is conducted annually to ensure the reliability and accuracy of the calculation criteria
- · Approximately 98% of total GHG emissions are attributed to electricity consumption (Scope 2), with data centers accounting for over 90% of total electricity use

**GHG** Emissions and **Energy Consumption** Calculation Criteria

- · '2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories'
- · Compliance with the 'Guidelines on Reporting and Verification of Emissions under the Emissions Trading Scheme'
- · Verification of appropriateness through a third-party verification body (Verification standards: 'Guidelines for Verification under the Emissions Trading Scheme', '2006 IPCC Guidelines', 'ISO 14064-1', 'ISO 14064-3')

(Unit: tCO2ea)

Category	2021	2022	2023	2024
Scope 1+2 Emissions (Total)	86,109	109,213	126,641	136,665
Scope 1	1,432	1,431	1,434	1,283
Scope 2 (Location-based)	84,677	107,782	125,207	135,382
Scope 2 (Market-based*)	-	-	102,604	102,626

<sup>\*</sup> Greenhouse gas emissions reflecting the use (purchase) of renewable energy

\*\* Scope 1+2 emissions target for 2024: 156,719 tCO2eq

Strengthening Scope 1 and Scope 2 Management

- · The proportion of renewable energy used in data center electricity consumption is designated as a key performance metric, and the transition rate is being increased annually in line with the RE100 roadmap
- On-site generation is prioritized as the primary method of renewable energy procurement, and solar power facilities installed within available areas of data centers are being operated at maximum capacity (0.83 GWh in 2024)
- · To secure a stable supply of renewable energy over the long term, SK Inc. is reviewing the adoption of Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs). Considering the uncertainty of the domestic renewable energy market, the company plans to determine the optimal procurement strategy based on an economic analysis of each renewable energy procurement method
- · To continuously improve the energy efficiency of data centers, power consumption is set as a key performance metric, with annual forecasts of power demand and efficiency performance monitored, and specialized personnel in data center safety and environment engaged in optimizing HVAC operations and investing in facility improvements
- · Although the Net Zero target and its implementation pathway may be adjusted due to changes in policy, the pace of technological development, and market or business conditions, SK Inc. plans to enhance the feasibility of achieving Net Zero by regularly reviewing reduction pathways and identifying the most effective abatement measures

<sup>\*</sup> The total GHG emissions above are calculated in accordance with the Guidelines on Reporting and Verification of Emissions under the Emissions Trading Scheme and may differ from the sum of emissions by individual energy sources

### Scope 3 Emissions

- · SK Inc. manages Scope 3 emissions by distinguishing between upstream (Categories 1-7) and downstream (Categories 11, 12, and 15), and conducts thirdparty verification to enhance data accuracy
- · Emissions are calculated for all applicable categories, including employee commuting, business travel, and product use
- · Approximately 90% of Scope 3 emissions are generated from Category 15 (Investments)

**GHG** Emissions and **Energy Consumption** Calculation Criteria

· GHG Protocol: Corporate Value Chain (Scope 3) Accounting and Reporting Standard

(Unit: tCO2eq)

Classification	Category	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total	Total Scope 3 emissions	13,391,021	11,529,818	13,860,200	14,210,016
	Category 1: Purchased goods and services	7,480	7,854	8,307	22,533
	Category 2: Capital goods	2,588	1,840	1,701	351
	Category 3: Fuel- and energy-related activities (not included in Scope 1 or 2)	84	8,402	9,877	21,016
Upstream	Category 4: Transportation and distribution	12	7	13	23
	Category 5: Waste generated in operations	30	1	8	3
	Category 6: Business travel	896	2,129	3,013	2,596
	Category 7: Employee commuting	3,324	1,900	942	743
	Category 11: Use of sold products	56,442	61,926	65,500	111,791
Downstream	Category 12: End-of-life treatment of sold products	265	291	307	277
	Category 15: Investments*	13,319,899	11,445,468	13,770,532	14,050,684

<sup>\*</sup> Calculated based on disclosed data and internally managed data from major subsidiaries among the investee companies

# Expanding Scope 3 Management Coverage

- · Emissions for major Scope 3 categories are calculated in accordance with the GHG Protocol and undergo third-party
- · Emissions have been calculated for a total of 10 categories to date, and the management scope continues to expand
- · The calculation criteria for overseas business travel (Category 6) have been refined to incorporate trip structure and flight
- Transfer status is considered when calculating flight distances, and travel is classified as short-haul or long-haul to enable more accurate emissions calculations

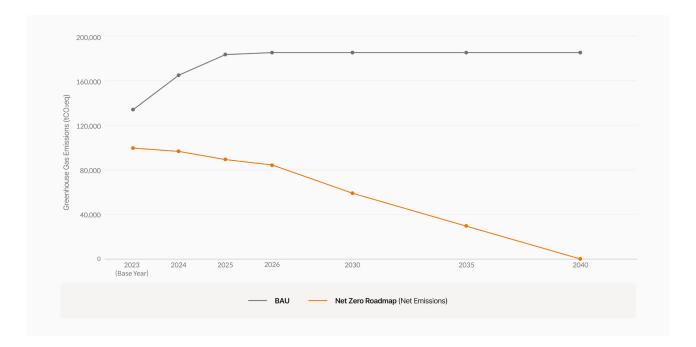
# **Enhancing Supplier** Engagement for Upstream GHG Reduction

- Over 70% of GHG emissions in Scope 3 Categories 1 and 2 are generated by hardware and network equipment suppliers
- · Supplier data is being collected to calculate emissions based on LCA (Life Cycle Assessment) of purchased products, along with enhancements to the procurement management system
- · A questionnaire is distributed to suppliers to collect information on their GHG reduction efforts, including GHG emissions, participation in the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) and related plans, eco-friendly product certifications, and ISO certification status

# **Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Targets**

Scope 1+2 Reduction Target (Net Zero)

- · SK Inc. has designated the 'Net Zero roadmap target emissions' as a core KPI and monitors GHG emissions by business site on a monthly basis
- · Low-carbon strategic investments are being gradually expanded, including increasing the renewable energy transition rate at data centers, improving the efficiency of cooling systems, and reviewing geothermal heat pump systems, with the contribution to emissions reduction regularly evaluated



Category	Details	
Long-Term Target	Achieve Net Zero for Scope 1 and 2 by 2040 (based on 2023 as the base year)	
Near-Term Target	· Target to achieve 30% by 2025 · Target to achieve 60% by 2030 (Near-Term) based on 2023 as the base year	

# Scope 3 Reduction Targets

- $\cdot$  Since 2022, emissions from key Scope 3 categories (10 in total) applicable to the company have been calculated and disclosed externally
- · A structured management system is in place for investee companies, purchased goods, and the use and end-of-life treatment of products—which together account for approximately 90% of Scope 3 emissions—including quantitative assessments, supplier surveys, and the encouragement of reduction target setting

Category	Details	
Long-Term Target	Target of a 90% reduction in total Scope 3 emissions by 2050 compared to 2021 levels	
Near-Term Target	30% reduction in Category 15 (Investments) emissions by 2030 compared to 2021 levels	

# **Global Initiatives**

# Greenhouse Gas **Reduction Initiatives**

- ·SK Inc. joined the Global RE100 Initiative in December 2020 to contribute to the acceleration of global greenhouse gas reduction efforts
- $\cdot$  A 2040 RE100 roadmap aligned with the 1.5°C target of the Paris Agreement was established, and Net Zero by 2040 (based on Scope 1 and 2) was declared
- · Since 2021, greenhouse gas reduction performance has been publicly disclosed annually to enhance transparency in managing Net Zero targets

# Renewable Energy **Transition Targets** (RE100)

- Renewable energy transition is recognized as a top priority for climate change response and sustainable growth, with phased targets established to drive RE100 implementation
- Electricity use at major sites, including data centers, is being optimized, while on-site renewable energy generation and diverse procurement strategies are actively pursued to support continued progress in the energy transition

# **RE100 Targets**

Category	Details	
Long-Term Target	Transition 100% of electricity consumption to renewable energy by 2040	
Transition 30% of electricity consumption to renewable energy by 2025 Transition 60% of electricity consumption to renewable energy by 2030		

### **RE100 Implementation Progress**

Year	Target	Performance
2023	16%	18.1%
2024	23%	24.7%
2025	30%	-
2026	38%	-
2030	60%	-
2035	80%	-
2040	100%	-

# SK Group's Net Zero Goal

- · In 2021, SK became the first Korean company to declare a group-wide Net Zero goal, committing to achieve net-zero greenhouse gas emissions ahead of the national 2050 carbon neutrality goal (2050- $\alpha$ )
- Each member company is implementing decarbonization strategies tailored to its business characteristics, and the level of Net Zero implementation is reflected in individual KPIs, which are linked to executive performance evaluations and compensation
- ·SK Inc. regularly monitors the Net Zero implementation status of its member companies, and in August 2024, SK Group established a group-wide Net Zero management system to oversee data management and performance monitoring

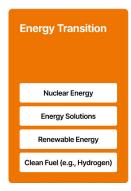
# Clean Technology / Business Investment

Amid the accelerating push for decarbonization, demand for clean technologies and investment is on the rise. In response, SK Inc. has defined five strategic focus areas in clean technology and established corresponding investment strategies and goals.

# **Investment Strategy**

# **Key Investment Areas**

- · SK Inc. is expanding its businesses to support climate change response and the transition to eco-friendly practices, while actively investing in technologies that reduce carbon emissions and solutions that enable carbon removal
- · By proactively investing in clean technologies and businesses, it aims to enhance inter-affiliate synergies within the SK Group and advance the green
- · To stay ahead in responding to the accelerating decarbonization trend and to secure long-term business opportunities, SK Inc. has identified five strategic focus areas and is reinforcing its investments in cleantech
- · Investment directions and goals have been defined and are being implemented for each cleantech and business area











## Strategy by Clean Technology/Business Area

Area	Detailed Strategies
EV Materials/ Infrastructure	· Copper foil / SiC anode materials: Extend EV driving range by improving battery performance through the supply of advanced materials that lead the global market · EV charging: Promote EV adoption by developing and expanding the supply of next-generation ultra-fast and high reliability chargers
Energy Transition	Clean Fuel (e.g., hydrogen): Secure core technologies and business foundation to replace fossil fuels     Nuclear power: Secure next-generation SMR (Small Modular Reactor) technologies and develop domestic and international SMR projects to establish a foothold in the global carbon-free power generation market     Energy solutions: Expand electrification-related businesses in the U.S. market (e.g., grid systems, residential ESS, microgrids)
Industrial Transition	· Manage portfolios within the sustainable food sector, where high growth is expected · Promote carbon reduction in carbon-intensive industries by securing technologies for industrial process innovation and recycling
CO₂ Management	· Create synergies by investing in CCUS technologies/infrastructure and leveraging SK's owned assets · Invest in global carbon credit developers to meet SK Group's carbon offset demand and ensure a stable supply of high-quality voluntary carbon credits
IT Solutions/Services for Climate Change Response	Expand digital technologies centered around the 'CodeGreen' brand to enable more efficient and accurate execution of ESG initiatives Increase R&D investment in eco-friendly solutions, including energy savings and carbon emissions reduction Promote revenue growth in eco-friendly products and services within the IT services business segment

# **Investment Strategy**

· SK Inc. has set targets for investment amount, revenue, and EBITDA in clean technologies and businesses by 2030



<sup>\*</sup> The 2030 targets are forward-looking statements based on current expectations and are subject to change depending on future business environment conditions

# Clean Technology Development Targets

- · Based on a clean technology-focused strategy, SK Inc. has established mid- to long-term investment and development targets for clean technologies by 2030 to drive sustainable growth and enhance corporate value
- · In particular, continued efforts are being made to develop core technologies aimed at extending driving range and reducing charging time, supporting the expansion of electric vehicles





## SiC Anode Material

Increase in battery capacity by up to 50% through the application of next-generation battery technology



# **EV Charging**

Reduction of charging time by more than 70%, from 1 hour to a level equivalent to that of internal combustion engine vehicles, through the development of ultra-fast charging technology

# **Investment Performance**

# **Investment Portfolio Overview**

#### Investments by Area

Area	Details
EV Materials/ Infrastructure	<ul> <li>Invested in Wason, a global leader in copper foil manufacturing—a key material for EV batteries</li> <li>Completed construction of a JV plant for SiC anode materials, a next-generation solution for improving EV battery performance</li> <li>Acquired a controlling stake in SK Signet, a company engaged in the manufacturing of ultra-fast EV chargers and in the operation of EV charging businesses</li> </ul>
Energy Transition	- Entered the SMR business as a decarbonized baseload power source through an investment in TerraPower, a U.Sbased company specializing in the design of sodium-cooled fast reactors - Secured an early foothold in the turquoise hydrogen and eco-friendly carbon black portfolio through an investment in Monolith, a U.Sbased plasma technology company - Invested in Lunar Energy, a U.S. residential energy storage system (ESS) company
Industrial Transition	Invested in Perfect Day, a global leader in fermented dairy protein Invested in Nature's Fynd, a microbial-based alternative protein food company Invested in Wildtype, a U.S. cell-based seafood company Participated in a joint fund with Joyvio to support sustainable food investments in China Invested in Ecosecurities, a global top-tier carbon credit developer
CO <sub>2</sub> Management	· Invested in 8 Rivers, a company that holds multiple proprietary CCUS technologies, including CO <sub>2</sub> -based power generation and high-efficiency clean hydrogen production · Invested in Summit Carbon Solutions, the developer of the world's largest CCS project
IT Solutions/ Services for Climate Change Response	· Since 2020, each business unit has established mid- to long-term eco-friendly business goals and promoted the development of green solutions and platform-based businesses · In 2024, the CodeGreen brand was launched to support Digital ESG, offering 12 solutions across key areas such as energy savings, greenhouse gas reduction, resource circulation, and safety management

### EV Materials and Infrastructure

- · SK Inc. invested KRW 380 billion in Wason, the largest copper foil manufacturer in China, to support the advancement of high-performance copper foil production and battery technologies. This investment is expected to drive market growth by enabling an annual production capacity of 175kt
- · A 53.4% stake (KRW 293 billion) was acquired in SK Signet (formerly Signet EV), a company specializing in ultra-fast charging technology. An additional KRW 115 billion is scheduled to be invested in 2025 to further expand the domestic supply of ultra-fast chargers and lead the eco-friendly energy solution market.

# **Detailed Investment Status**

Investee Company	Key Technology	Investment Amount	Investment Year
Wason	Copper foil manufacturing (Global No.1)	Approx. KRW 380 billion	2019, 2020
SK Signet	Ultra-fast EV charger manufacturing	Approx. KRW 410 billion	2021, 2025

# **Clean Energy Transition**

- · SK Inc. entered the decarbonized baseload SMR (Small Modular Reactor) power generation market by investing in TerraPower, a U.S.-based company with next-generation SMR design capabilities utilizing sodium-cooled fast reactor technology
- $\cdot \text{An investment was made in Monolith, a U.S. plasma technology company, to secure turquoise hydrogen production capabilities and gain an early lead in the above the production of the produ$ eco-friendly carbon black portfolio

# **Detailed Investment Status**

Investee Company	Key Technology	Investment Amount	Investment Year
PlugPower	Water electrolysis and hydrogen fuel cells for green hydrogen production	Approx. KRW 1.8 trillion (Joint investment with SK Innovation E&S)	2021
Monolith	Methane pyrolysis for hydrogen and solid carbon production (No CO <sub>2</sub> emissions)	Undisclosed	2021
TerraPower	Design technology for next-generation SMRs using sodium-cooled fast reactors	Approx. KRW 325 billion (Joint investment with SK Innovation)	2022



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# Sustainable Food

- · Considering the rapid growth and scale of the alternative food market, SK Inc. invested KRW 54 billion in Perfect Day beginning in 2020, securing a board seat through additional investment and initiating full-fledged efforts to identify and invest in alternative food and food-tech startups
- · Since 2022, the company has expanded its alternative food portfolio by selectively investing in global leading companies such as Nature's Fynd, a U.S. firm with fermented protein technology, and Wildtype, a developer of cell-cultured salmon
- · In partnership with a major Chinese F&B distribution company, a joint fund was established in 2021 to invest in alternative food and agri-tech startups in China

# **Detailed Investment Status**

Investee Company	Key Technology	Investment Amount	Investment Year
Perfect Day	Production of fermented dairy protein  - Applicable as an ingredient in ice cream, cheese, bread, etc.	Approx. KRW 130 billion	2020, 2021, 2024
Nature's Fynd	Possession of fermented protein technology - Launched cream cheese and alternative meat patty products  Approx. KRW 29 billion 2021		2021
Wildtype	World's first successful development of cell-cultured salmon  - Plans for commercial production following FDA GRAS approval in the U.S.  Approx. KRW 8.8 billion 20		2022

# **Environmental Impact Management**

In response to climate change and increasing global environmental regulations, SK Inc. has formulated the Green ICT 2040 strategy, which outlines its Net Zero 2040 and RE100 2040 targets. Guided by this strategy, the company is systematically advancing environmental management practices in alignment with international environmental standards.

# **Environmental Management System**

# **Environmental Policy**

- · SK Inc. places environmental protection and respect for life at the core of its management values and embeds these principles throughout all business activities
- · The company formulates and implements policies to address key environmental issues—such as climate change, resource circulation, and pollutant reduction—based on its Environmental Management Policy
- · An environmental management system aligned with ISO 14001 has been established to systematically manage environmental impacts at each business site
- · Efforts are being made to minimize environmental impact across all aspects of the business, while strengthening ESG-based decision-making to drive sustainable growth

Environmental Management Principle and Policy →

# **Environmental Management Implementation Framework**

### Green ICT 2040

- · Under the Green ICT 2040 strategy, SK Inc. is advancing its supply chain environmental management system by measuring Scope 3 emissions, monitoring carbon reduction progress, and conducting BCP assessments
- · By engaging with suppliers and disclosing information aligned with global initiatives such as RE100 and TCFD, the company aims to foster stakeholder trust



# Company-wide Environmental Management System

- · SK Inc. has established a company-wide environmental management system based on ISO 14001 and implements ESG target setting and performance management through a strategy and operations unit reporting directly to the CEO
- Environmental policies and performance data are shared through the Environmental Management Portal on HiSK, the company's internal intranet, providing a foundation for company-wide communication
- · The Strategic Planning Division oversees ESG strategy and disclosure, while the Cloud Division is responsible for managing greenhouse gas emissions, energy, waste, and water usage, with a focus on data center operations



### Organizational Roles in Environmental Management

Category	Role			
CEO	· Oversees company-wide environmental performance by reviewing quarterly environmental management performance metrics · Conducts management review through the company-wide environmental management system (ISO 14001)			
Strategic Planning Division	· Serves as the central unit for company-wide ESG strategy, responsible for developing strategies and establishing and operating the performance management system · Manages environmental disclosures such as CDP and DJSI, and communicates with internal and external stakeholders			
Cloud Division	Manages GHG performance of the Daedeok/Pangyo Data Center in alignment with company-wide targets     Promotes on-site renewable energy generation, renewable energy procurement, and energy efficiency improvements at data centers     Oversees the management of GHG emissions, energy, and waste, and conducts assessments on compliance with environmental regulations			

# **Environmental Risk Management**

# Risk Identification and Response

#### Risk Identification

- · Risks are identified through regular annual analyses of internal and external environmental issues as well as stakeholder needs
- · The appropriateness of response measures for identified risks is evaluated, and mitigation plans are established for any remaining high-risk items

# Environmental Impact Assessment

- · Although SK Inc. does not operate any facilities subject to mandatory environmental impact assessments, it conducts annual evaluations of the environmental impacts associated with business activities and facility operations at each site
- Greenhouse gas emissions from data centers have been identified as a significant environmental impact, and PUE (Power Usage Effectiveness) is managed by data center in connection with company-wide environmental targets
- Environmental safety risks are monitored in an integrated manner through the ISO 45001-certified safety and health management system, with environmental accidents managed as part of the company-wide safety and health accident response system

# Risk Response

# Data Center PUE Performance Management

- Power Usage Effectiveness (PUE) is used as an ESG performance metric to quantitatively assess the energy efficiency of data centers and the reduction of Scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions. It is directly linked to power consumption optimization, Scope 2 emissions reduction, and the execution of the Net Zero strategy
- PUE performance at Pangyo and Daedeok Data Centers is regularly monitored
- Ongoing efforts to improve PUE include the adoption of high-efficiency equipment, increasing the share of renewable energy, and strengthening energy management training

# Compliance with Environmental Regulations

- Environmental accidents and compliance risks are managed through periodic compliance assessments of relevant departments, in connection with the company-wide compliance management system (ISO 37301 - Environmental Protection)
- Following its designation by the Ministry of Environment in January 2022 as an allocation target entity under the Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS), SK Inc. was subject to both free and paid emissions allowance obligations during the 3rd commitment period (2021–2025), with a total of 18 business sites designated as ETS-covered facilities (as of 2024), and fulfilled its obligations for GHG emissions reporting and allowance surrender accordingly

# **Environmental Management Awareness Enhancement**

# Promoting Engagement in Eco-friendly Initiatives



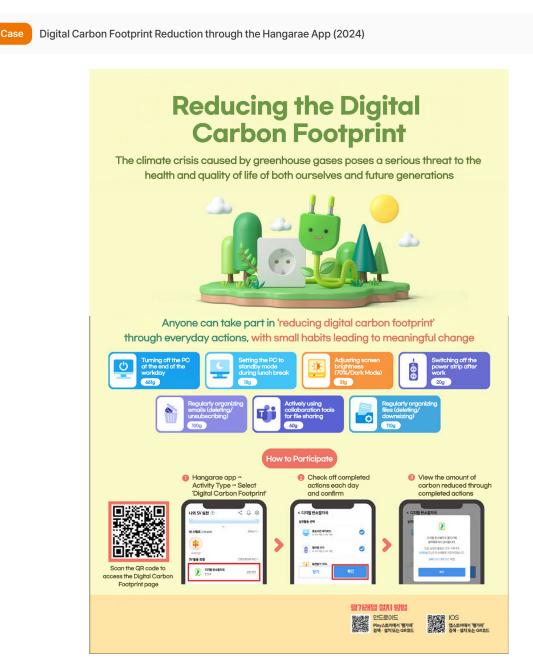
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Employee Carbon Footprint Performance (as of 2024)

Number of participants	Cumulative number of actions taken	Cumulative number of steps	Cumulative amount of *SVP provided	Amount of GHG emissions reduced (gCO <sub>2</sub> eq)	Estimated cost savings from GHG reduction (KRW)	Estimated cost savings from resource use reduction (KRW)	Estimated savings in social costs (e.g., health, congestion) (KRW)
2,653	703,496	1,217,309,135	53,526,993	236,757,879	25,142,481	70,790,928	86,509,036

<sup>\*</sup> SVP (Social Value Point) is an incentive point within the SK Group for social value activities, and is automatically accumulated based on the type of action taken



- · In 2024, SK Inc. launched a digital carbon footprint reduction campaign through 'Hangarae,' a participatory action app designed for employee
- · The campaign provides carbon reduction guidelines for specific digital behaviors, such as shutting down PCs and monitors, minimizing cloud storage, reducing email attachments, organizing files, and adjusting document viewer settings
- Participants earn Social Value Points (SVPs) automatically through their engagement, encouraging voluntary action
- · Greenhouse gas reductions based on six key digital behavior standards are automatically tracked and accumulated within the Hangarae platform
- · To encourage active participation, SK Inc. promoted employee engagement through company-wide announcements, mobile campaign notifications, and in-app certification features

# **Employee Capacity Building**

- · Company-wide environmental training and practical guides related to RE100 and Net Zero are provided to all employees
- · Designated environmental management agents in each division complete ISO 14001 training as part of a structured certification program

# Status of Environmental Training Programs in 2024

Training Area	Program Title	Program Description	Target Group	Training Period	Total Training Hours	Number of Participants	Format (On/Offline)
Climate Change Response	First Steps Toward 2040 Net Zero	Practical measures for Net Zero, energy conservation, water and waste reduction	All employees	August 8, 2024 – December 24, 2024	1,030	792	Online
Regulatory Response	Regulatory response to the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)	Overview of CBAM and emission calculation guidelines	Relevant departments	February 26, 2024	120	15	Offline
Environmental Management	Environmental Management Operations	Management systems for greenhouse gases, water, waste, and recycling	Relevant departments	January 18, 2024 – November 6, 2024	144	30	On/Offline
	ISO 14001 environmental management system auditor training program	Practical training on ISO 14001 certification and audit procedures	Relevant departments	October 30–31, 2024	240	15	Offline

# **Environmental Management Goals**

Monitoring of company-wide environmental targets and data-based performance

Annual establishment of environmental targets and action plans based on analysis of internal and external stakeholder expectations, and implementation in alignment with KPIs

Monthly performance monitoring of environmental metrics—such as greenhouse gas emissions, energy, waste, and water—through the ESG management system SVMS (Social Value Management System)

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# Water

# Water Resource Management

- $\cdot \text{Water withdrawal and recycling rates at owned facilities are managed and disclosed in accordance with international standards$
- · Wastewater is not discharged, and preventive measures are implemented to avoid water pollution in local communities, with prior consideration of waterstressed areas
- · A reclaimed water treatment facility is operated, and daily metering and leakage inspections are conducted to reduce potable water consumption and wastewater generation, establishing a system to prevent water waste in advance

Usage Locations	· B4 floor: Make-up water, reclaimed water tank, and water storage tank in the mechanical room · 1st floor: Landscaping water and fountain · Rooftop (1st floor level): Cooling water for chiller system
Inspection Locations	· Restrooms on all floors

# Water Management at the Pangyo Data Center

The Pangyo Data Center utilizes both potable water and reclaimed water, conducting daily meter checks to monitor usage and detect potential leaks. Water quality improvement and purification cost reduction are achieved through the operation of a reclaimed water treatment system and the use of eco-friendly detergents. Cooling water supply efficiency is managed based on temperature-linked standards.



Daily water meter readings and leak



## 2. Reduction Measures

facilities and use of eco-friendly



#### 3. Efficient Supply

Management of cooling water supply based on rooftop temperature



#### 4. Facility improvement

filters and membrane units

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# Waste

### Waste Management Standards and Operational Policy

- $\cdot \text{The waste recycling rate is managed as a metric in accordance with international standards such as Zero Waste to Landfill and the World Resources Institute and the contract of the standard such as Zero Waste to Landfill and the World Resources Institute and the contract of the standard such as Zero Waste to Landfill and the World Resources Institute and the contract of the standard such as Zero Waste to Landfill and the World Resources Institute and the contract of the standard such as Zero Waste to Landfill and the World Resources Institute and the contract of the standard such as Zero Waste to Landfill and the World Resources Institute and the contract of the standard such as Zero Waste to Landfill and the World Resources Institute and the contract of the standard such as Zero Waste to Landfill and the World Resources Institute and the contract of the standard such as Zero Waste to Landfill and the World Resources Institute and the contract of the standard such as Zero Waste to Landfill and the World Resource and the standard such as Zero Waste to Landfill and the World Resource and the standard such as Zero Waste to Landfill and the World Resource and the Sero Waste to Landfill and the World Resource and the Sero Waste to Landfill and the World Resource and the Sero Waste to Landfill and the World Resource and the Sero Waste to Landfill and the World Resource and the Sero Waste to Landfill and the World Resource and the Sero Waste to Landfill and the World Resource and the World Reso$
- · As there are no manufacturing facilities, most waste consists of general municipal waste, while hazardous waste, generated intermittently, is properly handled and reported in accordance with relevant regulations
- · Hazardous waste is legally processed through licensed waste treatment contractors with verifiable disposal records, and the disposal routes are tracked through registration in the Ministry of Environment's 'Allbaro' system

# Case

# Waste Management System and Audit Practices

SK Inc. manages waste generated at the Pangyo Data Center in a way that minimizes environmental impact General and hazardous waste is consigned to licensed waste treatment contractors registered with the government, while municipal solid waste is disposed of using designated volume-based waste bags and processed through incineration, landfilling, or recycling (including conversion to fuel)

At the on-site sorting station within the data center, waste is separated and classified by type, allowing for monitoring of waste discharge categories In addition, waste streams are tracked based on internal classification standards, and disposal records from external contractors are reviewed to improve the level of categorization as part of waste audit efforts

SK Inc. is making ongoing efforts to increase the recycling rate through continuous management of waste separation and detailed classification, and is pursuing mid- to long-term improvements to enhance the efficiency and environmental performance of waste treatment



standards and a service provider management system



#### 2. Sorting and Discharge

Execution of thorough sorting and discharge at the data center sorting station



# 3. Contracting and Transportation

Conclusion of contracts with certified treatment providers and transportation through designated companies



- Treatment focused on recycling (e.g.,
- fuel, recycled materials
- Handling of designated waste by specialized companies (e.g., used batteries → recycled batteries)
- \* A total of 10,754 volume-based waste bags were used from 2021 to March 2025, with most waste processed through recycling. Some items were incinerated and converted into fuel

# Waste Management at Business Sites

- · Municipal solid waste is minimized through engagement programs such as reducing the use of disposable items and leftover food
- · At major facilities such as data centers, SK Inc. has achieved an approximately 100% recycling rate in accordance with the Zero Waste to Landfill standard and aims to maintain this level beyond 2025
- · At the Pangyo Data Center, waste is manually separated at the sorting station into general waste (volume-based waste bags), other waste (non-recyclable items such as styrofoam, fabric, and vinyl), and hazardous waste (such as waste oil, waste acidic water, and used batteries)
- General waste is further classified based on treatment method—incineration, landfilling, or recycling—and all waste generated at the Pangyo Data Center is fully recycled and utilized for the production of fuel, solid recovered fuel (SRF), and intermediate processed products

# Types of Waste Generated by SK Inc.

Category	Туре	Details
General Waste	Volume-based waste bags	Incineration (basic), landfilling (basic), recycling (fuel)
Gerierai Waste	Household batteries	Transferred to and processed at a recycling sorting facility
Llazardoua Waata	Waste oil and acidic water	Recycled as fuel material (liquid) and treated by high-temperature incineration (solid)
Hazardous Waste	Used batteries	Recycled for use in producing secondary batteries or battery materials



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# Subsidiary Case

Enhancing Waste Recycling Performance through the Expansion of ZWTL Certification Across Domestic and **Overseas Operations** 

- · SK Innovation and SKC obtained the globally recognized Zero Waste to Landfill (ZWTL) certification in recognition of their strong performance in waste recycling
- ·SK Innovation secured ZWTL certification for all domestic business sites—including the Ulsan Complex (SK Energy, SK Geo Centric, and SK  ${\tt Enmove)}, {\tt SK\,On, SK\,Incheon\,Petrochem}, {\tt and\,SK\,IE\,Technology} \\ -- {\tt as\,well\,as\,key\,overseas\,operations}$
- · SKC has obtained and maintained Gold level certification under the ZWTL program at its SK Nexilis Jeongeup and SK picglobal Ulsan sites

En	tity	Business Site	Certification Level <sup>1)</sup>
	SKE	Ulsan Complex	Certified
	SKGC	Ulsan Complex	Certified
	01/0	Seosan	Platinum
	SKO	SKOJ	Platinum (New)
SK Innovation	SKEN	Ulsan Complex	Gold
	SKIPC	Incheon Complex	Gold (New)
		Jeungpyeong	Gold
	SKIET	SKBMC	Certified
		SKBMP	Certified (New)
CIVO	SKNX	Jeongeup	Gold
SKC	SKPICG	Ulsan	Gold

<sup>1)</sup> Certification levels are classified based on recycling rates: Platinum (100%), Gold (95-99%), Silver (90-94%), Certified (80-89%)

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# **Biodiversity Management**

### Integrated Biodiversity Management

- · Biodiversity and deforestation risks are integrated into the company-wide risk management system
- $\cdot$  Mid- to long-term goals are established and managed for biodiversity conservation
  - (No Net Loss) Efforts are made to operate businesses without causing degradation or loss of biodiversity by 2050
  - (Net Positive Impact) Investments and initiatives are promoted to conserve, restore, and enhance biodiversity by 2050
- · Biodiversity risks and potential impacts in areas surrounding business sites and local communities are assessed, and hierarchical mitigation actions are implemented

# **Biodiversity Protection Policy**

- · The mid- to long-term goals and scope of application are specified within the biodiversity protection policy
- The policy is reviewed at the board and executive levels, and in the event of significant biodiversity-related risks arising during business operations, the matter is reported to the Strategy and ESG Committee within the board for major decision-making

Biodiversity Policy →

#### **Biodiversity-Related Activities**

- In line with SK Inc.'s biodiversity protection policy, its subsidiary SK Forest carries out various forest management activities such as forest tending and afforestation across approximately 4,500 hectares of forest
- · Forest Management (FM) certification under the Korea Forest Certification Council (KFCC), supervised by the Korea Forest Service, has been obtained and is maintained through annual third-party verification, ensuring equivalence with PEFC
- Together with SK Forest, a forest management strategy is established, and the progress and outcomes of biodiversity conservation activities are regularly monitored to strengthen sustainable forest management

# **Biodiversity Risk Assessment**

# Risk Analysis Method

- To identify biodiversity risks and natural capital surrounding business sites, tools such as IBAT and BRF developed by IUCN and WWF are utilized, with the goal of strengthening real-time monitoring and expanding habitat protection and ecological restoration activities
- · A location-based approach is applied to account for the ecological characteristics and biodiversity risk levels of the areas surrounding business sites
- Biodiversity risk assessments are integrated into the company-wide risk management process and incorporated as a key evaluation factor within the climate change response and environmental management system, thereby enhancing risk responsiveness and supporting continued responsible business operations

# Risk Analysis Results

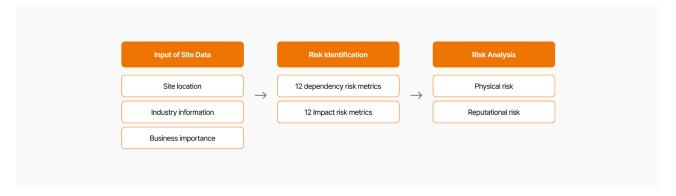
**IUCN Red List** 

- · Monitoring is conducted not only for forest areas owned by SK Inc. or its subsidiaries, but also for regions with biodiversity value, referencing the IUCN Guidelines for Applying Protected Area Management Categories
- · Using the Integrated Biodiversity Assessment Tool (IBAT), an analysis was conducted to identify potential habitats of endangered species within a 50 km radius of directly operated sites—Jongno Office and Pangyo Office
- $\cdot$  The analysis identified 102 potentially present endangered species around the Jongno Office and 98 species around the Pangyo Office. Based on these findings, operations are managed in a way that minimizes environmental impact

WWF Biodiversity Risk Filter

- · WWF designates areas rich in biodiversity as 'Key Conservation Areas,' which represent habitats of endangered species and critical components of ecosystems, and carries out conservation activities in these regions
- · For business sites with high risk levels, physical and reputational risks are assessed by applying a comprehensive analysis that includes adjacent areas. The evaluation considers both biodiversity dependency risks and impact-related risks stemming from business activities
- · A focused biodiversity risk assessment was conducted for the Pangyo and Daedeok Data Centers, which have relatively high energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions

### Risk Assessment Process



# Assessment of Key Business Sites

- · Biodiversity risk assessments were conducted focusing on the Pangyo and Daedeok data centers, which have high energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions
- · These data centers are not located within ecologically sensitive areas, and no habitat destruction occurs during operations; however, there remains the potential for indirect environmental impacts
- · Efforts are being made to minimize potential impacts through operational efficiency improvements, such as the adoption of high-efficiency equipment and energy-saving measures

# WWF BRF Analysis Results

Category	Daedeok Data Center	Pangyo Data Center
Physical Risk Results	•	•
Provisioning Services	•	•
Regulating and Supporting Services	•	•
Regulating Services (Mitigation)	•	•
Cultural Services	-	-
Pressure on Biodiversity		
Reputational Risks	•	•
Environmental Factors	•	•
Socioeconomic Factors	•	•
Other Reputational Factors	•	•

<sup>:</sup> Very Low-Risk, : Low-Risk, : Medium-Risk, : High-Risk

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# **Subsidiary Case**

# Risk Assessment for Sustainable Conservation of Natural Capital

SK Telecom establishes and operates its network infrastructure through the phases of designing, building, operating, and decommissioning to deliver telecommunications services. To support natural capital conservation and prevent deforestation throughout this process, the company adopts the LEAP Framework<sup>11</sup> developed by the Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures (TNFD)<sup>21</sup>, tailoring it to fit its operational context. During the design phase, SK Telecom analyzes its value chain to examine the locations where infrastructure is to be deployed and the types of activities conducted there, with a focus on conserving natural capital and preventing forest degradation. If an activity or site is assessed to have high significance or potential impact in terms of natural capital conservation and deforestation prevention, SK Telecom reviews and implements mitigation measures that minimize negative impacts on customer service quality while safeguarding natural capital and preventing forest loss.

- 1) An acronym for Locate, Evaluate, Assess, and Prepare, the LEAP Framework is TNFD's approach for helping companies assess their nature-related risks and opportunities
- 2) The Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures (TNFD) is a global environmental initiative involving governments and institutions worldwide, aiming to prevent nature loss and support ecosystem restoration by guiding companies in disclosing nature-related financial information

	Risk As:	sessment Process for Natural Capital Conservation
	Value chain identification	· Identification of organizational activity scope - Classification by direct operations/adjacent areas to direct operations/upstream/downstream
1) Design	Priority area selection	· Identification of relevant biomes and ecosystems  - Ecosystem services and assets related to organizational processes  · Selection of priority areas  - Level of ecosystem conservation  - Importance of natural capital  - Water stress  - Areas influenced by the organization's potential dependencies and impacts
2) Build	Dependency and impact identification	· Identification of dependencies and impacts - Identification of sector-specific dependencies and impacts using the ENCORE tool, categorized as high/medium/low
	Risk/opportunity identification and assessment	Risk and opportunity analysis (Future) scenario analysis
3) Operate	Identification of target subjects     Selection of metrics for quantitative target setting     Establishment of baseline and target setting	
4) Decommission	Mitigation measures	· Implementation of mitigation measures to achieve targets - Avoidance, reduction, restoration and regeneration, transformation
	Monitoring and verification	· Monitoring, reporting, and review processes

	A ativity I a action	Site Asse	ssment	Danis and	Significance and Risk Assessment Result	Mitigation Measure
SK Telecom Activity	Activity Location (Administrative District)	Ecological Conservation Area Status	Wildlife Protection Area Status	Regional Characteristics/ Dependency/Impact		
5G service provision in the Namsan area of Seoul	Yejang-dong, Jung-gu, Seoul	0	Х	Namsan pine forest area with developed Mongolian oak communities	High	Conservation area avoidance facility
5G service provision in the Donggang region	Mitan-myeon, Pyeongchang- gun, Gangwon-do	0	X	Habitat of endangered species such as otters and musk deer	High	Shared 5G network
Replacement of aging antennas	Nationwide	×	X	Waste generation due to replacement of antennas	Medium	Waste recycling
Enhancement of 5G quality at City Hall Station platform in Seoul Subway	Seosomun-ro, Jung-gu, Seoul	X	X	Equipment installed within urban infrastructure (no impact)	Low	-

# Forest Protection and Deforestation Prevention Policy

# **No-Deforestation Policy**

· SK Inc. integrates deforestation risks into its company-wide risk management system and escalates significant deforestation risks to the Strategy and ESG Committee for key decision-making

Through sustainable forest management and system development, the company seeks to ensure forest stability, adaptability, and biodiversity, while maintaining and enhancing their public value functions

Efforts include reducing carbon emissions and addressing the climate crisis through afforestation, as well as conducting deforestation impact assessments and monitoring when launching new businesses or pursuing acquisitions

A corporate goal has been set to prohibit deforestation by 2050, with continued efforts to prevent, minimize, and mitigate deforestation impacts

No Deforestation Policy →



# **Social**

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Talent Management
Safety and Health
Supply Chain Management
Information Security
Service Quality and Reliability
Social Contribution

# **Human Rights Management**

SK Inc. has implemented a Human Rights Management Policy and incorporates it across its business activities to safeguard human rights and ensure responsible management. By conducting regular human rights impact assessments and due diligence, the company proactively manages potential risks and cultivates a culture of respect for the rights of all stakeholders.

# **Human Rights Management Governance**

# **Human Rights Management Policy**

- · SK Inc. supports and complies with international human rights standards, including the 'Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR),' the 'UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs),' and the 'OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises'
- · In 2015, the company established its 'Human Rights Management Policy' and disclosed the 'Detailed Guidelines for Human Rights Management,' which cover key areas such as the prohibition of forced labor and child labor, compliance with labor conditions, humane treatment, non-discrimination, freedom of association, and occupational safety and health
- · The policy applies to employees at SK Inc.'s headquarters, all domestic and overseas business sites, and subsidiaries, as well as individuals involved in its business activities—including suppliers, subcontracted workers, women, children, Indigenous peoples, migrants, and members of local communities thereby promoting and disseminating the importance of human rights management

Human Rights Management Principle and Policy →

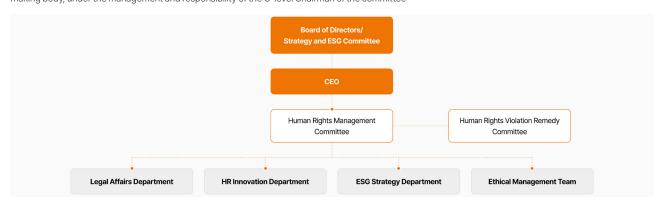
# **Human Rights Management Framework**

# **Human Rights Management System**

- · SK Inc. has established a human rights management system to implement its Human Rights Management Policy, including conducting human rights impact assessments and due diligence, addressing identified issues, and monitoring implementation
- · The company obtains third-party certification for its human rights management system and renews it annually (HRMS 2024 certified)
- · Human rights impact assessments are conducted annually, and the Human Rights Impact Report is submitted to the Human Rights Management Committee
- · Major issues are reviewed by the Human Rights Management Committee and the Human Rights Violation Remedy Committee, and are reported to the Board of Directors through the Strategy and ESG Committee
- · A Human Rights Management Portal has been launched on the intranet (HiSK), providing all employees with access to the Human Rights Management Principle, key agendas of the Human Rights Management Committee, and related announcements

## **Dedicated Organization**

To ensure the effective implementation of human rights management, SK Inc. has formed the Human Rights Management Committee as its highest decisionmaking body, under the management and responsibility of the C-level Chairman of the committee



## Roles of Human Rights Management Bodies

Category	Role Description
Board of Directors	Reviews human rights risks and related issues through the Strategy and ESG Committee Makes decisions on key human rights-related matters
Human Rights Management Committee	Serves as the highest decision-making body on human rights issues and regularly discusses critical human rights matters     Reviews and approves human rights policies, key issues, and improvement plans     Reviews the results of human rights impact assessments and related improvement tasks, and reports to the Strategy and ESG Committee
Human Rights Violation Remedy Committee	· Reviews investigations and resolutions related to human rights violation cases

# **Human Rights Due Diligence**

# **Human Rights Impact Assessment**

- ·SK Inc. conducts human rights impact assessments with the goal of establishing a human rights management system aligned with global standards and taking appropriate measures to address human rights risks faced by stakeholders
- · The assessments cover a wide range of stakeholders, including employees of SK Inc. and its suppliers, women, children, indigenous peoples, migrants, local communities, and government entities
- · Through these assessments, SK Inc. evaluates the current level of human rights management implementation and continuously improves its practices, with plans to expand the assessment scope to include new business areas such as mergers and acquisitions and joint ventures
- · Under the leadership of the Legal Affairs Group, SK Inc. conducts the assessments annually in collaboration with external experts, including supplier human rights due diligence. The Human Rights Management Committee reviews and approves improvement measures based on the findings

### Stakeholders in Human Rights Impact Assessments

· By assessing the needs and expectations of diverse stakeholder groups and evaluating the impact of its business and investment activities, SK Inc. develops concrete measures to safeguard and advance human rights



# **Human Rights Impact Assessment Process**



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# **Human Rights Impact Assessment Metrics**

- $\cdot \text{Human rights impact assessment metrics were developed based on the standard framework provided by the National Human Rights Commission of Korea,} \\$ taking into account various standards, including the Workplace Harassment Prevention Act, ILO Core conventions, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, the EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive(CSDDD), and the German Supply Chain Due Diligence Act(LkSG)
- · A total of 163 metrics were selected across 11 areas and 34 items, and finalized after incorporating feedback on the operational metrics

### **Evaluation Metrics**

Area (No. of Metrics)	ltem
	Declaration of a human rights policy
	Regular implementation of human rights impact assessments
1. Establishment of Human Rights Management System (35 Metrics)	Necessary measures to institutionalize human rights management
	Human rights management performance
	Establishment of a grievance mechanism
	Non-discrimination in employment
Non-Discrimination in Employment (15 Metrics)	Gender-based non-discrimination in employment
2. Non Discrimination in Employment (13 Metrics)	Non-discrimination for temporary workers
	Non-discrimination for foreign workers
	Freedom of association and collective bargaining
Guarantee of Freedom of Association and Collective Bargaining (16 Metrics)	Prohibition of unfair treatment for union activities
o. Subtractice of Freedom of Association and Solicetive Bargaining (10 Methos)	Guarantee of collective bargaining and good-faith engagement
	Measures in response to the absence of labor unions
4. Prohibition of Forced Labor (10 Metrics)	Prohibition of forced labor and human trafficking
4. Frombition of Forced Labor (To Metrics)	Prevention of forced labor by subsidiaries and supplier companies
5. Prohibition of Child Labor (5 Metrics)	Prohibition of child labor
	Workplace safety
6. Ensuring Occupational Safety (21 Metrics)	Protection of pregnant individuals and persons with disabilities
o. Ensuring occupational safety (21 Wethos)	Provision of necessary equipment and training
	Support for workers affected by occupational accidents
	Prevention of human rights violations involving supplier companies and other partners
7. Responsible Supply Chain Management (12 Metrics)	Implementation of monitoring
	Prevention of human rights violations involving security personnel
8. Protection of Human Rights of Local Communities (6 Metrics)	Protection of intellectual property rights of local residents
	Establishment and maintenance of an environmental management system
9. Protection of Environmental Rights (18 Metrics)	Disclosure of environmental information
5.1 Total control Environmental rights (10 Methos)	Principle of precautionary approach to environmental issue
	Development of emergency response plans
10. Protection of Customer Rights (8 Metrics)	Compliance with laws for customer protection
10. Frotestorior odstorier rights to weates)	Protection of customer privacy
	Prevention of workplace bullying
11. Protection of Human Rights in the Workplace (17 Metrics)	Prohibition of workplace sexual harassment
	Effectiveness of grievance procedures for workplace human rights violations
	Protection of workers with disabilities

# **Human Rights Impact Assessments**

# Identification of Human Rights Risks

- · External human rights trends and both positive and negative issues are identified through macro-environmental analysis—covering political, economic, social, and technological factors—and media monitoring
- Internal human rights issues over the past three years are reviewed to assess the occurrence of major cases and the progress of related improvements

# Key Human Rights Risks Identified

Category	Relevant Stakeholders	Details
Labor Rights	Employees, women, labor unions, and suppliers (including subcontracted workers)	Occupational safety and health related (e.g., occupational accidents, stress, death from overwork, suicide) Infringement on the three fundamental labor rights, including unfair labor practices against labor unions Unreasonable labor practices (e.g., excessive workloads for developers, high-intensity tasks) Workplace human rights violations (e.g., abuse of power, discrimination, workplace bullying, sexual harassment, discrimination against persons with disabilities, emotional labor)
Responsible Supply Chain Management	Suppliers (including subcontracted workers)	· Vicious cycle of poor working conditions caused by multi-tier subcontracting structures · Inadequate protection of human rights for workers at supplier and partner companies · Lack of effective sanction measures for human rights violations by suppliers
Environment	Local communities (migrants and indigenous peoples)	External disclosure of environmental information     Efforts to reduce electricity consumption through green data center operations, and the use of renewable and ecofriendly energy     Initiatives to reduce greenhouse gas emissions     Preparedness for environmental disasters     Risks related to global warming
Safety	Employees, labor unions, and suppliers (including subcontracted workers)	Efforts to prevent data center fires     Establishment of an incident reporting system based on emergency response plans     Strengthening human rights training for security personnel

## Stakeholder Needs and Expectations

- $\cdot \ \text{Human rights impact assessments are conducted for SK Inc. AX business sites and supplier companies}$
- $\cdot \text{Taking into account the characteristics of SK Inc.'s core business in the ICT industry, key stakeholders are identified as employees, labor unions, suppliers, and the ICT industry is a supplier of the ICT industry in the ICT industry is a supplier of the ICT industry in the ICT industry is a supplier of the ICT industry in the ICT industry is a supplier of the ICT industry in the ICT industry is a supplier of the ICT industry in the ICT industry is a supplier of the ICT industry in the ICT indus$ local communities

Key Stakeholder	Needs and Expectations
Employees of SK Inc.	Prohibition of habitual excessive working hours     Fostering a culture of respect for workers     Embedding integrity and ethical awareness
Women	· Prohibition of discrimination and abuse of power based on status or gender · Prohibition of workplace bullying and sexual harassment
Labor Union	Good-faith collective bargaining with the labor union     Good-faith implementation of labor-management agreements     Reflecting workers' opinions through the labor-management council
Supplier Companies (Including Subcontracted Workers)	Promoting fair trade through transparent contract execution     Preventing infringement of suppliers' interests through unfair bidding or contract terms     Ensuring timely payment through lawful invoicing procedures
Local Communities (Migrants and Indigenous Peoples)	Disclosure of information (e.g., transparency in human rights management processes)     Alleviating public concerns through safety management at data centers     Ensuring occupational safety and protecting environmental rights

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# Identification of Key Human Rights Issues

- · As a result of the materiality assessment, three key human rights issues were identified for 2025: implementing necessary measures to institutionalize human rights management, preventing rights violations involving security personnel, and ensuring a workplace free from sexual harassment
- · Corresponding improvement initiatives have been outlined, with detailed response plans to be developed moving forward

Item	Assessment Details	Identified Risk	Key Stakeholders
Necessary measures to institutionalize human rights management	· An independent Human Rights Management Committee is operated under the CEO, consisting of an executive council made up of relevant departments (Legal Affairs, Talent, HR Innovation, ESG Strategy, Ethics Management, etc.)	No external members participating in the Human Rights Management Committee	Employees, supplier companies, customers, local communities
Prevention of human rights violations by security personnel	Contracts related to outsourced security are directly executed     Security companies are selected to manage and supervise for the company's security operations, receiving regular performance checks and provision of training—such as disability awareness and sexual harassment prevention—from the company.	No systematic monitoring of on- site security offices	Employees, women, supplier companies, local communities
Prohibition of sexual harassment in the workplace	The response process to incidents is announced through the operation of the intranet sexual harassment counseling center Reporting and counseling are available through in-house psychological counselors A response process for sexual harassment cases is established through the Hi-SK	Procedures are established, but no workplace sexual harassment manual is in place	Employees, women

## Monitoring of Improvement Task Implementation

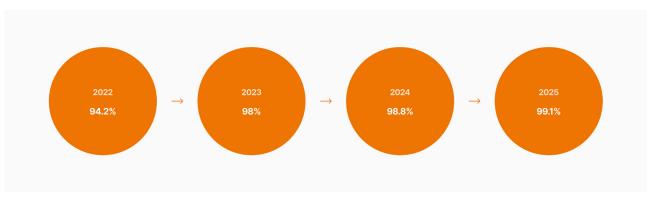
- All human rights issues identified through the human rights management assessment were fully addressed, with improvement tasks and action plans established for 100%, and ongoing monitoring conducted to track implementation progress

Identified Risk	Remedial/Mitigating Measure (Improvement Task)	Implementation Plan	
Securing diversity in the Human Rights Management Committee	Appointment of external members to gather	Review of long-term measures to ensure that diverse stakeholder perspectives are reflected in the Livrage Pichte Management Compatition	
The committee is composed solely of internal members, which limits the incorporation of diverse stakeholder perspectives and the objectivity of decision-making	diverse stakeholder perspectives and enhance objectivity in decision-making	in the Human Rights Management Committee (including the potential appointment of external members)	
Human rights violations by security supplier companies	Regular monitoring of personnel working at	Strengthening efforts to prevent human rights	
Human rights monitoring is insufficiently carried out for supplier personnel working at security service sites (e.g., lobby reception, access card registration, etc.)	security service sites, in addition to periodic and ad-hoc human rights training for supplier companies	violations by requiring supplier companies to implement human rights training for security administrative staff and security-related personnel	
Establishment of a workplace sexual harassment (including bullying) prevention manual	Development and use of a manual covering workplace sexual harassment (including workplace	Annual online training on sexual harassment prevention for all employees, and planned	
Detailed procedures for the prevention of and response to workplace sexual harassment and bullying are required	bullying) counseling, investigation, remediation, and victim recovery support programs (EAP)	development of a workplace bullying response manual	

# Four-Year Summary of Human Rights Impact Assessment Results

- $\cdot \text{Since 2022, human rights management has been consistently maintained with performance rates exceeding 90\% and the performance of the perform$
- · Key areas identified as vulnerable in the 2021 assessment—including the establishment of a human rights management system, responsible supply chain management, and protection of environmental rights—have each achieved over 95% performance following focused improvement efforts
- Areas such as freedom of association and collective bargaining, prohibition of child labor, protection of local community rights, and customer rights have consistently achieved 100% performance since 2021
- · Some gaps remain in the area of workplace human rights protection, despite ongoing efforts to enhance practices

# Annual Achievement Rate of Human Rights Impact Assessments



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# Score Status by Assessment Area

Area	2024	2025	Improvement Rate
Establishment of Human Rights Management System	98.6%	98.6%	
Ensuring Non-discrimination in Employment	100.0%	100.0%	
Ensuring Freedom of Association and Collective Bargaining	100.0%	100.0%	-
Prohibition of Forced Labor	100.0%	100.0%	-
Prohibition of Child Labor	100.0%	100.0%	-
Ensuring Occupational Safety	100.0%	100.0%	-
Responsible Supply Chain Management	95.8%	95.8%	-
Protection of Local Communities' Rights	100.0%	100.0%	-
Ensuring Environmental Rights	100.0%	100.0%	-
Protection of Customer Rights	100.0%	100.0%	-
Protection of Workplace Human Rights	94.1%	97.1%	3.0%p
Total	98.8%	99.1%	0.3%p

# **Human Rights Assessment for Supplier Companies**

- · In 2025, SK Inc. identified potential and actual human rights risks among its suppliers and supported risk mitigation efforts through continuous monitoring
- · Due diligence assessments and analyses were conducted across five evaluation categories—social goal management, information security, human rights, safety and health, and labor—for all suppliers that participated in the human rights due diligence
- · Improvement measures were developed for all evaluation metrics with low compliance rates

Results of the 2025 Supplier Human Rights Assessment and Improvement Strategy

Scope of Assessment		Key Findings			Monitoring and Improver	ment Strategy
1,472 suppliers of SK Inc. AX	The compliance rate with requirements in areas such as social goal management, information security, human rights, and labor ranged from 81.6% to 88.0%, indicating a generally high level of compliance Compliance in the area of safety and health was found to be relatively lower		To ensure compliance with ESG and human rights requirements, support is provided for the establishment of safety and health management systems aimed at preventing industrial accidents and occupational illnesses     Continuous improvement is promoted through training and consulting services for supplier companies			
						Non-compliant Complian
Areas	Social Goal Management	Information Security	Human Ri	ghts	Safety and Health	Labor





- Awareness of human rights management Remedial procedures for human rights violations
- Performance in human rights management

- Personal information protection
- · Protection of intellectual property rights

Prohibition of child labor

- Prohibition of forced labor
- · Prohibition of discrimination
- · Human rights in the workplace, etc

Occupational safety

- · Prevention of industrial accidents
- Management of hazardous factors, etc.



Wages and welfare benefits

· Freedom of association and collective bargaining, etc.



socially responsible management goals for key social areas · Development and

· Establishment of

- continuous management of detailed action plans for each area
- · Establishment of policies on the collection, use, and prevention of leakage of personal information
- Provision of policy guidelines related to personal information protection
- Training on personal information protection to prevent policy
- · Establishment of regulations and standards related to human rights and labor
- · Definition of human rights violations including power abuse, coercion, and verbal harassment, and provision of preventive training
- Preparation, management, and issuance of employment contracts (standard contracts for foreign workers)
- · Compliance with maternity protection regulations for female employees
- · Fulfillment of the legally mandated employment quota for persons with disabilities through job development

- · Establishment of occupational safety and health policies and assignment of professional personnel
- · Development of systems for the prevention and management of industrial accidents and occupational diseases
- Safety and health education and training for all employees
- · Periodic inspection of protective equipment and facilities, and safety training on proper use of equipment
- Measurement and improvement of industrial accident rates among supplier companies with high incidence rates
- · Acquisition and maintenance of safety management system certifications

- · Prohibition of unfair treatment due to labor union establishment or activities
- · Establishment of cooperative labormanagement relations through respect for collective bargaining
- Ensuring diverse grievance channels for employees and actively promoting their use
- · Education to prevent under labor-related laws
- · Assessment of welfare expenditures and design of an equitable and rational employee benefits system

# **Human Rights Remediation and Grievance Mechanism**

### Whistleblower Protection Program

· To protect the safety and rights of whistleblowers, an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is operated alongside an effective response system

Purpose of Whistleblower **Protection Program** 

- · Strict confidentiality of whistleblower identities and case details
- · Prohibition of unfair treatment and retaliation
- · Ongoing follow-up to prevent recurrence of human rights violations

# **Reporting Channels**

· A variety of human rights counseling and reporting channels are in place and accessible at all times to both employees and external stakeholders

Reporting human rights violations via website/email	https://ethics.sk.co.kr   skcc.ethics@sk.com		
Reporting workplace sexual harassment/violence via intranet	$\label{eq:intranet} \mbox{Intranet [HiSK]} \rightarrow \mbox{[Sexual Harassment Counseling and Reporting] bulletin board}$		
Employee-led grievance handling and suggestion submission via mobile	Happy design suggestions via the communication mobile app, 'H.App'		
Submission of other human rights violation reports	Remediation process following receipt of complaints by the dedicated human rights department		

### Reporting and Investigation Process

- · Upon receiving reports of human rights violations or harm, a Human Rights Violation Remedy Committee is convened to ensure the protection of victims' rights and adherence to human rights principles through a prompt and fair grievance resolution process
- · Reported cases are assigned to the relevant department based on the type and nature of the grievance
- · After verifying the facts, follow-up actions are taken, including gathering feedback and developing measures to prevent recurrence

# **Human Rights Grievance Investigation Process**



- 1. Report intake and case
- · Receipt of reports via the portal or the main email of the human rights department
- · Classification of cases based on type through case analysis
- · Assignment of responsible department and initiation of investigation based on case characteristics



- 2. Fact verification and investigation
- Verification of facts related to the submitted complaint
- · Collection of relevant materials after confirming the details of the case
- · Interviews with the victim and related parties, if necessary



- 3. Protection of the victim and feedback collection
- · Development of response measures reflecting the victim's feedback
- · Discussion of policy and institutional improvements to prevent recurrence



- 4. Follow-up actions and post-case monitoring
- · Monitoring and review of recurrence prevention measures
- · Internal training and system improvements to prevent recurrence of human rights violations
- · Improvement of related procedures and reporting to the Human Rights Management Committee

# Status of Human Rights Grievance Handling

- ·SK Inc. defines human rights grievances—such as workplace bullying, discrimination, and sexual harassment—by category and takes corrective or disciplinary action in accordance with internal regulations when such issues arise
- · In 2024, disciplinary actions such as pay reduction and dismissals were implemented in response to cases of workplace bullying and sexual harassment

# Definition of Grievance Types by Category

Category	Details
Ensuring Non-discrimination in Employment	Prevention of discrimination based on race, religion, disability, gender, place of birth, or employment status
Prohibition of Forced Labor	Prohibition of forced labor in any form
Prohibition of Child Labor	Prohibition of child employment
Ensuring Occupational Safety	Ensuring occupational health and on-the-job safety
Prevention of Workplace Harassment and Abuse	Prevention of harassment such as coercive work orders, authoritative discipline, and verbal abuse
Responsible Supply Chain Management	Efforts to maintain business relationships that do not infringe on human rights
Protection of Local Residents' Rights	Protection of the human rights of local residents in areas where overseas subsidiaries and factories are located
Ensuring Environmental Rights	Efforts to prevent environmental pollution and global warming
Protection of Consumer Rights	Ensuring product safety and protecting the diverse rights of consumers



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### Status of Human Rights Grievance Handling

(Unit: case)

Grievance Category	2022	2023	2024	Actions Taken in 2024	
Workplace Bullying	6	2	2	Pay reduction (2 cases)	
Sexual Harassment	2	1	2	Dismissal (1), Pay reduction (1)	



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## **Human Rights Management Goals**



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## Advancement and internalization of human rights management

- Identifying and managing human rights issues by job function
- Establishing a focused management system for high-risk business areas
- Building a regular reporting system for human rights performance

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#### Expansion of supplier capacitybuilding programs and risk management related to human rights

- Supporting the enhancement of systems for preventing and monitoring human rights violations among suppliers
- Sharing best practices in human rights among suppliers

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## Broad dissemination of human rights management performance

- Strengthening the integration of human rights management and ESG strategy
- Expanding business opportunities by building trust with government and local communities
- Enhancing long-term corporate competitiveness by establishing human rights-friendly business standards

#### Human Rights Management KPI

Key Metric	2026 Target	2027 Target	2030 Target	
Participation rate* of supplier companies in human rights assessments	Achieve 74% participation rate in supplier human rights assessments	Achieve 78% participation rate in supplier human rights assessments	Achieve a participation rate of at least 80% in supplier human rights assessments	

<sup>\*</sup> Participation rate (%) = (Number of participating suppliers / Total number of suppliers)  $\times\,100$ 

<sup>\*</sup> Total number of suppliers: 1,872 as of 2024

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# **Talent Management**

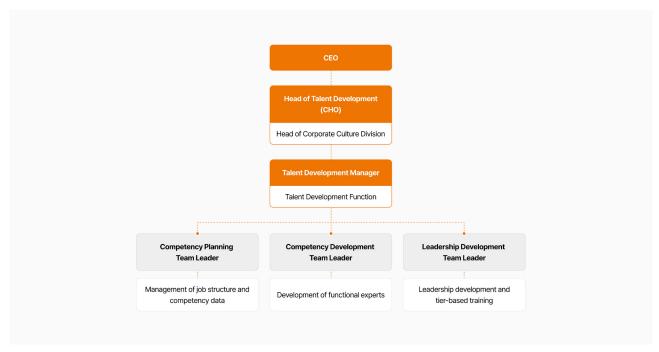
SK Inc. promotes a talent management approach that empowers employees to grow while finding purpose and confidence in their work. Through structured competency-building programs and comprehensive welfare benefits, the company supports work-life balance and embraces employee well-being as a key driver of organizational competitiveness and sustainable growth.

### **Talent Management Governance**

### **Talent Management Operational System**

#### **Dedicated Organization**

- · Under the leadership of the CEO, the Chief Human-resource Officer (CHO) oversees the review and approval of key matters related to talent development
- · Employee expertise is continuously strengthened through SK Group's structured HRD programs and participation in leading global HR seminars
- · Talent-related risks and opportunities are considered in major management decisions, supported by a continuous reporting system that keeps senior leadership informed of key talent management issues



#### Roles of the Talent Management Group

Category	Role Description		
CEO	Oversees the talent development organization; holds a clear decision-making structure to implement strategic talent management		
CHO (Chief Human-resource Officer)	Responsible for talent development; reviews and approves key matters		
Operational-Level Unit	Comprised of talent development managers and team leaders, with personnel assigned based on experience and expertise in the HR field		

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### Operation of the Management Council

- · The Management Council, comprising both management and employee representatives, is held on a regular basis to strengthen mutual communication
- Agendas and meeting schedules are set in advance through prior consultation; for 2025, the Council is planned to convene quarterly, with a total of eight sessions throughout the year
- resolutions are applied to all employees

Discussion Topics of the 2024 Management Council

Category	Date	Key Discussion Topic	
Investment Sector	1st Meeting (March 2024)	· Discussion on factors influencing employee happiness	
	2nd Meeting (June 2024)	Discussion on improvement measures to reduce inefficiencies Establishment of new support criteria for parental health checkups Discussion on parental leave rules and introduction of substitute allowance during parental leave Discussion on ground rules for working styles	
	3rd Meeting (September 2024)	Discussion on measures to enhance AI capabilities     Introduction of a support program for employees with children entering elementary school     Evaluation of SKMS Practice Award	
	4th Meeting (December 2024)	· Sharing progress on 2024 discussion topics and deliberation on 2025 Management Council agenda	
	1st Meeting (January 2024)	· Improvement of support programs for employees experiencing infertility · Explanation of 2023 IB distribution for employees	
Business Sector	2nd Meeting (June 2024)	· Sharing of recent management environment updates for the company and the group	
	3rd Meeting (September 2024)	· Enhancement of support for employee surveys · Employee capability self-profiling	

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### **Talent Attraction and Retention**

### Fair HR System

#### Fair Recruitment Framework

- · Since 2020, a company-wide Recruitment Committee has been in operation to enhance the fairness and objectivity of interview evaluations
- · Institutional foundations have been established to ensure unbiased evaluation throughout the entire recruitment process. In October 2022, the job grade system was unified to assign roles based on competence and to introduce a performance-based compensation system
- · In 2024, an AI recruitment agent was introduced for the first time among major domestic companies, ensuring fair and consistent evaluations throughout the hiring process
- · A talent management system is continuously advanced, grounded in a performance-driven culture and based on diversity and inclusion
- · In the event of workforce restructuring or personnel changes, the company ensures prior consultation with employees and guarantees a minimum notice period, aiming to maintain a trust-based HR operation

#### HR System

Category	Details		
Role-based workforce management	All employees perform challenging and outcome-oriented tasks from an equal position, regardless of job grade or tenure, based on their capabilities and expertise		
In-depth assessment of capabilities and performance	To ensure fairness in evaluation, S-Day is held twice a year (in the first and second half), during which employees' competencies and performance are thoroughly reviewed and assessed		
Compensation based on roles and performance	Compensation levels are determined based on individual capabilities, contributions, and performance rather than job grade or tenure		
Support for adaptation to changes in job structure	Multi-competency and multi-role capabilities are encouraged through the introduction of a structured competency management system and a job grade		

#### Mitigating Gender Imbalance

- · Objective evaluations are conducted during the recruitment process to prevent gender bias, focusing on competency-based criteria (career vision, expertise, and growth potential, etc.)
- · Leadership candidates (mid-level manager/team leader) are identified based on competency, qualifications, and performance, regardless of gender, and are supported through tailored career development plans

#### Evaluation Criteria for Appointment of Mid-Level Managers

Evaluation Category	Details
Position Requirements	Verification of whether the scope and complexity of assigned tasks are sufficient     Level of self-directed task execution     Number of direct reports under supervision
Leadership Requirements	Assessment of expertise and sufficient hands-on experience in the relevant field     Evaluation of leadership potential as a manager     Ability to set and execute ambitious work-related goals     Communication, collaboration, consideration, and leading by example with peers

### Fostering Work-Life Balance (WLB)

#### **Employee WLB Policy**

- $\cdot \text{To foster a culture of work-life balance, structured WLB policies have been established and are systematically implemented} \\$
- · Support is provided for balancing work and life for all employees, including permanent and contract employees, with employee feedback and survey results actively reflected in policy design
- · Key focus areas have been identified to promote employee-led improvements in the working environment, and continuous advancement is underway
- · In accordance with Article 53 of the Korean Labor Standards Act, maximum working hours for all employees comply with domestic legal requirements. Attendance and working hours are monitored in real time through an IT-based system
- · In accordance with Article 60 of the Korean Labor Standards Act, annual paid leave is granted at the beginning of each year, and plans are established to increase usage rates through vacation promotion initiatives



#### **Enhancing Employee-Driven Work Environment**

- · To address the growing need for better health management and innovation in work practices, smart work systems have been actively implemented
- · Efforts are focused on enhancing organizational efficiency while enabling employees to complete their tasks through self-directed work

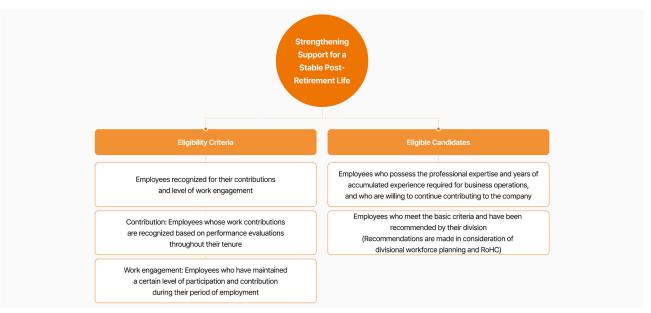
#### Smart Work

Category	Definition	In-House Program
Space	Expansion of Workspace Concept Improvement of the work environment and expansion of shared offices	My Time Program (Flexible Working Hours System)  To support employees in managing their work hours according to individual needs such as academic pursuits, childcare, or family care, a flexible working hours system has been introduced that allows employees to freely choose their working hours
Time	Flexible and optimized use of time Flexible work, remote work, part-time work, etc.	ABC Program (Anywhere But Connected)  · A remote work system that allows employees to work from anywhere—as long as productivity is maintained—such as from home or any location that enables efficient work
Work System	Diversification of work systems Enhancement of remote work environments, etc.	External Satellite Offices  Office spaces are provided near employees' residences to support those who wish to work remotely but lack a suitable home environment, helping to promote work-life balance and improve efficiency

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#### Expanding Support for a Stable Post-Retirement Life

- · Both DB and DC pension plans are offered, allowing employees to choose based on their individual circumstances. Retirement benefits, equivalent to 100% of the estimated amount, are deposited with an external financial institution in compliance with legal standards and paid either as a lump sum or in the form of a pension
- · Beginning six months prior to retirement, a '2nd Life Preparation Period' is provided, offering tailored career transition programs (reemployment, entrepreneurship, and life planning, etc.) as well as opportunities for career exploration and skills development
- · A 'Post-Retirement Reemployment' program is also available, enabling senior employees to continue contributing their experience and expertise in a



#### Outcomes of the Retirement Support Program

Category	Result
Participants	26 retirees as of 2024
Satisfaction Score	4 out of 5
Employment and Start-up Rate	40.0%

### Enhanced Care for Employees' Families (Support for Immediate Family Members)

- · Non-salary welfare programs focused on employees' families are provided to all employees (including permanent, contract, and part-time staff) such as child education support and family care leave
- · Based on the current year's living wage announced by each local government, employees are paid at a level that exceeds the living wage to ensure they and their families can maintain a basic standard of living

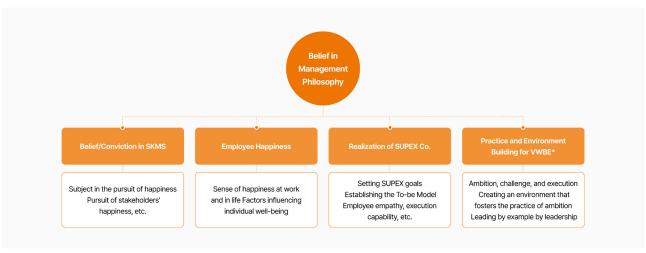
Benefit	Details
In-house childcare center	To prevent career interruptions due to childcare and enhance work focus, support is provided for the enrollment of children aged 1 to 5 in the company's in-house daycare center, along with financial assistance
Child education support	Financial support for children's education (ages 5 through university) is offered to ease the financial burden and promote work-life balance for employees
Gifts for children entering elementary school/university and for college entrance exam takers	Gifts are provided to celebrate school admission and to support children taking the college entrance exam
Special education support for children with disabilities	100% of special education expenses are covered up to the age of 25
Family event support	Leave and congratulatory payments are provided to celebrate major family events, including parents' 60th/70th/80th birthdays, siblings' weddings, and the birth or marriage of an employee's child
Family care program	Support is offered to help employees care for family members in need—due to illness, injury, etc.—while continuing to pursue their own careers  - Family care leave (10 days) / long-term family care leave (up to 1 year) / reduced working hours (up to 2 years)  - Leave of absence for elementary-aged child care (up to 6 months) and paid leave (5 days) for children entering elementary school  - Support for family-related counseling (parenting, marital issues, domestic violence, etc.)
Support program for employees bereaved of family members	To provide comfort following the loss of a family member, the program offers condolence leave, condolence payments, funeral supplies and services, mutual aid support, and post-bereavement counseling

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### **Employee Happiness Support**

#### **Employee Satisfaction Impact Measurement**

- · SK Inc. conducts an annual Culture Survey to assess employees' understanding and practice of the SKMS management philosophy
- The Culture Survey includes items that assess employee happiness (life satisfaction, satisfaction with the company, future outlook), sense of purpose (SUPEX goals, To-be Model), work engagement, job satisfaction, and stress levels to evaluate their impact on overall employee satisfaction
- $\cdot \, \text{Improvement initiatives are carried out based on survey results and collected feedback}$
- · The 'Happiness Index' (employee satisfaction score) from the Culture Survey is incorporated into the KPIs of senior leadership, including the CEO, and is linked to performance-based compensation to promote continuous improvement in employee satisfaction



<sup>\*</sup> Voluntarily Willingly Brain Engagement

#### 4-Year Trend of Employee Satisfaction (Culture Survey) - Happiness Score



\* Applies to SK Inc. and its listed consolidated subsidiaries, including SK Innovation, SK Telecom, SK Networks, SK Square, SKC, and SK Biopharmaceuticals

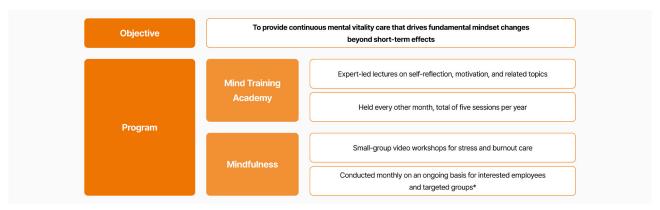
#### Job Stress Assessment

- $\cdot$  Recognizing mental health as a core element of employee well-being, SK Inc. provides psychological counseling services based on its proprietary job stress assessment developed in 2022
- · Upon request, employees are offered in-house counseling services or referred to external EAP\* professionals, with the company covering the cost for up to 8 sessions per person annually
- · As of 2024, a total of 1,024 job stress assessments have been conducted, and the company continues to revise its safety and health policies to reduce stress
- \* EAP: Employee Assistance Program

### Mindfulness Program

- $\cdot \textit{Recognizing the importance of supporting employees' mental well-being, the 'Mental Vitality Program' was introduced and the importance of supporting employees' mental well-being, the 'Mental Vitality Program' was introduced and the importance of supporting employees' mental well-being, the 'Mental Vitality Program' was introduced and the importance of supporting employees' mental well-being, the 'Mental Vitality Program' was introduced and the importance of supporting employees' mental well-being, the 'Mental Vitality Program' was introduced and the importance of supporting employees' mental well-being, the 'Mental Vitality Program' was introduced and the importance of supporting employees' mental well-being with the 'Mental Vitality Program' was introduced and the importance of the impo$
- $\cdot \, \text{The program is designed to promote fundamental mindset shifts and psychological recovery} \\$
- · Practice-based 'Mindfulness' meditation workshops are offered to help relieve anxiety, improve emotional control, and foster emotional connection

#### Overview of the Mindfulness Program



<sup>\*</sup> Voluntary participants/target examples: Experienced employees, high-risk group for job-related stress, newly appointed team leaders, etc.

#### **Employee Welfare and Benefit System**

- $\cdot \text{A wide range of welfare programs are offered to all employees, including permanent, contract, and part-time workers$
- · The programs are designed to enhance quality of life by supporting physical and mental health, work-life balance, personal development, and financial stability, with a focus on high-impact non-monetary benefits
- Regular feedback is gathered from employees to create a more autonomous and satisfying work environment through initiatives such as flexible work arrangements, health checkups and counseling, family-friendly policies, self-development support, and leisure and cultural activity programs

#### Strengthening Maternity Protection for Employees

Benefit	Details
Parental Leave	Provision of parental leave for male and female employees with children aged 8 or younger (continued access to key welfare benefits such as medical expense coverage during the leave period)  Paid parental leave period for primary and non-primary caregivers: 1 year  At least 3 months of parental leave for each parent, and up to 1.5 years of leave for single parents or parents of children with severe disabilities
Spousal Leave for Childbirth	Supports postpartum care including the spouse's psychological well-being and recovery (up to 20 days)
Maternity Leave	Available for 90 days before and after childbirth; extended to 100 days in the case of premature birth
Support for Infertility Treatment	Reimbursement of in-vitro fertilization (IVF) expenses up to KRW 5 million per session, twice a year Paid leave (up to 9 days) and unpaid leave of absence (up to 1 year) available for infertility treatment
Miscarriage Leave	Leave of up to 90 days provided to support psychological stability and recovery
Reduced Working Hours	<ul> <li>During pregnancy: Reduced working hours by 2 hours per day for pregnant employees, applicable throughout the entire pregnancy period upon request</li> <li>During childcare period: Reduced working hours available upon request; reduced hours during pregnancy and childcare are counted as working hours when calculating annual leave entitlement</li> <li>Up to 3 years for employees with children under the age of 12 (1 year + any unused portion of parental leave)</li> </ul>
Operation of Breastfeeding Facilities and Rest Areas	Independent rest areas for pregnant and breastfeeding employees, equipped with refrigerators for breast milk storage and spinal heating therapy devices
Health Leave	Health leave for female employees (1 day per month)

#### Other Employee Welfare Programs

Category	Details		
SK Happy Express	Commuter shuttle bus support		
Club Activity Support	Support for club activities such as soccer, hiking, tennis, quilting, movie appreciation, and art		
Mobile Device/Phone Bill Support	Support for mobile devices and communication fees needed for work		
Housing Loan/Living Stability Fund	Support for housing loans and living stability funds		
Disaster Relief Support	Support for recovery from damage to employees or their families due to disasters (e.g., housing, farmland, crops, facilities)		
Resort Support	Year-round support for domestic resort reservations and expenses to enhance work focus through refreshment		
On-Site Fitness Center / Mental Wellness Programs	Operation of fitness center and shower facilities for employees     Around 20 programs offered monthly, including stretching, yoga, and meditation (live online sessions and personalized coaching available)		
Birthday Leave for Unmarried Employees	One day of leave per year, available regardless of marital status, selectable between birthday or wedding anniversary		
Support for Overseas Assignments and Business Trips	Support for local treatment, evacuation, and psychological counseling in the event of medical emergencies or security-related situations		

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### **Competency Enhancement**

### **Development Management and Operational System**

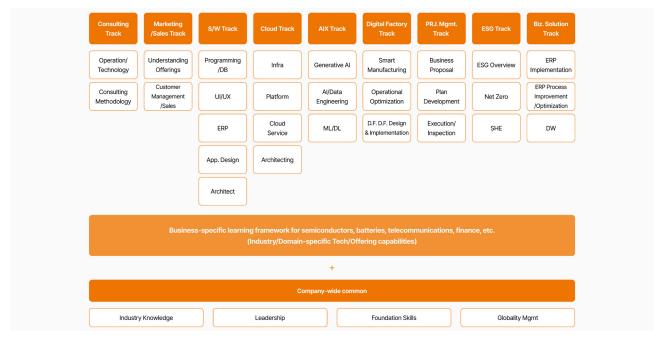
#### **Talent Development Framework**

- · In 2024, the company restructured its job framework based on its corporate vision and talent profile to establish a mid- to long-term competency development system for employees
- · A total of 12 job categories and 49 skill sets have been defined, along with a five-grade structure based on individual competency assessments, to enable more precise competency management
- · Learning guides are provided for each skill set to support employees in building job expertise and establishing personalized competency growth roadmaps
- A credit-based, customized training program is offered to all employees, ensuring a continuous learning environment through integration with the promotion system



### AX College Training System

- · Based on the skill sets that serve as the management units of the job framework, training tracks are structured according to core competencies required for business execution. Each business unit's training track is designed to reflect industry- and domain-specific competencies
- · Each Learning Guide consists of mandatory, specialized, and recommended courses aligned with each skill set. Employees refer to the Learning Guide to plan their annual learning schedules, apply for courses, and complete them accordingly
- · Through the academic management system, employees can monitor learning outcomes and competency development progress, while establishing mid- to long-term growth plans based on their individual development roadmaps
- All employees, including contract employees who wish to participate, are provided with competency development opportunities. The training system is also under review to ensure the same learning opportunities can be offered to part-time employees once they are hired



<sup>\*</sup> A new training framework for the semiconductor and battery sectors was established in 2024, with a planned expansion to other sectors such as telecommunications and finance



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### **Competency Enhancement Programs**

#### **AX College Programs**

- · Each training track is divided into Basic, Practical, and Expert levels based on the difficulty and target audience, providing a structured roadmap for sequential learning
- · All courses are continuously updated throughout the year, incorporating feedback from in-house and field experts, with approximately 600 courses currently in operation
- · Over 60% of the training courses are offered in IT/DT-related fields, and a competency development program is in operation to ensure that all employees (including contract workers) can complete the required courses (completed by a total of 4,314 participants)

Category	Area	Internal Course	Group/mySUNI	External Course	Total
	Marketing/Sales	13	6	17	36
	Consulting	13	-	3	16
	SW	38	3	38	79
	Cloud	53	3	3	59
D. Transla	AIX	35	42	1	78
By Track	Digital Factory	18	1	1	20
	PJT. Mgmt	25	0	0	25
	ESG	12	7	7	26
	Biz. Solution	36	0	3	39
	Company-Wide Common	9	97	84	190
D. D. :	Semiconductor	31	0	0	31
By Business	Battery	8	0	0	8
	Total		159	157	607

#### Employee Master's Degree Program

- · In partnership with Yonsei University, a new master's program in Department of Digital Integration Engineering was established to strengthen employees' digital capabilities through practical content and a modular, step-by-step learning structure
- · The first cohort of 12 employees began the program in January 2024, followed by a second cohort of 12 who enrolled in January 2025
- · Planned and operated by SK Inc. as part of the SK Group's shared infrastructure, the program contributes to strengthening digital expertise across the group, including employees from affiliated manufacturing companies
- $\cdot$  Digital capability development opportunities are offered to all employees, including contract staff who wish to participate, with plans to extend the same opportunities to future part-time hires

#### **Key Growth Support Initiatives**

System/Program	Description	
mySUNI (Group-Wide)	An SK Group-wide online learning platform that covers a wide range of topics including technology, well-being, and culture, providing an accessible and convenient learning environment for employees	
	Financial support for education that can be utilized individually by employees	
	Support for work-related book purchases through a dedicated site/platform called 'Bukjeokbukjeok'	
Self-Directed Development	Support for global online learning content through a partnered subscription service (Udemy Business)	
	Operation of voluntary learning groups (Learning Collabo Lab) where employees from various functions—such as Tech, Marketing, Sales, Project Management, and Staff—collaborate on research and development projects	
Job Competency Training	Intensive development of Digital ITS experts capable of addressing customer pain points, with specialized performance and quality training programs (basic, practical, and expert levels) using a hands-on approach	
Open Lab	Seminars aligned with business needs, covering topics such as markets, domestic and international trends, and real-world case studies	
Leadership Program	Leadership programs focused on the areas of Leading Business, Leading People, Leading Organization, and Leading Myself, including leadership assessments, training/seminars, coaching, and organizational development initiatives	
Language Intensive Program	Business-focused language courses (English) offered for employees	
Certification Acquisition and Renewal Support	Support for employees who need to obtain or maintain job-related certifications, including training programs and related expenses (e.g., professional engineer certifications)	
Job Community	Operation of an online community (Do Learn Do Learn) that supports knowledge sharing and problem-solving by job function	
Overseas Short-Term Training Program	Incentive-based overseas short-term training programs offered to top learners and internal instructors (in 2024, 20 selected employees participated in a training program at FPT in Vietnam)	
Understanding of Global Business/Culture	Sharing of global business experience and lessons learned, and provision of compliance and trend information for key global markets such as Europe and Vietnam	

### Job Competency Development Performance

#### **AX College Training Performance**

- · 98% of all employees completed at least one training course, with each employee participating in an average of 2.8 tracks
- · Approximately 4,800 cumulative participants joined 258 job competency courses conducted as in-house group training sessions—more than double the number from the previous year
- · By increasing the proportion of internal instructors, the program strengthened field-oriented content, which led to higher satisfaction levels. As a result, the program will continue to be updated with practical, field-driven content

Number of Participants in In-House Group Training Courses by Development Area

(Unit: person)

Category	2024
Al/Data	1,092
Cloud/Infra	644
SW, Biz. Solution	1,074
Biz. (Marketing/Sales, Consulting, ESG, etc.)	447
PM	1,014
Digital Factory	490
Total	4,761

<sup>\*</sup> Excluding legal requirements; based on cumulative number of participants

#### In-House Group Training Program Overview

Category	2021	2022	2023	2024
Program Scale	52 programs 200 sessions 3,311 hours	85 programs 150 sessions 1,771 hours	98 programs 126 sessions 2,738 hours	166 programs 258 sessions 3,151 hours
Internal Instructor Ratio (%)	0%	15.3%	37.8%	69.3%
Satisfaction Score* (Instructor/Content/Operation Support)	4.2 points	4.3 points	4.4 points	4.6 points

<sup>\*</sup> Based on a 5-point scale

#### Performance of Expert Development Program

- · To enhance Al literacy across the organization, eight sessions of Al theory and practical training were conducted in 2024 for all employees in managerial
- For the Core Competency Program, effectiveness was improved by monitoring based on real-world applicability and participant satisfaction, with a focus on enhancing work-related impact
- · The program led to high applicability in actual work, faster decision-making, and increased productivity, positively contributing to tangible business outcomes and improved ROI

#### Core Competency Program Results

Training Target	No. of Trainees	Training Method	Training Outcome*	Satisfaction Score**	Real-world Application Rate***
Large- scale/Next- generation PM	21	Scenario-based task execution and coaching based on real workplace issues (3 months, PBL)	"Formed a sense of shared understanding among training participants, broadened insight, and gained practical know-how and tips for solving real issues"	4.7 points	97%
App. Archi.	15	Practical exercises and feedback following theoretical learning	"Was able to develop AA-based competencies, such as understanding the role of an architect and learning how to review and select technologies for each architectural design activity"	4.3 points	82%
Data Archi.	15	(1–1.5 month short-term intensive course)	"Lectures and assignments based on real work materials, along with detailed feedback from internal experts, were highly helpful"	4.9 points	74%

<sup>\*</sup> Based on employee voice and satisfaction survey results

<sup>\*\*</sup> As of 2024, AX College in-house group training courses have been consolidated and reorganized

<sup>\*\*</sup> Based on a 5-point scale

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Evaluation conducted three months after training to assess whether the training was applied to actual work

### **Performance-Based Compensation**

### **Employee Performance Management System**

#### Performance Evaluation Program

- · Performance evaluations are conducted based on Management by Objectives (MBO), incorporating 360-degree evaluations (including leader and peer assessments) and ongoing feedback sessions between leaders and team members
- · A company-wide incentive program (cash-based) is in place, with differentiated rewards provided based on achievement levels

S-day(One-on-One Coaching and **Evaluation Program)** 

- · 'S-day' is held twice a year (first and second half) to support employees' career development and performance management
- ·Through one-on-one coaching sessions between leaders and team members, participants can freely discuss and receive feedback on topics such as career development, execution of tasks, and competency enhancement
- · At the beginning of the year, employees independently set their work plans and goals, while leaders provide tailored coaching to support their growth. At year-end, a comprehensive review of competencies and performance is conducted, followed by feedback focused on future development directions and areas for improvement

### **Provision of Performance-Based Rewards**

- · Various performance-based reward programs are operated for all employees, including contract employees, with differentiated rewards provided based on organizational and individual performance
- · In addition to annual salary and incentive bonuses, recognition programs such as the 'CEO Pride Award' and the 'SKMS Practice Award' are granted to top
- $\cdot \, \text{The reward system is designed to motivate employees and encourage continuous growth} \\$

Compensation System	Description
Annual Salary	Operates a career-level-based salary system that links performance evaluations to compensation, providing motivation and supporting the continuous development of job expertise
Incentives Bonus	Implements a performance-based compensation system through the Profit Share (PS) program, which distributes a portion of excess annual business profits to employees, and the Target Incentive (TI) program, which rewards employees based on the achievement of KPIs
CEO Pride Award	Recognizes and rewards individuals who have contributed to the company's growth and serve as role models for their colleagues
SKMS Practice Award (New in 2025)	Recognizes and rewards members who have demonstrated the SUPEX spirit and strong drive beyond management goals, significantly enhancing the company's fundamental competitiveness in their respective areas
Domestic and Overseas Training Support	Provides high-performing talents with opportunities to participate in key conferences and development programs
Top Performers in Job Competency Development	Selects approximately 20 top learners and instructors from each college track to participate in global seminar training programs

<sup>\*</sup> Employee stock ownership programs (such as ESOP - Employee Stock Ownership Plan and ESPP - Employee Stock Purchase Plan) are not currently in operation, but may be considered for future implementation

#### SKMS Practice Award Categories and 2024 Achievements

Award Category	Description	2024 Achievements
PI/SI	· Achieved underrun through strategic contract wins that met the Hurdle Rate and outstanding delivery · Projects that contributed to the company's financial performance	6 projects, 25 people
SUPEX Operation	· Projects that contributed to securing future growth readiness by actively and proactively utilizing AGS to respond to changes in business structure	200 people
Challenge	· Projects that contributed to strengthening business competitiveness by achieving landmark outcomes such as acquiring new customers or win-backs, driving operational innovation through AI, or eliminating obstacles to achieve zero incidents	19 projects, 100 people

### **Human Capital Development Goals**

#### **Diversity Targets**

- · Achieve 24.4% female employee representation by 2026
- $\cdot$  Achieve 13.8% female manager representation by 2026
- \* As of 2024: Female employees 23.4%, Female managers 10.0%

#### Goals for Talent Development and Competency Enhancement



#### [Plan] Establishment of a Core **Competency Securing Framework**

- · Advancing the multi-skill development framework through college upgrade (e.g., expansion of track- and business-specific learning programs)
- · Designing and proposing new growth paths for employees
- · Accelerating core competency expert development programs (e.g., newly established training courses for large-scale PMs, specialized architects, and AI developers)

#### **[DO] Acceleration of Core Competency Acquisition**

- · Focusing on top talent development in core growth areas
- · Transforming the competency structure through re/up-skilling (e.g., expansion of job competency transition programs)
- Standardizing Al utilization capabilities across all employees (Al literacy certification)

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#### [See] Achievement of Top-Level Competency in Korea

- · Completing core competency expert development and acquisition
- · Rediscovering and executing next development areas

Goals for Enhancing Employee Work-Life Balance (WLB)



#### Improvement of WLB through enhanced operational efficiency

- Spreading a learning and growth mindset and innovating work through Al
- · Promoting a shift toward field-oriented ways of working

#### Advancement of WLB policies to global top-tier standards

- Expanding the definition of employees
- → Establishing and operating Global Top-tier care programs for employees' families

#### Establishment of an employeedriven WLB culture

- · Establishing and promoting self-directed work practices
- · Fostering a self-driven corporate culture through enhanced communication platforms



# Safety and Health

SK Inc. is committed to preventing declines in operational efficiency and productivity caused by inadequate safety and health management. By providing a safe working environment that protects workers' rights and establishing a safety and health risk management system to eliminate and prevent hazardous elements, the company strives to minimize risks that could disrupt its business operations.

### Safety and Health Governance

### Safety and Health Management Principle

- · In 2021, a safety and health management principle was established in alignment with SK Group's SHE strategic direction
- · Grounded in a human-centered management philosophy, SK Inc. prioritizes safety and health at every stage of its business operations. This includes a strong commitment to legal compliance, creating a healthy work environment for all employees, encouraging consultation and participation, providing safety and health training, and recognizing social responsibility — all with a clear intention to drive continuous improvement

Safety and Health Management Principle and Policy →

### Safety and Health Management System

- · SK Inc. has established a company-wide safety and health management system and maintains ISO 45001 certification
- · The company operates a safety and health portal on its intranet (HiSK) to provide key announcements, share materials by department, and communicate major agendas and outcomes of the Industrial Safety and Health Committee

### **Dedicated Safety and Health Organization**

- · In accordance with the Board of Directors' resolution, a dedicated safety and health organization is operated to ensure compliance with legal obligations such as the Occupational Safety and Health Act and the Serious Accidents Punishment Act
- · A Chief Safety and Health Officer is appointed, and the Board of Directors, including the CEO, incorporates safety and health performance into ESG KPIs across the company and each division/center, linking them to performance evaluations and compensation
- ·SK Inc. continues to strengthen its safety management capabilities by enhancing the expertise of the dedicated safety and health organization and expanding its personnel



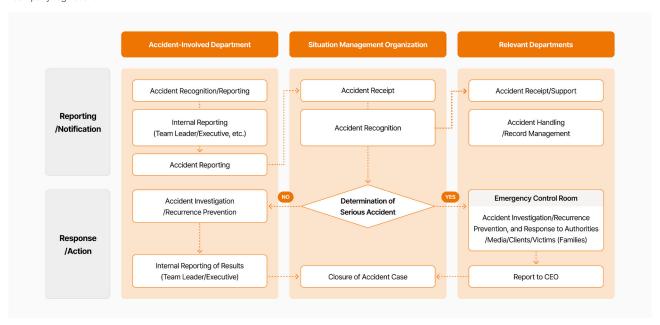
#### Roles of the Dedicated Safety and Health Organization

Category	Role Description
Board of Directors/Strategy and ESG Committee	· Receives reports on safety and health issues; makes decisions on major matters, and reviews their management status
Chief Safety and Health Officer	· Oversees and manages safety and health operations · Assigns qualified professionals for safety and health management
Occupational Safety and Health Committee	· Holds regular quarterly meetings of the Occupational Safety and Health Committee, which includes employee representatives · Deliberates and makes decisions on employee safety-related matters, such as the status of occupational accidents (held once per quarter in 2024, for a total of four meetings)

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### Safety and Health Accident Response System

- ·SK Inc. has established a detailed accident response system and corresponding manuals, which are categorized by area and severity, to ensure swift and effective action in the event of a safety or health accident
- Any property damage expected to have a significant impact on SK Inc. or its clients must be reported to the responsible department
- In accordance with the principle of sharing safety accidents, all employees must immediately report and share the incident with the responsible unit and appropriate supervisor upon recognition
- · Sharing and reporting of accidents is a fundamental requirement and must be strictly followed. Violations may result in disciplinary action in accordance with company regulations



#### Safety and Health Accident Response Training

Category	Details
Fire Safety Inspection and Emergency Response Training Evaluation	Emergency response drills conducted for employees of tenant companies, supplier staff, and emergency response center     Scenario-based training for simulated fire incidents at data centers and operation of an emergency control room     Training on response measures in the event of a serious accident
Emergency Patient Response System	Operation of a hotline system to ensure immediate transfer of employees in the event of a medical emergency during working hours

Safety Accident Reporting and Grievance Handling Channels

- · SK Inc. operates a safety accident reporting system through the employee mobile app 'H.App' and a hotline, enabling employees to report near-miss cases and other safety and health accidents while encouraging them to carry out routine self-inspections. In 2024, three risk factors were identified and addressed through these self-inspections
- Employee grievances and reports of hazardous facility conditions submitted through the 'My Service' support request system are promptly addressed. In 2024, a total of 204 cases (110 in the first half and 94 in the second half) were resolved

## Safety and Health Risk Management

### **Risk Assessment**

#### **Assessment Process**

- · SK Inc. conducts occupational safety risk assessments at all business sites on an annual basis, leveraging its in-house capabilities
- · Through these risk assessments, new hazardous and risk factors are identified, and corresponding improvement plans are established and managed for implementation
- · After implementing the improvement measures, their effectiveness is evaluated to further enhance the overall risk management system

#### **Assessment Results**

- · As of 2024, a total of 17 risk factors were identified, with corrective actions completed for 16 of them. The remaining one is currently in progress and is scheduled to be completed within 2025
- · An evaluation of the effectiveness of the implemented improvement measures indicated a reduction in risk levels and no occurrence of related accidents

#### Hazard and Risk Factor Management Process

Step	Detailed Process
1	Identification of hazardous and risk factors related to indoor/outdoor tasks at each business site
2	Classification of risks based on estimated severity; identification of risk factors within acceptable and unacceptable thresholds
3	Review of the validity of hazardous and risk factors identified in the previous year and reflection in current control measures
4	Evaluation and review of the effectiveness of improvement measures for hazardous and risk factors
5	Measurement of performance results of improvement actions based on risk assessments

#### Key Results of 2024 Risk Assessment and Implementation of Improvement Measures

Identified Key Risk Factor	Action Taken	Hazardous and Risk Factors	Action Completed	Action In Progress
Risk of falling while working on ladders Risk of falling objects during heavy lifting operations Risk of fire and burns from kitchen deep fryers Risk of a medical emergency during a nurse's solo shift in the infirmary	Pre-check before ladder use (outriggers, anti-spread straps, and two-person operation)     Securing a safe working distance during heavy lifting operations     Usage following regular inspection and the wearing of apron, boots, and gloves     Emergency situation response enabled by installing an emergency bell	17	16	1

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### Strengthening Safety and Health Competency

#### Key Safety and Health Inspection Activities in 2024

- · Implementation of safety and health performance monitoring (once a year)
- Establishment and execution of inspection plans for safety at data centers and key project sites (2 times for data centers, 4 times for project sites)
- · Inspections through performance evaluations of safety and health management officers and related personnel (twice a year)
- $\cdot \ \text{Inspections of compliance with legal obligations under safety and health regulations (twice a year)}$
- · Inspections of the implementation of safety and health communication among workers (twice a year)
- · Inspections of the implementation of qualified subcontractor evaluations (twice a year)

#### Safety and Health Training

- · Online safety and health training is provided to enhance employee awareness of safety and minimize safety risks
- · In 2024, company-wide regular safety and health training covered fire classifications and disaster prevention by earthquake magnitude (3,175 participants completed the training)
- · Safety and health training was provided to employees performing certain specialized duties (e.g., executive drivers)
- · Advanced training was conducted for team leaders on their roles and responsibilities as safety and health supervisors
- · As of 2025, structured training programs are being implemented to strengthen the competencies of SHE personnel, accompanied by an evaluation system to ensure a certain level of expertise
- · Introductory training is also provided in 2025 for new employees to improve their understanding of the SHE syste

Training Program	Training Content	
Online Regular Safety and Health Training	Fire and earthquake damage prevention training  1. Residential fires  2. High-rise building fires  3. Electrical fires  4. Factory fires  5. Fires in multi-use facilities  6. Earthquakes (magnitude and intensity)  7. Earthquake damage prevention	
Compliance Training for Team Leaders (Advanced Training)	Regular safety and health training for team leaders 1. Concept of occupational accidents 2. Status and case examples of workplace accidents 3. Accident prevention activities 4. Accident response procedures and reporting system 5. Occupational accident compensation insurance system	
Training for SHE Personnel	Pre-assignment training for SHE personnel in field departments  1. Legal obligations related to subcontracted work  2. Work permit process  3. Safety responsibilities through case studies of accidents	
Training for New Employees	Basic SHE training for new hires  1. Accident case studies and reporting procedures  2. Near-miss incidents and reporting channels	

#### Fire Response Drills

- · Fire response drills are conducted based on detailed response plans that reflect conditions similar to actual fire situations
- · These drills focus on the implementation and internalization of initial response systems, including fire reporting, personnel evacuation, and situation
- · The drills are held at least twice a year, including company-wide and scenario-based exercises, while global business sites conduct them four times annually
- · Joint training sessions are conducted with local fire departments to establish a cooperative system during fire suppression activities

#### Pilot Operation of Online Safety and Health Platform

- · A pilot operation of an online safety and health platform has been in place for data centers since January 2024 to enhance safety management efficiency
- Development of a customized safety and health management system is currently underway, with plans for implementation in 2025
- · The system will continue to be advanced to become a field-oriented and efficient platform that reflects the company's operational characteristics and requirements

Operational Effectiveness

- · Preventing omissions in compliance with safety and health regulations
- · Simplifying repetitive tasks and reducing processing time through a system-based approach
- Digitalizing and systematically managing safety data
- Ensuring consistency in work processes and enhancing internal audit responsiveness
- · Strengthening real-time responsiveness of on-site personnel

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#### Safety and Health Campaign

· To systematically establish a company-wide culture of safety and health and enhance employees' safety awareness, practical daily campaigns are conducted · Safety guidelines for office spaces are communicated through easy-to-understand posters, and everyday safety practices are promoted via in-house broadcasts and newsletters





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### Supplier Safety and Health Management

#### Supplier Safety and Health Capability Assessment

- During subcontracted projects, safety evaluations of subcontractors are conducted at the bidding stage to select those with proven capabilities in preventing industrial accidents
- · The process of evaluating whether subcontractors possess adequate safety and health management capabilities is incorporated into the procurement and contracting procedures

Safety and Health Inspection Areas



#### Results of Supplier Safety and Health Competency Assessment

- · Safety and health competency assessments are conducted prior to contract signing to strengthen suppliers' safety and health management systems
  - In 2024, a total of 98 assessments were conducted for construction suppliers and 517 for SI suppliers at the time of contract execution
  - If a supplier is rated as nonconforming based on the assessment results, corrective actions are requested, and trading restrictions are imposed if improvements are not made
- · To ensure the safety of supplier employees performing night shifts alone, a health monitoring system using smartwatches (e.g., heart rate) is in place, with additional unit distributed (1 device)
- · For suppliers managing office buildings and facilities, safety management solution training is provided, and compliance with legal obligations under the Occupational Safety and Health Act and the Serious Accidents Punishment Act is reviewed semiannually, with requirements filtered according to specific working conditions

Contract with Construction Suppliers	Contract with SI Suppliers
98 assessments	517 assessments

<sup>\*</sup> Corrective actions are requested when a supplier is deemed nonconforming, and trading restrictions are imposed if improvements are not made

#### Supplier Safety and Health Grievance Channels

- · To strengthen communication with suppliers, a feedback channel was announced within the procurement information system, and various methods—such as Google Forms—have been made available to enhance accessibility and support the ongoing submission of safety and health-related grievances
- · In 2022, a total of two grievances were submitted and addressed promptly, and no additional cases were reported in 2023 or 2024

Supplier Safety and Health Grievance Channel →

SK ESG Story Materiality

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### **Health Support Initiatives**

### **Employee Health Promotion Programs**

- · A variety of programs are offered to promote both physical and mental health for all employees (including contract workers)
- · In addition to regular health checkups, tailored wellness programs are provided—such as stress management, health and psychological counseling, medical expense support, and treatment plans—to foster a healthy work environment and enhance quality of life
- · Health-related information and self-care content are made available to help employees manage their health independently in daily life

Category	Program	Support Details
	On-site fitness center	Operation of fitness center and shower facilities for employees
	Mind and body training	Operation of approximately 20 monthly programs, including stretching, yoga, and meditation, with real-time online sessions and personalized coaching
Prevention and Stress Management	Health checkups	Support for health checkups for employees and eligible family members under the medical benefits plan     Support for two types of health checkups based on age group (KRW 350,000 for comprehensive checkups;     KRW 100,000 for basic checkups)     Provision of paid leave on the day of the health checkup (4 hours)
	Health/psychological counseling	Mental health care: Psychological counseling for employees (covering work and family issues), job stress assessments, and coaching programs to foster a growth mindset, etc.      Preventive care for disease: Counseling/management for employees requiring health improvement, intensive monitoring for the prevention of cerebrovascular and cardiovascular diseases      Vitamin Day program: Health and psychological counseling services for employees at external sites and supplier companies      Implementation of a postural imbalance improvement and prevention program, providing expert consultation and personalized one-on-one treatment based on detailed postural assessment results
Treatment	Medical expense support	· Support for medical expenses, prescription costs, health checkups, and vaccinations for employees, their spouses, children, and parents (including parents-in-law)
	Group health insurance	Enrollment in group accident insurance for all employees: Accidental death, permanent disability due to accident, death due to illness and severe disability (80% or more) due to illness, daily hospitalization benefit for accident-related injuries     A Type (4th-generation indemnity insurance), B Type (surgery/hospitalization/diagnosis), C Type (dental preservation/prosthetics)
	Sick leave policy	· Leave of absence (up to 2 years) for long-term treatment and recovery from occupational and non-occupational injuries or illnesses
	Support for overseas assignments/business trips	· Support for local treatment, evacuation, and psychological counseling in the event of medical emergencies or security-related situations

### Mental Health Support for Employees

- · Psychological counseling services are offered to support employees in managing stress from diverse sources, resolving mental health issues, and maintaining effective work performance
- · In 2025, the Mind and Body Care Program will be upgraded to enhance accessibility by expanding non-face-to-face counseling channels such as phone, video, and chat. The scope of counseling topics will also be broadened to include not only workplace stress and emotional issues but also family-related matters such as parenting. In addition, the eligible recipients will be expanded to include spouses and children

### **Employee Health Risk Management**

- · Potential risks of occupational diseases are identified and prioritized through surveys conducted with external experts and internal employees
- · Based on the identified risks, specific response plans are established, and corresponding support programs are implemented

#### Health Risk Management Program

Potential Risk	Response Measure	Support Program	
Disease Prevention/ Management	Provision of health information (bi- monthly)	· Provision of disease-specific information and specialist consultations for interested employees (e.g., diabetes, hypertension, hyperlipidemia)	
	Provision of individual consultation and management guides	· Provision of individual consultation and management guides for employees seeking health improvement (e.g., cardiovascular and cerebrovascular diseases)	
Workplace Stress	Implementation of mobile app-based 'workplace stress assessment'	Operation of assessment items based on major stress factors among SK Inc. employees and analysis of potential health risks under expert consultation     Early identification of high-risk employees and provision of psychological counseling and monitoring based on risk analysis data	



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## **Safety and Health Goals**



#### 2025

Establishment of an optimized SHE system aligned with business operations and early stabilization of SHE basics

- Revising SHE regulations in alignment with business operations
- Securing field-level execution capability through appointment of SHE personnel and practical safety training
- Enhancing management standards by advancing SHE Mgmt. DT

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Establishment of SHE competitiveness through a virtuous cycle of training, diagnosis, and improvement

- Distributing SHE newsletters regularly and providing SHE training for new hires
- Establishing and implementing a group-level SHE audit system, including in-depth safety inspections

#### 2027

Internalization of an autonomous safety culture led by business units at the site level

- Completing the introduction of Al-based risk assessments
- Advancing SHE evaluation criteria and procedures for suppliers

#### Safety and Health KPI

Key Metric	2025 Target	2026 Target	2027 Target
3-year average LTIR (Lost Time Injury Rate)*	· Strengthening occupational accident prevention at worksites · Achieving a 3-year average LTIR of 0.014	· Strengthening occupational accident prevention at worksites · Achieving a 3-year average LTIR of 0.007	· Strengthening occupational accident prevention at worksites · Achieving a 3-year average LTIR of <b>0.000</b>

<sup>\*</sup> LTIR = Number of lost time injuries × 200,000 / Total hours worked (Number of lost time injuries per 200,000 working hours)

<sup>\*3-</sup>year average LTIR as of 2024: 0.02

SK Inc. is committed to building a sustainable supply chain and reinforcing shared competitiveness through trusted relationships with its suppliers. To support this effort, the company runs eight mutual growth programs aimed at strengthening suppliers' ESG capabilities, thereby fostering responsible environmental and social practices and promoting sustainable business operations.

### **Supply Chain Management Governance**

### Supply Chain Management Policy

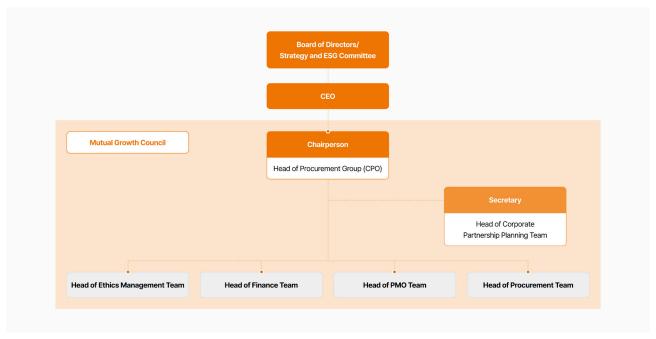
- · All suppliers operate under a direct contract system to promote mutual growth and cooperation between large and small enterprises. Signing the Supplier Code of Conduct, Supplier Ethical Management Practice Agreement, and Supplier Security Compliance Agreement is mandatory for all contracts
- · To maintain sustainable relationships with suppliers, ESG assessments are conducted on a regular and ad-hoc basis, and in-depth evaluations and improvement support are provided for those designated as significant suppliers
- · A green procurement system is implemented to proactively eliminate environmental risks from the sourcing stage of raw and sub-materials and equipment

Supply Chain Sustainability Management Policy  $\rightarrow$  Supplier Code of Conduct  $\rightarrow$ 

### Supply Chain Management System

- · Under the leadership of the Chief Procurement Officer (CPO), SK Inc. operates a monthly Mutual Growth Council involving the procurement division and key RM departments to deliberate on major issues related to sustainable supply chain management
- · Plans and performance related to mutual growth initiatives are reviewed by the Strategy and ESG Committee under the Board of Directors
- · Corporate Partnership Planning Team is responsible for managing the supplier ESG assessment program and overseeing mutual growth programs that support and improve supplier performance. Through close communication with suppliers, the team identifies their current status and needs and carries out comprehensive activities required for sustainable supply chain management

Organizational Structure of the Mutual Growth Council



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### **Supply Chain Due Diligence**

### Supply Chain Management Program

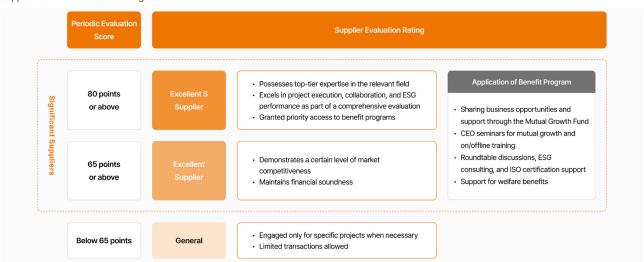
- ·SK Inc. operates under a direct contract system with all suppliers in business relationships. All suppliers are classified as Tier 1, with no distinction between internal/external or direct/indirect suppliers (no non-Tier 1 suppliers exist)
- · The Corporate Partnership Planning Team, SK Inc.'s procurement organization, conducts annual evaluations of all suppliers and carries out both regular and ad-hoc ESG assessments to manage ESG-related risks
- · Through the due diligence process, SK Inc. reviews the alignment of suppliers' ESG management strategies with its own procurement standards, with efforts made to resolve conflicting elements and drive ongoing improvement
- Periodic evaluations of suppliers reflect both the level of partnership—considering business execution capabilities (technological and quality competitiveness), transaction volume, and continuity—and the results of ESG assessments

#### Periodic Supplier Evaluation

Periodic Supplier **Evaluation Criteria** 

- · Companies scoring 65 points or higher out of 100 are designated as 'key suppliers.' If the score is below 65, the supplier may be subject to restricted transactions for specific projects or even disqualification (e.g., termination of business)
- ESG assessment scores are a key component of the periodic evaluation, with 10 points allocated. Suppliers that have not undergone an ESG assessment are given a score of zero in this category
- Suppliers designated as significant suppliers based on ESG assessment results are required to establish corrective action plans and complete implementation within 12 months
- If additional major ESG issues arise without implementing the corrective plan, stricter penalties are applied

#### Supplier Periodic Evaluation Ratings



#### **Supplier Performance Evaluation**

Benefit Program

- · Incentive-based benefit programs are offered to suppliers that achieve excellent results in periodic evaluations and ESG
- The benefit programs continue to expand and include support in the form of business opportunities (e.g., early access to project information, subcontracting opportunities), financial assistance (e.g., interest support/discounts, exemption from performance bonds), and capability-building initiatives such as ESG consulting

#### Benefit Program Support Areas

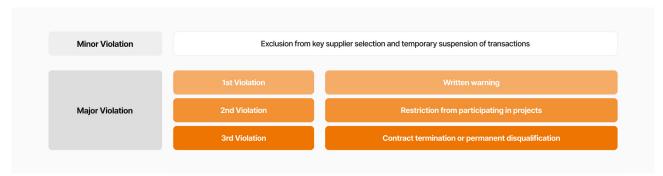
Category	Support Details			
Business Support	Provision of order volume, sharing of business information			
Business Support	Joint market entry			
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Financial Support	Expansion of Mutual Growth Fund support (interest benefits)			
	ESG consulting			
ESG Capability Development	Support for Global ESG certification (EcoVadis)			
	ISO certification support (CLICK ISO)			
Other	Labor consulting/advisory services (upon request)			

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#### Penalty Program

- · Penalties are applied when a supplier falls below the periodic evaluation criteria or when major ESG issues occur, such as violations of ethical business practices or non-compliance with SHE standards
- Depending on the evaluation results related to the issue, the supplier may be excluded from key supplier status or face temporary suspension of transactions
- · In the event of a serious ESG violation, a three-step penalty process is applied: 1) initial written warning, 2) restriction from participating in projects, and 3) contract termination or permanent disqualification

#### Penalty Actions by Severity and Stage

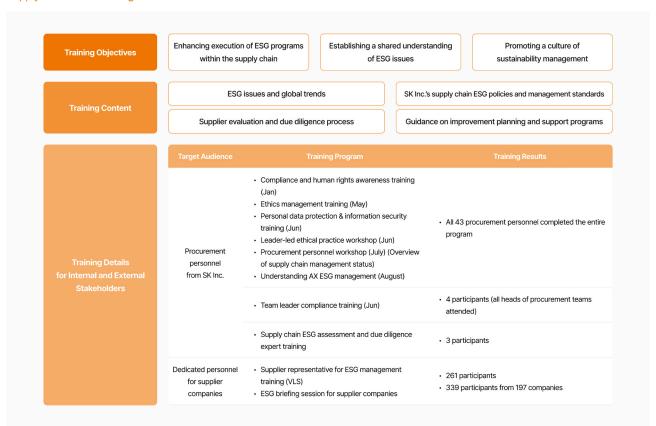


#### 2024 Penalty Cases

Type of Penalty	Number of Cases		
Suspension of transactions (1–5 years)	11 cases		
Permanent disqualification	3 cases		

<sup>\*</sup> Reasons for penalty application include: 11 cases of ethical management violations, 1 case of information protection violation, and 2 other cases

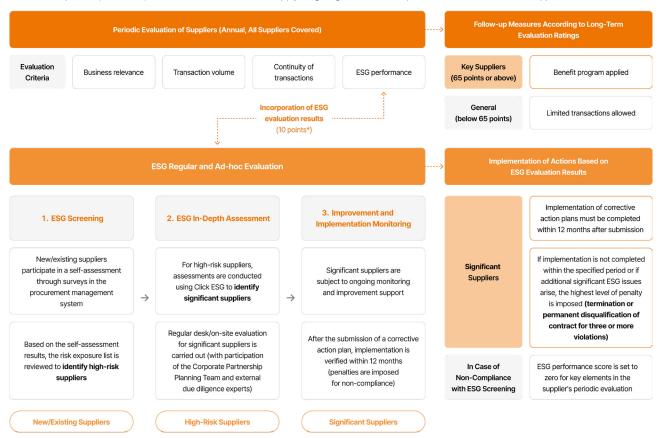
#### Supply Chain ESG Training



### Supply Chain ESG Assessment

#### **Assessment Process**

- · The Corporate Partnership Planning Team at SK Inc. is responsible for assessing supplier ESG risks and managing improvement efforts, while leading the overall ESG evaluation process
- · To enhance supply chain sustainability, ESG assessments are conducted regularly for suppliers
- ·The assessment process consists of three stages: ESG screening, ESG in-depth assessment (due diligence), and improvement. A customized ESG assessment platform, 'Click ESG,' is utilized to select metrics and apply weightings based on the specific characteristics of each supplier



<sup>\*</sup> In periodic supplier evaluations, the results of the ESG screening assessment are reflected with a maximum of 10 points out of a total score of 100, and ESG performance is considered in supplier selection and contract signing

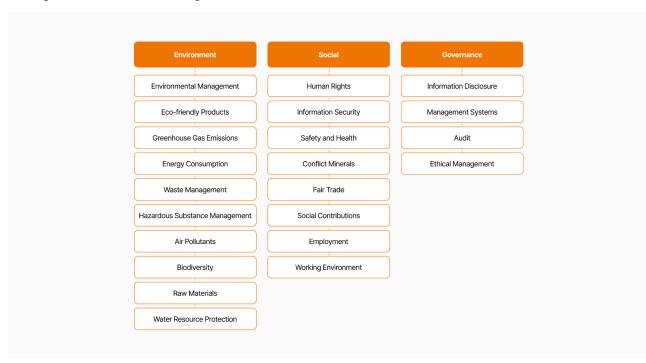
#### **ESG Screening**

- · Regular and ad-hoc ESG screenings are conducted annually for all suppliers to proactively identify and manage potential ESG risks
- · Based on the screening scores, suppliers are classified into three risk levels, with tailored measures applied to each group
- · Suppliers categorized as low or medium risk are required to implement improvements focused on deficient areas, along with ongoing risk monitoring
- · 'Significant suppliers' are selected primarily from high-risk suppliers and are subject to in-depth ESG assessments
- · Supplier ESG risks are managed with a focus on domestic operations in Korea—which account for over 90% of the company's revenue and profit—by identifying risks specific to countries, industries, and products/services, such as avoiding equipment sourced from conflict-affected countries, verifying the use of conflict minerals, and prioritizing the procurement of eco-friendly products

#### Core ESG **Screening Metrics**

- SK Group applies a standardized set of core ESG screening metrics for suppliers, consisting of 22 ESG-related management areas and a total of 66 detailed metrics
- Suppliers are categorized by type (hardware manufacturing, software development, workforce supply, and construction) based on their industry characteristics, and tailored evaluations are conducted by applying differentiated weightings of ESG metrics for each category
- · The core ESG screening metrics for suppliers are continuously refined and improved by taking into account industry-specific characteristics and risk types, while also advancing in alignment with evolving supply chain regulations and market issues\*

#### 22 Management Areas for Core ESG Screening Metrics



<sup>\*</sup> Reflecting standards such as Responsible Business Alliance (RBA), EcoVadis, K-ESG government agency supply chain management criteria, the Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD), and the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD)

ESG Risk Level Key Response Measure	
Low Risk	Eligible for benefit program support, including assistance with obtaining global certifications
Medium Risk	Identification of underperforming metrics and development of an improvement plan
High Risk	Formulation of a corrective action plan and request for risk mitigation measures

- · SK Inc.'s Corporate Partnership Planning Team oversees the significant supplier selection—from ESG assessment and development of improvement plans to implementation monitoring—leading the entire evaluation process
- · In particular, an external expert organization directly participates in both desk and on-site due diligence to help establish and operate more practical support programs
- · Procurement personnel responsible for due diligence identify underperforming ESG metrics of significant suppliers, support the development of improvement plans, and monitor their implementation status
- · Suppliers with actual or potential negative impacts are required to establish corrective actions and improvement plans
- · Corrective actions and improvement plans must be completed within 12 months of being established, and failure to do so may result in penalties by being reflected in the supplier's periodic evaluation score

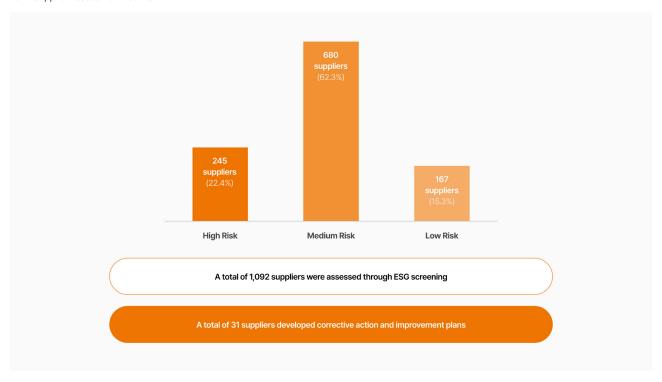


#### Detailed Activities of ESG In-Depth Assessment

Stage	Conducting Body	Specific Activities
ESG Evaluation / In-Depth Assessment Briefing	SK Inc. procurement personnel (Corporate Partnership Planning Team)	· Guidance on each metric · Explanation on how to use Click ESG
Desk/On-Site Due Diligence	SK Inc. procurement personnel (Corporate Partnership Planning Team) Korea Management Registrar	· Verification of implementation through metric-specific supporting evidence
Development of Supplier-Specific Improvement Plans	SK Inc. procurement personnel (Corporate Partnership Planning Team)	· Review of improvement measures focused on underperforming metrics
Support for Implementation of Improvement Plans	SK Inc. procurement personnel (Corporate Partnership Planning Team)	· Online group sessions and 1:1 consulting (as needed) · Offline on-site visits
ESG Reassessment	Korea Management Registrar	· Verification of implementation of improvement measures · Adjustment of ESG rating
Monitoring of Implementation and Support for Improvement	SK Inc. procurement personnel (Corporate Partnership Planning Team)	Verification of improvement plan execution     Provision of supplier support programs

- · In 2024, ESG screenings were conducted for 1,092 suppliers, who were classified into three risk levels—high, medium, and low—based on the results, with tailored follow-up actions taken by risk level
- · Among key suppliers and those identified as high-risk in the ESG screening, 110 were designated as significant suppliers and underwent in-depth ESG assessments and desk/on-site due diligence
- · Of these, 31 suppliers were required to establish corrective actions and improvement plans, and all completed their improvements within 12 months

#### 2024 Supplier Assessment Results



#### Supply Chain ESG Assessment Results

Category	2024
Total number of suppliers	1,872 suppliers
Total Tier 1 suppliers	1,872 suppliers
Total non-Tier 1 suppliers	0 suppliers
Number of ESG-assessed suppliers (proportion)	1,092 suppliers (58%)
Number of newly assessed suppliers in 2024 (proportion)	130 suppliers (11.9%)
High-risk suppliers (proportion)	245 suppliers (22.4%)
Number of significant suppliers* (proportion)	110 suppliers (10.1%)
Suppliers with actual or potential negative impact	31 suppliers
Suppliers with corrective actions and improvement plans (proportion)	31 suppliers (100%)
Number of suppliers that completed corrective actions (proportion)	31 suppliers (100%)
Total number of suppliers that participated in capability-building programs	251 suppliers
Number of significant suppliers that participated in capability-building programs (proportion)	110 suppliers (100%)

<sup>\*</sup> Selected from among all suppliers, and includes some suppliers who did not undergo self-assessment

Support for Supplier ESG Improvement

- · SK Inc. regularly identifies the needs of its suppliers through online surveys and operates customized ESG improvement and support programs based on the results
- · According to survey results, approximately 70% of suppliers requested practical support such as training, guidelines, and consulting, while 30% expressed interest in assistance with external certification and sharing of best practices  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right)$
- $\cdot \text{In parallel with the mutual growth program, SK Inc.} \text{ seeks to reduce ESG risks among its suppliers and strengthen their sustainable capabilities}$

#### Supplier ESG Support Performance

Category	Details	2024 Performance
Training	Mutual growth CEO seminar: Provision of ESG insights for CEOs (hosted monthly by the Group)     ESG training for VLS personnel (applications collected monthly)     Provision of ESG self-training content for suppliers: Information security, intellectual property rights, safety and health, etc.	· 19 attendees · 261 trainees · All key suppliers (251 companies)
Guide	Regular ESG letters: Sharing of ESG policies, trends, and relevant materials (monthly) Provision of ESG diagnostic guidebook: Including assessment metrics, evaluation methods, and sample supporting documents Support for global ESG assessment (EcoVadis) for low-risk, top-performing suppliers	· 12 editions × 251 companies · All suppliers (1,872 companies) · 1 company
Consulting	· ESG consulting: Metric-level verification of actual supporting documents (third-party validation), explanatory guide sessions for each assessment item, on-site visits - ESG improvement support through sharing of exemplary supplier cases and best practices	· 110 companies
Financial Support	· Differential loan interest rate discounts based on ESG evaluation grades (1.2%–6% support)	· 6 companies

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### **Mutual Growth Program**

### **Eight Core Support Systems**

- · SK Inc. has developed mutual growth programs to provide practical support for enhancing the competitiveness of its suppliers and operates eight core support systems based on these programs
- · The company aims to go beyond one-time support by offering differentiated programs that help suppliers achieve sustainable growth and build self-reliance
- · Mutual growth programs are continuously advanced and refined in response to supplier needs and changes in the business environment, with the goal of building a sustainable supply chain based on trust and mutual benefit
- · Since 2014, SK Inc. has received the highest 'Excellent' rating for ten consecutive years in the Mutual Growth Evaluation conducted by the Korea Commission for Corporate Partnership

#### **Eight Core Mutual Growth Programs**

Program Category	Description
1. Fair Trade/Ethical Management	<ul> <li>Implementation of the four Fair Trade Commission guidelines to strengthen the foundation for mutual growth</li> <li>Reinforcement of supplier compliance with ethical management through the operation of a code of ethics and related codes of conduct</li> <li>Respect for suppliers' tangible and intellectual property rights through the use of standard subcontract agreements</li> <li>Inclusion of a supplier code of conduct pledge as a mandatory document in all purchase contracts via the procurement system</li> <li>Operation of an ethics management channel for suppliers (<a href="https://ethics.sk.co.kr/">https://ethics.sk.co.kr/</a>)</li> </ul>
2. Financial (Funding) Support	Mutual Growth Fund, Network Loan, ESG Interest Support Program     Development and operation of a system that allows suppliers to secure necessary funds at interest rates lower than market rates to support stable business operations     Utilization of the program as an incentive for suppliers with high ESG evaluation ratings     Provision of cash payments and timely settlement of payments to suppliers     Implementation of 100% weekly cash payments for subcontracting transactions since 2006 to support supplier liquidity and enable planned financial operations     Provision of financial and funding support totaling approximately KRW 12 billion in 2024
3. Technology Support/Protection	Provision of development methodologies and patented technologies     Support for patent application costs     Operation of a technology data escrow system
4. Business Support	Introduction/operation of a performance-sharing system Advance sharing of business information Joint execution of R&D and marketing activities Provision of management consulting support
5. Education/Training Support	Provision of SK Group courses and SK Inc. in-house courses Participation in external IT professional courses
6. Sharing of Welfare Programs	· Support for health checkups, flu vaccination services, funeral support services, and EAP psychological counseling (Vitamin Day) · Purchase of OA equipment
7. Communication Enhancement	Regular supplier meetings Individual visits to suppliers Operation of an online grievance handling center
8. Continuous Development of Mutual Growth Programs	Efforts to listen to suppliers' real voice     Improvement and enhancement of existing programs and continuous development of new programs

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### Operational Status and Performance

### **Education/Training Support**

Program Name	Program Details	Performance (No. of Participants)	Program Frequency	Remarks	
Mutual Growth CEO Seminar	Expert lectures (management, humanities, history, etc.)	19	Once per quarter	Provided by SK Group	
Mutual Growth e-Learning	100 online courses in IT, QA, management, etc.	585	Ongoing	(Mutual Growth Academy)	
VLS Online Course	IT, leadership, data analysis, etc.	460	Ongoing		
In-house College Training	PLM consulting, cloud, etc.	95	Ongoing		
Supplier Leadership School	Leadership lectures, coaching, etc.	6	August	Provided by SK Inc.	
External Expert Courses	Multicampus, Korea Productivity Center, STA, Convergence Lifelong Education Institute, Fast Campus	154	Ongoing	_	

#### Support for **Enhancing Suppliers' DT Business** Capabilities

- SK Inc. supports suppliers in acquiring technical knowledge and certifications necessary for the effective use of Microsoft
- · CloudZ service training is provided to help suppliers enhance their competitiveness in cloud technologies
- SK Inc. supports improvements in suppliers' business performance and service quality by enhancing their employees' technical capabilities through joint participation in initiatives such as the Cloud App Modernization Factory course by inhouse experts
- SK Inc. offers relevant AX College courses to supplier employees (AIX track, Digital Factory, Business Solution, ESG track, etc.)

#### **Technology and Business Support Performance**

- · Provision of SK Inc.'s patented technologies: Supported technology-based commercialization of SMEs in the IT sector by offering free licenses to SK Inc.'s patented technologies to suppliers and startups
- · Joint R&D and market entry: Strengthened supplier capabilities by sharing SK Inc.'s proprietary technologies and business execution know-how through joint R&D
- · Technology data escrow system: Deposited core technical documents of supplier companies with a third-party institution

(Unit: case)

Mutual Growth Program	Performance Area	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Free transfer of patented technologies	29	34	34	34
Technology Support and	Joint R&D	17	31	32	33
Protection	Technology data escrow cases	55	56	56	55
	Patent application support cases	5	7	3	6
Business Support	Joint market entry cases	10	8	5	5

#### Status of Support for Suppliers of Group Member Companies

Mutual Growth Program	Program Details	Number of Supported Companies (Cases of Support	
Education and Training Support	Provision of training programs (VLS, external, DT, etc.)	4 companies (115 cases)	
Welfare Benefits Program Sharing	Provision of health check-up programs	2 companies (3 cases)	
Business Support	Provision of recruitment platform support program	3 companies (3 cases)	

#### Supplier Grievance Handling

- · Regular communication with suppliers
  - Hosting events such as Mutual Growth Day and supplier CEO seminars to promote mutual understanding
- · On-site visits to suppliers and enhancement of face-to-face communication
  - Conducting one-on-one visits and engaging in communication with supplier executives and representatives
- · Operation of online communication channels
  - Operation of a grievance-handling channel within the SK Procurement Information System to capture the real voice of suppliers regarding collaboration proposals, grievance resolution, and business support ( $\underline{\sf (SK Inc. Procurement Information System)}$
  - Operation of an ethics management channel for suppliers (https://ethics.sk.co.kr/)

(Unit: case)

Category	2021	2022	2023	2024
Number of grievances received	1	1	0	1
Number of grievances resolved (resolution rate)	1(100%)	1(100%)	O(-)	1(100%)

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### **Sustainable Supply Chain Goals**

#### Advancing Supplier ESG Management



#### 2025

#### Reinforcement of supplier **ESG** implementation

- Expanding ESG in-depth assessment (due diligence) coverage - 100% assessment of
- major suppliers Supporting certification by global rating agencies - Priority support for
- Strengthening consulting for significant suppliers - 100% support for ESG system establishment

#### 2026

#### Expansion of ESGfocused management targets

- · Expanding ESG consulting coverage
- All high-risk adjacent groups · Identifying additional
- ESG support programs - Considering expansion of business opportunities and support for efficiency improvement
- for suppliers Fostering internal ESG experts
- In-house training program operation

#### 2027

#### Establishment of a global-level supply chain **ESG** system

- · Renewing ESG support system
- Improving the support system by considering the expansion of domestic and international regulations and assessment targets
- Stabilizing ESG support programs
- Expanding support recipients
- · Fostering ESG experts - Establishing new training programs for suppliers

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#### Creation of shared performance through **ESG**

- · Mandating ESG in-depth
- Conducting assessments for all suppliers
- · Expanding ESG-related **BMs**
- Making joint equity investments with suppliers, discovering and collaborating on solutions, and sharing infrastructure
- Strengthening ESG expert development
- Expanding training programs for suppliers

#### Supplier ESG KPI Management

Key Metric	2024 Performance	2025 Target	2026 Target	2027 Target	2030 Target
Supplier code of conduct signing rate	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
ESG assessment coverage rate for suppliers	58%	80%	85%	90%	100%
Expansion of in-depth ESG assessments for suppliers	100% of significant suppliers	100% of key suppliers	100% of key suppliers	100% of key suppliers	100% of all suppliers
Improvement plan submission rate among highrisk key suppliers (significant suppliers)	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Suppliers that completed improvement within 12 months after submission of improvement plan	95% or higher (100% achieved)	95% or higher	95% or higher	95% or higher	95% or higher

<sup>\*</sup> In-depth ESG assessments for the same suppliers are conducted biennially. Accordingly, the annual targets for expanding assessment coverage are established based on the performance from two years prior

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# **Information Security**

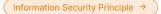
SK Inc. has established and operates an information security management system aligned with global standards, and continues to reinforce its initiatives in response to the rapidly evolving digital landscape. These efforts are intended to build customer trust and ensure the continuous advancement of the company's information security management system.

### **Information Security Governance**

### Information Security Policy

#### Information Security Guidelines

- · SK Inc. has established an information security principle and related regulations that all employees are required to follow, and made them accessible to all members through the intranet (HiSK)
- · In accordance with the Personal Information Protection Act, the company has developed and disclosed its personal information processing policy, and any updates are continuously made publicly available



#### Information Security/Personal Information Protection Regulations

Category	Relevant Regulation	
	Information Security Regulations (Including the Information Security Principle)	
	Personal Information Protection Management Guidelines	
Information Convity Degulations and Cuidelines	Information Security Management Guidelines	
Information Security Regulations and Guidelines	Employee Security Guidelines	
	IT Security Management Guidelines	
	Physical Security Management Guidelines	
Privacy Policy	Privacy Policy disclosed on the website	

#### Security Management for Suppliers

- · The 'Supplier Security Compliance Agreement' is attached as a mandatory document in the procurement system's contract process and signed alongside the contract when entering into agreements with all suppliers
- · The 'Supplier Security Compliance Agreement' outlines cooperation for maintaining the supplier's information security management (e.g., compliance with regulations, cooperation in audits and inspections), and defines accountability for any breach of security policy
- · All supplier personnel participating in projects are required to sign an individual security pledge. For contracts lasting more than one year, the security pledge must be renewed annually
- · Supplier personnel who enter company premises are provided with security training covering internal security rules and policies, prohibited activities, response procedures in the event of a security incident, and reporting protocols

#### Al Information Security

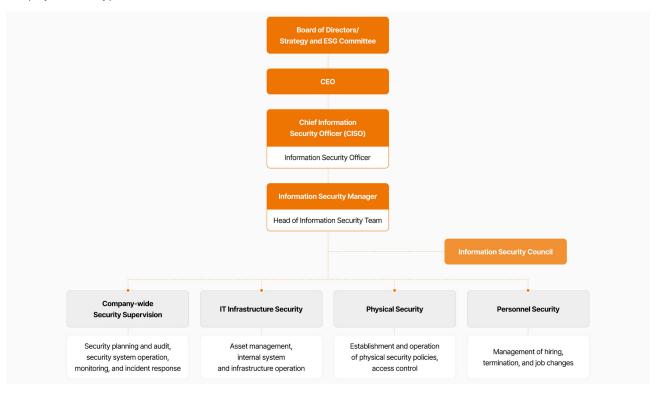
- · SK Inc. proactively identifies potential privacy risks in generative AI environments and develops measures to ensure the safe use of data, safeguarding both corporate and customer personal information
  - Security guidelines are established for the development and operation of AI services
  - To ensure regulatory compliance and data protection, a pre-deployment security review and vulnerability remediation procedures are conducted during the development and release of Al services
  - External AI services are used only after their security has been validated and they have been approved as standard tools
  - Al services are subject to regular inspections and continuous monitoring during their operation and use
  - Awareness and education programs are provided for employees, alongside the establishment and implementation of ongoing improvement measure

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### Information Security Management System

#### Information Security Organization

- · The executive in charge of information protection serves as the Chief Information Security Officer (CISO), with overall responsibility for leading and supervising the company's information security operations
- In the event of a significant information security incident, reports are submitted to the Strategy & ESG Committee and the Board of Directors. Additionally, the Board receives regular annual updates that include compliance support activities and key information security matters
- · An Information Security Council has been established to coordinate security-related matters across relevant departments and to review key issues, including company-wide security policies



#### Information Security Certifications

- · SK Inc.'s information security management system has earned both domestic and international certifications, which are maintained through annual audits—demonstrating the company's commitment to continuous management and stable operation of its security practices
- · SK Inc. has acquired information security certifications (ISO 27001, ISO 27017, ISO 27018) covering its entire IT infrastructure (covering 90.3% of total employees)

#### Status of Information Security Certifications (External Audits)

Certification	Accrediting Body	Certification Details	
Information Security Management System (ISMS)	Ministry of Science and ICT	Certification under the domestic information security management system in accordance with the Information and Communications Network Act     Initial certification acquired in 2013     Recertified in 2023 (valid through 2026)     Post-audit completed in 2024	
International Standard: Information Security Management System (ISO 27001)	ISO/IEC	· Certification under the international standard for information security management systems · Initial certification acquired in 2006 · Recertified in 2025 (valid through 2028)	
International Standards: Cloud Information Security and Personal Information Protection Management System (ISO 27017, ISO 27018)	ISO/IEC	Certification under the international standard for cloud information security and personal information management systems     Initial certification acquired in 2022     Recertified in 2025 (valid through 2028)	

#### Information Security Disclosure

- $\cdot$  In June 2024, SK Inc. completed its integrated information security disclosure
- Recognized for its consistent efforts in acquiring security certifications, cultivating professional talent, and investing in information security, the company has been named an 'Outstanding Information Security Investment Company' for three consecutive years

Disclosure of Information Security Status →

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### **Information Security Activities**

### **Prevention of Security Incidents**

#### **Data Protection**

- Regular inspections are conducted to ensure compliance with IT security management guidelines and procedures, helping to maintain system security and stability
- · Security measures such as encryption and data backup are applied during data storage and transmission to safeguard personal information and critical data
- · Potential hacking threats are addressed proactively by communicating system vulnerability countermeasures and taking preventive actions in advance

#### Security Assessment and Inspection

- · The implementation of vulnerability remediation is managed through mock hacking and infrastructure vulnerability assessments prior to the launch of new services (infrastructure vulnerability assessments, source code analysis, and penetration testing)
- Inspections are conducted to assess the current status of personal information processing systems and to verify the implementation of necessary
- · The overall level of security is enhanced through regular and ad-hoc internal audits of the IT infrastructure and information security management systems

Third-Party Information Security Verification and Inspection Activities

Verification	Supervising Agency	Certification Details
Inspection of Major ICT Facilities	Ministry of Science and ICT	Acquisition of the top rating in the 2024 Comprehensive Information Security Level
Inspection of Integrated ICT Facilities	Ministry of Science and ICT	Implementation of protective measures for integrated ICT facilities at the Daedeok and Pangyo Data Centers and enrollment in liability insurance

#### Monitoring

- · Security operations are continuously monitored through a security control center that operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year
- · Emerging cyber threats are monitored via threat intelligence that provides the latest attack information both domestically and internationally
- · A range of activities is carried out, including the collection and analysis of network packets, logs, and event data, as well as the detection of abnormal behaviors—such as malware infections and data leakage—on systems and user PCs
- · Based on the monitoring results, response measures such as blocking network access, distributing alerts on security vulnerabilities, and analyzing new or mutated worms are established and implemented

#### Types of Information Security Monitoring

Category	Monitoring Details	
WAF Detection and blocking of web vulnerability attacks targeting web servers		
NIDS	Detection of network-based intrusion threats	
DLP	Detection and blocking of internal information leakage	
ePM	Detection of malicious/phishing URLs and malicious attachments in emails	
EDR	Detection and response to APT attacks targeting endpoints	

### Security Incident Response

### Incident Response System

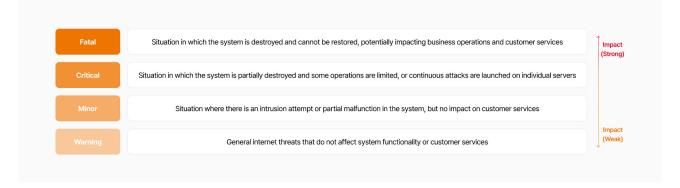
- · SK Inc. has established a reporting process that allows employees to promptly report any information security issues they encounter
- · Security incidents are classified into four severity levels, and standardized response procedures are in place for each type of incident to ensure rapid notification and escalation in the event of a security breach
- · Potential security risks are managed through monthly reviews, which are categorized into prevention, intrusion detection, incident response, and other
- · In cases where internal personnel violate security policies, disciplinary actions are taken in accordance with company regulations to clarify responsibility and strengthen security awareness

#### Types of Information Security Breach Incidents

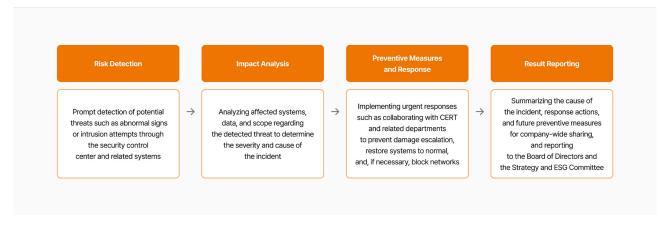
Туре	Key Details	
System attack	Attempts to upload web shells, attacks targeting vulnerabilities in Web/WAS (such as Apache), DDoS attacks, and attempts to hijack administrator privileges, etc.	
Worm/virus infection	Installation of malicious code (virus, worm, ransomware, etc.) on PCs/servers via suspicious links	
Malicious email	Inducing the installation of malicious code via malicious site URLs or attachments in the email body	

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#### Incident Severity Levels



#### Incident Notification and Reporting Process



#### Departmental Roles in Responding to Security Incidents

Department	Role Description
① Reporting Department	Report security incidents to the Information Security Group upon occurrence - ISAC: Receive and report security incidents reported by employees - Control center, situation room, and external agencies: Notify detected security threats
② Information Security Group	Receive and analyze security incident reports (Security Reporting Center)  Announce security incidents via email or company-wide notifications  Collaborate with the CPR and Legal Affairs Group in the event of an information leakage incident  Coordinate with the Incident Management Department in the event of IT incident escalation  Verify response results and submit the final report
③ Incident Management Department	· Implement the incident/situation management process upon confirmation of an IT incident · Share response status with the Information Security Group · Manage the situation and report closure
System Operations Team	System-specific incident response (intrusion blocking, containment measures)     Provide assistance for intrusion response audits     Report incident response results to the Incident Management Department and the Information Security Group
⑤ CPR/ Legal Affairs Group	· Assess the risk of information leakage incidents · Determine whether to report the incident to external agencies · Report to Group SHE and external agencies, and oversee response coordination



## **Enhancing Information Security Awareness**

#### Information Security Initiatives

- · SK Inc. is a member of the Korea Academy of Industrial Security, participating in regular activities and attending the Industrial Security Conference each year
- · In 2024, SK Inc. supported the publication of the 'Cloud Utilization Guide for Corporate Information Protection'
- · Through its involvement in various information security initiatives, the company contributes to enhancing awareness across the industry

#### Information Security Training

- · In addition to company-wide training on information security and personal data protection, customized programs are provided to help employees internalize essential security competencies required for their roles
- · Training support is also offered to assist employees in obtaining professional information security certifications

#### Status of Information Security Training

Training Program	Key Training Content	Target Audience	Completion Rate
Information Security Training	Major security incident cases and response methods	All employees (mandatory)	98.6%
Personal Information Protection Training	Revised Personal Information Protection Act, Al and personal data protection	All employees (mandatory)	98.6%
New and Recently Hired Employee Training	Company-wide information security management system, including enterprise security policies, daily security practices, and incident response	New and recently hired employees	100%
Project Security Training*	PC security, asset management, account management, infrastructure security, cloud security, and inspection activities	Development/business-related employees and suppliers	96%
Development Security Training*	Security compliance requirements during system development, including the analysis, design, development, and testing phases	Development-related employees and suppliers	97%

<sup>\*</sup> Project security training and development security training are conducted in parallel for supplier company employees

#### Al and Personal Information Protection Training Curriculum

Topic	Details
Precautions When Using Al	· Caution against inputting public or personal information · Caution regarding response reliability, ethical issues, and potential bias
Security Considerations for AI Models	Outlier management, robustness assurance, collection of data from trusted sources, validation and testing, vulnerability assessment, etc.  Need for voluntary review of personal data handling when designing and using AI services Six principles of personal information protection in AI Participation (guaranteeing data subject rights), transparency (disclosure of processing history), accountability (clarification of responsibility), lawfulness (lawful processing of personal data), fairness (protection against privacy infringement), and security (establishment of safe management measures)

### Information Security Change Management

· Through the provision of videos on the latest security trends, trend newsletters, and recognition for outstanding participants in security events, the company strengthens employee awareness of information security

#### ChatGPT Guide

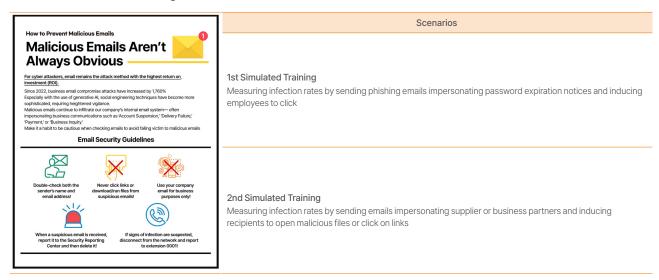




#### Simulated Malicious Email Training

· To prevent security incidents such as malware infection and information leakage/breach, simulated malicious email training and related campaigns were conducted for employees, assuming a scenario of mass distribution of malicious emails (two training sessions held in 2024)

#### 2024 Simulated Malicious Email Training



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# **Information Security Goals**

#### Strengthening Information Security



#### 2025

#### Advancement of Al-powered security management systems\*

 Establishing a pilot Al-powered security monitoring platform

#### 2026

#### **Expansion of Al-powered security** management systems

 Expanding an Al-powered security monitoring platform across the group

#### 2028

#### Establishment of zero trust-based security management system\*\*

· Applying real-time authentication/ threat prediction and multilayered defense system

- \* Al-powered security management system: A security operations system that utilizes artificial intelligence (AI) technology to detect, analyze, and respond to security threats in a more intelligent and efficient manner
- \*\* Zero trust security: A security operations method based on the principle of "never trust, always verify", which involves the continuous verification, control, and monitoring of all access requests to IT infrastructure, while granting only the minimum privileges required

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# Service Quality and Reliability

Delivering reliable services is essential for increasing customer satisfaction, strengthening brand reputation, and gaining a competitive edge. SK Inc. has established principles and systems to manage service quality and proactively prevent risks, while actively collecting customer feedback regarding service quality.

## **Service Quality Governance**

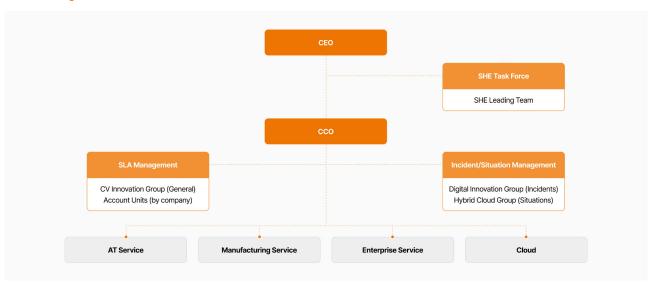
## Service Quality Principle

#### Seven Principles of SGRs (Service Golden Rules)

- · SK Inc. has defined seven core SGR principles to ensure uninterrupted delivery of IT services
- · All employees are required to adhere to the service quality principle, and any violations are subject to penalties in accordance with company regulations
  - 1. Identify targets for preventive inspections and conduct them on a regular basis.
  - 2. Ensure compliance with the change management process for modification activities, including prior approvals.
  - 3. Define backup targets and schedules, perform backups regularly, and verify results.
  - 4. Define and manage monitoring targets and key performance indicators (KPIs) based on the business criticality of each customer.
  - 5. Immediately escalate and respond upon identifying an incident and establish and implement recurrence prevention measures after resolution.
  - 6. Adhere to operational protocols and ensure that tasks performed by supplier companies are conducted under SK Inc.'s supervision.
  - 7. Comply with the security process, including vulnerability assessments during implementing new service, changes, and termination

## Service Management System

#### **Dedicated Organizations**



- · SK Inc. has established a service management system by forming a dedicated organization for SLA management and incident/situation management, led by operations service executives under the Chief Client Officer (CCO)
- · In the event of a major IT incident, reports are submitted to the Group's SUPEX Council, which oversees its management and review
- · To enhance incident response capabilities and strengthen customer trust, SK Inc. has adopted the 'Key Operational Principles (7 Principles)' aimed at eliminating human-error-related incidents, preventing major incidents, and enabling swift response
- · Recurrence prevention measures and the embedding of those practices into operations are discussed based on the root causes of major incidents



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### Operation of Organizations under the Group ICT Committee

- · SK Inc. operates the DT Subcommittee and the IT Planning Team Leaders' Council under the Group ICT Committee to deepen customers' insight into IT/DT
- $\cdot \text{The IT Planning Team Leaders' Council facilitates networking activities aimed at enhancing DT competitiveness across the SK Group, fostering synergy, and strengthening collaboration among member companies$

DT Subcommittee	IT Planning Team Leaders' Council	
Responsible for promoting and implementing group-wide DT initiatives Comprised of CSOs or DT 2.0 initiative executives from 21 member companies Presents tasks to member companies, drives execution through L/H/C, and provides DT technologies and a shared group-wide DT platform	IT Planning Team Leaders' Council Composed of IT planning team leaders from 18 member companies Engages in identifying new DT tasks and discussing shared IT issues Conducts activities such as seminars with invited experts and networking to foster collaboration among member companies	

## **Quality Management Certification**

- $\cdot \text{SK Inc.'s quality management system has been internationally and domestically recognized through certifications granted by reputable organizations$
- · By undergoing annual external audits to maintain these certifications, the company demonstrates its ongoing commitment to systematic quality management and stable operations

Certification	Certifying Body	Certification Details
Quality Management System (ISO 9001)	ISO	Initial certification acquired in 2000 Recertified in 2024 (valid through 2027)
IT Service Management System (ISO 20000)	ISO/IEC	Initial certification acquired in 2006 Recertified in 2024 (valid through 2027)

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# **Service Interruption Management**

## Service Interruption Risk Management

- · Service interruptions are categorized based on the duration of downtime experienced by customers, and incident cases are managed accordingly
- · The potential financial loss associated with service interruptions is assessed, along with estimated downtime
- · Mock drills and scenario-based training sessions are conducted at least twice a year to manage company-wide incident situations and ensure business continuity, with global sites conducting such training four times annually

#### Service Quality Risks

Category	Description	Response Activities
Facility-related Risk	Data center fire	· Conducting fire response drills based on detailed response plans, including fire reporting, personnel readiness, and situation communication
	IT system failure	<ul> <li>Conducting awareness campaigns and distributing letters to employees</li> <li>Operating a quality inspection tool for data models</li> <li>Providing development quality support/inspection services</li> <li>Sharing best practices for incident recurrence prevention and operational quality improvement, as well as incident case studies</li> </ul>
IT-related Risk	System incidents, including hacking	Distributing letters to employees on malicious email prevention, email security guidelines, and data leak prevention Updating IT system vulnerabilities Conducting simulated drills for malicious email response Providing guidance for handling incidents of dark web exposure
	SLA management	· Monitoring management items, assessing service quality, and performing reporting and documentation

## Service Incident Response

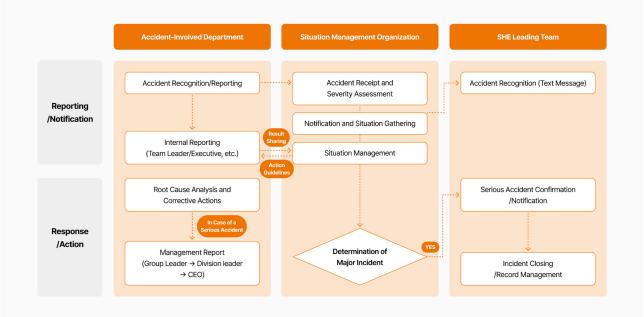
#### Critical Principal for IT Service Operation

- 1. No change work is allowed without a change plan
- 2. All work must be conducted by a team of at least two people, including in-house personnel
- 3. Simultaneous tasks in both operational and development environments are prohibited
- 4. In case of operational errors, thoroughly verify all high-impact backups and high-risk commands
- 5. For services with expiration dates, such as certificates, necessary actions must be taken before the expiration
- 6. Immediately report and escalate any incident upon occurrence
- 7. Collaborate with domain experts to ensure prompt incident resolution

## Service Incident Response System

- · An incident communication and management system is in place for group-wide common services, including 13 key services such as the group portal and
- Each division is responsible for establishing recurrence prevention measures and conducting quarterly reviews to ensure implementation, thereby improving overall service quality
- · In the event of a major incident, an executive-led incident management system is activated to strengthen control and coordination of the response

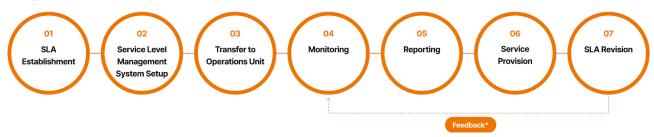
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## Service Level Management

- · Potential service issues are identified in advance, and service levels are measured and managed quantitatively to improve service quality and customer satisfaction
- · Key management items are monitored and service quality is assessed using a service level management system (SLA, Service Level Agreement)
- · Performance reports on service delivery are utilized to identify major issues, and service evaluation meetings are held every month

#### **SLA Operation Procedure**



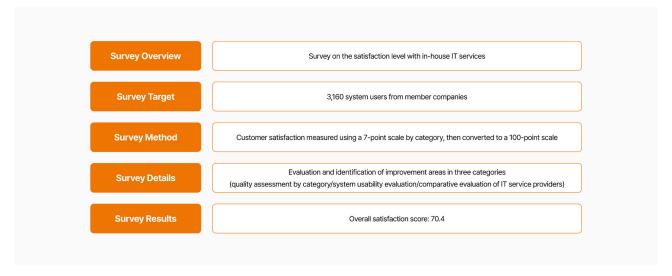
<sup>\*</sup> Results of SLA revision are reflected in monitoring activities

## **Customer Satisfaction**

#### **Customer Satisfaction Survey**

- · Customer needs and dissatisfaction factors are identified and analyzed based on the results of the customer satisfaction survey (CSI)
- · An online survey is conducted with IT personnel from client companies and internal business representatives to collect customer VOC and determine key areas for improvement based on factors contributing to lower scores
- $\cdot \text{The survey items are structured around five key areas that comprehensively cover the overall customer experience}\\$ 
  - Capability: Industry expertise, level of ITS/DT capabilities
  - Management System: Adequacy of the overall structure for project and service operations, including organizational structure, work scope and schedule adherence, and provision of suitable personnel
  - Relationship: Communication, collaboration, and sense of responsibility in building a trust-based relationship with customers
  - Customer Value Proposition: Customer value activities aimed at enhancing customer business performance, including identifying new initiatives and conducting marketing activities
  - IT Service Quality: Service quality management activities, including process compliance, quality improvement, integrated incident management, and internal enhancements

#### 2024 Customer Satisfaction Survey



#### **Customer Satisfaction Management**

- · To strengthen trust-based partnerships with customers, the annual customer satisfaction target is set at an 'Outstanding' level (70 points or higher), and company-wide efforts are continuously made to improve IT services
- · In addition to the overall score, the company analyzes satisfaction levels by specific area and identifies factors contributing to score declines. Based on these findings, improvement tasks are identified from the customer's perspective, and internal operations and collaboration processes are refined to enhance service quality and customer value
- · Since 2022, the company has maintained an 'Outstanding' level of customer satisfaction for three consecutive years

### VOC Process



#### 4-Year Customer Satisfaction Trend

Year	2021	2022	2023	2024
Customer satisfaction score*	67.6	70.7	72.1	70.4

<sup>\*</sup> Since 2023, the 'Security Service' has been separated; the scores for the three years after 2021 have been adjusted accordingly

 $<sup>{\</sup>rm **Satisfaction\,score\,criteria:\,80\,or\,above\,(Excellent),\,70\,or\,above\,(Outstanding),\,60\,or\,above\,(Average)}$ 

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## **R&D Intellectual Property Management**

#### **IPR Strategy**

- $\cdot \text{Support for business expansion through company-wide branding, digital asset trademark acquisition, and P/F and copyright registration}$
- $\cdot \mbox{ Patent infringement risk assessment for major platforms and timely acquisition of IP \ rights$
- · Company-wide compliance obligation risk assessment (IPR)

#### Intellectual Property Management Process



#### Patent Holdings by Field (2024)

Field	Number of Patents Granted/Registered
Al	31
Blockchain	13
Cloud	2
Data	17
Healthcare	1
Financial Strategy	11
Solution	19
Manufacturing	65
Telecommunications	31
Integrated Service	1
Existing Business	57
Clean Technology (Eco-friendly)	15
Total	263

#### Status of Owned Licenses and Data Processing/Storage Capacity (2025)

Category	Status	Description
Number of Owned or Subscribed Licenses	216 licenses (owned)	8 provided via cloud (3.7%)
Data Processing Capacity	461 servers	9,286 cores
Data Storage Capacity	1,012TB	Capacity of general server disks and SAN storage

<sup>\*</sup> Based on the company's own assets, excluding customer-owned equipment used in operations and services. No outsourcing equipment is used for data processing or data storage

# **Service Quality Management Goals**



Maximization of operational efficiency and achievement of zero incidents through high-quality IT service provision

#### Introduction of Al-based operations

- · Strengthening incident response capabilities through Generative Al-based incident history analysis
- · Establishing Al-based Al Call Center (AICC) operation processes
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  Embedding change and operation management principles to prevent human errors

#### Establishment of Al-based operations

- · Predicting and proactively
- · Achieving zero incidents in controllable areas such as

#### Leadership in global-standard Al operations

- · Supporting optimal decisionmaking with Al based on extensive operational data
- · Pursuing smart, efficient, and predictive IT services
- · Achieving automated Al-based problem resolution by introducing self-healing systems





- responding to incidents using Al/big data-based analytics
- human error



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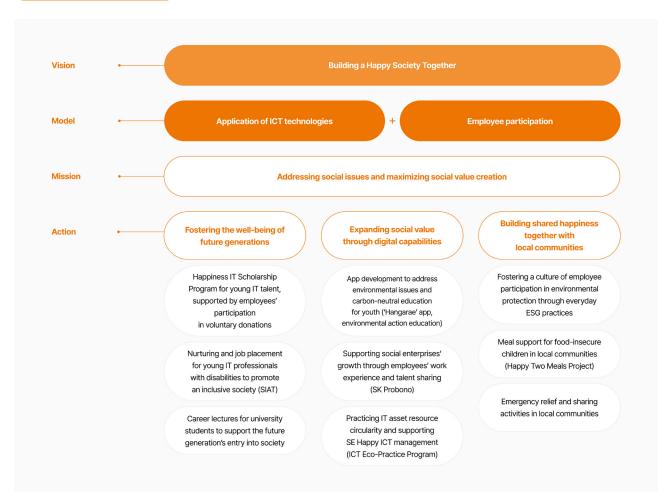


SK Inc. operates various support initiatives and programs aimed at addressing social issues and creating social value, with the goal of realizing a 'Happy Society Together' in collaboration with local communities.

## **Community Engagement Policy**

- · SK Inc. carries out social contribution activities based on communication with local communities
- · The Strategy and ESG Committee, under the Board of Directors, reviews major local community risks identified through stakeholder engagement

Community Engagement Policy →



### **Community Engagement**

- · SK Inc. engages in regular communication with key stakeholders to identify and support urgent local issues and underserved areas in need of assistance
- ·SK Inc. strengthens community engagement through collaboration and partnerships with local public-private councils (such as Community Welfare Councils), organizations and institutions (including Volunteer Centers and Sustainable Development Councils), and social enterprises

# **Key Social Contribution Activities**

## Fostering the Well-being of the Next Generation

- · SK Inc. is implementing the Stepping Stone Project to support the well-being of the future generation by addressing key social issues. The program includes scholarship initiatives to support education and vocational training to aid their transition into society
- · This program contributes to UN SDG Goal 4 (Quality Education) and Goal 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth)

#### Overview of Next Generation Development Initiatives



### Performance in Fostering the Next Generation

Program	Category	Unit	2024 Performance
Happy IT Scholarship Program	Scholarship amount	KRW thousand	127,442
парру п эспоіагупір Ргодгаті	Number of scholarship recipients	Persons	32
SIAT Project	Number of hires (graduates)	Persons	37(40)
SIAT Project	Number of hiring companies	Companies	26
Career Lectures	Number of participants	Persons	10

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## Promoting Social Value Through Digital Capabilities

- ·SK Inc. promotes social value by leveraging its digital capabilities to develop and support participatory platforms that enable engagement in solving social issues, as well as by encouraging employees to contribute their professional expertise through talent donation
- · These programs contribute to the achievement of UN SDG Goal 8 (Decent Work and Inclusive Economic Growth), Goal 9 (Building Resilient Infrastructure), and Goal 12 (Responsible Consumption and Production)

Overview of Digital Competency Development Initiatives



#### Performance in Expanding Social Value

Program	Category	Unit	2024 Performance
	Number of registered participants	Persons	72,831
Environmental Practice Education	Number of companies/organizations that participated	Entities	108
	Amount of social value created	KRW 100 million	30.6
	Number of participants	Persons	124
SK Probono	Participation time	Hours	1,726
	Number of supported social enterprises	Companies	153
	Number of total employees	Persons	70
ICT Eco Practice	Number (ratio) of employees with disabilities	Persons (%)	28(40)
	Number of donated IT assets	Units	2,696

#### Government Award in the Field of Information Culture Advancement

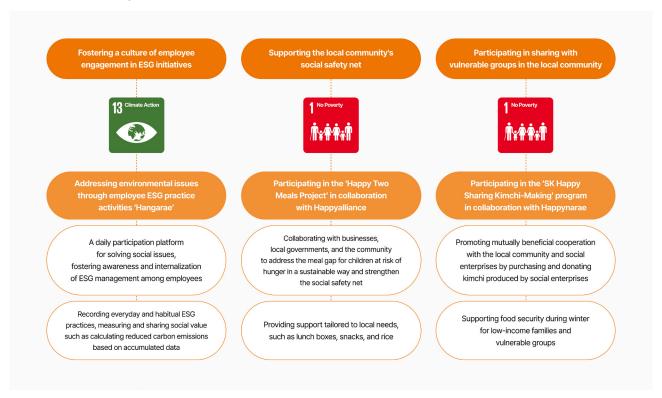
In 2024, SK Inc. was honored with the Presidential Citation at the 37th Information Culture Month hosted by the Ministry of Science and ICT, in recognition of its contributions to advancing information culture. This award recognizes individuals and organizations that have contributed to building an inclusive digital society and promoting a healthy information culture by addressing digital disparities, fostering sound information culture, and responding to the negative impacts of digital technology.

As part of its social contribution efforts, SK Inc. has taken the lead in enhancing digital accessibility and empowering digitally marginalized groups through various programs. These include job support for ICT professionals (SIAT, Happy ICT), ICT-based technical support (Hangarae App, Speech Catch, free cloud support services), IT competency training (IT lectures for university students, Open Seed Mate, upskilling programs for currently employed individuals, and DDA programs for middle-aged individuals and women with career gaps), and the Happy IT Scholarship Program for students exploring career paths—contributing to the realization of an inclusive and sustainable digital society.

## Fostering Shared Happiness and Mutual Growth with the Local Community

- · As a member of the local community, SK Inc. strives to fulfill its responsibilities and roles by conducting daily ESG practice campaigns and supporting the local social safety net, thereby promoting the sharing of happiness.
- $\cdot$  This program contributes to UN SDG Goal 1 (No Poverty) and Goal 13 (Climate Action).

#### Overview of Local Community Mutual Growth Initiatives



#### Performance in Mutual Growth with Local Communities

Program	Category	Unit	2024 Performance
	Number of participants	Persons	2,653
Employee-led ESG Practices	Number of practices	Cases	703,496
	Social value created	KRW 1 million	182
0 1 0	Donation amount	KRW 1 million	50
Community Support	Number of beneficiaries	Persons	495
Kimchi-making Support for Vulnerable	Donation amount	KRW 1 million	50
Groups	Number of beneficiary households	Households	2,600

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## Participatory ESG Platform 'Hangarae'

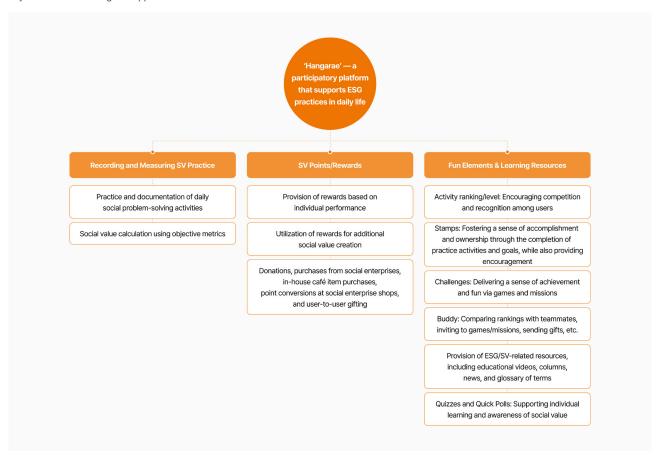
- $\cdot \text{'Hangarae' means 'bringing happiness to tomorrow' and embodies the spirit of coming together}$
- · It is a mobile application that guides users to easily participate in everyday activities that help address social issues, and supports continued engagement through various motivational elements and enjoyable features—encouraging consistent participation in creating social value

( Hangarae Website →

#### Hangarae SV Measurement

- · In the ESG management landscape, measuring and managing social value is gaining importance—not only as a proactive response to stakeholders but also as a way to demonstrate organizational innovation and differentiation
- · Through the 'Hangarae' app, SK Inc. quantifies the social value generated from employees' ESG activities. This measurement focuses on three primary benefit areas: reduction in carbon emissions, resource savings, and decreased social costs
- · This SV measurement framework enables the quantification of the positive impact generated by ESG practices and supports the ongoing pursuit of sustainable social value creation

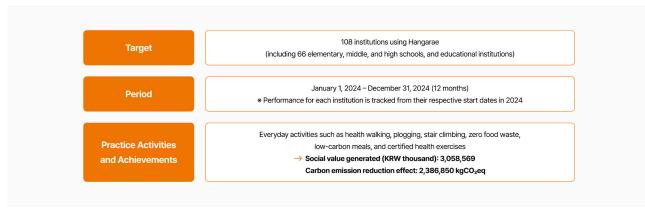
#### Key Features of the Hangarae App





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### Social Value Generated through Hangarae Usage



**Generated Social Value** (Unit: KRW thousand)

Practice Activity	Number of Practices (10,000 steps/ session)	Carbon Emission Reduction Effect (kgCO <sub>2</sub> eq)	Amount of Social Value Created (A + B + C)	Carbon Emission Reduction Benefit (A)	Resource Saving Benefit (B)	Social Cost Reduction Benefit (C)
Healthy Walking	1,313,274	1,287,008	858,881	136,580	-	722,300
Plogging	23,924	301	119,908	31		119,877
Stair Use	3,105,003	32,913	21,145	3,415	1,428	16,301
Health Bicycle	37,624	21,145	24,399	2,250	17,680	4,470
Public Transport/Carpool Use	211,961	661,003	480,750	70,277	410,473	-
Eco-Friendly Vehicle Use	452	1,356	144	144	-	-
Mug Cup/Tumbler Use	652,158	18,260	103,431	1,956	101,475	-
Reusable Shopping Bag Use	85,586	4,065	4,707	428	4,279	-
Reusable/Refillable Container Use	33,988	8,674	921	921	-	-
Separate Disposal and Sorting of Resources (PET Bottles, Aluminum Cans, Batteries, etc.)	237,031	60,056	21,676	6,392	15,284	-
Recycling/Donating Used Phones	1,611	21,383	42,488	2,274	40,214	-
Zero Food Waste	588,817	89,794	212,680	9,539	203,142	-
Low-Carbon Meals	79,275	79,275	8,427	8,427	-	-
Turning Off Power (Earth Hour, Lights Off, Power Strips, etc.)	444,577	41,337	13,215	4,383	8,832	-
Saving Electricity for Home Appliances / Cooling Efficiency	25,415	15,667	5,582	1,666	3,916	-
Reducing Digital Carbon Footprint (PC, Emails, etc.)	191,145	30,547	9,876	3,248	6,628	-
Water Conservation (Using Rinse Cups, etc.)	145,680	483	1,575	52	1,523	-
Paper Saving (Double-Sided Printing, Handkerchiefs, E-Receipts, etc.)	124,920	2,423	7,610	253	7,357	-
Reuse and Share (e.g., Internal Carrot Market)	21,357	11,000	1,170	1,170	=	-
Blood Donation Certification	2,817	-	283,080	-	-	283,080
Social Contribution Activities	26,161	161	738,226	17	-	738,208
Health Exercise Verification	23,381	-	7,014	-	-	7,014
Reward Donations	48,986	-	36,555	-	-	36,555
Ethical Consumption (Buy Social)	9,471	-	55,408	-	-	55,408
Total	6,121,340 (Excluding Healthy Walking)	2,386,850	3,058,869	253,422	822,232	1,983,215

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- · SK Inc. conducts annual assessments to identify and evaluate potential adverse impacts on local communities. These assessments draw on the monitoring of local social issues through participation in community councils, stakeholder needs analyses and surveys, interviews, and community roundtables, and are further aligned with initiatives in environmental management, safety and health management, and human rights management
- Identified risks are assessed based on the likelihood of their occurrence, their potential impact on business operations, and the level of risk control. Those deemed to pose higher risks are prioritized for remediation and close management
- · In 2024, risks such as fire, hazardous material leakage, and explosions were identified as having potential impact on local communities, but the overall risk level was assessed to be low. Despite this low risk, SK Inc. has continued risk mitigation efforts—such as safety inspections, training and management considering severity and potential consequences—which have resulted in no related incidents
- · Risk levels associated with community-related issues are continuously monitored and managed in conjunction with the company's overall business operations

#### 2024 Community-Related Risk Assessment and Response Summary

Category	Risks/Requirements	Control Measures	Risk Level Assessment	Result	
	Strengthening fire safety management standards	Establishment of emergency response guidelines	Low		
Fire	Malfunction in the fire prevention system of the company cafeteria; cooking gas explosion	Maintenance of the fire prevention system, regular safety inspections, and fire extinguisher training	Moderately high	0 fire incidents in 2024	
,	Fire caused by discoloration, overheating, and corrosion of electrical equipment terminals	Regular thermal imaging scans and sharing of safety alerts with workers	Very low		
Hazardous Material Leak	Potential release of hazardous risk factors from new data center resources	Application of risk assessment processes down to the level of individual construction tasks	Low	0 leak incidents in 2024	
Evaluation	Explosion during pressure gauge replacement on dry valve	Worksite tidiness and organization and regular safety inspections	Very low	0 explosion	
Explosion	Explosion of emergency generator starter battery electrolyte	Installation of battery covers and sharing of safety precautions with workers	Very low	incidents in 2024	
	Number of identified risk cases/Number of addressed cases				

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## **Social Contribution Goals**



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#### Internalization of ESG values

- Strengthening communication to promote employee participation
- Enhancing local community cooperation channels

#### 2027

#### Expansion of social value through Al/Digital technologies

- Advancing AI competency development models for future generations
- Enhancing collaboration with local communities and stakeholders

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## Establishment of a sustainable

- Expanding Al-based social contribution models
- Strengthening social value leadership

#### Social Value Creation Goals



<sup>\*</sup> Social contribution programs are measured based on outcomes, such as the number of program participants who gain employment. In cases where it is difficult to measure outcomes, such as volunteer activities or donations, input costs are used as the measurement basis

#### Social Contribution KPI

Key Metric	2025 Target	2027 Target	2030 Target
Amount of Social Value Created*	Target of achieving KRW 3 billion in social value creation	Target of achieving KRW 3.2 billion in social value creation	Target of achieving KRW 3.5 billion in social value creation

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<sup>\* 2024</sup> Performance: KRW 2.89 billion



# **Governance**

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# Governance

SK Inc. has established and operates a robust governance structure across all phases of its business operations to build trust with diverse stakeholders—including investors, customers, and local communities—serving as a foundation for transparent decision-making and responsible management.

## **Board Operations**

## **Board Operation Policy**

#### Corporate Governance Charter

- · To enhance management transparency and provide information related to governance—including shareholder rights and the responsibilities of the Board of Directors and audit bodies—SK Inc. established and publicly disclosed its Corporate Governance Charter (2018)
- · To strengthen the role of the Board and expand communication with shareholders and stakeholders across all aspects of ESG management, SK Inc. specified the Corporate Governance Charter in its Articles of Incorporation through a resolution at the General Meeting of Shareholders (2021)
- \* Changes in bylaw were made through a special resolution at the General Meeting of Shareholders (Articles 433 and 434 of the Korean Commercial Act)

Corporate Governance Charter →

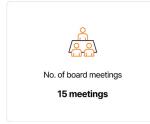
#### **Director Appointment**

- · Executive and independent directors are appointed through a resolution at the General Meeting of Shareholders, in accordance with the Korean Commercial Act and the Articles of Incorporation
- · For independent directors, the Nomination and Compensation Committee selects a pool of candidates and, through a rigorous screening process,  $recommends individuals \ with \ the \ necessary \ qualifications \ -- taking \ into \ account \ expertise, independence, \ and \ compliance \ with \ relevant \ laws \ -- to \ the \ General \ relevant \ laws \ -- to \ the \ General \ relevant \ laws \ -- to \ the \ relevant \ laws \ -- to \ the \ relevant \ laws \ -- to \ the \ relevant \ laws \ -- to \ the \ relevant \ laws \ -- to \ the \ relevant \ laws \ -- to \ the \ relevant \ laws \ -- to \ the \ relevant \ laws \ -- to \ the \ relevant \ laws \ -- to \ the \ relevant \ laws \ -- to \ relevant \ -- to \ releva$ Meeting of Shareholders. Once confirmed, the recommended candidates are appointed as directors following a Board resolution to convene the General Meeting
- · SK Inc. aims to maintain a Board composition in which independent directors constitute a majority (more than 50%)
- $\cdot \, \text{The bylaw of SK Inc. do not contain any separate provisions that limit the liability of directors} \\$

## **Board Operation Status**

#### Convening and Holding Board Meetings

- Regular Board meetings are held once a month, and special meetings are convened as needed. Resolutions are passed with the attendance of a majority of all directors and the approval of a majority of those present
- Details on Board activities—including the attendance rates at board meetings and the voting records of individual directors on agenda items—are disclosed on the company website and in the business report









#### **Efficient Board Operations**

- · To ensure directors' participation in Board meetings, all directors may take part in resolutions through telecommunication means that allow simultaneous voice transmission and reception, even without being physically present
- · For key agenda items, prior review is conducted by relevant committees before the Board meeting. Any questions or requests raised by directors during the committee process are reviewed by the relevant internal units, and additional explanations are provided before the Board meeting
- · The Board and committee regulations explicitly state the right to seek advice from external advisory bodies
- · All directors are required to maintain a minimum attendance rate of 80%, and all independent directors (a total of five) hold no more than four concurrent external positions

#### **Board Risk Training**

· To enhance the expertise and risk management capabilities of independent directors, SK Inc. conducts regular training sessions—held at least once annually—covering topics such as changes in the industrial landscape, key risks, and regulatory trends (a total of three sessions were conducted in 2024)

Training Date	Independent Directors in Attendance	Key Training Topics
June 4, 2024	Yeom, Jae Ho	Direction for portfolio rebalancing and plan for operation improvement
November 7, 2024	Yeom, Jae Ho; Kim, Seon Hee; Pak Hyun Ju Helen; Yoon, Chi Won	Direction and roadmap for Board 2.0
November 21, 2024	Kim, Byoung Ho; Yeom, Jae Ho; Kim, Seon Hee; Pak Hyun Ju Helen; Yoon, Chi Won	Semiconductor industry trends

# **Board Composition**

# **Board Composition Status**

(As of March 26, 2025)

Name (Gender)	Responsibilities	Expertise and Major Career Background	Tenure	Years in Office*
Lee, Kwan Young (Male)	Independent Director Chairperson of the Strategy and ESG Committee	[Field] Industry Expertise, Sustainability Management [Career Highlights] - Ph.D. in Synthetic Chemistry, The University of Tokyo (Japan) - Vice President for Research, Korea University - [Current] Researcher, Korea Institute of Science and Technology (KIST)	Mar. 2025 – Mar. 2028	Mar. 26, 2025 New Appointment
Yoon, Chi Won (Male)	Independent Director Chairperson of the Audit Committee	[Field] Business Management, M&A, Globality, Industry Expertise, Risk Management (Reference criteria: Leadership, Core Industries, Finance/Risk, M&A, International Relations) [Career Highlights]  · Master's Degree, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (USA)  · Chairman, EQONEX  · Independent Director, Hyundai Motor Company  · [Current] Independent Director, SK Inc.	Mar. 2024 – Mar. 2027	1 year
Jeong, Jong Ho (Male)	Independent Director	[Field] International Relations, Law, Public Policy [Career Highlights] - Ph.D. in Anthropology, Yale University (USA) - Dean, Graduate School of International Studies, Seoul National University - [Current] Vice Chairperson, Seoul National University Foundation	Mar. 2025 – Mar. 2028	Mar. 26, 2025 New Appointment
Pak Hyun Ju Helen (Female)	Independent Director Chairperson of the Nomination and Compensation Committee	[Field] Risk Management, M&A Globality, Law [Career Highlights] - JD, Columbia Law School (USA) - Foreign Attorney, JIPYONG LLC - [Current] Senior Foreign Attorney, SHIN & KIM LLC	Mar. 2023 – Mar. 2026	2 years
Kim, Seon Hee (Female)	Independent Director Chairperson of the Board of Directors	[Field] Business Management, Finance, M&A, Industry Expertise, Risk Management [Career Highlights]  · Master's Degree in Business Administration, University of Minnesota (USA)  · Director, UBS Investment Bank (Switzerland)  · [Current] Vice Chairperson and CEO, Maeil Dairies Co., Ltd.	Mar. 2024 – Mar. 2027	4 years
Chey, Tae-won (Male)	Executive Director Chairperson and CEO	[Field] Business and Economics, International Relations, Social Value, Sustainability Management [Career Highlights]  · Completed Ph.D. coursework in Economics, University of Chicago (USA)  · [Current] Chairperson, SK Innovation  · [Current] Chairperson, SK hynix  · [Current] Chairperson and CEO, SK Inc.	Mar. 2022 – Mar. 2028	9 years
Jang, Yong-ho (Male)	Executive Director President and CEO	[Field] Business Management, M&A, Portfolio Management, Risk Management, Industry Expertise [Career Highlights]  · Bachelor's Degree in Economics, Seoul National University  · CEO and President, SK Siltron  · [Current] President and CEO, SK Inc.	Mar. 2024 – Mar. 2027	1 year
Kang, Dong Soo (Male)	Executive Director	[Field] Finance and Accounting, M&A, Sustainability Management [Career Highlights]  · Master's Degree in Business Administration, University of British Columbia (Canada)  · Head of Strategy and Finance Division, SK Innovation  · [Current] Head of Portfolio Management Division, SK Inc	Mar. 2025 – Mar. 2028	Mar. 26, 2025 New Appointment

<sup>\*</sup> Years in office include reappointments



## Board Expertise, Independence, and Diversity

#### **Board Expertise**

- · Director candidates are nominated and appointed based on their qualifications and competencies to ensure that the collective skill set of the Board contributes to the company's long-term growth and development
- · The Board is composed of members with extensive expertise or practical experience in leadership; core industries (semiconductors, Al/digital, energy, bio, etc.); finance, accounting, and risk management; law and public policy; mergers and acquisitions and capital markets; international relations; and environmental, social, and governance (ESG) matters
- · SK Inc. enhances the Board's expertise by providing access to seminars and training programs led by external experts

#### Board Skills Matrix (BSM)

Category	Name	Leadership	Core Industries	Finance/ Accounting and Risk	Law/Public Policy	M&A/Capital Markets	International Relations	ESG
	Yoon, Chi Won	•	•	•		•	•	•
	Lee, Kwan Young	•	•	•				•
Independent Director	Pak Hyun Ju Helen	•		•	•	•		•
	Kim, Seon Hee	•	•	•		•		•
	Jeong, Jong Ho	•		•	•		•	•
	Chey, Tae-won	•	•	•		•	•	•
Executive Director	Jang, Yong-ho	•	•	•		•		•
	Kang, Dong Soo	•	•	•		•		•

#### **Board Independence**

- · SK Inc. ensures board independence by separating the roles of the Chairperson of the Board and the CEO (with the Chairperson position held by an independent director)
- $\cdot \ \, \text{Independent directors are appointed from individuals with no special ties to management, and may not serve as directors or unlimited liability partners of other liability partners of the li$ companies in the same line of business without board approval
- Directors with a special interest in a resolution of the board are restricted from exercising their voting rights on that matter

Board Independence Guidelines →

## **Board Diversity**

· SK Inc. recognizes mutual growth with various stakeholders as a core management philosophy and strategy, and pursues diversity in board composition including race, gender, age, nationality, education, and religion—to establish a well-balanced foundation for decision-making

Board Diversity Guidelines →

## **Committees under the Board of Directors**

## **Overview of Committee Operations**

- · As of 2025, three committees operate under the Board of Directors, each primarily composed of independent directors to ensure independent operation
- · To enhance efficiency and systematic operation, the Governance Committee and the ESG Committee were merged into the newly established Strategy and ESG Committee (December 2024)
- · The Strategy and ESG Committee reviews key matters related to the company's strategy, environment, social value, and governance, as well as financial and non-financial risks associated with the business
- · By including one of the CEOs as a member, the Strategy and ESG Committee expands discussions on management strategy and strengthens its overall function

Committee	Purpose	Role & Function	Independent Director	Executive Director
Strategy and ESG Committee	Review and management of key matters related to the company's strategic direction and ESG issues	Review mid- to long-term business strategies     Review matters related to investment, planning, accounting, and financial management     Manage financial and non-financial risks     Plan and manage the execution and performance of key ESG-related activities     Review internal transactions not subject to Article 26 of the Monopoly Regulation and Fair Trade Act     Establish, revise, and repeal internal regulations and policies	Lee, Kwan Young* Yoon, Chi Won Pak Hyun Ju Helen Kim, Seon Hee Jeong, Jong Ho	Jang, Yong-ho
Personnel and Nomination Committee	Deliberation on the nomination of independent director candidates, evaluation and retention of the CEO, and assessment of the appropriateness of executive directors' compensation	Review the appropriateness of individual compensation for executive directors     Evaluate the CEO, review retention or recommend a successor candidate     Deliberate and resolve on the nomination of independent director candidates     Address other matters necessary for nominating independent director candidates and those delegated by the Board of Directors	Pak Hyun Ju Helen* Jeong, Jong Ho	Chey, Tae-won
Audit Committee	Audit of accounting and business operations, and supervision of risk and internal control management	Review matters related to accounting and external auditors     Review internal audit plans and provide feedback on audit outcomes     Conduct prior review of internal transactions     Oversee ethics and anti-corruption management     Address other matters stipulated by laws, the Articles of Incorporation, or the Board regulations	Yoon, Chi Won* Pak Hyun Ju Helen Kim, Seon Hee	

<sup>\*</sup> Chairperson

## **Director Remuneration**

## **Board Compensation**

- · In accordance with legal requirements, director remuneration is paid within the limits approved by the General Meeting of Shareholders, with the amount and calculation method disclosed in the business report
- · The Nomination and Compensation Committee reviews individual remuneration for executive directors, and the final decision—including for independent directors—is made by the Board of Directors
- · Compensation for senior management is determined based on an effective performance evaluation that incorporates key indicators such as revenue, operating profit, debt ratio, cash dividend payout ratio, total shareholder return, credit rating, growth rate, and the Sustainability Rate
- · ESG factors are incorporated into the KPIs of all executives, including the CEO, with the 2024 KPIs covering initiatives such as improving the employee happiness index, achieving top-tier global ESG ratings, and expanding discussions of key ESG-related agenda items within the Board and the Strategy & ESG Committee
- KPI scores influence the Target Incentive component of performance-based pay, which is calculated based on the overall KPI achievement rate and incorporates ESG-related factors
- · The Board of Directors resolves the performance evaluation of senior management, and their compensation is provided within the director remuneration limit approved by the General Meeting of Shareholders, based on an effective assessment of management performance.
- A three-year performance linkage period is applied, and long-term incentives are granted to management by directly linking compensation to corporate sustainability
- · Stock grants are awarded using treasury shares

## **Board Performance Evaluation**

- · To enhance the transparency and effectiveness of Board operations, an annual Board evaluation is conducted with participation from independent directors, key internal executives, and external stakeholders. The evaluation also covers each of the Board's committees
- · In 2024, a written assessment was carried out involving key executives and external stakeholders who attended Board meetings, and detailed areas for improvement were identified and incorporated into Board operations based on the analysis of the results
- · The 2024 Board evaluation score was 4.5 out of 5, showing a slight decline compared to the previous year
- · The Board evaluation covers five areas: (1) the roles, functions, and responsibilities of the Board; (2) Board composition and director qualifications; (3) Board operations; (4) committee structure; and (5) committee operations. The assessment consists of both quantitative scoring and descriptive evaluation

**Ethics and Compliance** 

SK Inc. promotes transparent and responsible management by operating a structured ethical management system and a fair trade compliance program, continuously reinforcing trust with all stakeholders.

## **Ethical Management Governance**

## Operational Structure of Ethical Management

- · The Audit Committee under the Board of Directors oversees risk management, internal controls, ethical management, and anti-corruption issues (14 meetings held in 2024)
- · Internal audit departments are established under the Audit Committee (Risk Management & Corporate Audit for the Investment Division, Ethics Management Group for the Business Division) to carry out ethical management and risk management activities, with authority and independence ensured for each responsible organization
- · The Audit Committee holds the authority to appoint and dismiss the head of the internal Audit Department (the executive in charge of ethical management), and the organization responsible for Ethical Management Group is composed of experienced professionals

## **Ethical Management Policy**

- · Scope of Application: Applies to all permanent, contract, dispatched, and part-time employees of SK Inc. and its subsidiaries under managerial control
- · Key Contents
  - SK Inc. has established a Code of Ethics to clarify ethical standards of conduct for employees and has disclosed detailed practice guidelines to support its
  - A zero-tolerance principle is applied to violations of the ethical standards, with disciplinary procedures enforced accordingly. All employees are required to sign an annual ethical management pledge
  - The Code of Ethics is reviewed annually to assess the need for revision, and any updates are communicated company-wide to enhance awareness and
  - A 'Supplier Code of Ethics Pledge' has been established to outline ethical requirements for suppliers, and submission of this document is mandatory for all contracts



Code of Ethics Practice Guidelines →

### Key Areas of Ethical Management Practice

Area	Details
Anti-Bribery/Anti-Corruption	<ul> <li>Prohibition of receiving entertainment, hospitality, facilities, or personal benefits from stakeholders</li> <li>Prohibition of offering or accepting money or valuables</li> <li>Compliance with gift and gratuity guidelines (prohibition of monetary transactions between employees)</li> </ul>
Human Rights Protection	Mutual respect among employees (prohibition of workplace bullying)     Prohibition of human rights violations, sexual harassment, and discrimination     Prohibition of unfair treatment toward suppliers
Information Protection	Prohibition of internal information and technology leakage     Protection of personal information of customers, business partners, and employees
Prevention of Conflicts of Interest	Prioritization of company interests in situations involving conflicts of interest     Prohibition of secondary employment/concurrent positions or transactions with relatives' companies without prior approval     Prohibition of money laundering and insider trading     Prohibition of private use of company assets     Prohibition of false or delayed reporting
Fair Competition	• Fair transactions with suppliers and competitors (in compliance with the Fair Trade Act, the Improper Solicitation and Graft Act, the Subcontracting Act, etc.) • Prohibition of illegal political contributions
Environment, Health, and Safety	· Efforts to ensure the safety and health of employees and suppliers · Efforts to preserve the environment and comply with relevant regulations
Protection of Whistleblower Rights	Prohibition of discrimination or disadvantage resulting from whistleblowing     Implementation of protection measures for whistleblowers and witnesses     Mitigation of disciplinary action for voluntary reporting

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# **Internalization of Ethical Management**

- · SK Inc. conducts an annual ethical management pledge for all employees, which includes the company's anti-corruption principle
- · Annual ethical management training is provided to all employees—including permanent, contract, and part-time staff—to enhance awareness of ethical practices and prevent corruption
- · Ethical management letters are regularly distributed to share recent case examples, guidance on the use of reporting channels, and principles for protecting whistleblowers
- · Specialized training is provided for newly appointed leaders to strengthen ethical leadership, along with separate compliance capability-building programs for field-based leadership roles (PM, business operation, sales personnel, etc.)

## **Ethical Management Training**

- · Training programs are developed annually based on real cases of unethical conduct
- · In 2024, SK Inc. achieved a 97% completion rate for the ethical management training across the entire organization
- $\cdot \, \text{Supplier companies participating in SK Inc.} \, \, \text{projects recorded a 72\% training completion rate} \,$

**Ethical Violation** Cases (Don't)

· SK Inc. collects potential cases of ethical violations that may arise during business operations and shares them as ethical guidelines to support employees in carrying out their duties

Category	Key Details
Unethical	Basic etiquette, gifts/entertainment/hospitality, conflicts of interest, company assets and information protection, and workplace discrimination and harassment
Security	PC security, information and document management, project-related security, etc.
Subcontracting	Determination and adjustment of subcontracting payments, payment of subcontracting fees, failure to issue written contracts, inspection and result notification, unfair business interference, restrictions on subcontracting, etc.
Tax Affairs and Fair Trade	Issue-related transactions, unfair internal transactions, unfair collusive practices (anti-trust and anti-competitive behaviors), and unfair trade practices (e.g., bribery disguised as charitable donations), etc.
Reporting and Management	Pursuit of unsound business projects, false, delayed, or partial reporting, and negligence in business management

#### 2024 Ethical Management Training Topics

Category	Key Topics (Case Examples)
Conflict of Interest (Violation of Dual Employment Policy)	· Employment at a startup that poses a conflict of interest with the company · Neglect of duties due to dual employment
Information Security	· Leakage of confidential documents to external parties · Disclosure of company information in public places · Stock trading using undisclosed internal information
Whistleblowing/Consultation	· Guidelines and precautions for reporting ethical management issues · Support for addressing concerns related to whistleblowing
Discrimination and Harassment	· Prohibited acts of workplace harassment · Reporting procedures for discrimination and harassment

#### 2024 Ethical Management Training Participation Status

Category	Training Target Group	Target Participants	Completed Participants	Completion Rate (%)	Remarks
	All employees	4,264 participants	4,132 participants	96.9	Excludes dispatched workers
SK Inc.	Permanent employees	4,107 participants	3,991 participants	97.2	
	Temporary employees	157 participants	141 participants	89.8	Includes contract, part- time, and daily workers
Suppliers	Employees of project participant companies	7,371 participants	5,293 participants	71.8	Training completed by 580 supplier companies

<sup>\*</sup> Includes all permanent, contract-based, and part-time employees of SK Inc.'s investment and business units (employees on leave or dispatched overseas, for whom training participation was not feasible, were excluded from the target participants)

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#### **Ethical Management Training for Suppliers**

- · All suppliers contracting with SK Inc. are required to submit a mandatory 'Supplier Code of Ethics Pledge,' which covers safety and health, environment, and ethical conduct, at the time of contract execution
- · Online ethical management training is provided to supplier personnel participating in SK Inc. projects at the start of their involvement. The training includes an overview of SK Inc.'s ethical management system, major violation cases, and reporting channels

#### **Ethical Management Practice Activities**

- Through ethical management workshops, employees are trained to independently assess and resolve ethical dilemmas, and engage in team-based discussions to identify appropriate solutions
- Ethical management surveys targeting employees are conducted to assess the level of compliance in each area of the code of ethics, the effectiveness of related systems, and the degree to which ethical culture is embedded in the organization
- Ethical management surveys are conducted at the SK Group level, ensuring anonymity and objectivity, and the results are used to identify areas for improvement in ethical management for the following year

#### Enhancing the Expertise of the Dedicated Ethical Management Group

- · SK Inc. enhances its ethical management practices and safeguards the company and its employees from various ethical risks by strengthening the professional competencies of members in the dedicated ethical management group
- · All members of the dedicated group are required to complete at least one training course annually related to their assigned audit area
- · In 2024, trainings were conducted on topics aligned with audit areas such as labor management, accounting, and criminal law, and all members completed external training on internal auditing for anti-corruption systems

## Anti-Corruption and Anti-Bribery

#### Anti-Corruption and Anti-Bribery Standards

- · SK Inc. has established an 'Anti-Corruption Principle' to prevent bribery and corrupt practices and operates detailed guidelines to support its implementation
- · Anti-corruption training is provided alongside ethical management training to raise awareness among all employees (including permanent, contract-based, and part-time employees)
- · In the event of a violation, a preliminary and full investigation is conducted according to the reporting and investigation procedure, followed by disciplinary actions and corrective measures
- · Violation cases and corresponding actions are compiled and managed annually to continuously enhance the effectiveness of the anti-corruption system

#### **Anti-Corruption Management System**

- · In 2021, SK Inc. established the 'Anti-Corruption Management System Operating Regulation'
- · The company obtained and has since maintained ISO 37001 certification for its anti-corruption management system through individual assessments conducted across all business sites
- · In accordance with ISO 37001 certification requirements, anti-corruption risk assessments have been completed for a total of four business sites

#### **Anti-Corruption Guidelines**



#### Anti-Corruption and Anti-Bribery Training

#### 2024 Anti-Corruption and Anti-Bribery Training Overview

Category	Key Topics (Case Examples)
Personal Use of Company Expenses	Personal use of corporate credit cards (e.g., family meals)     Personal use and off-premises removal of company assets
False Reporting and Improper Sales Practices	· Underreporting, concealment, delay, or partial reporting · Manipulation of performance results to meet sales targets
Insider Transactions/Anti-Corruption	· Guidelines on insider transactions · Introduction to the Anti-Corruption Principle and anti-corruption management system

## 2024 Anti-Corruption and Anti-Bribery Training Participation Status

Training Target Group	Target Participants*	Completed Participants	Completion Rate (%)	Remarks
All employees	4,264 participants	4,132 participants	96.9	Excludes dispatched workers
Permanent employees	4,107 participants	3,991 participants	97.2	
Temporary employees	157 participants	141 participants	89.8	Includes contract, part-time, and daily workers

<sup>\*</sup> Includes all permanent, contract-based, and part-time employees of SK Inc.'s investment and business units (employees on leave or dispatched overseas, for whom training participation was not feasible, were excluded from the target participants)

## **Compliance with Fair Competition**

## **Compliance Management**



#### **Compliance Management System**

- · A four-step compliance process—'CP Planning → Operation → Evaluation → Improvement/Reporting'—is implemented in a continuous cycle (third-party verification of the compliance system is also conducted)
- · Major risks are analyzed and assessed to design a globally aligned compliance program, while efforts are made to foster and promote a culture of compliance across the organization
- · A semiannual compliance awareness survey is conducted among employees to identify areas for improvement, which are then reflected in the following year's compliance program (CP) plan. Operational performance and plans are reported to the Board of Directors and management on a semiannual basis

#### **Compliance Program Operation Process**



#### Risk Identification and Management

- · Risks are identified through the analysis of newly enacted or revised laws and regulations, reviews of past violation cases, and the results of employee compliance awareness surveys
- · Among the identified risks, those requiring improvement are selected for focused management based on the likelihood of occurrence, impact on business operations, and the level of existing controls
- · In 2024, the company designated the strengthened enforcement against the misappropriation of supplier technologies and a focused inspection of the costlinked supply pricing system as key risks
- · To mitigate these risks, compliance training was provided to employees (5,991 participants annually), and improvements were made to subcontracting and procurement processes, which were also reflected in the system
- · In the follow-up assessment conducted in 2024, the risk levels of technology misappropriation, collusion, and unfair support were partially reduced; however, considering their potential impact on business operations, they were designated for continued monitoring and management

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## Fair Trade Compliance Program (CP)

#### **Program Overview**

- · SK Inc. has implemented a Fair Trade Compliance Program (CP) to embed legal requirements and procedures into operations and to foster a culture of voluntary compliance
- · The Fair Trade Compliance Manual is updated semiannually to reflect the latest amendments to relevant laws and corresponding response guidelines
- · It aims to ensure that employees are well-informed about fair trade regulations and to proactively prevent the risk of violations related to fair trade and subcontracting during business operations

### Key Contents of the Fair Trade Compliance Manual

- · Statement of the CEO's commitment to compliance, the definition and purpose of the CP, the CP implementation framework, and the eight core elements of the CP
- Explanations of relevant fair trade laws (the Fair Trade Act, the Subcontracting Act, and Act on the Promotion Of Mutually Beneficial Cooperation)
- Explanations of other relevant laws applicable to the company (the Act on the Protection of Temporary Agency Workers, Intellectual property rights, and the Personal Information Protection Act)
- · Internal regulations (related company rules, step-by-step business process guidelines, whistleblowing system, and an overview of responsible departments)

#### Operational Status of the Eight Core Elements of the Fair Trade Compliance Program

Core Element	Operational Status
Establishment and implementation of CP standards and procedures	· Initial enactment of the Fair Trade Compliance Program Operational Regulations (March 2009) · Initial establishment of the Fair Trade Compliance Program Operational Guidelines (March 2009) · Initial establishment of the Fair Trade Compliance Reward Guidelines (January 2013)
Top management's commitment to and support for compliance	Internal and external declaration of the CEO's commitment to compliance (March 2009)  Display of the CEO's commitment to compliance on the company website (ongoing)  Issuance of the CEO's fair trade compliance message and employee pledge (annually)
Appointment of a Chief Compliance Officer responsible for CP operations	· Appointment of the Chief Compliance Officer through board resolution
Development and distribution of the CP Manual	Publication of the CP Manual (2009) Revision of the CP Manual (2010–2023, every two years) Revision of the CP Manual (from 2024, semiannual updates)
Ongoing and systematic compliance training	Implementation of role-based training for executives, managers and supervisors, and general staff (ongoing) Implementation of customized training for new hires, experienced recruits, and PM/PL/sales personnel (ongoing) Implementation of targeted training for field and high-risk departments (ongoing) Operation of various programs including in-person/online training, CP letters, and elevator campaigns (ongoing)
Establishment of an internal monitoring system	Operation of the Compliance Council led by the Chief Compliance Officer (ongoing) Operation of a prior business consultation system through RM meetings, board meetings, and contract review meetings (ongoing) Operation of the compliance monitoring system (ongoing) Operation of a reporting and consultation center for unfair trade practices, legal violations, unethical conduct, and abuse of power (ongoing)
Disciplinary measures for violations of fair trade regulations by employees	· Implementation of various inspections and audits, including on-site and system-based reviews (ongoing) · Evaluation of the effectiveness of CP operations (semiannually) · Development and operation of various legal violation monitoring systems (ongoing)
Effectiveness evaluation and improvement measures	· Implementation of satisfaction surveys for all compliance training programs · Compliance awareness assessment for all employees (annually) · Planning for the following year based on the results

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## 2024 Fair Trade Compliance Program Implementation Performance

(Unit: person)

Training Program	Course Details	Target Participants	Number of Trainees
Compliance Training for New and Experienced Hires	· Introduction to the company's compliance organization and program	New and experienced hires	99
Compliance Training for Team Leaders	Fair Trade Act and Subcontracting Act training     Serious accident/Safety and health training     Ethical management compliance training		156
Compliance Training for Targeted Job Functions	- Fair Trade Act and Subcontracting Act - Outsourced procurement process - Act on the Protection of Temporary Agency Workers - In-house RM process - Ethical management compliance	PMs, business operations, and sales personnel	1,056
Personal Information Compliance Training	· Cloud and personal information-related laws and regulations · Technical compliance considerations for personal information	Self-registered participants	1,059
Global Compliance Training	· FCPA (U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act) · GDPR (EU General Data Protection Regulation)	Self-registered participants	435
Subcontracting Compliance Training for Developers	· Subcontracting Act	Developers	36
Compliance Training for Executives	Importance of compliance     Fair Trade Act     Improper Solicitation and Graft Act		60
Technology Protection Compliance Training	· Prevention of technology misappropriation under the Subcontracting Act · Patent rights	Company-wide frontline personnel	3,090
Total			5,991

# **Audit and Monitoring**

## **Audit Activities**

- · The internal audit department conducts various types of audits annually, including regular audits, follow-up audits, investigations into whistleblower reports, and self-inspections
- $\cdot$  All audit plans and results are reported to the Board of Directors for review and approval
- $\cdot For \ matters \ requiring \ improvement \ based \ on \ audit \ results, \ implementation \ plans \ are \ established, \ and \ follow-up \ checks \ are \ conducted \ after \ a \ set \ period, \ with$ the outcomes reported to the Board of Directors
- · In addition to audit reports, the results of whistleblower investigations, the status of ethical management training, the outcomes of self-inspections, and the findings of ethical management surveys are reported to and reviewed by the Board of Directors
- · Overall monitoring of ethical management activities is led by the Audit Committe

Regular Audit	<ul> <li>Regular audits are conducted annually, with the medium-term audit plan updated to reflect organizational changes and previous audit results</li> <li>Based on the medium-term audit plan, all business areas and subsidiaries are audited at least once every three years</li> <li>Follow-up audits are conducted to confirm whether improvements have been made</li> </ul>
Follow-up Audit	· Follow-up audits confirm whether corrective actions have been implemented based on audit results
Self-Inspection	· Self-inspections are carried out annually for six key functions—including human resources, finance, and procurement—based on internally established criteria · Self-inspections by respective departments are complemented by additional inspections from the ethical management department

### **Audit Planning**

- · A medium-term audit plan is established to ensure that all areas are audited at least once within a three-year period
- · Audit targets and schedules are set by categorizing them into staff functions, business units, and subsidiaries, with specific audit areas finalized in alignment with the annual business plan

Catagony	Audit Area	Audit Plan		
Category		2025 year	2026 year	2027 year
Staff	Procurement	0		0
	Finance	0		0
	HR	0	0	
	Planning		0	
	Others (CEO/CCO's direct reports organization)		0	
Business	Delivery 1 (Manufacturing, Hi-Tech)	0		0
	Delivery 2 (ICT, AI/DATA)	0	0	
	Delivery 3 (General Industry, ERP)	0		0
	Cloud	0	0	
	Global	0	0	0
Subsidiaries	Subsidiaries*	0		0

<sup>\*</sup> Includes domestic and overseas subsidiaries as well as overseas entities

#### **Audit Details**

· In 2024, compliance inspections were reinforced with a focus on adherence to fundamentals and principles, while risk management was enhanced by inspecting commonly vulnerable areas such as procurement and expenses, as well as oversight blind spots including overseas operations

Year	Audit Target	Audit Findings		
2024	Staff	Review of procurement (delegated purchasing by business units, non-competitive contracts) and expenses (transportation costs, project operation costs, and other major accounts)  Mandatory estimation of investment profitability based on scenario analysis and improvement of investment processes		
	Business	· Organization of management systems, including strategic investment, procurement, and IT		
	Subsidiaries/ Overseas Entities	· Compliance inspections (procurement, expense assets, conflict of interest) for domestic and overseas subsidiaries (10 companies) · Operational status review of domestic plants of subsidiaries · Inspection of management infrastructure at overseas entities		
2023	Staff	Review of investment and performance management, and inspection of procurement and expense execution Improvement of procedural non-compliance in areas such as SHE and procurement Reorganization of internal controls through process improvements in procurement, investment, and asset management		
	Business	· Evaluation of project performance, including compliance with construction-related regulations and contract terms, safety management, and waste management		
	Subsidiaries/ Overseas Entities	· Management diagnostics for domestic subsidiaries · Review of project performance and procurement records for subsidiaries and overseas entities		
2022	Staff	· Strengthening of supplier management · Operational efficiency improvement through enhancement of procurement processes		
	Business	· Inspection of project payment management status · Review of data center facility operations and building management		
	Subsidiaries/ Overseas Entities	· Management diagnostics for domestic and overseas subsidiaries (4 companies)		

## **Ethical Management Reporting**

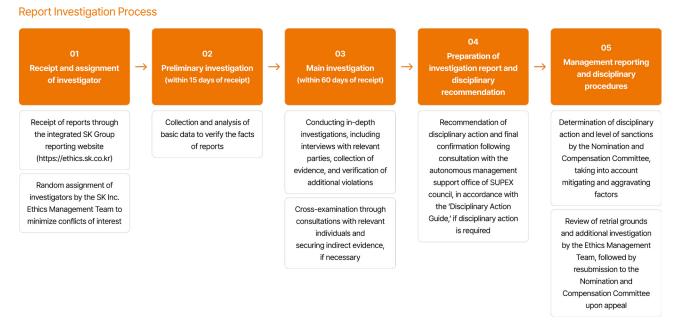
#### Whistleblowing Operation Principles

- · All reports are managed under the SK Group's integrated management system, which operates independently from SK Inc. and is free from external interference
- $\cdot \text{Whistleblowers may report anonymously, and both their identity and report details are strictly kept confidential}$
- · A zero-tolerance policy is enforced against any disadvantage or retaliation resulting from a report, and whistleblowers may request protective measures to
- · The progress of the investigation and the results of any corrective measures are disclosed and shared transparently with the whistleblower
- · All employees receive annual training on ethical management and anti-corruption, which includes guidance on how to use the reporting channels and procedures

#### **Reporting Channels**

- · The reporting channels are open to all stakeholders, including not only employees but also suppliers and customers who become aware of unethical conduct. All submitted reports are subject to investigation in accordance with the principle of 100% case review
- · A variety of reporting channels are available, with the primary channel being the SK Group's centrally managed online whistleblowing system
  - Online reporting: <a href="https://ethics.sk.co.kr">https://ethics.sk.co.kr</a>
  - Email reporting: <a href="mailto:ethics@sk.com">ethics@sk.com</a>, <a href="mailto:sk.com">sk.ethics@sk.com</a>,

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#### Scope of Reporting

- · Unfair Practices and Abuse of Power Toward Suppliers: Acceptance of money or entertainment, personal demands, equity investments, unjust instructions, verbal or physical abuse, etc.
- · Conflict of Interest in Job Duties: Side jobs, excessive personal errands during work hours, personal loans between employees, investments using insider information, transactions with related parties, etc.
- · Undermining of Social Value: Non-compliance with environmental/safety/health/quality regulations, infringement of human rights, neglect of socially disadvantaged groups, leakage of customer information, and provision of false information to customers
- · Lack of Respect Among Employees: Verbal abuse, physical violence, sexual harassment, bullying, exclusion from work, instructions for personal errands, etc.
- · Inappropriate Business Practices: False reporting, manipulation of performance, irregular business practices, improper use of expenses or company assets, information leakage, etc.

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#### Whistleblower Protection Policy

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- $\cdot \text{The whistleblower protection policy is published on the reporting website } \\ \frac{\text{(https://ethics.sk.co.kr)}}{\text{(https://ethics.sk.co.kr)}} \\ \text{to ensure easy access for whistleblowers} \\ \\ \frac{\text{(https://ethics.sk.co.kr)}}{\text{(https://ethics.sk.co.kr)}} \\ \text{(https://ethics.sk.co.kr)} \\ \text{(https://ethics.s$
- $\cdot \text{The policy explicitly guarantees whistleblower anonymity and prohibits any disadvantage or retaliation resulting from a report}\\$

#### Whistleblower Protection Principles

Category	Details				
Basis for Protection     Principles	Prohibition of Disadvantage or Discrimination: Any disadvantage or discrimination resulting from the act of reporting or the submission of related statements and materials shall be strictly prohibited     Extended Protection for Witnesses: Equal protection shall be provided to witnesses who cooperate in the reporting proce (effective from September 2024)     Confidentiality of Identity and Report Content: The whistleblower's identity and the content of the report shall not be disclosed without consent, and any unauthorized disclosure of identity may be subject to disciplinary action				
2. Protection Measures During the Investigation Process	<ul> <li>Identified Reports: Prior to the investigation, an interview is conducted with the whistleblower to establish protection measures and minimize the risk of identity exposure</li> <li>Anonymous Reports: Certain parts of the report may be withheld, and message exchanges with the whistleblower are conducted anonymously</li> <li>Request to Suspend Investigation: If the whistleblower fears exposure of identity, the investigation may be suspended at their request</li> <li>Prohibition of Whistleblower Identification Attempts: Any attempt to identify the whistleblower is strictly prohibited and subject to disciplinary action if detected</li> </ul>				
3. Post-Investigation Protection Measures	· Corrective Action in Case of Disadvantage: In the event of any disadvantage, the whistleblower may request protective measures. Appropriate actions shall be taken to remedy the situation, impose disciplinary actions on the responsible parties, and implement measures to prevent recurrence				
4. Operation of Leniency Policy	· Even if an individual is involved in a violation of the Code of Ethics, disciplinary measures may be partially reduced if the misconduct is voluntarily reported. Leniency may also be granted to individuals involved in misconduct who self-report the participation ahead of others				
	▼ Publication of the Non-Retaliation Policy on SK Inc.'s reporting website				
	Non-Retaliation Policy  Non-Retaliation Policy  Informant protection program is operating to ensure that anyone can file a report without fear of any disadvantage.				
	o1. The Informant(s) will not be subject to unfavorable change in status or discrimination due to making a legitimate report.  20. If you suffer unfavorable disposition due to your report, you may request ethical management team for rectification and protection and the ethical management team will take all measures in its power to minimize your disadvantage.  30. The informant identity and reporting details will be				
	kept completely confidential to prevent disclosure against his/her will.  105 If an individual volunteers to report his/her engagement in unethical or unlawful conduct, applicable disciplinary action may be waited accordingly.				

#### Ethical Management Reports and Violation Status

(Unit: person)

Category	2024 year
Number of Reports Received	42
Number of Reports Addressed	42
Investigation and Audit	42
Referred to Relevant Departments	0
Others	0
Number of Ethical Management Violations	18
Corruption and Bribery	5
Customer Data Mismanagement	0
Discrimination and Harassment	4
Conflict of Interest	1
Money Laundering and Insider Trading	0
Others (Process Violations)	8

# **Ethics Management Goals**

· Recognizing ethics and compliance as core management priorities from a long-term perspective, SK Inc. sets goals to enhance ethics and compliance standards and performance, and monitors progress toward achieving these goals

Goal	Metric	2024 Status	2026 Target	Mid- to Long-term Goal
Continuous improvement of ethics management standards	SK Group Ethics Management Evaluation System rating	Average 2 Grade	Average 1 Grade	Leader Grade

#### Anti-Corruption Goals

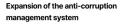




anagement system

Advancement of the anti-corruption management system

· Establishing an ethics management evaluation system for major subsidiaries



· Supporting the introduction and establishment of ethics management for major supplier companies

#### Compliance Goals



Continuous innovation and expansion to achieve the level of an 'Excellent' company in fair trade

· Continuously expanding compliance program innovation initiatives

#### Establishment of a company-wide sustainable fair trade culture

- Achieving top-tier global employee awareness of fair trade
- Sharing lessons learned with affiliates and related parties
- · Achieving zero cases of non-compliance with fair trade and unfair competition regulations

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# **Risk Management**

SK Inc. operates a proactive risk management system in which top management actively engages in company-wide risk management to identify a broad range of risks across all business activities and to detect in advance those that could have a significant impact.

# **Risk Management Governance**

# Risk Management Principle

- · In 2023, SK Inc. established an integrated risk management system based on ISO 31000 and set risk management objectives to minimize company-wide impact from potential risks
- · Based on the defined risk appetite, the company formulates risk management strategies aligned with its strategic direction, identifies and manages both short- and long-term risks, and maintains a preventive framework
- · To prevent and mitigate risks, SK Inc. mandates company-wide risk management training for all employees to embed a strong risk management culture
- · Risk management-related KPIs are assigned to the CRO and heads of risk management departments, and are reflected in performance evaluations to link compensation with outcomes

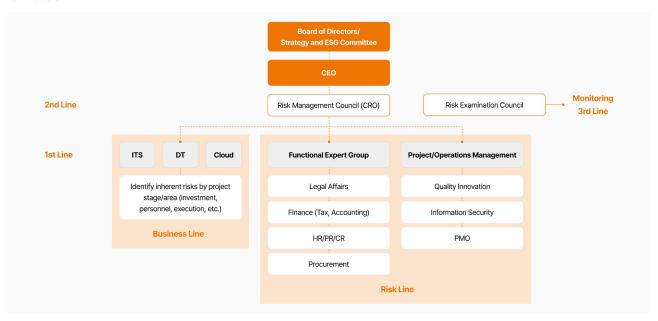
## Risk Management System

#### Company-wide Risk Management Approach

- · To minimize the company-wide impact of risks, SK Inc. operates a risk management process consisting of 'Setting risk management objectives Identifying and Analyzing risks - Preventing and Mitigating risks - Evaluating and Improving'
- · Within the company-wide risk management system, SK Inc. applies a structured management process to continuously identify, assess, and improve material issues and emerging risks, while regularly reviewing strategies and response measures based on risk levels
- · Based on the company's risk appetite, SK Inc. proactively manages risks across four key areas (environmental, social, governance, and business)
- · The risk management process is continuously reinforced through annual reviews, utilizing the internal audit system

#### **Dedicated Organization**

- · Company-wide risks are discussed within the Risk Management Council, which serves as a system where risk management is carried out collaboratively from business unit employees to the CRO and the Board of Directors
- The Risk Management Council is composed of personnel from company-wide RM functions, including business, finance, and legal divisions, as well as the CRO (CCO and executives from departments responsible for identified risks). The Council determines the company's risk appetite, the acceptable level of risk, based on ISO 31000
- · The Risk Review Council functions as an independent body that regularly audits the implementation of company-wide risk management policies and processes based on organizational performance goals and risk ratings, and reports its findings to the Audit Committee for review and resolution by the Board of Directors



# **Risk Analysis**

#### Risk Identification

- · For each risk management area, the risks subject to evaluation are predefined, and all relevant risks are systematically assessed
- Risk reassessments are conducted periodically in the event of changes such as the launch or modification of businesses, products, or services; changes in organizational structure or strategy; or significant external changes including financial or economic conditions, market conditions, and debt or customer relationships, as well as in cases of revisions to legal or regulatory obligations, or mergers and acquisitions

#### Risk Management Areas

Area	Subcategories		
Environmental Risk	Macroeconomic environment, market environment, legal/international regulations, climate change response, and natural disasters		
Social Risk	Quality management, information security, safety/health, human rights		
Governance Risk	Fair trade, compliance management, anti-corruption		
Financial/Investment Risk	Market economy, liquidity fluctuations, price volatility, credit changes, financial losses		
Business Risk	Strategy development, customer management, competitors, investors, and technological changes		

#### **Business Risk Identification**

Category	Details
Delivery Risk	Scope increase, schedule delay, cost overrun, liquidated damages
Credit Risk	Management deterioration of customers, suppliers, or consortium partners, default on obligations, and occurrence of non-performing receivables
Contract Risk	Toxic clauses in MOUs, agreements, or contracts, disputes arising from non-performance, contract termination or nullification, claims for damages
Investment Risk	Investment (equity) losses, business withdrawal costs
Overseas Risk	Country risk (political, economic, cultural, regulatory, etc.)
Fair Trade Risk	Unfair trade practices (collusion, etc.), improper internal transactions, and non-compliance with obligations or prohibitions under the Subcontracting Act
Tax Risk	Fabricated or routed transactions, errors in tax invoice issuance and accounting misstatements
Legal Violation Risk	Non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations
Reputation Risk	Decline in brand value (company or group level)

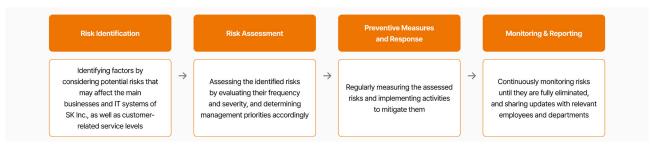
# Risk Management and Assessment

#### Management of Key Non-Financial and Financial Risks

- · Based on ISO 31000, SK Inc. determines its risk appetite—the level of risk it is willing to accept—by comprehensively assessing the likelihood of risk occurrence, severity of consequences, potential operational impact, and the criticality of affected business activities
- · Risk management strategies aligned with the company's strategic direction are established based on the defined risk appetite, and both short-term and long-term risks are identified and managed through a structured preventive system
- · Various risks that may arise during business operations—including financial risks (market, credit, liquidity, capital risks), investment risks, and project risks in the course of IT service delivery—are categorized and managed in a systematic manner

#### **Risk Assessment Process**

- Any risk assessment result scoring 15 points or higher is immediately reported to the relevant management and customers, followed by the implementation of appropriate measures
- · Risk mitigation measures prioritize high-risk items and are implemented according to the assessed level of risk, applying strategies such as retention, reduction, transfer, or avoidance
- $\cdot \text{Business risks are reviewed and analyzed at each project phase through the company's management information system, PROMIS$
- · Business risks are assessed on a monthly basis, while enterprise-wide integrated risks are evaluated and reported at least once a year



#### Risk Assessment Framework

- $\cdot \, \text{Each risk assessment target is evaluated based on its vulnerability, anticipated risk level, and management requirements$
- · The likelihood of risk occurrence and the potential impact of its consequences are classified into levels, and risk scores (magnitude of risk) are calculated in accordance with defined criteria

#### Risk Score = (Likelihood + 2) × Consequence

- · Likelihood: The probability of the risk materializing is rated on a scale from 1 (rarely occurs) to 5 (expected to occur continuously)
- · Consequence: The impact the risk would have on the organization is rated on a scale from 1 (minimal impact) to 5 (potentially catastrophic impact)

#### Risk Classification by Level

Risk Level	Risk Severity	Risk Score	Management Requirement	Action	
Level 1	Low	3~6	NI/A	Accept current status (monitor if necessary)	
Level 2	Medium -Low	7~14	N/A	Action plan and improvements needed (e.g., within 60 days)	
Level 3	Medium	15~20	Prompt action plan and improvements needed		
Level 4	Medium- High	21~34	Management required	(e.g., within 30 days)	
Level 5	High	35		Immediate action plan and improvements needed	

#### Likelihood

Level	Assessment Score	Description (Degree of Likelihood, Probability)
L5	5	Expected to occur continuously now and in the future (≥76%)
L4	4	High likelihood of occurrence now and in the future (51–75%)
L3	3	Moderate likelihood of occurrence now and in the future (26–50%)
L2	2	Low likelihood of occurrence now and in the future (10-25%)
L1	1	Rare likelihood of occurrence now and in the future (≤10%)

#### Consequence

Level	Assessment Score	Financial Impact (Loss Amount)	Description	Example
C5	5	Over KRW 30 billion	Likely to cause a critical impact on business operations and processes	Violation leading to mass customer defection or collective complaints
C4	4	Over KRW 10 billion	Likely to cause a significant impact on business operations and processes	Imprisonment and fines under applicable criminal provisions
C3	3	Over KRW 5 billion	Potential to impact business operations and processes	Administrative sanctions at or above the warning level
C2	2	Over KRW 100 million	Minor delays from normal levels in business operations and processes	Disciplinary actions with potential to escalate to warnings or administrative sanctions
C1	1	Less than KRW 100 million	Minimal impact on business operations and processes	Violation subject to internal advisory notice



# **Embedding a Risk Management Culture**

- · To proactively prevent the occurrence of risks and strengthen company-wide response capabilities, SK Inc. operates a multifaceted prevention system encompassing education, diagnostics, monitoring, response measures, and the integration of risk management into its corporate culture
- · By enhancing risk awareness among all employees and establishing a proactive response system across the organization, the company builds a foundation for sustainable management

#### **Risk Management Training**

- · Risk management training is implemented as a mandatory program for all employees to embed a culture of risk management
- · Specialized training is provided for leadership-level employees, and tiered training is conducted based on job function and position level
- · Since 2021, SK Inc. has provided annual risk management training for independent directors, covering topics such as industry and environmental risks and regulatory trends, to strengthen their risk management capabilities

#### 2024 Risk Management Training Performance

Course Title	Target Participants	Remarks
Sexual Harassment Prevention Training	All employees	
Disability Awareness Training	All employees	
Ethical Management/Anti-Corruption Training	All employees	
SKMS/C&C Winning Culture	All employees	
Personal Information Protection + Information Security Training	All employees	Mandatory
Occupational Safety and Health Training	All employees	
Basic Compliance Training	New and experienced hires	
Compliance Training for Team Leaders	Team leaders	
Compliance Training for Executives	Executives	
Compliance Training for Targeted Job Functions (PM/PI/Sales)	PMs, business operations, and sales personnel	
Technology Protection Training	All employees	Optional
Total Number of Training Participants (including o	25,713 participants	

# **Risk Report**

Key Risk Identification and Mitigation Activities in 2024

Category	Area	Key Risk Description	Risk Level	Mitigation Measures	Monitoring and Implementation Verification
E	Climate Change Response	· Intensified volatility in the prices of emissions allowances and carbon credits · Increased financial burden for RE100 implementation	Level 3	Pursuit of additional carbon credit acquisition through CDM projects and other means to achieve the 4th commitment period (2026–2030) target     Ongoing review of optimal mixed procurement strategies through monitoring of renewable energy prices (solar, wind, hydro) and government policies	ISO 14001
S	Information Security	Remediation of security vulnerabilities in the Web Keeper system     Potential violation of personal data leakage prevention measures due to the absence of a database access control solution in integrated account management	Level 1	Version upgrade to Web Keeper 12.0     Implementation of a database access control solution	ISO 27001
	Safety and Health	Increased risk of accidents in logistics automation construction projects (specialized construction sector)     Need for enhanced safety management of fire protection systems in data centers	Level 2	Recruitment of safety management experts for the relevant process and implementation of monthly communication meetings Implementation of fire protection system improvements at the Pangyo and Daedeok Data Centers Strengthening of emergency response guide operation at data centers	ISO 45001
	Human Rights Management	· Ensuring fairness and objectivity of the Human Rights Management Committee · Enhanced monitoring of outsourced security operations sites	Level 1	Review of external member participation in the Human Rights Management Committee Request for human rights training for outsourced security personnel	HRMS Human Rights Impact Assessment
	Business Management	Need for enhanced recording and management of incident recovery history     Need for verification of action implementation following PIR (Postmortem Incident Review)	Level 1	Enhanced utilization of KM information by the PMO for operational risk management Reinforcement of the management system for reporting quality, business, and operational risks	ISO 9001 ISO 20000
	Compliance	Prohibition of unfair collusive practices     Prohibition of providing undue benefits     to related parties	Level 1	Strengthening of compliance training     Strengthening of monitoring activities by the RM department (focused monitoring of collusion indicators during the PROMIS bidding review stage)	Fair Trade Compliance Program (CP)
G	Anti- Corruption	Collusion with suppliers to create false M/Ms and product registrations for profit sharing, involving the exchange of money or entertainment     Solicitation of employment or business deals involving acquaintances or relatives of suppliers with existing business relationships	Level 3	Review by the procurement department on staffing adequacy, including part-time personnel Regular communication of reporting channels to suppliers and expression of commitment to anti-corruption Periodic surveys on unfair practices targeting suppliers	ISO 37001

## Emerging Risk

Emerging Risk	Strengthening of Global Disputes and Trade Barriers	Brand Reputation Damage Caused by Misinformation and Disinformation	Intellectual Property Infringement Due to Expansion of AI
Category	Geopolitical Issue	Societal Issue	Technological Issue
Risk Definition and Description	Heightened geopolitical tensions due to the U.SChina competition for technological hegemony, prolonged Russia-Ukraine war, and conflicts in the Middle East Unprecedented external risks in overseas business operations, global supply chain stability, and technology exports Long-term and strategic risks to global value chain companies like SK Group arising from U.Sled export restrictions on advanced industries (such as semiconductors and batteries), protectionist policies prioritizing domestic citizens in certain countries, and supply chain reshoring policies  Unlike traditional geopolitical risks experienced in the past, these changes are accompanied by structural shifts that are difficult to manage using conventional approaches, and are therefore recognized and managed as emerging risks	Increased risk of dissemination of misinformation and disinformation due to the advancement of Al-based content generation technologies and the proliferation of social media  Emerging risk of irreversible reputational damage caused by deepfakes and the development of automated text and image generation tools that make it difficult for consumers to discern authenticity  This phenomenon is difficult to address in the short term and may lead to a decline in corporate credibility, which in turn could negatively affect consumer behavior and investor decision-making over the long term. It is considered an external emerging risk driven by technological advancement and societal change, setting it apart from traditional defamation or reputation-related risks	Technological characteristics of generative AI involving large-scale data-driven model training and content generation     Increased risk of intellectual property infringement, including copyright and trademark violations, due to the use of external data and AI-generated outputs     Potential unauthorized use of internal corporate information for AI model training     → At the global level, clear standards for intellectual property ownership of AI-generated content have yet to be established. As a result, companies utilizing such technologies must consider both legal and ethical risks, leading to the recognition of this issue as a new form of emerging risk
Risk Impact	SK Inc. actively operates in global markets through a network of approximately 570 subsidiaries and branches worldwide, including production and sales activities in high-risk regions such as China and the Middle East These dynamics have an impact on the performance of major SK Group subsidiaries and may have long-term implications for SK Inc.'s earnings (including equity-method gains and dividends)  Mid- to long-term financial and strategic impacts: Increased procurement costs due to disruptions in raw material and energy supply Decline in profitability Weakened market access for core businesses such as semiconductors and batteries due to tighter export restrictions on advanced technology products, and the need for midto long-term strategic adjustments driven by rising costs for supply chain diversification and restructuring Potential invisible damage to brand value and corporate credibility from business withdrawal or downsizing in local markets	As the holding company of the SK Group that owns the SK brand, SK Inc. operates within a structure where reputational damage to its subsidiaries or affiliates can have a ripple effect across the entire group  The spread of misinformation and disinformation about a specific affiliate is expected to lead to a decline in SK Inc.'s brand value and a loss of trust among consumers and investors  Mid- to long-term financial and strategic impacts:  Potential occurrence of stock price decline, litigation, and regulatory risks resulting from a general decline in trust in the SK Group brand  Potential mid- to long-term financial risks, including a decrease in brand royalty income and dividend revenue from subsidiaries for SK Inc.  Increasing need to restructure corporate strategy and crisis communication systems	As the holding company of a technology-driven group operating businesses in semiconductors, AI, and data centers, SK Inc. handles a wide range of both external and proprietary internal data in the course of its operations  With the growing use of generative AI, SK Inc. faces a potential risk of infringing on others' intellectual property rights when utilizing external data for AI training and related purposes. There is a risk that SK Inc.'s data or outputs may be used without authorization by external parties, potentially resulting in the infringement of its intellectual property rights  Mid- to long-term financial and strategic impacts:  Litigation costs and compensation payments in the event of intellectual property disputes  Decline in corporate credibility and brand value  Growing need to restructure internal control systems related to information security and IP  Overall decrease in profitability due to weakened technological competitiveness of subsidiaries
Risk Response Activities	Strengthened monitoring of geopolitical risks and scenario-based analysis  Country-level forecasting of political and diplomatic risks and analysis of impacts on key industries Implementation of supply chain diversification and risk avoidance strategies in high-risk regions  Regional selection and structural assessment for new overseas projects with consideration of geopolitical risks  Establishment of a management framework and inclusion of geopolitical risk as a defined item within SK Group's integrated risk management system  Management of geopolitical risks as part of the company-wide risk management framework	Establishment of a real-time detection and response system for misinformation and disinformation  Operation of a continuous monitoring system for external channels, including media and social media  Implementation of a fact-based, proactive, and transparent communication strategy  Regular IR and NDR sessions targeting investors  Prompt response through official consumer-facing channels such as the company website, social media, and YouTube  Management of monitoring frequency based on the company-wide risk register in accordance with the company-wide risk management system	Analysis of global trends and regulations related to intellectual property rights concerning Al and data utilization     Operation of training programs focused on relevant laws and case studies for working-level and technical staff     Periodic review of internal data usage and assessment of potential intellectual property infringement     Refinement of the process for managing data sources used in Al model training and reviewing the scope of their use     Specification of Al usage standards within internal codes of ethics and information security principle     Introduction of internal policies on Al and data utilization and application of a companywide monitoring system     Classification and continuous monitoring of emerging risks through the identification process within the company-wide risk management system



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# **Financial Data**

#### Summary of Consolidated Financial Performance

Category	Unit	2022	2023	2024
Revenue	KRW million	132,079,354	131,237,878	124,690,439
Operating Profit	KRW million	8,161,266	5,056,378	2,355,290
Net Profit	KRW million	3,966,176	(406,387)	528,810

#### Creation and Distribution of Economic Value

Category	Item	Unit	2024
Direct Economic Value Generated (A)	Revenue	KRW million	124,690,439
	Operating Costs	KRW million	113,998,912
	Employee Wages and Benefits	KRW million	2,863,397
Economic Value Distributed (B)	Payments to Capital Providers	KRW million	192,819
	Payments to Government	KRW million	803,344
	Community Investments	KRW million	7,388
Economic Value	KRW million	6,824,579	

# Non-Financial Data (SK Inc. Basis)

### **Environmental**

- 1. Data was compiled based on the Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Energy Consumption Statement, covering 18 business sites (Investment Division): Seorin Office/SKMS Research Center, Yeongju Headquarters/Dongtan Research Center/Sangju Plant/Seoul Office/Sejong CRD Headquarters (Data pertains to the Materials CIC within the SK Specialty Co., Ltd. Business site) (Business Division): Gwangju POS/Busan POS/Seongnam POS/Pangyo Data Center/Daedeok Data Center/Jeongja Office/Pangyo Office/Jongno Integrated Office/Yeouido Hub Office/Sunae Office/Ackerton Partners
- 2. A dash ('-') is used to indicate items not applicable or where data was not collected or managed
- 3. SK Inc. is not subject to management requirements for air pollutants, water pollutants, hazardous waste, or volatile organic compounds (VOCs)
- 4. All quantitative data, except for a few metrics, has been rounded to the first decimal place. This rounding rule has also been applied to the past three years (2021-2023)

### **Energy Management**

Intensity (per KRW 1 billion in revenue) Intensity (per employee)  Fotal (Domestic)  Diesel  Basoline  Propane	MWh TJ TJ/KRW billion TJ/person MWh TJ TJ	199,723.33 1,853.73 0.67 0.42 193,806.75 1,796.93	267,660.27 2,491.62 0.74 0.54 244,887.54 2,273.00	284,165.76 2,653.17 0.64 0.58 234,145.11	304,183. 2,861. 0.
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Diesel Gasoline Propane	TJ	1,796.93	<del></del> -		
Diesel Gasoline Propane	TJ		2,273.00		232,058.
Propane		1.44		2,172.97	2,169
Propane	TJ		2.33	2.36	2
·		10.98	10.21	10.99	8
	TJ	1.23	0.97	1.02	C
	MWh	183,203.97	233,104.21	221,674.36	222,358
Electricity	TJ	1,758.76	2,237.80	2,128.07	2,134
City Gas	TJ	10.31	10.38	9.31	g
Steam	TJ	14.21	18.53	21.23	13
	MWh	-	-	0.00	0
Total (Overseas)	TJ	-	-	0.00	0
Diesel			-	0.00	(
Gasoline			_	0.00	(
Propane			-	0.00	(
<u></u>	MWh			0.00	(
Electricity				0.00	(
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Steam				0.00	(
Total Non-renewable Energy	MWh	193,806.75	244,887.54	234,145.11	232,058
(Domestic + Overseas)	TJ	1,796.93	2,273.00	2,172.97	2,169
ntensity (per KRW 1 billion in revenue)	TJ/KRW billion	0.65	0.67	0.53	(
ntensity (per employee)	TJ/person	0.40	0.49	0.47	(
Total Solar Power Generation	MWh	216.58	872.73	820.65	825
Domestic)		2.08	8.38	7.88	7
	MWh	5,916.58	22,772.73	50,020.65	72,125
Total Consumption (Domestic)		56.80	218.62	480.20	692
		216.58			82
Solar Power Consumption					
					71,300
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<sup>\*</sup> The total amounts of greenhouse gas emissions and energy consumption follow the guidelines for reporting and verification under the Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS), and may differ from the sum of detailed data

 $<sup>\</sup>hbox{\it **} Non-renewable electricity consumption is calculated excluding the Green Premium purchase amount the property of the$ 

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Energy consumption target for 2024: 2,535 TJ  $\,$ 

#### Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Total	tCO₂eq	1,432.5	1,430.9	1,433.9	1,282.8
Direct GHG Emissions (Scope 1)	Intensity (per KRW 1 billion revenue)	tCO2eq/KRW billion	0.52	0.42	0.35	0.35
	Intensity (per employee)	tCO₂eq/person	0.32	0.31	0.31	0.29
	Total (Location-based)	tCO₂eq	84,677.1	107,782.5	125,207.2	135,381.9
	Intensity (per KRW 1 billion revenue)	tCO2eq/KRW billion	30.8	32.0	30.3	36.5
Indirect GHG	Intensity (per employee)	tCO₂eq/person	19.0	23.4	27.2	30.7
Emissions (Scope 2)	Total (Market-based)	tCO₂eq	-	-	102,604	102,625.9
	Intensity (per KRW 1 billion revenue)	tCO2eq/KRW billion	-	-	-	27.7
	Intensity (per employee)	tCO₂eq/person	=	=	=	23.3
	Total	tCO₂eq	13,391,021.0	11,529,818.0	13,860,199.7	14,210,016.3
	1. Purchased Goods & Services	tCO₂eq	7,480.4	7,854.0	8,307.3	22,532.6
	2. Capital Goods	tCO₂eq	2,588.4	1,840.0	1,701.3	351.0
	3. Fuel- and Energy-related Activities Not Included in Scope 1 or 2	tCO₂eq	84.4	8,402.0	9,876.5	21,016.4
	4. Upstream Transportation & Distribution	tCO₂eq	12.1	7.0	13.2	22.5
	5. Waste Generated in Operations	tCO₂eq	29.8	1.0	7.9	2.6
	6. Business Travel	tCO₂eq	896.0	2,129.0	3,012.9	2,596.3
	7. Employee Commuting	tCO₂eq	3,324.3	1,900.0	941.7	743.4
Other Indirect GHG Emissions	8. Upstream Leased Assets	tCO₂eq	0.0	-	-	-
(Scope 3)	Downstream Transportation &     Distribution	tCO2eq	-	-	-	-
	10. Processing of Sold Products	tCO2eq	-	-	-	-
	11. Use of Sold Products	tCO₂eq	56,441.9	61,926.0	65,499.8	111,790.7
	12. End-of-life Treatment of Sold Products	tCO₂eq	264.8	291.0	307.3	277.2
	13. Downstream Leased Assets	tCO2eq	-	-	-	-
	14. Franchises	tCO2eq	-	-	-	-
	15. Investments	tCO2eq	13,319,899.0	11,445,468.0	13,770,531.7	14,050,683.6
	Other Upstream	tCO2eq	-	-	-	-

<sup>\*</sup> Market-based emissions reflect the use (purchased amount) of renewable energy

<sup>\*\*</sup> Scope 1+2 emissions target for 2024: 156,718.6 tCO<sub>2</sub>eq

#### Water Management

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Municipal Water Withdrawal	Total	Ton	45,107.0	52,666.0	102,794.0	116,389.5
Groundwater Withdrawal	Total	Ton	-	-	-	3,801.1
	Pangyo Data Center	Ton	-	41,400.0	62,637.0	58,572.0
	Pangyo Office	Ton	-	11,266.0	11,295.0	10,664.0
	Sunae Office	Ton	-	-	-	23,012.0
Water Withdrawal by Major Business	Seorin Office	Ton	-	-	15,338.0	16,558.8
Sites*	SKMS Research Center	Ton	-	-	8,165.0	9,537.0
	SK Specialty Co., Ltd. Sejong CRD Headquarters	Ton	-	-	-	255.8
	SK Specialty Co., Ltd. Seoul Office	Ton	-	-	-	1,591.0
	Total	Ton	50,135.0	55,452.0	104,564.0	121,871.5
	Intensity (per KRW 1 billion revenue)	Ton/KRW billion	-	16.5	24.4	32.9
	Intensity (per employee)	Ton/person	-	12.0	22.0	27.7
	Consumption Target (for the reporting year)	Ton/KRW billion	16.4	14.8	10.9	12.2
	Total Consumption by Major Business Sites	Ton	-	-	-	121,871.5
Water Consumption	Pangyo Data Center	Ton		-	-	60,253.0
	Pangyo Office	Ton	-	-	-	10,664.0
	Sunae Office	Ton	-	-	-	23,012.0
	Seorin Office	Ton	-	-	-	16,558.8
	SKMS Research Center	Ton	-	-	-	9,537.0
	SK Specialty Co., Ltd. Sejong CRD Headquarters	Ton	-	-	-	255.8
	SK Specialty Co., Ltd. Seoul Office	Ton	-	-	-	1,591.0
Water Discharge	Total	Ton		-	102,794.0	120,190.5
W	Total	Ton	5,028.0	2,786.0	1,770.0	1,681.0
Water Recycled	Rate	%	10.0	5.0	1.7	1.4
	Water Withdrawal in Water-Stressed Areas	Ton	-	-	0.0	0.0
Water-Stressed Areas	Water Discharge in Water-Stressed Areas	Ton	-	-	0.0	0.0
	Water Consumption in Water-Stressed Areas	Ton	-		0.0	0.0

<sup>\*</sup> Seorin Office withdrew 12,757.7 tons of municipal water and 3,801.1 tons of groundwater during the reporting period, while other sites used only municipal water (with no withdrawal of freshwater, industrial water, or other sources)

<sup>\*</sup> From 2024, Sunae Office is included in the disclosure scope of major business sites

<sup>\*\*</sup> Data from certain sites under the Materials CIC (Yeongju Headquarters, Dongtan Research Center, and Sangju Plant) were excluded from aggregation

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# Waste Management

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Total	Ton	107.0	84.1	493.8	140.4
Waste Generated	General Waste Generated	Ton	96.9	77.1	113.3	139.4
waste Generated	Hazardous Waste Generated	Ton	10.2	7.0	380.4	1.0
	Intensity (per KRW 1 billion revenue)	Ton/KRW billion	-	0.02	0.12	0.04
	Total	Ton	99.0	36.4	462.1	125.5
Waste Recycled/	General Waste Recycled	Ton	-	29.4	106.0	124.5
Reused	Hazardous Waste Recycled	Ton	-	7.0	356.1	1.0
	Recycling rate	%	-	93.2	93.6	89.4
	Total	Ton	60.1	47.7	7.3	14.9
	Waste Landfilled	Ton	8.3	5.7	0	0
General Waste	Waste Incinerated with Energy Recovery	Ton	51.9	42.0	0	11.6
Disposed	Waste Incinerated without Energy Recovery	Ton	0	0	0	0
	Waste Otherwise Disposed	Ton	0	0	0	0
	Waste with Unknown Disposal Method	Ton	0	0	7.3	3.3
	Total	Ton	-	7.0	24.3	0.005
	Waste Landfilled	Ton	-	0	0	0
Hazardous Waste	Waste Incinerated with Energy Recovery	Ton	-	0	16.9	0
Disposed	Waste Incinerated without Energy Recovery	Ton	-	0	0	0
	Waste Otherwise Disposed	Ton	-	0	0	0
	Waste with Unknown Disposal Method	Ton	-	7.0	7.4	0.005

 $<sup>* \, \</sup>mathsf{Data} \, \mathsf{from} \, \mathsf{the} \, \mathsf{Materials} \, \mathsf{CIC} \, \mathsf{business} \, \mathsf{sites} \, \mathsf{were} \, \mathsf{excluded} \, \mathsf{from} \, \mathsf{aggregation} \, \mathsf{due} \, \mathsf{to} \, \mathsf{lack} \, \mathsf{of} \, \mathsf{data} \, \mathsf{collection}$ 

#### Environmental Investment Performance

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Returns on	Total Cost (Capital Investments + Operating Expenses)	KRW million	2,929.1	3,592.4	1,798.4	304.9
	Capital Investments	KRW million	2,911.0	3,476.0	1,768.0	40.0
Environmental Management	Operating Expenses	KRW million	18.1	116.4	30.4	264.9
Investments	Returns and Cost Reductions from Environmental Investments	KRW million	2,918.7	1,430.5	2,250.5	3,568.6
	Ratio of Applicable Business Sites	%	90.0	89.0	87.4	87.9
Eco-friendly Vehicles	Percentage of Eco-friendly Vehicles Owned	%	-	-	29.4	22.3
	Number of Legal/Regulatory Violations	Cases	0	0	0	0
Environmental Compliance	Amount of Fines and Penalties	KRW	0	0	0	0
	Environmental Liabilities	KRW	0	0	0	0

# Social

- 1. Data from both the Investment and Business Divisions were aggregated for reporting, with data from Ackerton Partners—merged in October 2024—partially included for selected metrics
- $2.\,A\,dash\,('-')\,is\,used\,to\,indicate\,items\,not\,applicable\,or\,where\,data\,was\,not\,collected\,or\,managed$
- 3. All quantitative data, except for a few metrics, has been rounded to the first decimal place. This rounding rule has also been applied to the past three years (2021–2023)

#### **Employee Status**

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Number of Employees	Total	Persons	4,457	4,605	4,601	4,404
By Gender	Male Employees	Persons	3,447	3,546	3,543	3,376
By Gender	Female Employees	Persons	1,010	1,059	1,058	1,028
	Total Permanent Employees	Persons	4,252	4,406	4,409	4,261
	Permanent Employee (Male)	Persons	3,297	3,403	3,407	3,266*
	Permanent Employee (Female)	Persons	955	1,003	1,002	995
	Part-time Employee (Male)	Persons	-	-	-	1
	Part-time Employee (Female)	Persons	-	-	-	0
By Employment Type	Total Temporary Employees	Persons	205	199	192	143
ву Епіріоупіені туре	Contract Employee (Male)	Persons	150	143	136	110
	Contract Employee (Female)	Persons	55	56	56	33
	Daily Worker (Male)	Persons	=	=	=	0
	Daily Worker (Female)	Persons	-	-	-	0
	Part-time Employee (Male)	Persons	-	-	-	0
	Part-time Employee (Female)	Persons	-	-	-	0
	Under 30	Persons	416	346	294	301
By Age Group	30-50	Persons	3,306	3,379	3,153	3,086
	Over 50	Persons	735	880	1,154	1,017
Other Employment	Total Non-Employees (Outsourced)	Persons	41	53	99	94
Status (Excluding	Non-Employee (Male)	Persons	25	32	68	66
Employees)	Non-Employee (Female)	Persons	16	21	31	28

<sup>\*</sup> Including 1 Part-time Employee (Male)

### Employee Diversity

Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total Number of Foreign Employees	Persons	-	23	21	22
United States	Persons	-	9	9	8
China	Persons	-	6	5	6
Canada	Persons	-	3	3	4
Australia	Persons	-	1	0	0
Other	Persons	-	4	4	4
Total Number of Foreign Managers	Persons	-	20	14	17
United States	Persons	-	8	6	7
China	Persons	-	5	5	5
Canada	Persons	-	3	1	3
Australia	Persons	-	1	0	0
Other	Persons	-	3	2	2
Proportion of Employees from Socially Disadvantaged Groups	%	6.2	5.4	5.1	5.1
Number of Employees from Socially Disadvantaged Groups	Persons	277	249	234	225
Number of Employees with Disabilities*	Persons	165	167	153	149
Proportion of Employees with Disabilities	%	3.7	3.6	3.3	3.4
Number of National Veterans Employed	Persons	79	82	81	76
Number of Employees on Overseas Assignment	Persons	381	424	186	307
Proportion of Employees on Overseas Assignment	%	8.6	9.2	4.0	7.0
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<sup>\*</sup> The number of employees with disabilities is calculated based on Article 22, Paragraph 3 of the Act on the Employment Promotion and Vocational Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities

# Gender Distribution by Job Function

Category	ltem	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Number of Male Executives	Persons	100	104	119	116
	Total Number of Employees in Revenue-Generating Functions	Persons	2,861	2,880	2,893	2,855
	Top Management Position	Persons	156	169	268	309
	Junior Management Position	Persons	2,233	2,259	2,180	2,112
	Non-Management Position	Persons	472	452	445	434
Male	Number of Employees in Other Job Functions	Persons	486	547	532	405
	Top Management Position	Persons	73	101	110	102
	Junior Management Position	Persons	329	359	346	236
	Non-Management Position	Persons	84	87	76	67
	Number of Employees in STEM Functions	Persons	277	2,880	2,776	2,775
	Number of Female Executives	Persons	8	10	13	8
	Total Number of Employees in Revenue-Generating Functions	Persons	739	725	729	749
	Top Management Position	Persons	18	21	32	35
	Junior Management Position	Persons	414	430	439	434
	Non-Management Position	Persons	307	274	258	280
Female	Number of Employees in Other Job Functions	Persons	263	297	315	271
	Top Management Position	Persons	13	14	15	22
	Junior Management Position	Persons	106	138	135	102
	Non-Management Position	Persons	144	145	165	147
	Number of Employees in STEM Functions	Persons	111	725	695	716
	Proportion of Female Executives	%	8.0	8.8	9.9	6.5
	Proportion of Employees in Revenue- Generating Functions	%	25.8	20.1	20.1	20.8
	Top Management Position	%	11.5	11.1	10.7	10.2
	Junior Management Position	%	18.5	16.0	16.8	17.1
	Non-Management Position	%	65.0	37.7	36.7	39.2
Women (Proportion)*	Proportion of Employees in Other Job Functions	%	54.1	35.2	37.2	40.1
	Top Management Position	%	17.8	12.2	12.0	17.7
	Junior Management Position	%	32.2	27.8	28.1	30.2
	Non-Management Position	%	171.4	62.5	68.5	68.7
	Proportion of Employees in STEM Functions	%	28.6	20.1	20.0	20.5

 $<sup>\</sup>hbox{* Proportion of female employees within the same job level}\\$ 

#### New Hires and Turnover

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total Number of New Hires	Total	Persons	427	556	260	245
By Gender	Male	Persons	302	396	184	162
By Gerider	Female	Persons	125	160	76	83
By Hire Type	Number of Entry-Level Hires	Persons	105	71	67	117
Бу ппе туре	Number of Experienced Hires	Persons	322	485	193	128
	Under 30	Persons	147	159	85	102
By Age Group	30-50	Persons	244	376	166	106
	Over 50	Persons	36	21	9	37
	Executives	Persons	13	6	0	10
By Management	Top Management Position	Persons	5	5	1	22
Level	Junior Management Position	Persons	187	275	113	56
	Non-Management Position	Persons	222	270	146	157
	Number of Employees Transferred via Internal Hires	Persons	461	495	425	388
Internal Hires	Total Number of Open Positions	Persons	886	530	520	445
	Hiring Ratio of Internal Candidates (via Internal Hires)	%	52.0	93.0	82.0	87.2
Hiring Cost	Total	KRW million	481	1,325	1,828	1,101
Total Number of	Ratio	%	4.8	4.8	6.0	9.1
Employee Turnovers	Total	Persons	204	219	274	410
By Gender	Male	Persons	167	159	187	311
by Gerider	Female	Persons	37	60	87	99
	Under 30	Persons	36	45	41	30
By Age Group	30-50	Persons	135	132	164	186
	Over 50	Persons	33	42	69	194
	Executive	Persons	-	1	15	21
By Management	Top Management Position	Persons	14	12	11	36
Level	Junior Management Position	Persons	120	120	158	254
	Non-Management Position*	Persons	70	86	90	99
	Dismissal	Persons	3	0	2	1
	Mandatory Retirement	Persons	15	23	23	47
Ву Туре	Others	Persons	0	0	18	66
	Voluntary Turnover**	Persons	186	196	231	296
	Voluntary Turnover Rate	%	4.2	4.3	5.0	6.7

<sup>\*</sup> Secretarial positions are included in the number of non-managers in the number of hires and turnovers by job level

<sup>\*\*</sup> Voluntary turnover: Refers to cases in which an employee voluntarily leaves the company for personal reasons, excluding mandatory retirement, dismissal, or other employer-initiated reasons

#### Gender Pay Indicators

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Executives	Base Salary	%	84.0	89.6	64.0	81.9
Executives	Base Salary and Performance Pay	%	73.0	88.3	67.6	130.6
Top Management	Base Salary	%	92.0	72.8	99.2	99.1
Position	Base Salary and Performance Pay	%	87.0	70.5	100.8	102.0
Junior Management	Base Salary	%	85.0	87.0	94.3	93.9
Position	Base Salary and Performance Pay	%	85.0	85.1	95.6	94.7
Non-Management	Base Salary	%	94.0	90.7	89.9	90.7
Position	Base Salary and Performance Pay	%	94.0	90.7	89.3	90.4

#### Training & Development Inputs

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total Company-wide	Training Hours	Hours	-	-	-	145,084.8
Average Training Hou	ırs per Employee	Hours	140	108	87	33.7
By Gender	Male	Hours	140	108	89	34.0
By Geridei	Female	Hours	138	108	83	33.0
	Under 30	Hours	219	128	83	31.6
By Age Group	30-50	Hours	138	108	86	33.4
	Over 50	Hours	115	100	91	35.4
	Executive	Hours	37	14	42	24.2
By Management	Top Management Position	Hours	97	65	84	30.9
Level	Junior Management Position	Hours	139	113	90	34.5
	Non-Management Position	Hours	181	116	87	34.1
Total Company-wide	Training Expenses	KRW		-		14,780,110,960.0
Average Training Exp	enses per Employee	KRW/Persons	1,020,099	1,367,503	1,099,073	3,356,065.2
By Gender	Male	KRW/Persons	977,909	1,298,728	1,062,533	4,470,693.0
	Female	KRW/Persons	1,165,601	1,598,728	1,221,437	14,854,382.9
	Under 30	KRW/Persons	857,338	1,393,840	1,025,582	53,165,866.8
By Age Group	30-50	KRW/Persons	1,065,891	1,488,314	1,247,142	4,868,284.2
	Over 50	KRW/Persons	886,846	889,550	713,239	14,974,783.1
	Executive	KRW/Persons	6,001,298	7,891,626	7,617,783	129,650,096.1
By Management	Top Management Position	KRW/Persons	886,846	3,342,822	1,402,478	33,139,262.2
Level	Junior Management Position	KRW/Persons	1,065,891	1,034,192	793,855	5,169,678.5
	Non-Management Position	KRW/Persons	857,338	1,099,993	1,013,747	16,757,495.4

<sup>\*</sup> Following the merger last year, Ackerton Partners has been included as a training target starting in 2025

#### Status of Performance Evaluation

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Performance Evaluation*	Number of Employees Subject to Performance Evaluation	Persons	-	4,591	4,539	4,318
	Number of Employees Who Received Performance Evaluation	Persons	-	4,206	4,318	4,068
	Percentage of Employees Who Received Performance Evaluation	%	-	91.6	95.1	94.2

<sup>\*</sup> Performance evaluations are conducted using methods such as MBO (Management by Objectives), team-based performance management, and 360-degree feedback

#### Parental Leave Usage Status

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Parental Leave Users*	Male	Persons	-	28	34	29
Parental Leave Osers	Female	Persons	-	51	63	50
Described and Heavy Debay's	Male	%	-	7.1	8.4	10.1
Parental Leave Usage Rate**	Female	%	-	85.1	90.7	86.7
Employees with at Least 12 Months of	Male	Persons	=	22	33	30
Service After Returning from Parental Leave***	Female	Persons	-	44	52	40

<sup>\*</sup> Number of employees who have used parental leave for at least one day during the reporting period

#### Labor Union/Collective Bargaining Status

Category	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Management Council Coverage Rate	%	100	100	100	100

#### Occupational Safety and Health

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Total Number of Accidents*	Cases	0	0	0	0
Employee Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR)	Number of Accidents (Male)	Cases	0	0	0	0
	Number of Accidents (Female)	Cases	0	0	0	0
	Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR)	Cases/million hours	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Total Number of Accidents	Cases	1	1	0	0
Supplier Lost Time Injury	Number of Accidents (Male)	Cases	0	1	0	0
Frequency Rate (LTIFR)	Number of Accidents (Female)	Cases	1	0	0	0
	Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR)	Cases/million hours	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Employee Occupational	Number of Occupational Diseases	Cases	0	0	0	0
Illness Frequency Rate (OIFR)	Disease Disaster Rate	Cases/200,000 hours	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Supplier Occupational Illness	Number of Occupational Illness Cases	Cases	0	0	0	0
Frequency Rate (OIFR)	Occupational Illness Frequency Rate (OIFR)	Cases/200,000 hours	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Number of Employee Work- Related Fatalities	Total	Persons	0	0	0	0
Number of Supplier Work- Related Fatalities	Total	Persons	0	0	0	0

<sup>\*</sup> Among accidents reported to the Korea Workers' Compensation & Welfare Service under the Industrial Safety and Health Act, only those resulting in lost time injuries are included

#### **Customer Satisfaction**

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Customer Satisfaction Measurement	Customer Satisfaction Survey Score	Points	67.6	70.7	72.1	70.4

#### Social Contribution Activities

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Employee Volunteer Activities	Participation Hours	Hours	2,371	1,637	2,131	1,743
Employee volunteer Activities	Monetary Value	KRW million	234	238	389	101.9
Social Contribution Amount	Total Amount	KRW million	11,833	337	4,262	2,844
Member Fundraising Amount	Total Amount	KRW thousand	95,678	96,705	269,218	207,442

 $<sup>{\</sup>rm **The\,social\,contribution\,amount\,includes\,cash\,donations,\,in-kind\,donations,\,management\,expenses,\,and\,social\,value\,(SV)\,creation\,values}$ 

<sup>\*\*</sup> Calculated by dividing the number of employees who took parental leave within one year after childbirth by the number of employees with children under one year of age as of the child's birth date

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Employees who have completed 12 months of continuous service during the reporting period after returning from parental leave

<sup>\*</sup> Starting this year, data is compiled based on business report standards, resulting in differences in values compared to the previous year's figures

<sup>\*\*</sup> From 2024 onwards, the total fundraising amount is disclosed as a combined value, with past data retrospectively recalculated

#### Mutual Growth

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Patent Technology Transfer (Free of Charge)	Cases	29	34	34	34
Mutual Growth	Joint R&D	Cases	17	31	32	33
Support	Joint Market Entry Cases	Cases	10	8	5	5
	Technology Data Escrow Cases	Cases	55	56	56	55
	Patent Application Support Cases	Cases	5	7	3	6

#### Supply Chain Management

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Total Number of Suppliers	Companies	1,399	1,747	2,036	1,872
	Number of Tier 1 Suppliers	Companies	1,399	1,747	2,036	1,872
Supply Chain	Number of Non-tier 1 Suppliers	Companies	0	0	0	0
	Number of Key Suppliers	Companies	336	328	278	251
	Percentage of Key Suppliers	%	24.0	18.8	13.7	13.4
	Total Number of Suppliers Assessed for ESG	Companies	491	791	1,262	1,092
	Number of Newly Assessed Suppliers	Companies	_	-	-	130
	Percentage of Newly Assessed Suppliers	%	-	-	-	11.9
	Number of High-Risk Suppliers	Companies	92	257	375	245
	Percentage of High-Risk Suppliers	%	18.7	32.5	29.7	22.4
	Number of Significant Suppliers*	Companies	-	38	86	110
	Percentage of Significant Suppliers	%	-	4.8	6.8	10.1
	Number of Suppliers with Actual/Potential Negative Impact	Companies	-	38	39	31
ESG Risk	Number of Suppliers with Corrective Action/Plans Established	Companies	-	38	39	31
Assessment	Percentage of Suppliers with Corrective Action/Plans Established	%	-	100	100	100
	Number of Suppliers with Completed Corrective Actions	Companies	-	37	37	31
	Percentage of Suppliers with Completed Corrective Action	%		97.4	94.9	100
	Total Number of Suppliers Participating in Capacity-Building Programs	Companies	-	-	-	251
	Number of Significant Suppliers Participating in Capacity-Building Programs	Companies	-	=	=	110
	Percentage of Significant Suppliers Participating in Capacity-Building Programs	%	-	-	-	100
	Number of Incentive Programs Applied	Companies	-	-	6	36
	Number of Penalty Programs Applied	Companies	-	0	2	14
	Total Purchase Amount	KRW 100 million	11,472	14,510	13,452	14,315
Partner	Total Purchase Amount from Tier 1 Suppliers	KRW 100 million	-	14,510	13,452	14,315
Purchase	Percentage of Purchases from Tier 1 Suppliers	%		100	100	100
Performance	Percentage of Purchases from Key Suppliers	%		43.0	63.0	47.2
	Percentage of Purchases from Significant Suppliers	%	_	5.1	25.0	15.4
	Total Domestic and Overseas HW/SW Purchases	KRW 100 million	2,331	2,028	5,682	7,695
	Domestic	KRW 100 million	2,182	1,861	5,543	7,562
Purchase	Overseas	KRW 100 million	149	167	139	133
Performance by Category	Total Domestic and Overseas Service Purchases	KRW 100 million	6,490	7,107	5,286	6,620
, , ,	Domestic	KRW 100 million	6,391	7,033	5,188	6,438
	Overseas	KRW 100 million	99	74	98	182

<sup>\*</sup> To achieve 100% assessment coverage of key suppliers by 2025, the scope of significant suppliers was expanded to include not only high-risk suppliers but also those classified as medium- and low-risk

### Information Security

Category	ltem	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Total Number of Data Breaches and Incidents (including internal leaks, hacking, etc.)	Cases	0	0	0	0
Personal Information and Data Breaches	Number of Personally Identifiable Information (PII) Breaches	Cases	0	0	0	0
	Percentage of Breaches Involving PII	%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Number of Users Whose Personal Information Was Compromised Due to Data Breaches	Persons	0	0	0	0
	Number of Customers Whose Information Was Used for Secondary Purposes	Persons	0	0	0	0
Customer and User Data	Number of Data Requests from Government and Law Enforcement Agencies	Cases	0	0	0	0
	Number of Customer Data Requests	Persons	-	0	0	0
	Data Disclosure Rate	%	-	0.0	0.0	0.0
Monetary Losses Incurred Due to Legal Proceedings Related to Personal Information Protection	Monetary Losses from Lawsuits Related to User Privacy During the Reporting Period	KRW thousand	0	0	0	0
Violations of Customer Personal Information Protection and Customer Data Loss	Number of Violations and Data Loss	Cases	0	0	0	0

#### Service Interruption Status

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Service Downtime of 30 Minutes	Cloud-based Services	Cases (minutes)	7(132)	3(60)	0(0)	0(0)
or Less	All Services	Cases (minutes)	43(805)	33(676)	22(392)	15(256)
Service Downtime of More Than	Cloud-based Services	Cases (minutes)	25(3,902)	9(857)	3(195)	0(0)
30 Minutes	All Services	Cases (minutes)	109(14,264)	87(13,044)	90(16,248)	36(5,263)
Regular Inspections and Planned	Cloud-based Services	Cases (minutes)	4(504)	1(21)	0(0)	0(0)
Maintenance	All Services	Cases (minutes)	35(3,455)	16(942)	9(2,771)	10(1,851)
Interruptions Due to Failures	Cloud-based Services	Cases (minutes)	28(3,530)	11(896)	3(195)	0(0)
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## Governance

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# Ethical Management Training

Category	Item	Unit	2024
	Training Participants	Persons	4,264
	Permanent Employees	Persons	4,107
	Temporary Employees*	Persons	157
	Training Completers	Persons	4,132
Employees	Permanent Employees	Persons	3,991
	Temporary Employees*	Persons	141
	Training Completion Rate	%	96.9
	Permanent Employee Completion Rate	%	97.2
	Temporary Employee Completion Rate	%	89.8
	Number of Participating Suppliers in Training	Companies	580
0	Training Participants	Persons	7,371
Suppliers	Training Completers	Persons	5,293
	Training Completion Rate	%	71.8

<sup>\*</sup> Temporary employees include contract-based, daily, and part-time workers

#### Status of Ethical Management Reports and Violations

(Unit: Case)

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Category	Item	2021	2022	2023	2024
Status of Ethical Management Reports and Violations	Total Number of Reports Received	-	21	25	42
	Total Number of Reports Processed	-	21	25	42
Status of Ethical Management Report	Investigation and Audit		18	23	42
Handling	Transferred to Relevant Departments	-	3	1	0
	Others	-	0	1	0
	Total Number of Violations	6	15	10	18
	Corruption and Bribery	1	2	4	5
	Negligence in Customer Data Management	0	0	1	0
Status of Ethical Management Violations	Discrimination and Harassment	2	9	2	4
	Conflict of Interest	1	0	0	1
	Money Laundering and Insider Transactions	0	0	0	0
	Others (Process Violations)	2	4	3	8
	Total Number of Disciplinary Actions	6	15	10	18
	Dismissal	0	2	1	4
	Pay Reduction	1	3	1	5
	Reprimand	2	1	2	3
	Warning	3	5	3	5
0	Others	0	4	3	1
Outcomes of Ethical Management Violation Disciplinary Actions	Number of Disciplinary Actions for Discrimination and Harassment	-	-	-	4
	Dismissal		-		1
	Pay Reduction		-		3
	Reprimand	-	-	-	0
	Warning		-	-	0
	Others	-	-	-	0

 $<sup>* \ {\</sup>tt Additional\ disadvantages\ such\ as\ compensation\ restrictions\ may\ be\ imposed\ depending\ on\ the\ disciplinary\ action}$ 

#### Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption Training

Category	Item	Unit	2024	
	Training Participants	Persons	4,264	
	Permanent Employees	Persons	4,107	
	Temporary Employees*	Persons	157	
	Training Completers	Persons	4,132	
Employees	Permanent Employees	Persons	3,991	
	Temporary Employees	Persons	141	
	Training Completion Rate	%	96.9	
	Permanent Employee Completion Rate	%	97.2	
	Temporary Employee Completion Rate	%	89.8	

<sup>\*</sup> Temporary employees include contract-based, daily, and part-time workers

<sup>\*\*</sup>The scope of report and violation case aggregation for the Business Division (AX) includes subsidiaries and overseas entities

#### Status of Court Judgments and Fines Related to Bribery and Corruption

Category	Unit	2024		
Number of Convictions	Cases	0		
Total Amount of Fines Imposed	KRW	0		

 $<sup>* \</sup> Reflects the cancellation of an administrative fine imposed by the Fair Trade Commission, following the Supreme Court's final ruling in June 2025$ 

#### Policy Expenditures

Category	ltem	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Lobbying Expenses	KRW thousand	0	0	0	0
Amount of Policy Expenditures	Political Contributions	KRW thousand	0	0	0	0
	Membership Fees to Related Organizations	KRW thousand	215,937	228,020	209,813	214,443

<sup>\*</sup> SK Inc. complies with Article 31 of the Political Funds Act, which prohibits political donations and the provision of lobbying funds by corporations

#### Key Policy-Related Expenditures

Item	Unit	2024	
Korea Enterprises Federation	KRW thousand	43,680	
Korea IT Service Industry Association (ITSA)	KRW thousand	27,000	
Korea Software Industry Association (KOSA)	KRW thousand	20,000	
Korea Association of Cloud Industry	KRW thousand	10,000	
Corporate Renewable Energy Foundation (CREF)	KRW thousand	10,000	
The Climate Change Organisation	KRW thousand	8,010	
Korea Fair Competition Federation	KRW thousand	5,000	
Korea Industrial Technology Association	KRW thousand	4,320	
Seoul Bar Association	KRW thousand	3,682	
	Korea Enterprises Federation  Korea IT Service Industry Association (ITSA)  Korea Software Industry Association (KOSA)  Korea Association of Cloud Industry  Corporate Renewable Energy Foundation (CREF)  The Climate Change Organisation  Korea Fair Competition Federation  Korea Industrial Technology Association	Korea Enterprises Federation  Korea IT Service Industry Association (ITSA)  KRW thousand  Korea Software Industry Association (KOSA)  KRW thousand  Korea Association of Cloud Industry  Corporate Renewable Energy Foundation (CREF)  The Climate Change Organisation  KRW thousand  Korea Fair Competition Federation  KRW thousand  Korea Industrial Technology Association  KRW thousand	

#### R&D

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Total Amount	KRW million	70,113	72,445	54,825	44,714
Research and Development Expenditures	Selling and Administrative Expenses	KRW million	35,507	34,041	32,691	27,878
	Development Costs	KRW million	34,606	38,404	22,134	16,836
R&D Expenditure as a Percentage of Revenue		%	3.8	3.3	2.3	1.7

<sup>\*\*</sup> SK Inc. has not joined or engaged in any related associations or climate-related lobbying activities that are contrary to the Paris Agreement

# **Consolidated ESG Data**

- 1. The reporting scope of consolidated data includes six listed subsidiaries (including sub-subsidiaries)\*
- \* SK Innovation, SK Telecom (separate), SK Networks, SK Square (separate), SKC, and SK Biopharmaceuticals (separate)
- ${\bf *Certain\,environmental\,data\,for\,SK\,Biopharmaceuticals\,is\,compiled\,on\,a\,consolidated\,basis}$
- 2. SK Square was listed at the end of 2021, and its data has been compiled and disclosed since 2022
- 3. The data is based on information disclosed in the 2025 sustainability reports of each respective subsidiary. Revisions to certain data in those reports have resulted in changes compared to the figures presented in the previous year's report
- 4. A dash ('-') is used to indicate items not applicable or where data was not collected or managed
- 5. All quantitative data, except for a few metrics, has been rounded to the first decimal place. This rounding rule has also been applied to the past three years (2021–2023)

### **Environmental**

#### **Emissions (Consolidated Basis)**

Category	ltem	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Direct GHG Emissions (Scope 1)	Total	tCO₂eq	9,569,213.9	9,615,651.3	9,740,637.5	9,891,457.0
	Intensity (per KRW 1 billion revenue)	tCO₂eq	115.3	85.6	88.4	91.5
	Intensity (per employee)	tCO₂eq	390.8	370.6	375.0	383.8
	Total(Location-based)	tCO₂eq	3,866,318.0	3,673,202.5	3,838,668.5	3,806,177.7
Indirect GHG Emissions (Scope 2)	Intensity (per KRW 1 billion revenue)	tCO2eq	46.6	32.7	34.8	36.1
	Intensity (per employee)	tCO2eq	156.2	140.2	149.3	151.2
Air Pollutants	VOC Emissions (Volatile Organic Compounds)*	Ton	961.1	1,350.8	787.7	863.0

#### Emissions (Individual Subsidiaries)

						2024			
Category	ltem	Unit	SK Inc.	SK Innovation	SK Telecom	SK Networks	SK Square	SKC	SK Biopharmaceuticals
Direct	Total	tCO₂eq	1,282.8	9,434,689.4	5,923.0	8,726.3	173.4	440,248.0	414.0
GHG Emissions	Intensity (per KRW 1 billion revenue)	tCO2eq	0.35	126.27	0.33	1.14	0.98	255.70	0.76
(Scope 1)	Intensity (per employee)	tCO2eq	0.29	942.43	1.08	2.35	1.97	311.13	1.56
Indirect	Total(Location-based)	tCO₂eq	135,381.9	2,258,456.5	1,160,614.0	29,222.5	437.8	220,868.0	1,197.0
GHG Emissions	Intensity (per KRW 1 billion revenue)	tCO2eq	36.52	30.23	64.69	3.82	2.47	128.29	2.19
(Scope 2)	Intensity (per employee)	tCO2eq	30.74	225.60	211.29	7.89	4.97	156.09	4.52
Air Pollutants	VOC Emissions (Volatile Organic Compounds)*	Ton	-	464.5	-	-	-	5.4	393.0

<sup>\*</sup> SK Inc., SK Telecom, SK Networks, and SK Square do not emit VOCs (Volatile Organic Compounds)

#### Energy Management (Consolidated Basis)

Category	ltem	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Non-renewable Energy	Non-renewable Energy Non-renewable Energy Consumption*		52,659,173.5	58,689,847.5	60,041,105.9	59,723,118.0
Renewable Energy	Renewable Energy Consumption	MWh	247,192.3	693,651.9	922,757.6	359,201.0

#### Energy Management (Individual Subsidiaries)

	ltem	Unit	2024							
Category			SK Inc.	SK Innovation	SK Telecom	SK Networks	SK Square	SKC	SK Biopharmaceuticals	
Nonrenewable Energy	Nonrenewable Energy Consumption	MWh	235,059.0	53,548,608.8	2,331,710.0	224,789.4	3,352.8	3,376,950.8	5,647.2	
Renewable Energy	Renewable Energy Consumption	MWh	72,125.0	44,622.9	237,412.0	2,696.4	1,394.7	0.0	950.0	

<sup>\*</sup> Energy consumption is converted and standardized using a conversion factor (0.2777778 MWh/GJ) before being aggregated

#### Water Management (Consolidated Basis)

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Total	Ton	54,038,567.3	53,282,108.9	50,262,461.7	50,642,453.6
Water	Municipal Water	Ton	52,383,145.3	51,984,469.3	48,458,266.5	49,282,605.8
Withdrawal	Groundwater	Ton	1,216,313.0	569,543.0	51,461.0	51,406.1
	Fresh surface water (lake, river, etc.)	Ton	439,110.0	706,490.0	1,752,734.2	1,308,441.7
Water Discharge*	Total	Ton	0.0	0.0	23,139,842.8	23,601,355.7
Water Consumption**	Total	Ton	74,840,530.2	79,935,964.3	74,799,412.5	80,589,149.3
Water Decycled	Total	Ton	20,801,963.0	24,174,890.2	24,536,950.9	27,490,364.5
Water Recycled	Rate	%	27.8	31.2	32.8	35.2

#### Water Management (Individual Subsidiaries)

						2024			
Category	Item	Unit	SK Inc.	SK Innovation	SK Telecom	SK Networks	SK Square	SKC	SK Biopharmaceuticals
	Total	Ton	120,190.5	42,186,130.5	710,778.0	1,889,817.2	5,838.1	5,724,811.3	4,888.0
Water	Municipal Water	Ton	116,389.5	42,169,720.8	669,496.0	591,462.2	5,838.1	5,724,811.3	4,888.0
Management (Individual	Groundwater	Ton	3,801.1	0.0	41,282.0	6,323.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Subsidiaries)	Fresh surface water (lake, river, etc.)	Ton	0.0	16,409.7	0.0	1,292,032.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Water Discharge*	Total	Ton	120,190.5	19,554,519.8	683,731.0	1,889,817.2	5,838.1	1,346,619.2	640.0
Water Consumption**	Total	Ton	121,871.5	69,184,581.2	710,778.0	1,964,266.5	5,838.1	8,596,926.0	4,888.0
Water Degraled	Total	Ton	1,681.0	24,542,117.1	2.0	74,449.4	0.0	2,872,115.0	0.0
Water Recycled	Rate	%	1.4	35.5	0.0	3.8	0.0	33.4	0.0

 $<sup>\</sup>ast$  The revised discharge calculation method (including treated wastewater volume) has been applied since 2023

<sup>\*\*</sup> Total water consumption = Total water withdrawal + Total water recycled/reused

### Waste Management (Consolidated Basis)

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Total Waste Recycled/Reused	Ton	126,789.3	167,423.3	93,224.1	63,043.0
	Total Waste Disposed	Ton	92,356.1	142,279.8	12,968.2	7,746.9
	Waste Landfilled	Ton	8.3	1,129.0	8,412.9	5,115.6
General Waste	Waste Incinerated with Energy Recovery	Ton	19,481.7	22,145.7	767.0	401.7
	Waste Incinerated without Energy Recovery	Ton	98,761.2	89,373.4	1,955.4	1,237.4
	Waste Otherwise Disposed	Ton	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Waste with Unknown Disposal Method	Ton	52.6	1,174.0	1,832.9	992.3
	Total Waste Recycled/Reused	Ton	44,213.0	6,801.0	39,610.8	40,595.2
	Total Waste Disposed	Ton	69,880.7	58,591.9	10,270.0	10,234.7
	Waste landfilled	Ton	0.0	867.0	1,485.5	1,517.9
Hazardous Waste	Waste Incinerated with Energy Recovery	Ton	42.0	162.9	464.9	46.2
	Waste Incinerated without Energy Recovery	Ton	0.0	325.0	7,975.2	8,486.5
	Waste Otherwise Disposed	Ton	0.0	0.3	337.0	158.8
	Waste with Unknown Disposal Method	Ton	69,838.7	50,442.7	7.4	25.3

#### Waste Management (Individual Subsidiaries)

						2024				
Category	Item	Unit	SK Inc.	SK Innovation	SK Telecom	SK Networks	SK Square	SKC	SK Biopharmaceuticals	
	Total Waste Recycled/Reused	Ton	124.5	44,189.0	2,499.0	5,908.1	7.8	10,314.6	-	
	Total Waste Disposed	Ton	14.9	5,752.0	758.0	858.0	7.9	356.2	-	
	Waste Landfilled	Ton	0.0	4,525.9	235.7	1.2	1.0	351.8	-	
General	Waste Incinerated with Energy Recovery	Ton	11.6	0.0	390.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	
Waste	Waste Incinerated without Energy Recovery	Ton	0.0	1,226.1	0.0	0.0	6.9	4.4	-	
	Waste Otherwise Disposed	Ton	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	
	Waste with Unknown Disposal Method	Ton	3.3	0.0	132.2	856.8	0.0	0.0	-	
	Total Waste Recycled/Reused	Ton	1.0	36,515.1	685.0	5.1	0.2	3,385.7	3.0	
	Total Waste Disposed	Ton	0.0	9,912.3	25.6	0.0	0.0	273.8	23.0	
	Waste Landfilled	Ton	0.0	1,489.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	28.6	0.0	
Hazardous	Waste Incinerated with Energy Recovery	Ton	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	23.0	23.0	
Waste	Waste Incinerated without Energy Recovery	Ton	0.0	8,264.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	222.2	0.0	
	Waste Otherwise Disposed	Ton	0.0	158.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
	Waste with Unknown Disposal Method	Ton	0.0	0.0	25.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	

## ISO 14001 Certification Status (Consolidated Basis)

Category	Business Site	Expiry Date
SK Inc.	SK-u Tower and Data Centers (Seongnam, Daejeon)	May 16, 2027
	SKE (Ulsan)	November 8, 2026
	SKGC (Ulsan)	June 12, 2026
	SKGC (Spain)	November 9, 2026
	SKGC (France)	May 9, 2026
	SKO (Seosan)	December 23, 2025
	SKO (United States)	December 23, 2025
	SKO (SKOH, Hungary)	December 23, 2025
SK Innovation	SKO (SKBM, Hungary)	December 23, 2025
	SKO (China)	December 23, 2025
	SKEN (Ulsan)	June 17, 2027
	SKEN (China)	September 20, 2027
	SKIPC(Incheon)	November 8, 2026
	SKIET (Jeungpyeong)	September 21, 2025
	SKIET (Poland)	January 1, 2026
	SKIET (China)	June 28, 2027
SK Telecom	Headquarters and all business sites	October 24, 2026
CI/ Naturalia	SK Networks Headquarters (Seoul)	November 14, 2025
SK Networks	SK Magic Headquarters (Seoul) and Hwaseong Campus	November 16, 2027
01/0	SKPIC (Ulsan)	November 9, 2026
SKC	SKNX (Jeongeup)	May 20, 2027
SK Biopharmaceuticals	SK Biopharmaceuticals Headquarters (Seongnam)	May 22, 2028

# Social

#### Employee Status (Consolidated Basis)

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Number of Employees	Total	Persons	24,541	26,046	25,977	25,382
By Gender	Male	Persons	19,405	20,222	19,973	19,340
By Gender	Female	Persons	5,136	5,824	6,004	6,042
	Under 30	Persons	2,938	3,543	3,450	3,321
By Age Group	30-50	Persons	15,600	16,049	15,690	15,398
	Over 50	Persons	6,003	6,454	6,837	6,663
By Employment Type	Permanent Employee	Persons	23,028	24,345	23,971	23,249
ву Епіріоупіені туре	Contract Employee	Persons	1,513	1,701	1,758	1,891
Socially	Number of Employees with Disabilities*	Persons	734	738	857	837
Disadvantaged	Number of National Veterans Employed	Persons	589	607	482	459

#### Employee Status (Individual Subsidiaries)

			2024							
Category	Item	Unit	SK Inc.	SK Innovation	SK Telecom	SK Networks	SK Square	SKC	SK Biopharmaceuticals	
Number of Employees	Total	Persons	4,404	10,011	5,493	3,706	88	1,415	265	
Dy Candar	Male	Persons	3,376	8,133	4,226	2,291	71	1,109	134	
By Gender	Female	Persons	1,028	1,878	1,267	1,415	17	306	131	
	Under 30	Persons	301	1,833	436	533	4	196	18	
By Age Group	30-50	Persons	3,086	5,565	3,142	2,401	76	903	225	
	Over 50	Persons	1,017	2,613	1,915	772	8	316	22	
By Employment	Permanent Employee	Persons	4,261	9,248	5,153	3,020	85	1,242	240	
Туре	Contract Employee	Persons	143	521	340	686	3	173	25	
Socially	Number of Employees with Disabilities*	Persons	149	350	189	109	0	30	10	
Disadvantaged	Number of National Veterans Employed	Persons	76	165	170	30	0	18	0	

<sup>\*</sup> The number of employees with disabilities is determined according to the classification standards set by each subsidiary \* The workforce composition data may differ from the figures in the annual business report, depending on whether internal and external directors are included by each company

#### New Hires and Turnover (Consolidated Basis)

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Number of Employees	Total	Persons	2,560	4,021	2,978	2,304
By Gender	Male	Persons	1,626	2,665	1,808	1,479
by Geridei	Female	Persons	934	1,356	1,170	825
	Under 30	Persons	1,126	1,688	1,507	1,355
By Age Group	30-50	Persons	1,244	2,186	1,315	737
	Over 50	Persons	190	147	156	212
1.1	Total	Persons	1,998	1,907	1,094	1,340
Internal Hires	Rate	%	45.0	38.0	43.0	56.0
Total Number of	Total	Persons	1,557	1,416	1,994	2,520
Employee Turnovers	Rate*	%	6.3	5.4	7.6	9.9
By Gender	Male	Persons	1,119	984	1,248	1,816
by Geridei	Female	Persons	441	432	746	704
	Under 30	Persons	400	390	567	595
By Age Group	30-50	Persons	811	704	866	977
	Over 50	Persons	346	322	561	948
Voluntary Turnover	Total**	Persons	1,207	1,098	1,491	1,675
voluntary fulflover	Rate	%	4.9	4.2	5.7	6.6

#### New Hires and Turnover (Individual Subsidiaries)

			2024						
Category	ltem	Unit	SK Inc.	SK Innovation	SK Telecom	SK Networks	SK Square	SKC	SK Biopharmaceuticals
Total Number of New Hires	Total	Persons	245	739	379	813	5	105	18
Di Condor	Male	Persons	162	641	169	415	2	82	8
By Gender	Female	Persons	83	98	210	398	3	23	10
	Under 30	Persons	102	495	223	498	2	26	9
By Age Group	30-50	Persons	106	173	124	259	2	65	8
	Over 50	Persons	37	71	32	56	1	14	1
Total Number of	Total	Persons	410	662	337	940	8	138	25
Employee Turnovers	Rate*	%	9.3	6.8	6.1	25.4	9.1	9.8	9.4
By Gender	Male	Persons	311	542	312	516	4	118	13
By Gender	Female	Persons	99	120	25	424	4	20	12
	Under 30	Persons	30	140	3	384	2	31	5
By Age Group	30-50	Persons	186	234	40	425	6	69	17
	Over 50	Persons	194	288	294	131	0	38	3
Voluntary	Total**	Persons	296	298	42	886	6	123	24
Turnover	Rate	%	6.7	3.1	1.0	23.9	6.8	8.7	9.1

<sup>\*</sup> Turnover rate = [(Total number of employees who left / Total number of employees in the reporting year) x 100]; the calculation method has been revised to ensure consistency across all subsidiaries

<sup>\*\*</sup> Voluntary turnover: Refers to cases in which an employee voluntarily leaves the company for personal reasons, excluding  $mand atory\ retirement,\ dismissal,\ or\ other\ employer-initiated\ reasons$ 

 $<sup>{\</sup>rm *The \ reporting \ periods \ for \ SK \ Innovation's \ voluntary \ and \ overall \ turnover \ rates \ differ}$ 

<sup>\*\*</sup> Annual hiring costs (separate basis): 481 (2021) / 1,325 (2022) / 1,828 (2023) / 1,101 (2024) [Unit: KRW million]

#### Position and Gender Status in Occupational Group (2024)

Category	Item	Unit	Rate
	Share of Women in Total Workforce	%	23.8
	Share of Women in All Management Positions	%	17.8
Current Status of Female	Share of Women in Junior Management Positions	%	18.6
Employees by Position/ Occupational Group	Share of Women in Top Management Positions	%	11.7
occupational croup	Share of Women in Management Positions in Revenue-generating Functions	%	10.9
	Share of Women in STEMrelated Positions	%	22.4

<sup>\*</sup> The proportion of female employees by job level and job function is calculated based on the sum and average of data aggregated from each subsidiary  $\ensuremath{\mbox{**}}$  SK Square was excluded from the calculation due to unavailability of data

#### Gender Pay Indicators (2024)

Category	Item	Unit	Rate
Executive level	Base Salary Only	%	78.2
Executive level	Base Salary + Other Cash Incentives	%	74.3
Management level	Base Salary Only	%	96.1
Management level	Base Salary + Other Cash Incentives	%	95.5
Non-management position	Base Salary Only	%	68.0
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<sup>\*</sup> Ratio of female-to-male base salary (and total compensation) at equivalent job levels: Average female salary / Average male salary

#### Status of Employees with Foreign Nationalities (2024)

Nationality	Total Number of Foreign Employees	Total Number of Foreign Managers		
US	43	10		
China	26	7		
Canada	15	5		
Australia	2	1		
Others	34	3		

#### Labor Union/Collective Bargaining Status (Consolidated Basis)

							2024			
Category	Item	Unit	Total	SK Inc.	SK Innovation	SK Telecom	SK Networks	SK Square	SKC	SK Biopharmaceuticals
Labor Union/Collective Bargaining Status (Consolidated Basis)	Rate	%	96.6	100	100	100	81.0	100	88.4	100

<sup>\*</sup>For SK Networks and SKC, the coverage rate is based on labor union membership, while for other member companies without labor unions, it is based on the proportion of employees covered by the Management Council. The overall collective agreement coverage rate is calculated and the proportion of employees covered by the Management Council. The overall collective agreement coverage rate is calculated as the context of theusing employee-weighted averages

<sup>\*\*</sup> SK Square and SKC were excluded from the calculation due to unavailability of data

<sup>\*\*</sup> Due to the differing operational structures of labor unions and the Management Council, variations may arise in employeecoverage between the metrics

#### Training & Development Inputs (Consolidated Basis)

Category		Item	Unit	2024
	Total Company	y-wide Training Hours	Hours	1,110,698
	Average Traini	ing Hours per Employee	Hours	53.7
Training &	Py Condor	Male	Hours	55.2
Development	By Gender	Female	Hours	48.9
Hours	By Age Group	Under 30	Hours	59.3
		30-50	Hours	51.5
		Over 50	Hours	56.2
	Total Company	y-wide Training Expenses	KRW	70,321,310,680
	Average Traini	ing Expenses per Employee	KRW/person	3,397,441.6
Training &	By Gender	Male	KRW/person	3,471,738.4
Development	by Gerider	Female	KRW/person	3,103,700.6
Amounts	By Age Group	Under 30	KRW/person	3,561,235.5
		30-50	KRW/person	3,322,885.2
		Over 50	KRW/person	3,434,950.0

#### Human Capital Return on Investment (HCROI)

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Total Revenue	KRW million	95,627,973	132,079,354	128,798,468	124,690,439
Human Capital Return on	Total Operating Expenses	KRW million	85,113,650	116,435,597	116,609,571	113,998,912
Investment Metrics	Total Employee-related Expenses*	KRW million	2,140,799	2,718,296	2,858,959	3,164,161
	HC ROI		5.91	6.75	5.26	4.38

<sup>\*</sup> Employee-related costs include salaries, retirement benefits, welfare expenses, and expenses for training and research activities

#### Occupational Safety and Health (Consolidated Basis)

Category	ltem	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Number of Work-Related Fatalities	Persons	0	0	0	0
Employees	Number of Lost Time Injuries (LTI)	Cases	15	26	19	7
	Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR)	Cases/million hours	0.29	0.48	0.35	0.13
	Number of Work-Related Fatalities	Persons	0	3	0	1
Suppliers	Number of Lost Time Injuries (LTI)	Cases	35	38	40	16
	Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR)	Cases/million hours	1.44	1.38	1.40	0.70

#### Safety and Health Status (Individual Subsidiaries)

		Unit	2024						
Category	ltem		SK Inc.	SK Innovation	SK Telecom	SK Networks	SK Square	SKC	SK Biopharmaceuticals
Employees	Number of Work- Related Fatalities	Persons	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Number of Lost Time Injuries (LTI)	Cases	0	2	0	0	0	5	0
	Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR)	Cases/million hours	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.73	0.00
	Number of Work- Related Fatalities	Persons	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Suppliers	Number of Lost Time Injuries (LTI)	Cases	0	11	2	3	0	0	0
	Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR)	Cases/million hours	0.00	0.58	3.75	1.31	0.00	0.00	0.00

<sup>\*</sup> SK Inc., SK Square, and SK Biopharmaceuticals were excluded from the calculation of the total supplier LTIFR due to unavailability of supplier working hour data

<sup>\*</sup> Due to changes in business operations of consolidated entities, the most recent business report information has been retroactively applied

 $<sup>**</sup> Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR) = (Number of lost time injuries / Total working hours) \times 1,000,000 (hours) \\$ 



#### Online Sales Status (Consolidated Basis)

Category	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
Proportion of Online Sales*	%	5.7	4.7	5.2	5.4

<sup>\*</sup> Percentage of combined online sales from SK Inc., SK Telecom, and major online service subsidiaries (Eleven Street, SK Planet, and One Store) relative to the consolidated revenue of SK Inc.

#### Customer Satisfaction Status (Consolidated Basis)

Category	Item	Unit	2021	2022	2023	2024
SK Inc.	CSI	Points	67.6	70.7	72.1	70.4
SK Innovation	KCSI	Rank	1st (11 consecutive years)	1st (12 consecutive years)	1st (13 consecutive years)	1st (14 consecutive years)
SK Telecom	NCSI	Points	79	79	79	80
SK Networks	GEI NCSI	Points	· Speedmate (self): 91.7/100 · Walkerhill (NCSI): 4.3/5	· Speedmate (self): 91.7/100 · Walkerhill (NCSI): 4.3/5	· Speedmate (self): 91.7/100 · Walkerhill (NCSI): 4.3/5	· Speedmate (self): 93/100 · Walkerhill (NCSI): 80/100

<sup>\*</sup> SK Square, SKC, and SK Biopharmaceuticals are excluded as they do not conduct separate customer satisfaction surveys due to the nature of their business

<sup>\*</sup> Online sales = AX CloudZ sales + SK Telecom's online service sales + sales from SK Square subsidiaries (Eleven Street, SK Planet, and One Store)

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Customer Satisfaction evaluation methodology: CSI (Customer Satisfaction Index), KCSI (Korean Customer Satisfaction Index), NCSI (National Customer Satisfaction Index), GEI (Guest Experience Index)

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# **Global Initiatives**

# **Global Initiatives**

SK Inc. fully recognizes the importance of achieving global Net Zero and eliminating carbon footprints and is actively reviewing and promoting eco-friendly and carbon reduction initiatives across the organization. In 2020, SK became the first company in Korea to join RE100 and begin SASB disclosures, followed by its Net Zero 2040 declaration and TCFD disclosure in 2021. In 2022, SK joined the Korea TCFD Alliance and undertook various efforts to address environmental challenges. Going forward, SK will continue to identify and participate in global initiatives that align with its core values, mission, technology, and innovation to fulfill its responsibility toward sustainability.

#### List of Global Initiatives

Category	Details
UN Global Compact (UNGC)	The UN Global Compact (UNGC) is the world's largest voluntary corporate citizenship initiative, outlining 10 principles in the areas of human rights, labor, environment, and anticorruption. SK Inc. is a signatory to the initiative and is actively working to fulfill its corporate social responsibility by adhering to the UNGC's 10 principles. Going forward, SK Inc. will continue to participate in the implementation of these principles and transparently disclose its progress, thereby fulfilling its role as a responsible corporate citizen in building a sustainable society.
RE100 Initiative	RE100 is a global initiative through which companies voluntarily commit to sourcing 100% of their electricity from renewable energy. In December 2020, SK Inc. became the first company in Korea to join RE100, demonstrating its commitment to global climate action. The company has also established a RE100 2040 target to guide its transition.
Zero Energy Certification	Reflecting the UN's call for national-level Net Zero implementation and the Financial Society's growing demands for stronger corporate climate action, SK Group announced Korea's first group-level Net Zero commitment (at the 2021 Extended Management Meeting). Through this declaration, the Group aims to solidify its leadership in ESG management.

#### **UNGC Response Activities**

Category	Principle	Key Activities	Contents
Human Rights	O1. Businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights; and O2. make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses.	Acquisition of human rights management system certification Establishment and declaration of human rights management system Compliance with labor principles and relevant laws Enhancement of human rights violation response and procedures through establishment of the Human Rights Management Committee and the Human Rights Violation Remedy Committee	<u>65-74</u>
Labour	O3. Businesses should uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining; O4. the elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labour; O5. the effective abolition of child labour; and O6. the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation.	Compliance with the Labor Standards Act     Operation of the management council     Operation of a fair performance management system     Implementation of individual career path planning and performance reviews for employees	<u>75-86</u>
Environment	O7. Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges; O8. undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility; and O9. encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies.	Implementation of the RE100 initiative and the Net Zero 2040 commitment     Resource circulation response and expansion of eco-friendly business     Expansion of eco-friendly investment and technology development     Strengthening of green business portfolio	26-48 53-63
Anti- Corruption	Businesses should work against corruption in all its forms, including extortion and bribery.	Establishment of ethical management and anticorruption policy     Establishment of a dedicated ethical management unit and a reporting and counseling system     Operation of an ethical management selfmonitoring system     Implementation of ethical management and anti-corruption training	<u>135-146</u>

#### Participation in Initiative Activities

Category Participation Fee		Key Activities	
UNGC	\$15,000	Annual membership fee for participating companies	
RE100	\$6,000	General membership annual fee (membership maintenance)	
CDP	\$2,950	Assessment and response fee for carbon reduction information disclosure	

### Industry-Specific Metrics

SK Inc. identifies, manages, and discloses industry-specific metrics across the areas of environment, social, and governance, reflecting changes and expectations of key external stakeholders.

#### Industry-Specific Metrics

Category	Key indicators	Details	Contents
Eco-friendly Opportunities	Clean Technology	<ul> <li>Possession of a clean technology development strategy</li> <li>Established targets for expanding investment in clean technologies</li> <li>Number of patents related to clean technologies</li> <li>Clean technology activities (Biz.) Performance of clean technology activities (Biz.) - by clean technology type: R&amp;D level, non-core business level, core business level, and Pure Play level</li> <li>Discussion of environmental factors that must be managed within data centers for the establishment and implementation of environmental strategies (e.g., energy, water) → Includes discussions on measures for expanding existing data center management items, constructing new data centers, and outsourcing (when using third-party data centers)</li> <li>R&amp;D activities in sectors applicable to clean technologies</li> <li>Clean technology R&amp;D expenditure (R&amp;D expenditure ÷ revenue and its trend)</li> <li>Revenue from clean technology activities (Biz.)</li> </ul>	
Product Responsibility	Product and Service Safety	· (1) Performance issues, (2) number of service outages, and (3) service downtime affecting all customers · Detailed explanation of factors leading to operational risk occurrences (e.g., technical issues, hacking, natural disasters, programming errors, etc.)	<u>113-119</u> <u>166</u>
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Product Responsibility	Personal Information Protection & Corporate Data Security	Number of customer personal data entries used for indirect purposes Total monetary losses incurred as a result of legal proceedings related to the protection of customers' personal data (1) Number of law enforcement requests for customer data, (2) number of customers whose data was requested, and (3) disclosure rate List of countries where core products or services are subject to direct government control (e.g., monitoring, blocking, content filtering, censorship) (1) Number of data breaches, (2) proportion involving personally identifiable information (PII), and (3) number of affected customers	
Corporate Behavior	Anti-Corruption Management	· Total monetary losses incurred as a result of legal proceedings related to anti-competitive conduct	

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### **Awards and Certifications**

### **Awards and Recognitions**

Year of Award	Award Title	Awarding Organization
	Presidential Citation for Contribution to the Advancement of the Information Culture	Ministry of Science and ICT
	Morgan Stanley Capital International Index (MSCI) AAA Rating	Morgan Stanley Capital International
2024	Included in Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI) World for 13 Consecutive Years	S&P Dow Jones Indices
	Integrated Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) A Rating	Korea Institute of Corporate Governance and Sustainability (KCGS, formerly Korea Corporate Governance Service)
	Recipient of the Korean Readers' Choice Awards (KRCA) for 6 Consecutive Years	Korean Standards Association (KSA)
	Morgan Stanley Capital International Index (MSCI) AAA Rating	Morgan Stanley Capital International
	Included in Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI) World for 12 Consecutive Years	S&P Dow Jones Indices
2023	Integrated Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) A+ Rating	Korea Institute of Corporate Governance and Sustainability (KCGS)
2023	Recipient of the Korean Readers' Choice Awards (KRCA) for 5 Consecutive Years	Korean Standards Association (KSA)
	Received Platinum/Gold Awards at the LACP 2023 Spotlight Awards and selected as a Top 100 Report	LACP (League of American Communications Professionals)
	Achieved CDP Leadership Level A-	CDP Korea Committee
	Included in the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI) World for 11 Consecutive Years and Recognized as Industry Leader [Ranked No.1 in the Industrial Conglomerates Sector]	S&P Dow Jones Indices
	Morgan Stanley Capital International Index (MSCI) AAA Rating	Morgan Stanley Capital International
2022	Integrated Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) A+ Rating	Korea Institute of Corporate Governance and Sustainability (KCGS)
	Recipient of the Korean Readers' Choice Awards (KRCA) for 4 Consecutive Years	Korean Standards Association (KSA)
	Received the CDP Carbon Management Sector Honors (CDP Leadership Level A-)	CDP Korea Committee

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## **Member Organizations**

Seoul Bar Association	Korea IT Service Industry Association (ITSA)	MEC Forum
Korean Bar Association	Seoul Economist Club	MyData Korea Hub
Korea In-House Counsel Association	Korea Association of Cloud Industry	Federation of Middle Market Enterprises of Korea (FOMEK)
American Bar Association (ABA)	Korea Enterprises Federation	Korea Mech. Const. Contractors Association
Korean Patent Attorneys Association	Korean Institute of Certified Public Accountants	Korea Data Center Council (KDCC)
Korea Information and Communication Contractors Association	Korean Nursing Association	Seongnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Engineering Guarantee Insurance	Korea Electrical Engineers Association	Software Quality Council (a sub-council of the Korea Software Industry Association (KOSA))
Fire Guarantee	Korea Fire Facility Association	Korea Defense Software Association (KODESA)
Korea Fire Safety Institute	Korea Fair Competition Federation	Korea Software Industry Association (KOSA)
Korea Engineering & Consulting Association	Korea Industrial Technology Association (KOITA)	Federation of Korean Information Industries (FKII)
Korea Electrical Contractors Association	Consortium of Cloud Computing Research	Information & Communication Financial Cooperative
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## **GRI**

#### **GRI Content Index**

Statement of Use	This report has been prepared and reported in accordance with the GRI Standards by SK Inc. (Reporting period: January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024)
GRI Standards	GRI 1: Foundation 2021
Application of GRI Sector Standards	No applicable sector standards currently available

### GRI 2: General Disclosures

Category	GRI Number	Disclosure Title	Contents		
			SK Inc. is structured into two divisions: the Investment Division, which drives continuous innovation of the business portfolio and fosters future growth engines, and the Business Division, which provides integrated IT services based on digital technologies.		
			[Basic Organizational Information]		
			Category	Details	
			Organization Name	SK Inc.	
	2-1	Organizational details	Ownership and Legal Form	SK Inc. is a corporation incorporated under the Commercial Act and duly registered in accordance with applicable laws.	
Organization			Headquarters Location	26 Jong-ro, Jongno-gu, Seoul, Republic of Korea	
Organization and			Countries of Operation	Republic of Korea	
Reporting Practices			Business Site Locations	(Investment Division): Seorin Office / SKMS Research Center, Yeongju / Dongtan / Seoul / Sejong / Sangju Materials CIC Business Site (Business Division): Gwangju POS / Busan POS / Seongnam POS Business Site / Pangyo DC Center / Daedeok DC Center / Jeongja Office / Pangyo Office / Jongno Integrated Office / Yeouido Hub Office / Sunae Office / Ackerton Partners	
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Stakeholder Communication on Climate Change

- · The company reviews potential duplication with similar organizations and therelevance to its business when considering membership changes, with a primary focus on whether the association's intended use aligns with its business objectives
- · Reviews are conducted at the time of membership application or withdrawal, and the association's purpose and direction are determined through prior confirmation by relevant departments and coordination across teams
- · For environment-related associations, the ESG environmental officer participates in the preliminary review and assesses whether the association's climate-related activities align with the company's climate policies, including the Paris Agreement
- · After joining, the company regularly reviews whether the activities of key associations align with its climate policies or strategies, and shares feedback or engages in dialogue with the associations when necessary

Process



### Subsidiary Case

#### Stakeholder Engagement for Climate Change Response (SK Telecom)

	Framework Indicator	SKT Status & Actions
Policy & Commitment	Make a public commitment to align all of its climate change lobbying with the goal of restricting global temperature rise to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels	SK Telecom implements all climate change response activities, including climate-related donations, sponsorships, and lobbying activities, in line with the Nationally Determined Contribution(NDC) and the Paris Agreement. In 2021, SK Telecom established the SBTi1)-based Net Zero goal and officially declared the achievement of '2050 Net Zero' at the 38th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held in 2022. SK Telecom measures GHG emissions generated inside and outside the organization's boundaries every year, and is implementing GHG reduction activities with the goal of reducing direct and indirect emissions(Scope1+2) by 47.7% and other indirect emissions(Scope3) by 22.3% compared to the 2020 BAU by 2030, and achieving Net Zero by 2050.
	2) Apply the scope of this commitment to all of its subsidiaries and business areas, and all operational jurisdictions	SK Telecom's climate-related donation, sponsorship, and lobbying policy applies to all jurisdictions in which we have operations, including South Korea, where more than 99% of its revenue is generated, as well as overseas subsidiaries and affiliates
	Publicly commit to taking steps to ensure that the associations, alliances and coalitions of which it is a member conduct their climate change lobbying in line with the goal of restricting global temperature rise to 1.5°C above preindustrial levels	As a member of associations and organizations related to the telecommunications industry, SK Telecom supports all climate change response activities, including climate-related donations, sponsorships, and lobbying, to ensure that they are in line with the Nationally Determined Contribution(NDC) and the Paris Agreement.
Governance	Assign responsibility at board level for oversight of its climate change lobbying approachand activities	SK Telecom established an ESG Committee in 2021 as an independent body under the board of directors, composed of four independent directors, who receive reports on key climate change issues from management and staff and make decisions. The ESG Committee receives reports on the direction and performance of key ESG-related areas, regularly deliberates on these matters, and supervises and monitors major disclosures, including the implementation status of Net Zero and climate-related donations and sponsorships, including lobbying activities.
	Assign responsibility at senior management level for day-to-day implementation of its climate change lobbying policies and practices	SK Telecom's CEO and Head of the ESG Division, as key executives responsible for responding to climate change, manage major issues including climate-related lobbying and sponsorships. The CEO receives regular reports on the progress of the 2050 Net Zero goals, climate risk assessments, and responses, and supports the ESG Committee in discussing and making appropriate decisions on key issues. The Head of the ESG Division oversees ESG-related operations, ensuring that related businesses and organizations can respond effectively and manage integratively. In addition, when material risks and opportunities arising from climate change are identified, they are immediately reported to the CEO for prompt decision-making.
	6) Establish an annual monitoring and review process to ensure that all of its direct and indirect climate change lobbying activities across all geographies are consistent with the goal of restricting global temperature rise to 1,5°C above pre- industrial levels	SK Telecom implements all climate change response activities, including climate-related donations, sponsorships, and lobbying, in line with the Nationally Determined Contribution(NDC) and the Paris Agreement. The ESG Committee reviews key climate change issues on a monthly basis and deliberates on monitoring results, including whether all direct and indirect climate-related donations, sponsorships, and lobbying activities are in line with the goal of limiting the global temperature increase to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels.
	7) Establish a process for engaging with stakeholders related to setting and reviewing its climate change lobbying policies, positions and activities	SK Telecom actively communicates with all stakeholders on potential risks and opportunities arising from climate change, including climate-related donations and sponsorships, lobbying policies, and related activities, and monitors domestic and international telecommunications industry trends and policies. In particular, SK Telecom has a materiality assessment process and management system to identify factors that could have a significant impact on climate-related risks and opportunities, analyze potential financial impacts, and establish a response system.
	8) Establish a clear framework for addressing misalignments between the climate change lobbying positions adopted by the associations, alliances and coalitions of which it is a member and the goal of restricting global temperature rise to 1.5°C above preindustrial levels	Through its enterprise-wide risk management and execution system, SK Telecom integrates the management of the implementation status of its Net Zero strategy, including policies and activities related to climate-related donations and sponsorships, and the impacts of climate change. Regarding climate-related donations, sponsorships, and lobbying, if the goals of the associations and organizations to which SK Telecom belongs are not in line with the Nationally Determined Contribution and the Paris Agreement, SK Telecom has a policy of making an public statement on the establishment and implementation of goals, requesting the formation of meetings and coalitions, prohibiting donations and sponsorships, or leaving associations and organizations, taking into account the company's role, status, and involvement in such associations and organizations.
	9) Publish a detailed annual review covering the company's assessment and actions related to the 1.5°C alignment of: (a) its own climate change lobbying activities; (b) the climate change lobbying activities of the associations, alliances, coalitions or thinktanks of which it is a member or to which it provides support	SK Telecom reviews its climate-related donation, sponsorship, and lobbying policies for alignment with the Nationally Determined Contribution(NDC) and the Paris Agreement, and applies the same monitoring process to SK Telecom's direct activities as well as those of associations and organizations to which we belong. As a result of our monitoring, we have not identified any misalignments between our climate-related donation and sponsorship, lobbying activities and those of the associations and organizations we are affiliated with.
	10) Recognise the existence of and report on action to address any misalignments between its climate change lobbying and/or the climate change lobbying activities of its trade associations, coalitions, alliances or funded thinktanks and the goal of limiting global temperature rise to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels	SK Telecom has not identified any misalignments between its climate-related donation and sponsorship, lobbying activities and those of the associations or organizations it belongs to, in relation to the goals of the NDC and the Paris Agreement.
	Create or participate in coalitions that have the specific purpose of lobbying in support of the goal of restricting global temperature rise to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels	The Global System for Mobile Communications Association (GSMA) declared its participation in the SBTi in 2019 to achieve the 1.5°C target set by the Paris Agreement, and SK Telecom Specific Disclosures has publicly expressed its commitment to fulfilling the Paris Agreement through joint participation. SK Telecom is actively participating in associations and initiatives that support the achievement of the Paris Agreement, including becoming the first Korean company to join RE100 in 2020 and establishing its own SBTi-based Net Zero goal in 2021.
	12) Publicly disclose, for all geographies, its membership of, support for and involvement in all associations, alliances and coalitions engaged in climate change-related lobbying	SK Telecom reviews its climate-related donation, sponsorship, and lobbying policies for alignment with the Nationally Determined Contribution and the Paris Agreement, and applies the same monitoring process to its direct activities as well as the activities of associations and organizations to which it belongs. The results of our monitoring are transparently disclosed in our Annual Report.
Specific Disclosures	13) Publicly disclose, for each of these organisations: (a) how much it pays to them on an annual basis; (b) those organisations where it sits on the board or plays an active role in committees or other activities related to climate change	SK Telecom publicly discloses the names and characteristics of the associations and organizations to which it belongs a, swell as its status and role within them, along with information on annual expenditures. None of these associations or organizations to which SK Telecom belongs serve on its board of directors, nor do they participate directly in committees or other activities related to climate change.
	14) Publicly disclose its overall assessment of the influence that its climate lobbying has had on (a) supporting ambitious public climate change policy; (b) the company's ability to deliver its own corporate transition strategy	SK Telecom considers all climate change response activities, including climate-related donations, sponsorships, and lobbying, to contribute to the achievement of the Nationally Determined Contribution(NDC) when implementing the SBTI-based Net Zero goal established in 2021 and the "2050 Net Zero" roadmap. This policy is a fundamental principle for SK Telecom's three green strategies(Green Operation, Green Energy, and Green Forest), which are aimed at reducing direct and indirect emissions(Scope1+2) by 47.7% and other indirect emissions(Scope3) by 22.3% compared to 2020 by 2030, and contribute to realizing full Net Zero by 2050 through active carbon reduction every year.
Trade Association	Issue or Topic	SK Telecom's Role and Involvement
Happy Connect Foundation	Established by the SK Group's Happiness Sharing Foundation, this public interest corporation engages in combating climate change through the recycling of used IT equipment and plastic reduction projects. It also reinvests in job creation and social welfare initiatives.	Expanding the scope of eco-friendly projects by contributing funds to the Foundation(expanding the scope of resource circulation to include food container circulation other than multi-use cups, recycling collection, etc.)  Building a foundation for SKT's Al-linked eco-friendly platform(enhanced B2B/B2C engagement through system(app/web) advancement, and efficient separation/sorting through Vision Al)  Discovering experience events/programs for employees and stakeholders(Promoting collaboration with related organizations in the company, such as linking with labor union programs, and enhancing awareness of "Happy Habit" through collaboration with large corporate partner programs)

**Appendix** 

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We have conducted independent verification of our Greenhouse gas emissions and sustainability performance.

## **GHG Emission Verification Opinion**

### Scope 1 and Scope 2 GHG Emissions

#### Verification Scope

Korean Standards Association has conducted verification for GHG emissions based on GHG report provided by SK Inc. which includes Scope1 and Scope2 emissions.

#### Verification Standards and Guidelines

To conduct verification activities, verification teamapplied verification standards and guidelines. The standards and guidelines areas follows.

- · Guidance for reporting and verification of GHG emissions trading scheme (No. 2024-155 provided by Ministry of Environment, Republic of Korea)
- · Verification Guidelines for the Operation of the Greenhouse Gas Emission Trading System(No. 2024-169 provided by Ministry of Environment, Republic of Korea)
- · 2006 IPCC Guidelines, KS I ISO 14064-1: 2018 and KS I ISO14064-3: 2019

#### Level of Assurance

SK Inc.'s GHG emissions satisfies the under Reasonable Assurance(less than ±5.0% of total emissions).

#### **Verification Conclusion**

As a result of verification activities, verification team has found no significant errors, omissions, and misstatements. Therefore, Korean Standards Association confirms that following emissions data are adequately quantified.

#### 2024 GHG Emissions and Energy Consumption

(Unit: tCO2eq)

Division	Scope 1	Scope 2	Total
Location-based	1,282.84	135,381.92	136,656
Market-based	1,282.84	102,625.94	103,900
Energy Consumption(TJ)	21.47	2,832.57	2,846

<sup>\*</sup> Note: Decimal place is not considered when calculating the emission of each workplace

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### Scope 3 GHG Emissions

#### Verification Target

Korean Foundation for Qualiity (hereinafter 'KFQ') has conducted a verification of Scope 3 Greenhouse Gas Emissions (hereinafter 'GHG emissions') of SK Inc. (hereinafter 'Company) for 2024/. KFQ is responsible for providing an assurance statement on the GHG emissions based on the verification scope and criteria described below, while the reponsibility for the claims made regarding the GHG emissions rests with the company.

#### **Verification Purpose**

The purpose is to provide an independent verification opinion on the company's Scope3 emissions.

#### **Verification Scope**

The verification covered ten emission categories (Catergory 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 15) selected by the company during 2024.

#### Verification Criteria

The following criteria and coefficients used by the company were applied.

- 1. Criteria
- IS014064-1:2018, ISO14064-3:2019
- 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories
- GHG Protocol Corporate Standard
- WBCSD/WRI, Corporate Value Chain (Scope 3) Accounting and Reporting Standard
- Rule for emission reporting and certification of greenhouse gas emission trading Scheme
- 2. Coefficient
- Environmental Product Declaration evaluation coefficient (2021)
- GHG Protocol 'Mobile Combustion GHG emission calculation tool v2.6'

#### Level of Assurance

The verification has been conducted in accordance with the verification principles and standards of the 'ISO14064-3:2019' under the limited verification level.

#### **Verification Limitation**

GHG emissions verification involves inherent limitations that may arise depending on the organization's data characteristics, calculations and estimates, sampling method, and limited assurance level. Additionally, this verification does not include responsibility for the accuracy of the original data provided by the company.

#### Conclusion

Based on the criteria and guidelines stated above, KFQ's verification opinion is as follows.

- 1. GHG emissions of the company for 2024 were properly calculated based on the mateirals provided, and no material errors or omissions that could affect the verification opinion were identified.
- 2. The criteria and process established by the company for calculating GHG emissions were transparently documented in the internal calculation process to prevent potential misunderstandings.
- 3. Accordingly, KFQ provides a verification opinion that in "Unmodified."

#### Appendix A. Summary of Scope 3 GHG Emission Results

- · Organization: SK Inc.
- · Emission calculation period: The emission calculation period is from January 1st to December 31st, 2024

#### Company Scope 3 Emissions Verification Results

(Unit: tCO2eq)

Category		Total emissions
1	Purchased goods & services	22,533
2	Capital goods	351
3	Fuel and Energy-related activities not included in Scope 1+2	21,016
4	Upstream transportation and distribution	23
5	Waste gnerated in operations	3
6	Business travel	2,596
7	Employee commuting	743
11	Use of sold products	111,791
12	End of life treatment of sold products	277
15	Investments	14,050,684
	Total	14,210,016

 $<sup>{\</sup>tt \#Because the emissions for each category are rounded, the company's total emissions may differ from the actual values by {\tt \pm1tCO_2eq} and {\tt \pm1tCO_2eq} are rounded, {\tt \pm1tCO_2eq$ 

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Korean Foundation for Quality (hereinafter 'KFQ') has been engaged to independently verify the 2025 Sustainability Report (hereinafter 'the Report')<sup>2)</sup> of SK Inc. 1 (hereinafter 'the Company'). KFQ is responsible for providing an independent third-party verification opinion on the report based on the verification criteria and scope specified below. The responsibility for the preparation of this report lies with the Company's management.

- 1) Organization Address (based on headquarters): 26, Jong-ro, Jongno-gu, Seoul, Republic of Korea
- 2) Data Collection Period: ESG-related financial and non-financial performance data from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024 were collected, with some data including information from the first half of 2025. To provide year-over-year trend analysis of quantitative performance, data from the past four years (2021–2024) are also included.

#### **Verification Purpose**

The purpose of this verification is to ensure the reliability of the data and information stated in the Company's report.

#### Verification Scope

- 1. Verification Boundary: The report on financial and business performance was conducted on a consolidated basis, targeting SK Corporation and its consolidated listed subsidiaries (SK Innovation, SK Telecom, SK Networks, SK Square, SKC, and SK Biopharmaceuticals).
- 2. Verification Items (based on GRI Standards 2021)

Category	Category GRI Standards	
Universal Standards	· 2-1 to 2-5 (The organization and its reporting practices) · 2-6 to 2-8 (Activities and workers) · 2-9 to 2-21 (Governance)	· 2-22 to 2-28 (Strategy, policies, and practices) · 2-29 to 2-30 (Stakeholder engagement) · 3-1 to 3-3 (Material Topics Disclosures)
Topic Standards	GRI 201 (Economic Performance)  Expenses for recollecting environmental management investments  GRI 205 (Anti-corruption)  Ethical Management and Anticorruption training  GRI 206 (Anti-Competitive Behavior)  Compliance with bribery and corruption  GRI 302 (Energy)  Energy consumption  GRI 303 (Water and Effluents)  Water withdrawal/discharge/consumption  Water efficiency management program  GRI 305 (Emissions)  GHG emission (Scope 1,2,3) and VOC  Emission reduction targets  GRI 306 (Waste)  General/Hazardous waste disposal, processed, and recycled	GRI 401 (Employment)  Number of new hires and employee turnover/turnover rate GRI 403 (Occupational Health and Safety)  Lost-time injury frequency rate (LTIFR) of employees  Lost-time injury frequency rate (LTIFR) of contractors  Fatalities of Employees and contractors  GRI 404 (Training and Education)  Performance in AX College (Application to the workplace)  Training hours and amounts  GRI 405 (Diversity and Equal Opportunity)  Gender pay gap (Average gender pay gap)  GRI 406 (Non-Discrimination)  Status of Human rights grievance  GRI 414 (Supplier Social Assessment)  Number of tier-1 suppliers, key tier-1 suppliers, and total supply chain-related expenditures  Status of ESG Assessments for Suppliers  Number of Highrisk/Significant Suppliers and status of completed corrective action  Operation status of ESG Capacity building programs  GRI 418 (Customer Privacy)  Information Security Management Program  Online Strategy and Customer Management Status

- $3. \ Excluded \ Items \ from \ Verification: The following \ items \ are \ not \ included \ within \ the \ scope \ of \ verification$
- Performance and reporting practices of subsidiaries, affiliates, partners, and third parties
- Items related to other sustainability initiatives not based on the GRI Standards 2021 presented in the report
- Other related information such as periodic disclosure reports and financial statements

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#### Verification Criteria

This verification has been conducted based on [AA1000AS (v3)], [AA1000AP (2018)], and [Type 2 - Moderate]

#### Verification Method

The audit team reviewed relevant procedures, systems, and control mechanisms, along with available performance data, to verify the reliability of the report's content based on the aforementioned criteria. The documents reviewed during the verification process are as follows:

- · Non-financial Information: Social and Environmental data provided by SK Inc., disclosed Business Reports of 6 subsidiaries, and information obtained from media and/or the internet.
- · Financial Information: Financial statements of SK Inc. and 6 subsidiaries, data disclosed in the electronic disclosure system (dart.fss.or.kr) of the Financial Supervisory Service and data posted on the homepage.

(However, the contents of the above data are not included in the verification scope.)

The verification was conducted through document review, on-site visits, and interviews with the responsible personnel. The validity of the materiality assessment procedure in the Report, the selection of material issues considering stakeholders, the data collection, management, and report preparation procedures, as well as the accuracy of the descriptions, were evaluated through interviews with the responsible personnel. It was confirmed that any errors, inappropriate information, or unclear expressions identified in the above steps were appropriately corrected before the publication of the Report.

#### **Verification Limitations**

This verification inherently contains limitations that may arise in the process of applying the criteria and methodology.

#### Competency and Independence

The audit team for this verification was duly composed in accordance with KFQ's internal regulations. KFQ has no conflicts of interest that could compromise the independence and impartiality of the verification, apart from providing third-party verification services.

#### **Verification Opinion**

As a result of the verification, it is the opinion of KFQ that:

1. It has been confirmed that the Report was prepared in compliance with the four principles of AA1000AP (2018)

#### - Inclusivity

The company has appropriately defined stakeholder groups and communicates with them through tailored communication channels that consider the characteristics of each group. The audit team did not identify any missing key stakeholders in this process and confirmed that the company is making efforts to incorporate stakeholder feedback into its management strategy.

The company has identified material issues through an appropriate process and has thoroughly reviewed the relevant impacts to enhance the validity of its materiality assessment. The audit team confirmed that the identified material issues were given due emphasis in this report and that all material issues recognized during the materiality assessment process were reported without omission

#### - Responsiveness

The company strives to respond promptly to stakeholders' requirements and key concerns. The audit team did not find any evidence indicating that the organization's response activities and performance regarding material issues were inappropriately reported.

The company identifies and monitors the impact of stakeholder-related material issues across its business activities and reports the findings to the extent possible. The audit team did not find any evidence indicating that the impact of material issues was inappropriately measured or reported.

- 2. The report has been appropriately prepared in accordance with the applicable reporting standards, such as (GRI Standards (2021) -Accordance, SASB, TCFD, IFRS Requirements of ISSB)
- 3. The data and information used for verification were limited to the provided materials and were found to be appropriate, with no significant errors or omissions that could affect the verification opinion.

July 31, 2025

Seoul, Korea Ji Young Song, CEO Korean Foundation for Quality (KFQ)



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# **About this Report**

As a holding company, SK Inc. has published the 2025 Sustainability Report to communicate its evolving growth portfolio and the importance of ESG management with stakeholders in pursuit of sustainable investment. The report covers not only SK Inc.'s ESG strategies and performance but also includes the ESG achievements of its key listed subsidiaries. SK Inc. will remain committed to transparently sharing its business strategies and ESG management approach to drive sustainable growth, guided by its management philosophy of pursuing stakeholder happiness.

#### **Reporting Period**

This report covers the financial and non-financial performance of SK Inc.'s key ESG management activities from January 1 to December 31, 2024. Some data also includes information from the first half of 2025. For quantitative performance, data from the past four years—from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2024—is provided to illustrate performance trends over time.

#### Reporting Boundary

This report covers the performance of SK Inc. and its major consolidated subsidiaries and sub-subsidiaries, based on the scope of SK Inc.'s effective control and influence. Financial performance is presented in accordance with Korean International Financial Reporting Standards (K-IFRS). Specifically, environmental and social performance under the ESG framework is reported on a consolidated basis, including major listed subsidiaries and sub-subsidiaries such as SK Innovation, SK Telecom, SK Networks, SK Square, SKC, and SK Biopharmaceuticals (which account for approximately 83.8% of consolidated revenue), whereas governance-related disclosures are based on SK Inc.'s separate basis data. Separate basis ESG performance data was compiled from 18 business sites of SK Inc., and for certain metrics, data from the Business Division (AX) was primarily used to reflect its operational characteristics. The reporting boundaries and detailed data calculation methodologies for each area, along with any changes in historical data or notable exceptions, are separately indicated in the main text and corresponding footnotes.

#### Reporting Standards and External Assurance

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Standards and reflects the IFRS requirements set by the International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB). It also aligns with the UNGC Communication on Progress (CoP) principles, follows the climate-related disclosure recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD), and incorporates industry-specific standards from the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB). To ensure the reliability of the reported information, the report has undergone an assurance process by a professional sustainability assurance organization. The assurance statement is provided on p.198 of this report.

#### Stakeholder Engagement

SK Inc. promotes ESG management grounded in stakeholder engagement, leveraging a range of online and offline channels to identify stakeholder expectations and integrate them into its overall business operations. The company publishes an annual Sustainability Report to transparently share its ESG management practices and performance with stakeholders. In 2025, SK Inc. proactively identified stakeholder needs through media research, surveys, and expert interviews, and reflected them in its management activities. Looking ahead, SK Inc. remains committed to strengthening stakeholder engagement and continuously advancing its ESG management.

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