

# GRIEVANCE HANDLING SOP

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#### 1. PURPOSE

This SOP defines the procedure for receiving, recording, investigating, and resolving grievances raised by employees, suppliers, or other stakeholders. The goal is to provide a **fair, transparent, confidential, and timely resolution** process.

#### 2. SCOPE

This SOP applies to:

- All employees (permanent, contract, trainees, apprentices)
- Suppliers, contractors, service providers, and other business partners
- Any other stakeholders with legitimate concerns

#### 3. DEFINITIONS

- **Grievance:** Any complaint, concern, or dissatisfaction related to workplace practices, ethics, discrimination, harassment, supplier issues, health & safety, or other misconduct.
- **Grievance Committee:** A group of appointed representatives (HR, Compliance, Ethics Committee) responsible for handling grievances.

#### 4. RESPONSIBILITIES

- **Employee / Supplier:** Raise grievance promptly through available channels.
- **HR / Compliance Officer:** Acknowledge grievance, record details, and ensure confidentiality.
- **Grievance Committee:** Investigate impartially, recommend corrective action, and close the grievance.
- **Management / Board:** Oversee process, ensure fairness, and review unresolved cases.

### 5. PROCEDURE

## Step 1 - Reporting

Grievances may be reported via:

- Email: grievance@threyes.co.in
- Suggestion / Complaint drop box
- Written grievance form (HR Department)
- Hotline: +91-XXXXXXXXXX
- Direct reporting to HR / Supervisor



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## Step 2 – Acknowledgment

- All grievances must be acknowledged within **3 working days**.
- A grievance ID number will be assigned for tracking.

## Step 3 - Recording

- Details entered in the **Grievance Register** (Excel / Digital Log).
- Information includes: complainant details (if not anonymous), nature of grievance, date, assigned officer.

## Step 4 – Investigation

- Initial Review: Conducted by HR/Compliance Officer within 7 days.
- **Detailed Investigation:** If required, the case is forwarded to the **Grievance Committee**.
- Timeline: All grievances should be resolved within 30 days.

## Step 5 – Resolution & Corrective Action

- Options include counseling, mediation, disciplinary action, policy revision, or supplier corrective action.
- Resolution communicated to complainant (where possible).

## Step 6 – Escalation

- If grievance is not resolved satisfactorily, it may be escalated to:
  - o Senior Management
  - $_{\circ}$  Board of Directors / Ethics Committee

# Step 7 – Closure

- Grievance status updated as **Closed** in the register.
- Corrective action evidence retained (meeting minutes, emails, corrective action reports).

#### 6. CONFIDENTIALITY & PROTECTION

- Identity of complainant will be protected.
- No retaliation will be tolerated.
- Anonymous grievances will also be investigated if sufficient details are provided.



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## 7. RECORDS & DOCUMENTATION

- Grievance Register (Excel / System log)
- Investigation reports
- Meeting minutes
- Corrective action records
- All documents retained for minimum 5 years

#### 8. REVIEW & IMPROVEMENT

- Grievance data will be reviewed **quarterly** by the HR & Compliance team.
- Trends will be analyzed to improve workplace practices.
- SOP will be reviewed annually.

### 9. REFERENCES

- Company Code of Ethics & Conduct
- Whistleblower Policy
- POSH Policy (if applicable)
- Supplier Code of Conduct

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