

# **SOLARA ACTIVE PHARMA SCIENCES LIMITED**

## **ANTI COMPETITIVE POLICY**

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## **Policy Statement:**

Solara Active Pharma Sciences Limited is committed to adhering to corporate governance principles and ensuring compliance with anti-competitive laws and fair-trade practices. This policy aims to foster fair and effective commercial competition while discouraging and addressing any anti-competitive behaviour. Employees and associated persons are expected to understand and act in the spirit of this policy to maintain market integrity and ethical business practices.

## Scope:

The policy is applicable to all including:

- Employees of Solara (all permanent employees employed full/Part time).
- 2. Board Members, Contractors, Consultants, Trainees and Service Providers.
- 3. Affiliates, stakeholders, and persons/entities contractually obligated globally.

The policy applies to all agreements, formal or informal, verbal or written, including those conducted via emails, letters, or conversations

## **Objectives:**

To promote fair competition and prevent anti-competitive practices, Solara commits to:

- 1. Prohibit anti-competitive agreements or conduct that distorts competition.
- 2. Ensure compliance with competition laws and regulations.
- Foster awareness and vigilance against anti-competitive practices among all employees and stakeholders.

## **Definition:**

Anti-Competitive Practice: Any activity by businesses that hinders competition, resulting in market distortion, higher prices, reduced service quality, or stifled innovation.

Collusion: Unethical collaboration among competitors to dominate a market or reduce competition.

## Responsibilities:

The following stakeholders are accountable for adhering to this policy

- 1. Employees, including directors.
- 2. Employees of agencies engaged in Solara activities.
- 3. Contractors, vendors, and suppliers providing services or materials.
- 4. Any other persons/entities associated with Solara.

#### **Actions constituting Anti-Competitive behaviour:**

- 1. Price Fixing
  - 1.1. Employees must not discuss or agree with competitors on pricing, discounts, or fees for customers.



#### 2. Market Sharing

2.1. Employees are prohibited from agreeing with competitors to divide markets, territories, or customers.

#### 3. <u>Information Sharing</u>

3.1. Employees must avoid sharing sensitive information (e.g., prices, production, suppliers, customers) that may reduce competition.

#### 4. Other Anti-Competitive Activities

4.1. Examples include collaborating to reduce production, restricting sales, or entering exclusive contracts that hinder competition.

### **Preventing Anti-Competitive Practices:**

- 1. Regularly identify roles where competition laws are relevant and ensure employees are trained.
- 2. Mandatory online training on competition law for executive officers and key employees.
- 3. Investigate and address allegations of anti-competitive practices.
- 4. Terminate contracts with third parties found breaching this policy.

## **Monitoring and Reporting:**

- 1. Employees are encouraged to report suspicions of anti-competitive practices through the Whistle-Blower Policy.
- 2. No adverse actions will be taken against employees reporting in good faith.
- 3. Retaliation concerns must be escalated to HR, CFO, or the Managing Director.

## **Implementation Approach:**

- 1. All employees must acknowledge receipt of this policy, agree to abide by it, and report potential violations.
- 2. HR will facilitate training and communication to ensure compliance.

#### **Administration and Review:**

The Anti-Competitive Policy will be reviewed periodically to ensure compliance and effectiveness:

- 1. The Managing Director will oversee the administration and revision of this policy.
- 2. The policy will be reviewed periodically and revised as needed to align with regulatory and business developments.

#### References:

- Competition Act, 2002 (India)
- Applicable Local and International Competition Laws
- ISO 37001: Anti-Bribery Management Systems
- Solara's Whistle-Blower Policy

Solara Management reserves the right to amend/ withdraw the policy at any time without assigning any reasons whatsoever. The utility and interpretation of this policy will be at the sole discretion of the HR Department.