





CL 02 – Financial Reporting and Governance

Non - Financial Reporting

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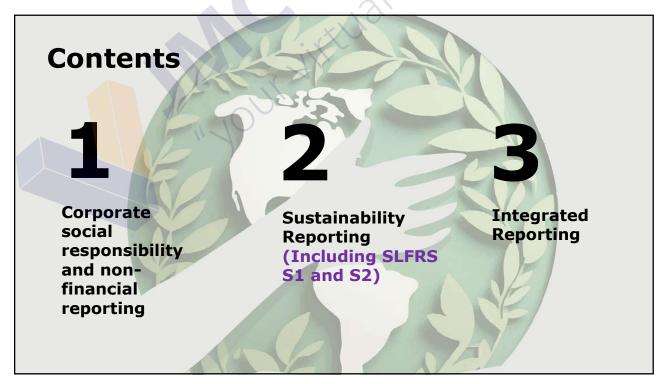
Learning Outcomes

Knowledge Component	Proposed Learning Outcome						
	5.1.4 Demonstrate the understanding of the nature, role and importance of corporate social responsibility, including climate change						
5.1 Basic understanding of FR Ethics and	5.1.5 Demonstrate the basic understanding of professional accountant commitment to public interest						
Governance	5.1.6 Demonstrate awareness of good understanding of sustainability reporting						
	5.1.7 Demonstrate awareness of good understanding of integrated reporting						

Learning Outcomes – Updated

Proposed Learning Outcome	Specific Knowledge				
5.1.6 Demonstrate awareness of good understanding of sustainability reporting	 Awareness about widely used frameworks/ standards for sustainability reporting Concept relating to proportionality and mechanism to address proportionality in SLFRS sustainability standards (Reasonable and supportable information and Consideration of skills, capabilities and resources) Phased approach in adopting SLFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards Transitional reliefs in adopting SLFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards. 				

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Examples from Sri Lankan Corporates

Sri Lankan Airlines - Care





12th Nov 2024



Transforming Lives with Clean Water: Kohombadamana Junior School, Medirigiriya

SriLankan Cares made a significant contribution to Kohombadamana Junior School in Medirigiriya by donating a reverse osmosis (RO) drinking water system. This generous donation, funded entirely through contributions from our dedicated staff, ensures that the students at Kohombadamana Junior School now have access to clean and safe drinking water.

This initiative was driven by the critical need to address the health challenges faced by the community, as the consumption of unsafe water has led to a high incidence of acute kidney diseases. With the new RO plant, not only are the students' health and well-being safeguarded, but the school is also set to launch a community project to distribute clean water to the surrounding areas. This project underscores the commitment to fostering community responsibility and improving the overall quality of life in Medirigiriya.

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Examples from Sri Lankan Corporates



Contribution to Prime Minister's Education Assistance Trust (PMEAT)

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Hope Shines Bright for Ilukwewa Junior School, Mahasengama

In a heartwarming gesture, SriLankan Cares and Amelie & Daneil Linsey Foundation (UK) donated school books to llukwewa Junior School in Polonnaruwa District. Situated far from city limits, many families in this area struggle with poverty, making it hard for hiddren to attend school. This generous donation ensured these young learners could continue their education and dream of a brighter future. This act of kindness brought hope and joy to the students, as well as gratitude from the local community.



Rally to Care

Axiata PLC



Hearing, Sight and Speech

2020' is a global initiative of World Health Organisation (WHO).



Reconstruction of houses





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Dialog



"Before Renovation"

"While Renovating"

"After Renovation"





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Benefits of CSR

- 1. Attracting the new generation of employees
- 2. Increased retention through stronger employer and employees' bond
- 3. Boosting the morale of employees
- 4. Helping the company and its employees to be more connected with the environment
- 5. Creating a positive perception of a company in the marketplace
- 6. Expanding social conscious customer base



Benefits of Non-Financial Reporting

- An increased understanding of risks and opportunities and resulting effect on strategy and policy
- 2. The ability to **attract investors** who are seeking sustainable investment opportunities
- 3. The possibility of getting ahead of regulatory developments
- Gaining an enhanced corporate reputation and avoiding being implicated in environmental and social failures
- 5. Strengthening **financial performance** by identifying cost
 saving, revenue generating and risk
 mitigation opportunities

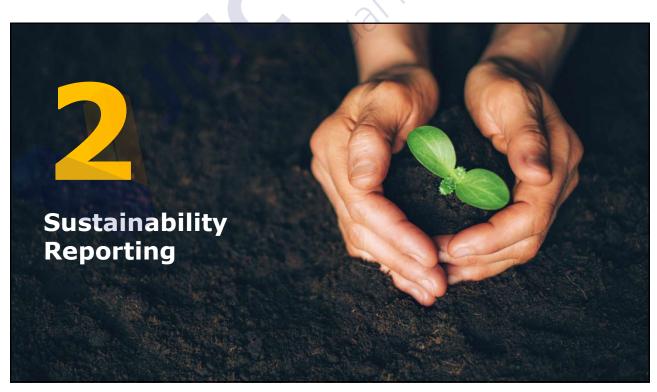
ESG Reporting in Sri Lanka

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Best **practice recommendations** of GRI are:

- Leadership and drive
- Consider stakeholder interests
- · Identify and prioritize material issues
- Adopt relevant performance indicators
- Reporting integrity and transparency
- Proper communication





Sustainability Reporting

A way for organizations to become more **sustainable** and **contribute** to a sustainable global economy.



- Sustainability report is a report about the economic, environmental and social impacts (both negative and positive) caused by an organization's everyday activities.
- It also presents the organization's values and governance model and demonstrates the link between strategy and commitment to a sustainable global economy



- Universal (101-103)
- Economic (201-206)
- Environmental (301-308)
- Social (401-491)

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GRI 101 Foundation

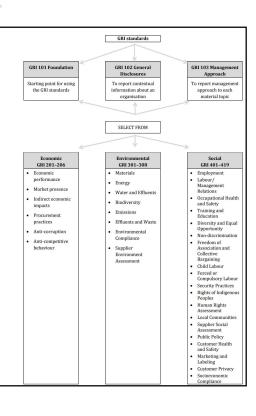
Prescribes report content and report quality.

- Report content should be inclusive of stakeholders, presented in the wider context of sustainability, deal with material issues and be complete.
- Regarding quality, the report should be accurate, balanced clear, consistent, reliable and timely.

GRI 102 General Disclosures

General disclosures should cover:

- Organizational profile (name, activities, brands etc)
- Strategy (including key impacts, risks and opportunities)
- Ethics and integrity (values and principles)
- Governance (approach to risk management, remuneration policies)
- Stakeholder engagement (approach, key concerns raised)
- Reporting practice (entities included in group accounts, restatements etc).



Concept of proportionality and mechanism to address proportionality

The concept of proportionality in sustainability reporting refers to the idea that the **level of detail and complexity of the reporting should be commensurate with the size**, nature, and impact of the organization.

This means that smaller organizations or those with less environmental impact may not need to provide the same level of detail in their sustainability reports as larger organizations with significant environmental footprints.

Mechanisms to Address Proportionality:

- · Guidelines and Frameworks
- Materiality Assessments
- Stakeholder Feedback
- Simplified Reporting Options
- · Continuous Improvement

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Foundation for Sustainability Standards SLFRS S1 and S2 This standards draw contents from other exiting other sustainability reporting bodies. Task Force on The Financial Stability Board's TCFD Climate-related contributes 'a framework to help public Financial companies and other organisations disclose climate-related risks and opportunities Disclosures Sustainability SASB contributes 'a complete International Value Accounting Reporting **IFRS** Sustainability Standards industry standards' Foundation **Foundation** Standards Board **Board** <IR> aim is to 'improve the quality (ISSB) Formed by the Integrated of information available to merger of the SASB and <IR> Reporting providers of financial capital to enable a more efficient and Framework productive allocation of capital' CDSB contributes 'climate change related Climate Disclosure information of value to investors in Standards Board mainstream financial reports'

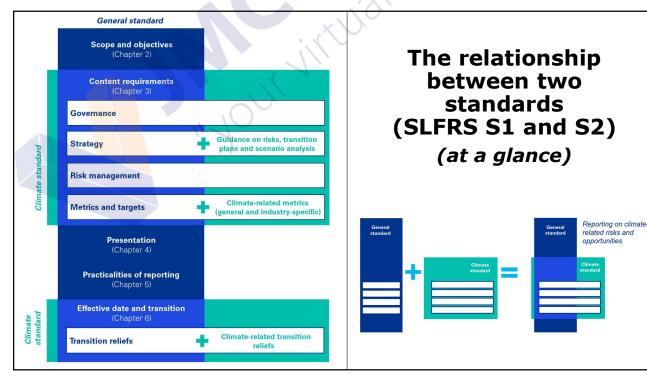
Accounting Standards & Sustainability Disclosure Standards Compatibility

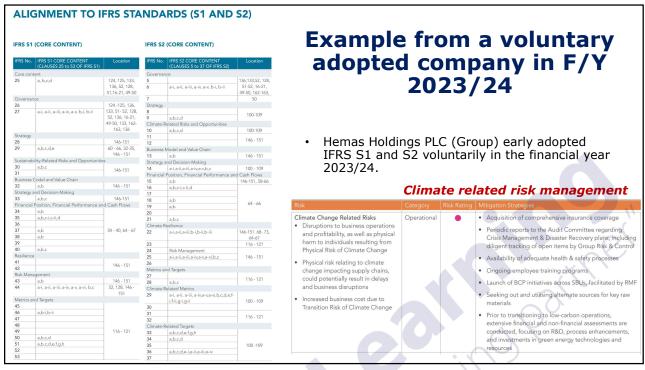


As already mentioned there are two Sustainability related Disclosure standards are in place:

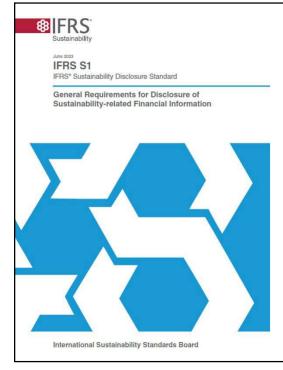
- SLFRS S1 General Requirements for Disclosures
- SLFRS S2 Climate Related Disclosures

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Metrics IFRS S2 INDICATORS Hospitals Pharmaceutical Distribution **Pharmacy Locations** Number of Facilities 3,400 2 Hospitals (Wattala 121 Beds, Thalawathugoda 71 Beds) Total area of retail space 850,000 m² 7 Labs Number of surgical units sold **16 Collection Centres** 6.5 million Inpatient Admissions Number of prescriptions filled, 17,890 percentage for controlled substances **Outpatient Visits** 40 million, 35% 494,712 Number of pharmacists 11,000 registered, 2,000 working Number of pharmaceutical units sold 47.5 million Payload fuel economy 27,000 Litres



SLFRS S1 - General Requirements for Disclosure of Sustainability-related Financial Information

Objective

To disclose information about its "sustainability-related risks and opportunities (SRROs)

· This is on all significant SRROs.

Conceptual Foundations

- 1. Fair Presentation
- 2. Materiality
- 3. Reporting Entity
- 4. Connected Information

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Core Contents

For SLFRS S1, there are 4 core contents that an entity shall provide disclosures about, which are:

- 1. Governance
- 2. Strategy
- 3. Risk Management
- 4. Metrics and Targets



1. Governance

The governance processes, controls and procedures the entity uses to monitor and manage sustainability-related risks and opportunities



2. Strategy

 The entity's strategy for managing sustainabilityrelated risks and opportunities



4. Metrics and Targets

 the entity's <u>performance</u> in relation, including progress towards any <u>targets</u> the entity has set or is required to meet by law or regulation.



3. Risk management

- The processes the entity uses to identify, assess, prioritize and monitor sustainabilityrelated risks and opportunities;
- Assess the entity's overall risk profile and overall risk management process

Summary of Requirements

Area	Requirement in Standard
Guidance Sources	To identify what information to disclose, use ISSB Standards, and for matters other than climate, shall consider SASB Standards. A company may also consider • CDSB Framework Application Guidance • Industry practice • Material of investor-focused standard setters • GRI Standards • European Sustainability Reporting Standards
Location of Disclosures	Does not specify a location and allows for additional Information
Timing	Financial statements and sustainability disclosures published at the same time covering same period
Comparative Information	Requires for comparative information for the preceding period

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Presentation

Fair Presentation

 Comply with the 06 qualitative characteristics in Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting

Connected Information

 When providing information on risks and opportunities (SRROs) it is required to maintain connectivity of all 04 core contents

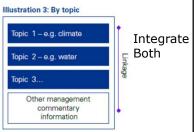
Structure of Presentation

Financial, sustainability-related and other factors addressed in one coherent narrative

Include all info within single general purpose financial report



Present info on the content areas separately





SLFRS S2 - Climate Related Disclosures

To disclose information about its "climate -related risks and opportunities (CRROs)

· Follows TCFD recommendations.

· Risks and Opportunities in relation to climate of an entity across 4 TCFD pillars



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Climate Related Risks

Physical Risk

- Acute risks that relate to more frequent or more severe one-off disruptions to companies from extreme weather
- Chronic risks that stem from sustained greenhouse gas emissions leading to gradual changes in climate patterns, changes in precipitation patterns, and extreme variability in weather patterns



Transition Risk

- Legal and regulatory may arising costs from possible fines, regulations or litigations
- · Reputational (e.g. brand damage, shift in consumer preferences);
- Technological (e.g. costs to transition to lower emissions technology.);
- Market (e.g. changing customer behavior, increased cost of raw materials)

Climate Related Opportunities

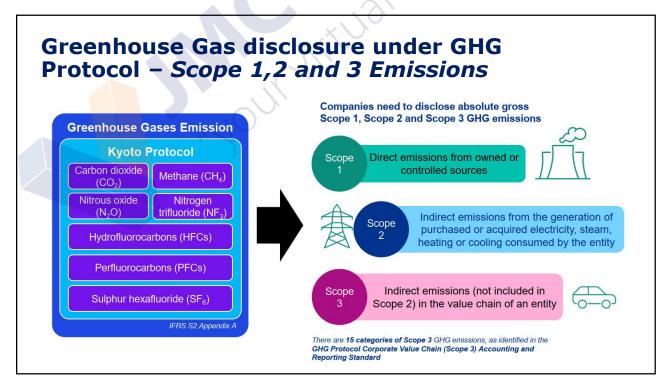
Climate-related opportunities may also arise from both **physical changes** (e.g. warmer average temperatures allow new crops to grow) or **transition changes** (e.g. developing new technologies to facilitate climate adaptation or participation in carbon market).

- · Resource efficiency & cost saving
- · Adoption of low-emission energy sources
- Development of new products and services
- Access to new markets
- Building resilience along the supply chain

Climate Related Scenario Analysis

Financial quantification of assessed risks and opportunities			Potential financial impact on profit in the year (€bn) ^(a)			
Physical Environmental Risks	Key assumptions	Sensitivity	2030	2039	2050	
5. Extreme weather (temperature) impact on crop yields We quantified how extreme weather events such as sustained high	By 2050, in a proactive scenario, extreme weather would increase prices by: Palm: ~12%; Commodities and food ingredients: ~14% By 2050, in a reactive scenario, extreme weather would increase prices by: Palm: ~18%; Commodities and food ingredients: ~21%	ρ	-0.3	-0.8	-1.9	
temperatures could impact crop output and therefore sourcing costs across key commodities.			-0.4	-1.1	-2.8	

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Transition Reliefs Transition reliefs: First-vear relief How it applies Comparative information Disclosure is not required for any period before the date of the initial application. S1 Non-climate-related risks and opportunities Disclosure can focus first on climate-related risks and opportunities. Publication of the sustainability-related financial disclosure after the related financial statements Timing and reporting Scope 3 GHG emissions Disclosure of Scope 3 GHG emissions is not required. Allow to continue the existing measurement method for Scope 1, 2, and 3 GHG emissions (i.e., The use of the GHG Protocol methodology other than the GHG Protocol Corporate Standard). *The transition relief is applicable for the first year of disclosure only 29

Key challenges in adopting the ISSB Standard 03 Regulatory Pressure from Data availability, Resource capability requirement stakeholders quality and collection Reporting under ISSB often They require companies to Companies may struggle to gather requires additional understanding and build up resource capabilities, including financial investments, accurate and reliable data on ESG factors. This can hinder their ability elaborate and disclose how either to influence or to be incorporated into local sustainability-related risks and opportunities impact their financial to report under ISSB standards statements for their decision. Capability and allocating these resources effectively can be a



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