

“Lidl’s response”, 28 February 2023

Thank you very much for contacting us and for the opportunity to comment.

We take the allegations you have described very seriously.

Owing to these allegations, the CSR Team of our supplier conducted an investigation in January 2023 at the factory of Jiashihao (Myanmar) Limited to investigate the current situation. Based on that investigation, we found that the factory was free from the allegations as described in the Myanmar Labor News. No illegal activities or human rights violations were found during our auditor’s factory visit in January 2023.

Nonetheless, if there are specific firsthand evidences of any misconduct at this factory, we kindly request for you to please report them to us. We would also appreciate if you could provide contact details of victims or a representative organization acting on behalf of victims, so we can further investigate the case accordingly.

Lidl takes its responsibility towards workers in Myanmar and other countries where our suppliers produce very seriously and is committed to ensuring that core social standards are complied with throughout the supply chain. We expect an equivalent commitment and compliance from our business partners. Our corporate due diligence includes investigating possible cases of labor law violations and taking concrete measures together with our business partners to resolve grievances over the long term. In this context, we would like to emphasize again that we take the allegations very seriously and examine the facts of the case in detail.