

# BUSINESS INTEGRITY IN HIGH TECH PARKS IN VIETNAM: A SURVEY REPORT

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# **1. FOREWORD**

Corruption risks are a growing concern for companies in Vietnam, especially for FDI companies, which increasingly mitigate them with adopting and implementing solid anti-bribery programs. Vietnam's Ministry of Planning and Investment is in the process of drafting a new FDI strategy for 2018-2023, focusing on priority sectors and quality of investments, rather than quantity. The new draft aims to increase foreign investment in high-tech industries, rather than labor-intensive sectors. At the same time, Vietnam's legislation, in line with its international commitments, is recognizing the fact that corruption in both public and business sectors should increasingly be tackled when building a business integrity environment, propitious to attract local as well as foreign investment.

In this context, Towards Transparency, the national contact of Transparency International in Vietnam, conducted a survey with the help and kind cooperation of the management boards of the three national high-tech parks, located in Hoa Lac (Ha Noi), Da Nang and Ho Chi Minh City. The survey aimed at assessing how their tenant companies deal with corruption risks.

The results are very encouraging, as a high proportion of companies interviewed have implemented anti-bribery strategies, while many others are in the process of doing so or considering doing it, provided they get some assistance. I hope that many others will follow suite and increasingly recognize that anti-corruption programs actually increase their competitive advantage by decreasing costs and increasing sustainable growth.

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# 2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This survey on business integrity provides a snapshot of bribery challenges faced by companies in the three national hightech parks, located in Hanoi, Da Nang and Ho Chi Minh City, as well as the existing measures put in place to mitigate these risks. The survey provides recommendations to the high-tech parks' Boards of Management and their tenant companies as to how further build a business integrity culture, emphasizing that high-tech parks' experience could be replicated elsewhere in Vietnam.

The key findings and recommendations to relevant stakeholders can be summarized as follows.

# **FINDINGS**

Promoting a culture and environment of integrity helps facilitate companies' ethical behaviors. Despite widespread corruption in Vietnam according to global and domestic indices, the survey results suggest that companies operating in a compliant "territory" located within a high corruption risk environment, can avoid or limit their engagement in bribery. Indeed, all companies interviewed recognized an integrity enabling environment in the three high tech parks, where Boards of Management took initiatives in streamlining administrative procedures within their authority and support firms dealing with bribe requests from other government agencies. A majority of companies indicated their will to avoid bribes unless facing dilemma that would severely affect their business operations.

Time has come to change the "cultural" mindset. Among a significant number of local companies, the perception of bribery as a part of the Vietnamese "business culture" and as "unavoidable" has led to an acceptance of informal payments in daily business transactions. In other words, corruption is not always viewed as a concern since many local companies consider that facilitation payments and gifts are a way of doing business in Vietnam, helping facilitate government routine services. However, with business and legal environment rapidly changing globally, it is now time to change the business mindset in Vietnam. Progressively eliminating facilitation payments is also a critical component of supporting wider societal aspirations of combating corruption.

Local companies have much space to develop anti-bribery systems, but need support. While corruption affects all companies, differences in size and nationality affect the way corruption risks are tackled. Foreign companies are more experienced with regard to ethics and compliance policies, most of which are developed, implemented and monitored by their headquarters. Multinational firms tick almost all boxes in the list of anti-bribery measures put in place, while smaller foreign companies often implement somehow simpler compliance systems. With the exception of a few large Vietnamese groups, local companies still lag behind. A group of local companies looking to expand their business or join global supply chains are however motivated to improve their situation but lack resources and capacity to develop their internal compliance and controls' system. Other local companies do not see yet the need to adopt solid compliance systems in their daily struggle to maintain their business.

# **RECOMMENDATIONS**

The report recommends concerted efforts of multistakeholders to continue building an integrity culture.

**Firstly, Boards of Management of high tech parks should continue streamlining administrative procedures and enhancing integrity initiatives.** They could consider gradually adopting international anti-bribery standards or practices, bringing along tenant companies in this journey.

Secondly, companies can do more to develop and implement their internal compliance and control systems. A good corporate compliance program including clear policies and procedures will help build trust and reduce the cost of doing business. Large firms could do more to move beyond internal anti-bribery compliance and address bribery risks in their supply chain. The same benefits apply to SMEs so long as the systems put in place are proportionate and coherent with their business' activities.

Thirdly, other government agencies play a key role in reducing bribery. Although well known, recommendations aimed at changing government officials' mindset from abusing given authority to serving businesses, such as setting-up transparent routine service procedures, are key to allowing business integrity efforts to develop and spread across. Moreover, the government should encourage and facilitate integrity initiatives to happen, such as supporting the replication of existing good practice in the three hi-tech parks.

Fourthly, business associations and other nonstate actors (civil society organizations, academia, media) have a role to play in promoting business integrity through organizing anti-bribery training on best practices and experience sharing among companies in the same sectors. Regular anti-bribery updates on global and regional compliance trends and requirements of foreign firms would gradually raise awareness of local firms on the importance of anti-bribery commitment in maintaining or expanding their business.

# **3. INTRODUCTION**

# 3.1 CONTEXT FOR ANTI-CORRUPTION WORK IN THE VIETNAMESE PRIVATE SECTOR

As pointed out by several studies, corruption is a challenge for companies doing business in Vietnam. A Vietnam Business Forum study conducted in 2017 suggested that corruption risk posed a significant risk for foreign invested companies in the country. Bribery was seen as a fact of business life, with many companies viewing it as an issue that nothing could be done about it<sup>1</sup>. Another recent survey pointed out that companies' trust in the state in detecting and handling corruption is limited<sup>2</sup>. More broadly, Vietnam is ranked 107<sup>th</sup> in Transparency International's Corruption Perceptions Index 2017<sup>3</sup>. According to the World Economic Forum's figures, out of 137 countries surveyed, Vietnam is in 81<sup>st</sup> position for Ethics and Corruption and in 109<sup>th</sup> position for Irregular Payments and Bribes<sup>4</sup>.

Business ethics and anti-bribery compliance are important aspects of good corporate governance, which is still at an early stage of development in Vietnam. Despite great strides undertaken by Vietnam, such as the rules developed for Vietnam's stock market during the last two decades, the country still ranks lowest among six ASEAN member countries (Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand) in corporate governance<sup>5</sup>. This context explains the early stage of corporate anti-bribery related policies and enforcement in Vietnam. There are however some bright spots contributing to change for the better in the current landscape. Some of the largest Vietnamese companies have established their corporate compliance and anti-bribery policy in line with international best practices. Smaller local suppliers are increasingly aware of requirements by their foreign business partners to strengthen their anti-bribery systems. Also, it is important to recognize that a number of integrity and anti-bribery initiatives were instigated during the last few years in Vietnam, even though much remains to be done to translate awareness into action<sup>6</sup>.

Such practices take root in a growing global trend, whereby countries such as the United States, the United Kingdom, France and others have been stringently enhancing enforcement of their anti-bribery legislation (US Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, UK Bribery Act, Sapin II Law, and similar legislation in other exporting countries<sup>7</sup>) resulting in rigorous implementation of corporate compliance programs in their daily operation in emerging markets. At the same time, consumers are increasingly caring about firm's social responsibilities including environment impact and social values. Nevertheless, small and medium enterprises, both foreign and Vietnamese, are facing challenges in acting ethically when doing business in high corruption risk environment.

The Government of Vietnam has taken various measures to improve the business environment and build an integrity state. The legislative environment is changing with the recent revision of the Penal Code, whose broadened scope now includes corruption offences in the private sector. A revised Law on Anti-corruption will most likely be adopted by the National Assembly in its 2018 autumn session. Some best practices of corporate compliance are being proposed in the current draft. In January 2018, the Prime Minister issued Resolution 01/NQ-CP on "Major Tasks and Solutions to implement the 2018 National Socio-Economic Development Plan and the 2018 State Budget Proposal", pushing forward public administration reform and the continuation of anti-corruption measures. New regulations on corporate governance (Decree 71/2017/ ND-CP of May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017) provide guidelines applicable to public companies and include key aspects of good governance such as prevention of conflicts of interest and information disclosure of publicly listed companies.

# **3.2 OBJECTIVES OF THE SURVEY**

This study aims to gather evidence on corruption challenges faced by tenant companies in Hoa Lac, Da Nang and Sai Gon high-tech parks, as well as information related to their existing anti-bribery programs designed to mitigate these risks. The three parks were chosen for their commitment to a transparent business environment towards building investors' confidence. Our assumption is that such environments enable companies to avoid bribery to a certain extent. In addition, hightech companies being oriented towards exporting their products and services, were assumed to have more opportunities to do business without bribery.

Sai Gon High-Tech Park (SHTP) has been a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Analysis of corruption risk for investors in Vietnam, February 2017 (http://www.vbf.org.vn/en/documentation-center/governance-andtransparency-working-group.html?view=docman)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Anti-corruption in doing business: An Assessment from enterprise perspective, Towards Transparency (TI's National Contact in Vietnam), 2017 with support from the British Embassy in Vietnam (https://towardstransparency.vn/wp-content/ uploads/2017/05/4.-BUSINESS-CASE-REPORT\_Executive-Summary\_ENG.pdf).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://www.transparency.org/news/feature/corruption\_perceptions\_index\_2017

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> https://www.weforum.org/reports/the-global-competitiveness-report-2017-2018
<sup>5</sup> ASEAN Corporate Governance Score Card Report 2015 https://www.adb. org/sites/default/files/publication/375481/asean-cgscorecard-2015.pdf

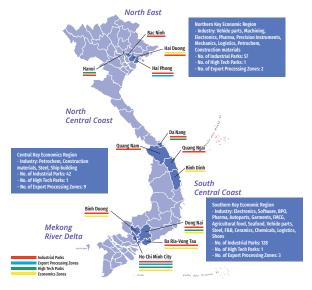
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Vietnam Government Business Integrity Initiative, From awareness to action, VCCI March 2018

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Other countries to have introduced robust anti-corruption legislation and enforcement in recent years include Canada, Australia, Germany, Norway, Sweden.

pioneer in promoting business integrity in Vietnam. In 2007, SHTP's Management Board and Intel Vietnam signed a Memorandum of Understanding on a "Commitment on business ethics and code of procedure to align with regulations, commitment to anti-corruption, kickbacks, and other forms of abuse of power". In 2011, SHTP set up a business ethics platform to provide anti-bribery resources and support tenant companies reporting on bribery cases. As a follow-up, SHTP continued enhancing business integrity through awareness raising and training on compliance tools with support from Towards Transparency during the years 2013-2016. To date, SHTP's management board has signed Memoranda of Understanding with 23 tenant companies committing to promote integrity. An online-tracking function was established to help firms to self-assess their compliance systems to identify gaps for improvement<sup>8</sup>. This initiative is recorded in United Nation's Global Compact Handbook (Practical Guide for Collective Action against Corruption) as an innovative example amongst collective action initiatives that are emerging around the world.

Moreover, the three above-mentioned hightech parks have signed a Memorandum of Understanding in September 2016 committing to a transparent and healthy environment to promote investment in the parks.

# **3.3 LOCATIONS OF HIGH TECH PARKS IN ECONOMIC REGIONS**



Source: http://www.vietnam-briefing.com/news/ choosing-sourcing-partner-vietnam.htm

# 4. METHODOLOGY

This survey report is based on 34 interviews of tenant companies and Boards of Management of the three national high-tech parks. The tenant companies interviewed represented one third of the total number of firms operating in the three high-tech parks. The interviews were carried out from March 12<sup>th</sup> to May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018. Interviews were scheduled with senior representatives (Managing Directors, Human Resources Directors, Financial Directors and Compliance Managers) of the participating firms. Each interview lasted approximately one hour. A questionnaire was developed to guide the interviews (see The questionnaire's Annex 3). structure draws on corporate best practices in antibribery, including Transparency International's principles and tools for countering bribery<sup>9</sup> and ISO 37001-Anti-bribery Management System: 2016. Questions were designed to gather information on areas where corruption risks can occur, and on which measures tenant companies take to deal with corruption risks, including their approach to requests for bribes. The questions cover both private-to-public and private-to-private bribery. The survey covers six areas:

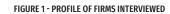
- 1. Perception of corruption risk
- 2. Procurement
- 3. Conflict of interest prevention
- 4. Routine government services
- 5. Gifts and entertainment for public officials
- 6. Anti-bribery programs

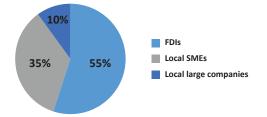
The survey is designed to keep strictly anonymous the data provided by participating companies. The names of respondents and their companies are therefore not included in the report. The order of appearance of the companies' number in Annex 4 (quantitative results) is different from the order of appearance of the companies in Annex 2 (anonymized information on participating companies).

Profiles of companies interviewed are illustrated in Figures 1 to 3 below, while an anonymized summary is provided in Annex 2. It is worth noting that a majority of interviewed companies (both foreign and local) mainly export their products. Only a small number of companies sell products in the domestic market, among which 4 companies have transaction with state agencies or companies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See http://cocforum.shtp.hochiminhcity.gov.vn

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> https://www.transparency.org/whatwedo/tools/business\_principles\_ for\_countering\_bribery/1





#### FIGURE 2 - FIRMS PER INTERVIEWED SECTOR

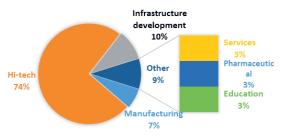
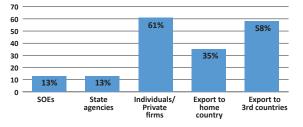


FIGURE 3 - CUSTOMER GROUPS AND EXPORT STATUS





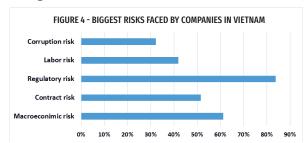


# **5. SURVEY FINDINGS**

# 5.1 GENERAL PERCEPTION OF BUSINESS RISKS

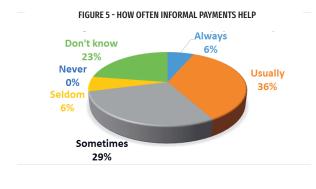
## 1/3 of participating firms rank corruption among the three highest risks, while regulatory, macro-economic and contractual risks are topping the list

For the other 2/3 of companies doing business in the 3 national high-tech parks, corruption risk is also an important problem, but is not among their top 3 concerns (see figure 4). This statement can be partly explained by the fact that most interviewed companies operate in high-tech industries sector which output is mostly or entirely geared for export, therefore having limited exposure to high risk transactions in Vietnam's market. Only 7 of the companies interviewed (13%) have business transactions with SOEs or state agencies<sup>10</sup> while the remaining (87%) of the companies sell to private companies or export their products to foreign markets<sup>11</sup>.



Nonetheless, routine government services are highly perceived as opportunities for abusing entrusted power by government officials

Half of the companies say that government officials use compliance with local regulations to extract informal payments from businesses. Interestingly, these informal payments do not always help. In a follow up question<sup>12</sup>, only 42% of the respondents were of the opinion that if a company pays the required "additional payment", the services would be delivered.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See Question 7 and 8 in Annex 4

When asked what happens if a company does not make an informal payment<sup>13</sup>, 1/5 of the respondents think that services will not be delivered as expected. Besides, 29% of respondents, whether they give bribes or not, state that "sometimes the services are delivered as the company expected". They further explain that it depends on specific circumstances: Informal payments could help facilitate the process, avoid delays or government officials' repeated requests for additional documents or acceptance of supporting documents in grey areas of regulation.

# The cost of bribery does not appear to be a serious concern among firms interviewed<sup>14</sup>

A majority of companies are unaware of the ratio of informal payment to total company revenue. A quarter of the respondents estimate this figure to be less than 1% of the company's turnover; some interviewees stressed that this low percentage does not mean that the amount is insignificant, as in the case of large MNCs.

# **5.2 PROCUREMENT**

#### Bribery in public procurement remains a common practice

Although only four of the companies interviewed engage in public procurement, three of them confirmed bribery practice in winning contracts with government agencies<sup>15</sup>. This finding is consistent with data gathered in Provincial Competitiveness Index, where percentage of companies agreeing that commissions on government contracts remain around 54-58% during the years 2013-2017<sup>16</sup>.

## Bribery in private procurement does not appear to be so dominant, but gifts and entertainments are still a common practice

More than half of the interviewees (55%)<sup>17</sup> admit their that companies or staff receive gifts or entertainments mainly on the occasion of Tet (Vietnamese traditional New Year). Interestingly, only one company receives gifts or entertainment from business suppliers on the award or renewal of contracts.

Regarding these questions, the data shows a clear difference between foreign and local companies. More than 70% of those not receiving gifts or entertainment on any occasion including Tet holidays are foreign companies. These latter companies explain that they inform suppliers about corporate compliance policies at the time

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> See Question 8 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> See Question 14 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See Question 14 in Annex 4

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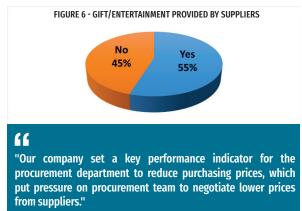
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> See Question 17 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> http://eng.pcivietnam.org/publications/full-report-2017/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> See Question 19 in Annex 4

of contract signing. The policy also provides clear guidelines to staff on forbiddance of accepting gifts or invitation for meals or other entertainments with customers or suppliers. If their managers or staff have meals with business partners, they invite guests to their canteens or pay for their own expenses at outside restaurants. In contrast, many local companies admit that gifts and entertainment remain part of the business culture, mitigating the negative consequences by the low value of gifts, often less than VND 1 million.

Interestingly, some local staff of foreign companies attending the interviews commented that in many cases, they use their own money for facilitation payments to get their job done without reporting to senior management.

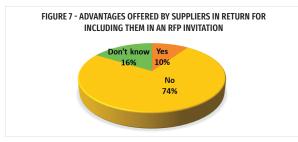


Overall, respondents believed that informal payments are not widespread in private procurement as both sellers and buyers strictly "watch" their money. Suppliers tend to compete by competitive pricing, not by giving gifts or paying for entertainments. As a matter of practice, suppliers often look for reputable buyers, who have transparent procurement policies in place to guarantee timely payments in accordance with contractual terms.

On the buyer side, several companies stated that when kickbacks are offered by suppliers as an incentive to secure contracts, they request suppliers to transform these kickbacks into official discounts. As for smaller size companies, those directors using simple procurement process are confident that they can prevent their staff from receiving bribes as they engage themselves in selecting suppliers and overseeing the procurement process.

Figures 7 below shows that three quarters of companies believe that their employees have not been offered any advantage, including money or goods or services or a commercial favor in return for including a supplier in a Request for Proposal invitation and shortlisting<sup>18</sup>. When asked if there is any chance this practice could happen without them being aware, most respondents say that it might be the case. However, a majority of

respondents are confident that their staff follow corporate policies (code of conduct, signed commitment and compliance policy). In addition, they believe training and severe punishment deter their staff from such violations.



A transparent procurement procedure is recognized as a vital element by companies interviewed when asked about their experience in dealing with bribery in procurement<sup>19</sup>. The system needs to prevent any individual influence during implementation. In addition, regular communication and training to staff and vendors are required to increase awareness of policy and sanctions. Strict implementation of company's policy is equally important; for example, any high value gifts above certain thresholds stated<sup>20</sup> in the policy must be returned. Nonetheless, the level of detail of procurement policy and procedures in place in smaller companies remains unclear.

## "

# My company is ISO 9100 certified, thus we follow standard procurement requirements"

# Over-invoicing or underpricing is not an alarming issue for either foreign and local companies

Nearly 90% respondents were confident that their companies do not practice any over- or underpricing although three of them had been asked to issue an invoice for services or goods at an amount lower or higher than the agreed value of the services or goods provided. All foreign companies stated that it is not the case. Some large local companies stated that they have strict internal compliance policies and systems as well as staff trained in accounting principles. Smaller local companies do not have such policies, but reported strictly controlling the use of invoices due to a lower number of transactions.

# **5.3 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

A conflict of interest, according to Transparency International's definition, is a situation where "an individual or the entity for which they work, whether a government, business, media outlet or civil society organization, is confronted with choosing between the duties and demands of their position and their

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> See Question 24 in Annex 4

<sup>19</sup> See Question 27 in Annex 4

<sup>20</sup> See Question 21 in Annex 4

own private interests". Conflicts of interest are not themselves evidence of wrongdoing. Nonetheless, where conflicts of interest are inadequately managed, there is a high risk of corruption.

## Management of conflicts of interest is generally less developed as compared to other compliance measures among the companies interviewed, including foreign firms.

The survey found that firms are aware of the conflict of interest concept to some extent, but often do not have written procedures for managing it.

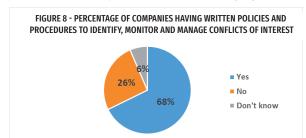
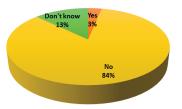


Figure 9 below shows that 84% of the respondents are confident that their company's employees do not hold the positions of directors or majority shareholders in any of their suppliers. A set of follow-up questions, however, shows a lack of written policies and procedures to systematically manage such cases. The number of firms having written rules declines when asking about specific corporate guidelines. Indeed, 68% of the firms have general written policies and procedures to identify, monitor and manage conflicts of interest<sup>21</sup>. However, only 45% have written rules or procedures, whereby their officers and management personnel must declare any personal interest in a transaction with third parties<sup>22</sup>. The number of firms having written rules or procedures on staff to declare any outside interests is even lower (23%)<sup>23</sup>.

FIGURE 9 - "DO ANY OF YOUR EMPLOYEES HOLD THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OR SHAREHOLDER IN ANY SUPPLIERS OF YOUR COMPANY?"



The non-existence of comprehensive conflict of interest policies shows that most companies interviewed have not yet caught up with best practices in effective corporate governance, but believe in their capacity to control risks in their daily operation. This could be explained further when looking at perceptions regarding the correlation of conflict of interest and cost of business below<sup>24</sup>.

# Companies' perception of correlation between conflicts of interest and business cost is divided

Almost half of the companies (45%) are of the view that conflicts of interest will increase the purchase price<sup>25</sup>. However, more than one third of the companies (39%) disagree with that statement. Some respondents explain that having personal or family contacts with suppliers helps receiving better product quality or terms of payment. Evidently, nepotism and cronyism are still inherent in the mindset of the Vietnamese entrepreneurs.

# In terms of public communication, there is still room for improvement

The conflict of interest policy is published on websites of 39% of the companies interviewed. However, with the exception of a few very large companies, most of these companies only publish conflict of interest policy on their intranets<sup>26</sup>.

# **5.4 ROUTINE GOVERNMENT SERVICES**

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My company was entitled to a large VAT refund, which was delayed for two years. Once the headquarters involved a third party to perform their service of the first transaction, a government official suggested the Director to use a third party introduced by him with a lower cost. I had no choice but to accept at my own cost as the refund amount is really significant and the company could not afford any further delay."

## Perception of corruption in routine government services is lower among high tech parks tenant companies than in other economic sectors

39% of the respondents state that they were asked to informally pay cash or give other informal advantages to a public official in order to allow or speed up a routine government service<sup>27</sup>. In comparison, the PCI 2017 data showed that 61% of companies in Vietnam agree that government local officials use compliance to extract rents<sup>28</sup>. How to explain such a difference? The discrepancy in favor of high-tech parks is most likely related to the streamlining of administrative procedures implemented over time by the Boards of Management in the three high-tech parks. These include issues such as investment licenses, land and labor permits.

Interviews conducted with the three Boards of Management demonstrated clear commitments of their leaders to create a transparent and enabling business environment within the parks.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> See Question 35 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> See Question 32 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> See Question 33 in Annex 4

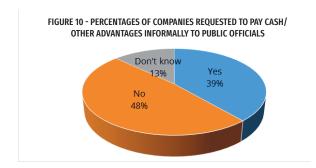
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> See Question 34 in Annex 4

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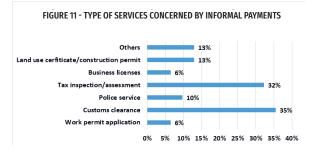
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# On the supply side, a "bribery is a way of doing business" mindset continues to exist among a large group of companies

Strikingly, out of the 48% of companies that were not requested to pay, some local firms volunteered to give facilitation payments to reduce time for handling administrative procedures, to avoid requests for additional documents or to reduce their tax and customs duties.

The frequency of informal payments is hard to estimate as it depends on the number of routine service transactions with government agencies or visits in situ by government authorities. Among government agencies, customs and tax agencies are the most cited by firms, with 35% and 32% of the firms respectively claiming to have made informal payments<sup>29</sup>. A foreign company gave as an example a fixed amount of VND 200,000 per declaration form collected by the local customs authority on a monthly basis. Inspections on fire safety, hygiene and environmental compliance were types of services that occasionally led to "unreasonable requirements" demanded by government inspectors.



# Requests by officials to engage third parties in dealing with government services are infrequent

Data analysis shows that 65% of the companies were not asked to use third parties to assist with the completion of government services<sup>30</sup>. However, sometimes companies choose to hire consulting or law firms to conduct government services on their behalf due to a lack of understanding on regulations or limited internal resources. Globally, companies operating in emerging markets are paying more attention to due diligence on third parties. This growing trend has already or will eventually have impact in Vietnam, starting already clearly with FDI companies. It is expected that local firms' awareness will gradually build up through their interaction with foreign partners.

# The practice of formally asking companies to recruit government officials' relatives is infrequent<sup>31</sup>

Such requests are made in 26% of the cases; but these requests are only formulated as a suggestion, not as a compulsory condition. All companies stated that they followed regular recruitment process, even in such cases.

When asked about the cost of bribes, one third of the responding firms think that the percentage of informal payments to turnover is below 1% of the total turnover. While values vary depending on the firm's turnover, the general perception is that facilitation payments are the main form of bribery.

When asked about their experience in dealing with bribery requests by government officials, companies stated that they first try to be compliant with regulations to avoid informal payments. Nevertheless, many local companies and even some foreign companies admitted that bribery is rooted in the system and that they cannot simply ignore it. One coping strategy cited by some interviewees is to consider informal payments on a case-by-case basis.

# 5.5 GIFTS AND ENTERTAINMENT TO GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

Gift giving and accepting as well as entertainment are considered as important "lubricants" in facilitating business relationships. However, in well-developed anti-bribery legislations, acceptance of gifts and entertainment may leave a company vulnerable to accusation of unfairness or unlawful code of conduct<sup>32</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> See Question 40 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> See Question 42 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> See Question 43 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> The Ethics of Gift and Hospitality, Institute of Business Ethics, Issue 29, November 2012

# Box 2 – Gift and Hospitability under the FCPA

The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 (FCPA) governs the worldwide activities of U.S. companies and their employees. In general, the FCPA prohibits offering, paying, promising to pay, or authorizing payment of money, gifts, or anything of value to a foreign official:

(i) to influence any act or decision by the official;

(ii) to induce the official to use his or her influence to affect any act or decision; or

(iii) to seek any improper advantage to assist the company in obtaining or retaining business.

The FCPA covers payments made directly or indirectly, including those made through third parties while knowing that all or part of the payment would be passed on to a foreign official. "Anything of value" includes much more than just cash or cash equivalents. It can include the payment of travel expenses, providing services, outings, or other entertainment not customary to a particular business transaction, assumption or forgiveness of debt, personal favors, offers of employment, and even charitable donations

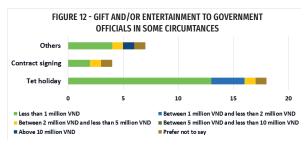
A good practice in corporate governance is for companies to provide guidance on gift giving and accepting in their Code of Conduct. The Code of Conduct often outlines the company's position on gift and hospitality, sets out principles whether gift or hospitality are legitimate. Possible red flags are gifts or entertainment given with an expectation to influence the business relationship, timing and whether gifts and hospitality become lavish.

Gift and entertainment remain a popular practice among local Vietnamese firms while foreign companies, including those from other Asian countries, have stricter rules. Almost half of the companies interviewed (45%) thought that they were expected to provide gifts or entertainment to government officials in some circumstances, such as Tet and mid-autumn festival<sup>33</sup>. This statement comes mainly from local companies, that view giving gifts in Tet occasion as part of the Vietnamese culture, which does not necessarily indicate a corruption problem since the gifts are typically of low value (often below VND 1 million). They also stated that they volunteered to give gifts or invite government officials to entertainment events.

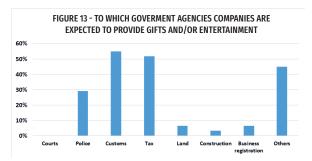
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Tet is an important traditional occasion in Vietnam to give gifts to maintain good relationship with our business partners"

Similarly, gifts on occasion of contracts awarded were voluntarily offered by firms with a view to keeping good relationship with their clients' staff. Again, local culture might contradict with foreign anti-bribery and even with Vietnamese legislations. The key question is how to regulate gifts and entertainments in the legal framework and have companies design and implement corporate policies which prevent cultural practices from turning into bribes.



Consistently, 68% of the companies do not consider requests for gifts or entertainment by government officials as an area of concern<sup>34</sup>. When asked if companies were refused a government service because it had not met a government official's expectation of receiving a gift and entertainment, 77% of the companies answered negatively<sup>35</sup>.



When asked about companies' experience in dealing with gift requests, foreign companies state that they have a clear gift and entertainment policy. On the other hand, local firms often accommodate such requests, including facilitation payments, to get their business done<sup>36</sup>. The general view is that it is a common practice provided that the amounts requested are reasonable.

# Paying for government officials (and their relatives) to travel at companies' expense is not an issue

80% of companies do not expect to pay for government officials' travel to corporate events abroad<sup>37</sup>. Even when such expectations are

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> See Question 45.1 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> See Question 51 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> See Ouestion 52 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> See Question 53 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> See Question 45.2 in Annex 4

expressed, companies do not feel strongly that these are for personal gain, but are rather linked to a professional purpose.

# 5.6 WHERE TENANT COMPANIES STAND ON COUNTERING BRIBERY

## Development of anti-bribery policy and program are not common practice for both foreign and local SMEs

Large foreign companies demonstrated more comprehensive systems in place and higher awareness of ethical rules in doing business compared to foreign SMEs. Similarly, a few large local companies have adopted such systems in some form, but the majority of smaller local companies interviewed do not have written policies or procedures, leading to inconsistent and uneven implementation of anti-bribery practices. This situation being recurrent internationally, specific anti-bribery tools have been developed to support SMEs. Regarding Vietnam, the question is how to encourage SMEs to do more through legal regulations, training and incentives. At the same time, and for practicable reasons, caution is required to adopt a proportionate approach for SMEs, which typically have much more limited human, technical and financial resources than larger firms.

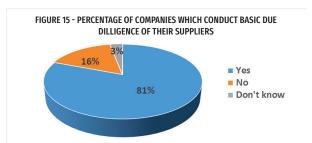
## Corruption risk assessments are conducted by one third of the companies interviewed, mostly by foreign firms (Figure 14)



This could be explained by the fact that foreign companies often carry out such assessments before deciding to invest in Vietnam or as part of their routine monitoring of compliance policy implementation.

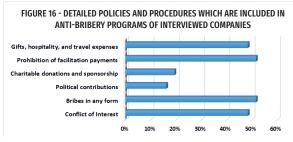
## Due diligence assessments are regularly conducted, but not always for anti-bribery purpose

Figure 15 shows that 4/5 of companies are carrying out all or some of the basic elements of due diligence such as business history, financial situation and legal compliance of their suppliers<sup>38</sup>. However, corruption is typically not a key element of due diligence assessments, showing a lack of attention to this issue among companies interviewed. On the other hand, 71% of companies are aware that they are being assessed with due diligence by business partners<sup>39</sup>.



## Encouragingly, certain policies prohibiting bribery are put in place, but again mainly by foreign companies

Almost 2/3 of the companies have published antibribery policy while 1/5 of them have such policy in some form<sup>40</sup>. More than half of the companies interviewed prohibit facilitation payments in their policy, while nearly half (48%) of companies have gift and entertainment policies and a similar number of companies (not necessarily the same ones) have policies on conflict of interest<sup>41</sup>. Only 55% of the interviewed companies have tailored training programs for directors, staff and agents<sup>42</sup>.



Only one third of companies interviewed committed to a comprehensive anti-bribery program.

## Anti-bribery program monitoring is reflected in various internal procedures and practices, but at different levels

Among companies having an anti-bribery policy or program, 61% stated that their Board of Directors demonstrates visible and active commitment to their implementation<sup>43</sup>. 58% of firms have an Executive Director responsible for ensuring that the Program is implemented consistently with clear lines of authority<sup>44</sup>. For local companies, it is less clear how this commitment is demonstrated during daily operation.

## Communication to staff and business partners is recognized as a key principle of a good anti-bribery program

Almost 2/3 of the companies interviewed focus their communication on anti-bribery to their staff<sup>45</sup>. Only 2/5 of the respondents require suppliers, agents and other intermediaries to agree contractually to comply with their company's anti-bribery policies and procedures and provide them with advice and documentation<sup>46</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> See Question 59 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> See Question 61 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> See Ouestion 69 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> See Question 62 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> See Question 63 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> See Question 67.1 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> See Question 67.2 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> See Question 56 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> See Question 58 in Annex 4

## With the exception of a few very large companies, anonymous hotlines to report on corruption incidents are not available among the companies interviewed<sup>47</sup>

Although a whistleblower hotline is a helpful tool for a company to provide a confidential channel for employees to report issues to management and reduce possibility of inappropriate actions or fraud, it is rarely used among respondents. Instead, 48% of the companies state that they publish management's phone numbers for staff to report on any issue they wish.

Publishing an anti-bribery policy and program<sup>48</sup> is one of best practices to demonstrate a company's commitment to anti-bribery to external and internal stakeholders. However, this practice remains limited among surveyed companies. Only 39% of the companies publish their policy or program on external-facing websites. Alternatively, some companies publish their anti-bribery policy and program, or related policies (such as gift and entertainment, conflict of interest) on their intranets.

# **6. RECOMMENDATIONS**

"Corruption is a symptom of weak governance" is widely recognized in international literature on corruption, whether in public-to-private or in the private-to-private sector. To remedy this situation, concerted efforts combining serious enforcement of regulations and sanctions against violations by the government as well as promotion of an anti-bribery culture within companies are required. As attitude matters in delivering integrity values, building an anti-bribery culture within an organization is critical to the success or failure of wider anti-bribery efforts. This section sets out key recommendations for actions to be taken by relevant stakeholders in order to push the anti-bribery agenda forward.

# 6.1 FOR HIGH TECH PARKS' MANAGEMENT BOARDS

The commitment to a transparent business environment of Boards of Management in Sai Gon, Da Nang and Hoa Lac High-tech Parks is applauded as a good example in Vietnam and should continue.

**Recommendation 1:** To continue working in partnership with other organizations and multinational corporations, which could bring in anti-bribery expertise and tools for tenant companies through periodical training and best practices sharing, with a view to continuing raising awareness and encouraging tenant companies to put in place appropriate compliance systems.

**Recommendation 2:** To consider setting up an integrity or a compliance group comprising tenant companies, where periodic networking events (such as breakfast sessions) could be organized to update companies on new initiatives and recent developments regarding compliance. Ideally, the group facilitator position would be voluntary and rotate among the tenant companies.

**Recommendation 3:** To conduct regular dialogues with relevant government agencies in order to address the bribery issue through a systematic approach.

**Recommendation 4:** To share experience and good practices for replication in other economic areas such as industrial parks.

# 6.2 FOR HIGH TECH PARKS' TENANT COMPANIES

Ethics in doing business is critical in the global marketplace. Companies are increasingly expected to adopt best practices of compliance to build trust with investors, customers, suppliers and other stakeholders for sustainable development. Companies can make a difference in reducing bribes and need to take action, individually and together.

**Recommendation 5:** To consider putting in place appropriate compliance policy and systems or enhancing existing ones, including Code of Conduct, Conflict of Interest, Gift and Entertainment, Procurement and Anti-bribery policies<sup>49</sup>. Equally important are issues such as appropriate measures to monitor implementation in daily operation and communication to staff and business partners, which should be (further) developed and implemented. These systems will ensure transparency in the companies' operation, which will benefit their operations in the long term.

**Recommendation 6:** To consider increasing corporate transparency through publishing Code of Conduct, Conflict of Interests, Gift and Entertainment policies on an external-facing website to increase investors, shareholders and other stakeholders' confidence.

**Recommendation 7:** For Multinational companies to promote anti-bribery programs and to gradually increase awareness and actions by smaller firms, by providing them with basic training on ethics and compliance in supply chains.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> See Question 68 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> See Question 74.1 in Annex 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> https://www.transparency.org/whatwedo/publication/business\_ principles\_for\_countering\_bribery

# 6.3 FOR VIETNAMESE AUTHORITIES AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS

## Government

As demonstrated by the recent strengthening of anti-bribery legislation enforcement in the U.S, the U.K and France, companies of all size will have to be aware of stricter government regulations (in particular relevant extraterritoriality principles) and take corporate compliance seriously. While this trend has shown cascading impact in the Vietnamese market, concrete actions by the government of Vietnam are required to enable companies to make integrity a norm, rather than an exception in doing business in Vietnam. This will support the sustainable growth of Vietnam's business sector. The government needs to be open for dialogue, acknowledge effort and reward ethical behaviors by private sector actors. Together with improving legal regulations, the government should develop an enabling environment for relevant stakeholders, including non-state actors, to initiate new integrity and antibribery initiatives.

**Recommendation 8:** Introduce requirements for corporate compliance and anti-bribery systems in the Law on Anti-corruption and any other relevant laws, taking into account reasonable requirements for SMEs. **Recommendation 9:** Enhance education on business ethics and integrity in universities to prepare future business leaders for success.

**Recommendation 10:** Consider promoting ISO 37001- Anti-bribery Management System: 2016 as a Vietnamese voluntary standard for companies. The ISO 37001 captures best global practices in preventing, detecting and dealing with bribery risks. While many requirements may still be too advanced for the majority of Vietnamese firms, the principles and elements of a good anti-bribery system could be useful to provide guidance for firms on what needs to be done.

## **Business Associations**

Business associations have a critical role to play in promoting ethical business behavior among their members. They are in an ideal position to advocate and support their members to improve corporate compliance systems, as well as advise the government on sustainable development of the private sector and the economy as a whole.

**Recommendation 11:** Organize awareness raising and training events to update member companies on latest global and local developments on regulations, standards and good compliance practices. These events could cover anti-bribery related policies to support members to develop Codes of Conduct, gift and entertainment policies, conflict of interest's rules and other related tools.







# **ANNEX 1 – ABOUT THREE HIGH-TECH PARKS**

## Hoa Lac High-tech Park (HHTP)

HHTP was established in 2000 under the management of the Ministry of Science and Technology with a total area of 1,586 ha in the western outskirts of Hanoi. HHTP aims to be a model of a science city consisting of R&D, software development, hi-tech industrial manufacturing and education. A total number of 81 tenant companies are licensed with a total workforce of 12,000 employees, among which 37 companies are in operation, others are being under construction or completing permission procedure.

## Da Nang High-tech Park (DNTP)

Established in 2010 by the Prime Minister under management of Da Nang People's Committee, DHTP covers a total area of 1,128 hectares and is in the second phase of constructing its infrastructure. The park will include hi-tech production, logistics and hi-tech services, supporting industries, R&D, training and incubation. DHTP has licensed 8 investment projects, two of which are in operation with a total capital of US\$ 200 million. DHTP is currently focusing on completing infrastructure and calling for investments.

All Administrative procedures are published on the Park's website, and managed by a "one-stop shop". Board of Management and Business Dialogue are taking place on quarterly basis - inviting all investors and relevant government departments: Police, DPI, DOF, etc. to deal with any issues and new policies. The DNHTP issued a transparency regulation on 2016, committing to streamlining investment procedures and providing necessary support to investors in the park.

## Saigon High-tech Park (SHTP)

SHTP was established in 2002 by the Prime Minister under the management of Ho Chi Minh City People's Committee. The park covers an area of 326 ha and is currently being expanded to 913 ha. Its vision is to become a model of technological innovation and intellectual capital development to prepare Vietnam towards the 4.0 industrial revolution. Its mission is to create a business-oriented, financially and technologically favorable environment to attract foreign investment in high technologies and acceleration of the supporting sectors in Vietnam. SHTP has licensed 133 companies with a total investment of USD 7 billion. 68 enterprises are in operation, representing USD 12 billion turnover in production (US\$ 11 billion export) with 38,000 employees.



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22	2010-2015	×			×	Hi-tech	- Export to 3 <sup>rd</sup> countries	- Imported from 3rd countries
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27	2005-2010	×			×	Hi-tech	- Private individuals/firms	- Domestic private companies
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# ANNEX 3 - QUESTIONNAIRE FOR TENANT COMPANIES

# "How High Tech Parks' tenant companies in Vietnam deal with corruption risks"

Towards Transparency (TT) is a Vietnamese non-profit consultancy company founded in 2008 to contribute to prevention of and fight against corruption. In March 2009, TT became the official National Contact of Transparency International (TI) - the global movement with more than 100 national chapters worldwide. TT's mission is straightforward: To reduce corruption in Vietnam by increasing demand and promoting measures for transparency, accountability and integrity in government, business and civil society at large.

TT is currently conducting a survey which seeks to better understand and describe corruption risks and challenges in dealing with anti-corruption faced internally and externally by the 3 national high-tech parks management boards and their tenant companies. This survey uses 2 methodologies: desk review and anonymous questionnaires.

# **QUESTIONNAIRE**

The following questionnaire aims to help understand three specific areas where corruption risks can occur, namely:

- Tender processes procurement
- · Government authorizations (business licenses, custom and tax clearance...)
- Experience of demands for excessive Gifts and/or Entertainment from public officials

Questions in relation to each of these 3 area of analysis are set out below. The questionnaire also seeks to know what measures high tech parks' tenant companies have taken or plan to take to deal with corruption risks.

Unless the question states otherwise, please answer on the basis of your experience in the last two years.

## Anonymity of this questionnaire

This is an anonymized questionnaire: your name and the name of your company will not be included on this questionnaire. Nor will your name or the name of your company be included in any report or other document produced following the completion of this questionnaire, other than to acknowledge your participation in the study. For the avoidance of doubt, information on your identity and the identity of your company is not relevant to the study. To the extent that we hold any information concerning your identity or the identity of your company (such as in email correspondence), that information will be kept confidential.

## I. Background information

- 1. In what year did your company first operated in Vietnam (if foreign-owned, in which year did your firm receive a license to invest in Vietnam)? .....
- 2. On which field does your company mainly focus? [For each question, please circle as appropriate one or more numbers corresponding to your answer(s)]:
  - 2.1 Industry/Manufacturing
  - 2.2 Construction/Investment in Infrastructure Construction
  - 2.3 Service/Commerce
  - 2.4 Agriculture/Forestry/Aquaculture
  - 2.5 Mining
  - 2.6 Finance/Banking/Insurance
  - 2.7 High technologies

## 2.8 Other: .....

- 3. What are your company's 3 main product lines or services?
  - 3.2....
  - 3.3.....
- 4. Which of the following categories best describe your company's current legal form?
  - 4.1 Public listed company
  - 4.2 Private company
  - 4.2 State Owned Enterprise
  - 4.3 100% Foreign owned enterprise
  - 4.4 Joint-Venture with a Vietnamese Private Enterprise
  - 4.5 Joint-Venture with a Vietnamese State-Owned Enterprise.
  - 4.6 Other, please specify: .....

5. If you ticked the cases 4.3, 4.4. or 4.5, is your company a subsidiary of a multi-national corporation with its headquarters outside Vietnam?

5.1 Yes

5.2 No

6. What is the employment size of your company? .....employees

#### 7. Who are your customers? Please tick all that apply:

7.1 Sell domestically to State owned enterprises (SOE)

- 7.2 Sell domestically to State agencies (central and/or local level)
- 7.3 Sell domestically to private individuals or firms
- 7.4 Export to home country
- 7.5 Export to a third country or countries

# 8. Who are your suppliers of intermediate goods and services? Please check all that apply

- 8.1 State owned Enterprises
- 8.2 Domestic private companies
- 8.3 Household business or individuals
- 8.4 Produced in-house by your local operations
- 8.5 Imported from home country

8.6 Imported from a third country

## 2. Your perception of business risks

- 9. What are the 3 biggest risks that you face in Vietnam? Please rank order in terms of importance to your company.
  - 9.1 Macroeconomic risk (changes in price stability and growth that affect business prospects).
  - 9.2 Contract risk (breach of contract by business partners, such as suppliers or customers).
  - 9.3 Regulatory risk (changes in regulatory or tax policies that reduce profitability).
  - 9.4 Labor risk (strikes, or other events that lead to work stoppage).
  - 9.5 Corruption risk (demands for informal charges, kickbacks, or other illicit decisions that reduce profitability). Rank-Ordering Risk Type
    - 1:..... 2:..... 3:.....
- 10. If you have identified corruption risk as one of the 3 main risks, could you please share your opinion on what companies should do to stop those business practices occurring or to mitigate the risk of those business practices.
- 11. Do you agree with the following statement: "Government officials use compliance with local regulations to extract informal payments from businesses like mine"?

11.1 Strongly agree

- 11.2 Agree
- 11.3 Disagree
- 11.4 Strongly disagree

12. On average, what percentage of turnover do companies in your line of business typically pay per annum in unofficial payments to public officials?

12.1 0%

- 12.2 Less than 1%
- 12.3 From 1% to less than 2%
- 12.4 From 2% to less than 5%
- 12.5 From 5% to less than 10%

12.6 More than 10% (how much more? ......)

- 13. In your opinion, if a company in your line of business pays the required "additional payment" how often is the service delivered as the company expected?
  - 13.1 Always
  - 13.2 Usually
  - 13.3 Sometimes
  - 13.4 Seldom
  - 13.5 Never
- 14. In your opinion, if a company in your line of business does not pay "informal charges", how often is the service delivered as the company expected?
  - 14.1 Always
  - 14.2 Usually
  - 14.3 Sometimes
  - 14.4 Seldom
  - 14.5 Never
- 15. Given your experience, do you believe that firms that refuse to pay commissions when bidding on government contracts are disadvantaged in the selection process?
  - 15.1 Always
  - 15.2 Usually
  - 15.3 Sometimes
  - 15.4 Seldom
  - 15.5 Never

## 3. Procurement

The following questions relate to your company's experience of public procurement and private procurement from third parties, e.g. your company's purchase of goods and/or services from any third-party supplier in Vietnam.

#### **3.1 Public Procurement**

- 16. Does your company participate in government procurement?
  - 16.1 Yes
  - 16.2 No
- 17. Do you know of cases where some of your competitors have made informal cash payments in order to be selected and/or to win a public tender?
  - 17.1 Yes
  - 17.2 No

- Would you say that in your branch of business, to make informal cash payments in order to be selected and/or to win a public tender...
  - 18.1 ... is a common practice
  - 18.2 ... happens from time to time
  - 18.3 ... is quite rare

18.4 Other:.....

#### **3.2 Private Procurement**

19. Do any of your products/services' suppliers provide your company and/or its employees with gifts or entertainment?

19.1 Yes

19.2 No

19.3 Don't know

20. Do any of your products/services' suppliers provide your company and/or its employees with gifts or entertainment (with a value in excess of VND2 million) on the award or renewal of any contract with them?

20.1 Yes

20.2 No

20.3 Don't know

- 21. Do you know if your company has ever been asked to issue an invoice for services or goods at an amount lower or higher than the agreed value of the services or goods provided (known as a "dummy invoice")?
  - 21.1Yes
  - 21.2 No
  - 21.3 Don't know
- 22. If yes, how often would you say such dummy invoice are requested?
  - 22.1 Very often
  - 22.2 Quite often
  - 22.3 Not often
- 23. What policy does your company have to regulate procurement practices?
  - 23.1 There is a code of conduct dealing with this issue
  - 23.2 We trust that our employees would not agree with such requests
  - 23.3 We have special training so that all our employees can deal with the issue

23.4 Other:....

#### 3.3 Requests for proposals

24. Do you know of cases where an employee in your company has been offered an advantage (including money or goods or services or a commercial favor) in return for including a supplier in an RFP invitation?

24.1 Yes

24.2 No

- 25. If yes, how often would you say this phenomenon occurs?
  - 25.1 Very often
  - 25.2 Quite often
  - 25.3 Rarely

- 26. What is your company policy in such a situation?
  - 26.1 There is a code of conduct dealing with this issue
  - 26.2 We trust that our employees would refuse such advantages
  - 26.3 We have special training so that all our employees can deal with the issue

26.4 The employee could be fired if accepting such advantages 26.5 Other.....

27. Please share with us some of your experiences of products/service providers offering cash or other advantages (including goods or services or a commercial favor) in private procurement in Vietnam (you need not confine your answer to the experience of your company)...

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## 4. Conflicts of Interest

The following question relate to conflict of interest, which, in Transparency International's definition, is a "Situation where an individual or the entity for which they work, whether a government, business, media outlet or civil society organisation, is confronted with choosing between the duties and demands of their position and their own private interests".

28. To your knowledge do any of your employees hold the position of director or majority shareholder in any product/services' suppliers to your company?

28.1 Yes

28.2 No

28.3 Don't know

- 29. To your knowledge do any of your management or procurement staff have relatives who hold the position of director or majority shareholder in any product/services' suppliers to your company?
  - 29.1 Yes

29.2 No

- 29.3 Don't know
- 30. Are you aware of any employee or officer of (competing) companies in your line of business awarding a contract to a third party because they hold a personal financial interest in that company (such as being an 100% owner or substantial shareholder of the third party)?
  - 30.1 Yes

30.2 No

30.3 Don't know

31. Are you aware of any employee or officer of (competing) companies in your line of business awarding a contract to a third party because the third party company employs a relative of your company's employee or officer (or because the relative of your company's employee or officer has a significant financial interest in the third-party, such as being an 100% owner or substantial shareholder of the third party)?

31.1	Yes
31.2	No
31.3	Don't know

32. Does your company have written rules or procedures whereby its officers and management personnel must declare any personal interest in a transaction with third parties?

32.1 Yes

32.2 No

32.3 Don't know

- 33. Does your company have a written rule or procedure whereby its officers must declare any outside interests?
  - 33.1 Yes
  - 33.2 No
  - 33.3 Don't know
- 34. Do you believe that conflicts of interest among your employees represent a significant cost of doing business in Vietnam? For example, do you believe that your company pays more to providers of goods and services because of contracts awarded where there is a conflict of interest?
  - 34.1 Yes

34.2 No

- 34.3 Don't know
- 35. Does your company have any written policies and procedures to identify, monitor and manage conflicts of interest which may give rise to a risk of bribery?

35.1 Yes

35.2 No

35.3 Don't know

36. If yes, to whom does it apply (who should sign it)?

36.1 All personnel

36.2 Only management staff

- 37. If yes, are these written policies and procedures regarding conflict of interest publicly available on your website?
  - 37.1 Yes

37.2 No

#### 5. Routine government services

The following questions relate to your company's experience of unofficial requests for advantages (including money or goods or services or a commercial favor) by public officials in return for routine government services (business licenses, customs, tax inspection ...). These are commonly referred to as "facilitation payments".

38. Has your company ever been asked to pay cash informally or give any other informal advantage to any public official to allow or speed up a routine government service?

38.1 Yes

38.2 No

- 38.3 Don't know
- 39. If yes, what is your estimation of the frequency of those requests?
  - 39.1 Daily

39.2 Weekly

- 39.3 Monthly
- 39.4 Quarterly
- 39.5 1 to 2 times per year
- 39.6 Less than once per year

#### 40. If yes, please indicate the type(s) of service concerned:

- 40.1 Work permit application
- 40.2 Customs clearance
- 40.3 Police service
- 40.4 Tax inspection / assessment
- 40.5 Business licenses
- 40.6 Land use certificate or construction-related permit
- 40.7 Other(s):....
- 41. In your view, what percentage of turnover would a company in your line of business typically be expected or required to pay per year to government officials as unofficial payments in cash, a cash equivalent, goods and/ or services?
  - 41.1 0%
  - 41.2 Less than 1%
  - 41.3 From 1% to less than 2%
  - 41.4 From 2% to less than 5%
  - 41.5 From 5% to less than 10%
  - 41.6 More than 10% (how much more?
- 42. Has your company ever been asked informally by a government official to use a third party non-government intermediary when paying money to any public body for a public service?
  - 42.1 Yes
  - 42.2 No

42.3 Don't know

- 43. Has your company ever been asked by a government official from a government department who provides/ provided or may provide a service to your company to employ the relative of any government official?
  - 43.1 Yes
  - 43.2 No
  - 43.3 Don't know
- 44. Please let us know some of your experiences of requests by government officials for cash and/or other advantages (including goods or services or a commercial favor) in return for facilitation of routine government actions in Vietnam. For example, what has been the result of any refusals to pay unofficial payments to public officials? How much would you estimate in revenue/business your company loses per year or would lose per year by refusing to pay unofficial payments to public officials? You need not confine your answer to the experience of your company.

## 6. Gifts and entertainment to government officials

The following questions relate to your experience of requests for or the expectation of gifts and/or entertainment being provided to government officials in Vietnam.

#### 45. Please indicate whether the statements below, if applied to your company, would be true or false in your experience:

45.1 We would be expected to provide gifts and/or entertainment to government officials in some circumstances (If true, please indicate one or more of the applicable circumstances set out).

45.1.1 True: on a Têt holiday

45.1.2 True: on signing a contract with a government or state controlled entity

45.1.3 True on other occasions (please specify):

45.1.4 False

45.2 We would be expected to pay for government official(s) to travel to corporate events outside of Vietnam.

45.2.1 True

45.2.2 False

45.3 We would be expected to pay for the spouse and/ or relatives of government officials to travel to corporate events in Vietnam or outside of Vietnam.

45.3.1 True

45.3.2 False

46. If you answered "True" to question [45.1.1], please indicate the maximum value of the gift and/or entertainment you would be expected to provide per national holiday:

46.1 Less than VND 1 million

- 46.2 Between VND 1 million and less than VND 2 million
- 46.3 Between VND 2 million and less than VND 5 million
- 46.4 Between VND 5 million and less than VND 10 million

46.5 Above VND 10 million

46.6 Prefer not to say

47. If you answered "True" to question [45.1.2], please indicate the maximum value of the gift and/or entertainment you would be expected to provide per signing event:

47.1 Less than VND 1 million

- 47.2 Between VND 1 million and less than VND 2 million
- 47.3 Between VND 2 million and less than VND 5 million
- 47.4 Between VND 5 million and less than VND 10 million
- 47.5 Above VND 10 million
- 47.6 Prefer not to say

48. If you answered "True" to question [45.1.3], please indicate the average value of the gift and/or entertainment you would be expected to provide in respect of the occasion(s) you have identified, per event:

48.1 Less than VND 1 million

48.2 Between VND 1 million and less than VND 2 million

48.3 Between VND 2 million and less than VND 5 million

48.4 Between VND 5 million and less than VND 10 million

48.5 Above VND 10 million

48.6 Prefer not to say

49. All in all, how frequently would you say your company is expected to provide gifts or entertainment to government officials?

49.1 Daily

49.2 Weekly

49.3 Monthly

49.4 Quarterly

49.5 1 to 2 times per year

49.6 Less than once per year

- 50. In your experience, which of the following government agencies would a company such as yours be expected to provide gifts and/or entertainment to:
  - 50.1 Courts
  - 50.2 Police
  - 50.3 Customs
  - 50.4 Tax
  - 50.5 Land
  - 50.6 Construction
  - 50.7 Business registration
  - 50.8 Other State-owned corporations or entities (please specify)\_\_\_\_\_
- 51. Are requests for gifts and/or entertainment by government officials an area of concern for your company?
  - 51.1 Yes
  - 51.2 No
  - 51.3 Don't know
- 52. Has your company ever been refused a government service because it has not met a government official's expectation to receive a gift and/or entertainment?
  - 52.1 Yes
  - 52.2 No

52.3 Don't know

53. Please let us know some of your experiences of requests for gifts and entertainment from government officials in Vietnam. You need not confine your answer to the experience of your company.

 What is your company's policy regarding requests for gifts and entertainment from government officials in Vietnam.

- 54.1 There is nothing much to do about it. That is the way we do business in Vietnam.
- 54.2 There is a strict zero tolerance policy, known to everybody and enforced
- 54.3 We recognize the problem and are planning to do something about it but we do not know what yet.
- 54.4 The company encourages managers not to give in to requests for gifts and entertainment from government officials (please explain how: ......)

# 7. Anti-Bribery and Corruption Risk Assessment Checklist: Where does your company stand on countering bribery?

## Assessment of corruption risks and due diligence

- 55. Has your company conducted any assessment of corruption risks?
  - 55.1 Yes
  - 55.2 No
- 56. Do you conduct due diligence of your suppliers?
  - 56.1 Yes
  - 56.2 No
- 57. If yes at question 56, what kind of information does your company request from its suppliers?
  - 57.1 Company history
  - 57.2 Financial situation
  - 57.3 Legal and regulatory compliance
  - 57.4 Other:....
- 58. Are you aware that your business partners/investors might conduct due diligence on your company?
  - 58.1 Yes
  - 58.2 No

#### Commitment

- 59. Does your company have a published policy of prohibition of bribery in any form whether direct or indirect?
  - 59.1 Yes
  - 59.2 No
  - 59.3 Partly
  - 59.4 Planned
- 60. Has your company committed to implementing a Program to counter bribery?
  - 60.1 Yes
  - 60.2 No
  - 60.3 Partly
  - 60.4 Planned

#### Implementation (if a program is in place)

- Does your Program provide detailed policies and procedures to address the following? (please circle the appropriate item when the answer is yes)
  - 61.1 Conflicts of interest
  - 61.2 Bribes in any form?
  - 61.3 Political contributions?
  - 61.4 Charitable donations and sponsorships?
  - 61.5 Prohibition of facilitation payments?
  - 61.6 Gifts, hospitality and travel expenses?
- 62. Does your Board of Directors demonstrate visible and active commitment to the implementation of the antibribery Program?
  - 62.1 Yes
  - 62.2 No
  - 62.3 Partly

- 63. Is your CEO or Executive Director responsible for ensuring that the Program is implemented consistently with clear lines of authority?
  - 63.1 Yes

63.2 No

- 63.3 Partly
- 64. Is your Program implemented in all business entities over which your company has effective control?
  - 64.1 Yes

64.2 No

64.3 Partly

64.4 Planned

- 65. The Program requires suppliers, agents and other intermediaries to agree contractually to comply with your company's anti-bribery policies and procedures and provides them with appropriate advice and documentation?
  - 65.1 Yes
  - 65.2 No
  - 65.3 Partly
  - 65.4 Planned
- 66. Does your company undertake properly documented, reasonable and proportionate anti-bribery due diligence on business entities when entering into a relationship?
  - 66.1 Yes
  - 66.2 No
  - 66.3 Partly

66.4 Planned

#### 67. Is the Program communicated to:

- 67.1 All Directors, managers and employees?
  - 67.1.1 Yes
  - 67.1.2 No
  - 67.1.3 If yes, how through which channel/media is it communicated?
- 67.2 Business associates (suppliers, vendors, contractors, subsidiaries, branches,...)?
  - 67.2.1 Yes
  - 67.2.2 No
  - 67.2.3 If yes, how through which channel/media is it communicated?
- 68. Does your company provide secure and accessible channels through which employees and others can obtain advice or raise concerns ('whistleblowing") without risk of reprisal?
  - 68.1 Yes
  - 68.2 No

68.3 Planned

- 69. Is tailored training provided to: All Directors, managers, employees and agents?
  - 69.1 Yes

69.2 No

69.3 Planned

#### Monitoring and review

- 70. Are the internal control systems, in particular the accounting and record keeping practices, subjected to regular review and audit?
  - 70.1 Yes

70.2 No

70.3 Planned

71. Does your company have feedback mechanisms and other internal processes supporting the continuous improvement of the Program?

71.1 Yes

71.2 No

71.3 Planned

- 72. Is there regular assessment of the Program by the leadership including:
  - 72.1 Monitoring and periodic review by senior management of the Program's suitability, adequacy and effectiveness?

72.1.1 Yes

72.1.2 No

72.2 Periodic reporting by management of the results of reviews to the Audit Committee or the Board with implementation of improvements as appropriate?

72.2.1 Yes

72.2.2 No

72.3 An independent assessment by the Board of the adequacy of the Program?

72.3.1 Yes

72.3.2 No

#### **Corrective measures**

73. When shortcomings are identified, can you shortly describe which main type of corrective measures do you apply in your company:

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Public Reporting

#### 74. Does your company publicly disclose information about:

74.1 The Program including the management systems employed to ensure its implementation?

74.1.1 Yes

74.1.2 No

74.2 Material holdings of subsidiaries, affiliates, joint ventures and other related entities?

74.2.1 Yes

73.2.2 No

74.3 Payments to governments on a country-by-country basis?

74.3.1 Yes

74.3.2 No

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# **1. COMPANIES' PERCEPTION OF BUSINESS RISKS**

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<u>Total</u>	4	27	3	1	2	1	0 1	17	14	0
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						Priv	<b>Private Procurement</b>	ent					
Question:	20. Do any suppliers pro its employees (with a value the award or them?	20. Do any of your products/services' suppliers provide your company and/or its employees with gifts or entertainment (with a value in excess of VND2 million) on the award or renewal of any contract with them?		21. Do you know if your company has ever been asked to issue an invoice for services or goods at an amount lower or higher than the agreed value of the services or goods provided (known as a "dummy invoice")?	21. Do you know if your company has ever been asked to issue an invoice for services or goods at an amount lower or higher than the agreed value of the services or goods provided (known as a "dummy invoice")?		22. If yes, ho dummy invoi	22. If yes, how often would you say such dummy invoice are requested?	you say such d?	23. What poliprocurement	23. What policy does your company have to regulate procurement practices?	company hav	e to regulate
Company	20.1	20.2	20.3	21.1	21.2	21.3	22.1	22.2	22.3	23.1	23.2	23.3	23.4
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<u>Total</u>	1	26	4	3	27	1	0	2	1	21	3	11	7
Percentage	3%	84%	13%	10%	87%	3%	%0	6%	3%	68%	10%	35%	23%

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Question:	24. Do you know of cases where an employee in your company has been offered an advantage (including money or goods or services or a commercial favor) in return for including a supplier in an RFP invitation?	24. Do you know of cases where an employee in your company has been offered an advantage (including money or goods or services or a commercial favor) in return for including a supplier in an RFP invitation?	25. If yes, say this pl	25. If yes, how often would you say this phenomenon occurs?	would you n occurs?	26. Whi such a s	at is yo ituation	نه مس	26. What is your company policy in such a situation?	licy in	27. Please share with us some of your eXperiences of products/service providers offering cash or other advantages (including goods or services or a commercial favor) in private procurement in Vietnam (you need not confine your answer to the eXperience of your company)
Company	24.1	24.2	25.1	25.2	25.3	26.1	26.2	26.3	26.4	26.5	
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5		×		N/A		×	×		×		High valued gifts will be returned. Tet and mid-autumn gifts will be kept and shared amongst employees
9		×		N/A		×	×		×		Transparent procedure so that no one can influence.
7		×		N/A		1	D	Don't answer	ir .		Don't know
∞		×		N/A		×					Small gifts to be shared in companies. Don't know about cash gift.
6		×		N/A		×	×	×	×		Transparent policy; Annual training for both staff and vendors; reminder letters to vendors about gift policy
10		×		N/A		×	×	×	×		American vendors are strict, return gifts
11		×		N/A		×					Dan't know
12		×		A/N		×					Commission is common in VN. Depends on companies, it is included in price or not.
13		×		N/A		×			×		Suppliers are normally introduced by employees.
14		×		N/A			×	×	×		Chinesse suppliers used to approach and offer unofficial benefits to employees but were refused.
15		×		N/A		×			×		Company policy is very strict to prevent this issue.
16		×		N/A		×			×		Training employees to prevent this issue.
17		×		N/A						×	Don't know
18	Ź	N/A		N/A			1	N/A			Don't know
19		×		N/A				×			Many suppliers offer commission but company refuse and ask for high quality and low price.
20		×		N/A		×		×	×		Heard about this before but it doesn't happen in our company.
21	N/A	/A		N/A				N/A			Don't know
22		×		N/A		×	×	×	×	×	Don't know
23		×		N/A			×				Select professional suppliers with good business culture through visiting office of suppliers and look at employees
24		×		N/A		×	×	×	×		Have not seen
25	×			×				×			Don't know
26	×				×	×	×	×	×		Yes, especially large orders. E.g bus services
27		×		N/A		×	×	×			Heard that it is popular
28	×			×				×			Large co: cross-checked system; Small: Instruct staff to deal with. Violation: fired
29		×		N/A						×	No comments
30		×		N/A						×	Don't know
31		×		N/A		×		×			Don't know, staff is trained to think about brand and culture of the company
<u>Total</u>	ß	23	0	2	-	18	11	13	12	ß	
<u>Percentage</u>	10%	74%	0%0	6%	3%	58%	35%	42%	39%	16%	

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	Company	28.1	28.2	28.3	29.1	29.2	29.3	30.1	30.2	30.3	31.1	31.2	31.3
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Question:	<ol> <li>J. Does your written rules whereby its management j declare any pe in a transact parties?</li> </ol>		company nave or procedures officers and ersonnel must rsonal interest on with third	33. Doe: have a procedur officers outside i	33. Does your company have a written rule or procedure whereby its officers must declare any outside interests?		34. Do you believe that connicts or interest among your employees represent a significant cost of doing business in Vietnam? For eXample, do you believe that your company pays more to providers of goods and services because of contracts awarded where there is a conflict of interest?	ve that conflicts of inter employees represent f doing business in vietha to you believe that yo more to providers of god cause of contracts awarc cause of contracts awarc	ts of interest epresent a s in Vietnam? e that your ers of goods acts awarded rest?	3.5. Does have any and proc monitor conflicts may give bribery?	35. Does your company have any written policies and procedures to identify, monitor and manage conflicts of interest which may give rise to a risk of bribery?		36. If yes, to does it apply should sign it)?	yes, to whom it apply (who signit)?		37. If yes, are these written policies and procedures regarding conflict of interest publicly available on your website?
Company	32.1	32.2	32.3	33.1	33.2 33.3		34.1	34.2	34.3	35.1	35.2	35.3	36.1	36.2	37.1	37.2
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<u>Total</u>	14	16	1	7	21 2		14	12	4	21	8	2	16	4	12	10
<u>Percentage</u>	45%	52%	3%	23%	68% 6%		45%	39%	13%	68%	26%	6%	52%	13%	39%	32%

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Question:	38. Has your co cash informall advantage to a speed up a rout	38. Has your company ever been asked to pay cash informally or give any other informal advantage to any public official to allow or speed up a routine government service?		39. If ) the fre	/es, wł	lat is y y of thu	our es	39. If yes, what is your estimation of the frequency of those requests?		40. If yes, please indicate the type(s) service concerned:	res, ple conceri	ease ir ned:	Idicate	the t	ype(s) of		41. In your view, what percentage of a company in your line of business pected or required to pay per yea officials as unofficial payments equivalent, goods and/or services?	/, what pe /our line ired to p official p	rcentage of busine ay per ye ayments r services	of turno ess typica ear to go i in cash	41. In your view, what percentage of turnover would a company in your line of business typically be ex- pected or required to pay per year to government officials as unofficial payments in cash, a cash equivalent, goods and/or services?
Company	38.1	38.2	38.3	39.1	39.2	39.3	39.4	39.5	39.6	40.1	40.2 4	40.3 4	40.4	40.5 4	40.6 40.7		41.2	41.3	41.4	41.5	41.6
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## 4. ROUTINE GOVERNMENT SERVICES

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Question:	42. Has your comp asked informally by official to use a th government intern paying money to ar for a public service?	42. Has your company ever been asked informally by a government official to use a third party non- government intermediary when paying money to any public body for a public service?	ever been overnment party non- iary when ublic body	43. Has your company a government official f department who provid provide a service to your the relative of any gover	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	d by ment may ploy	44. Please let us know some of your experiences of requests by government officials for cash and/or other advantages (including goods or services or a commercial favor) in return for facilitation of routine government actions in Vietnam. For expample, what has been the result of any refusals to pay unofficial payments to public officials? How much would you estimate in revenue/business your company loses per year by refusing to pay unofficial payments to public officials? You meed not not a service of payments to public officials? You meed not pay motificial payments to public officials? You need not not service of payments to public officials? You need not not service of payments to public officials? You need not not not pay would lose per year by refusing to pay unofficial payments to public officials? You need not
Company	42.1	42.2	42.3	43.1	43.2	43.3	contine your answer to the experience of your company.
-	×				×		Refuse payment-> lot of work, lengthy procedure to get the license
2		×			×		Depends on suggestion, if introduce good products with good prices: ok. Bribe: no.
ŝ		×			×		Strict labour conditions, high turnover
4		×			×		Rarely happen
S		×			×		Refuse most of the time, sometimes have to compromise but rarely
9	×			×			Calculate cost and benefit then decide to accept or not
7		×			×		Proactively give
∞		×			×		Improvement in taX office/DPI for expample, no need to give facilitation payment
6		×			×		Have to outsource some services to third party (customs, logistics) but train them in Sanofi
10		×		×			Reasonable request culture. Invite policemen to the end year party. Depends on Partners.
11			×			×	Don't know
12		×			×		Don't know
13		×			×		Customs use intransparent custom procedure to ask companies to bribe for custom clearance.
14	×			×			Corruption happens in daily life (for eX: traffic police), but not common in business.
15	×			×			TaX inspectors always ask for money directly or indirectly (for eX: ask company to use their relatives' services)
91		×			×		Don't know
17		×			×		Don't know
18		×			×		Pay commission if want to provide goods for SOEs. Pay bribery to taX office and customs for smoothly admin. Proce- dure.
19		×			×		Must pay bribery proactively to customs and taX office. If not, company will be in trouble with procedure.
20		×			×		Don't know
21		×			×		It is common to pay bribery to gov. officials.
22	×				×		Follow the regular process, no appointment
23			Х	×			Nobody asked
24			Х		×		Not applicable
25		×		×			Compliant thus only be delayed
26	×				×		Helps speed up to respond to business needs
27	×			×			Rarely, but have to accept to facilitate (only once)
28	×			×			Depends on specific companies -flexible. Have to do something, can't ignor
29		×			×		First consider if the request is reasonable, normally refused
30		×			×		The business environment in HHTP is better than in industrial parks. When working for the previous company in an industrial park, bribery for gov. officials to receive investment license/approval of fire fighting system/discharge permit is common.
31		×			×		Report to senior management, look at how they request - if conditional, then no. First to be compliant
Total	8	20	ß	∞	22	1	
Percentage	26%	65%	10%	26%	71%	3%	

	45. Please i	indicate whe	ther the st	atements belo	45. Please indicate whether the statements below, if applied to your		company, would be true or false in your experience:	in your experience.	46.	lf you	answe	answered "True"	ue" to	47.	lf you	answered		"True" to	-
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7				×		×		×	×							N/A			
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11				×		×		×			N/A					N/A			
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## 5. GIFTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

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Question:		22. has you cumpany even been release a government service because it has not met a government official's expectation to receive a gift and/or entertainment?	a government service because it has not met a government official's expectation to receive a gift and/or entertainment?	from government officials in Vietnam. You need not confine your answer to the experience of your company.	54. What is for gifts and in Vietnam.	54. What is your company's policy regarding requests for gifts and entertainment from government officials in Vietnam.	54. What is your company's policy regarding requests for gifts and entertainment from government officials in Vietnam.	ding request ment official
Company	52.1	52.2	52.3	-	54.1	54.2	54.3	54.4
-	×			Need to bribe for proposing tax reduction. Land owner (SOEs) request extra payment.		×		
2		×		Don't know, use company carteen.				×
m		×		If they request, will give gifts.	×			
4		×		Don't know	×			
ъ		×		Normally refuse, but staff may give gifts without directors' approval.		×		
9		×		Case by case. Will give gifts if officials were nice. No if officials require unreasonably.	×			
7		×		Proactively give.	×			
∞		×		Limit to certain amount (small gift) to avoid bad practices.	×			
6		×		Administrative procedures, oversea trips. Policy does not allow		×		
10		×		Receive some suggestion	×			
11			×	Don't know		×		
12		×		Don't know			×	
13			×	Companies have to know when they must pay bribery to gov officials. It is common in Business.			×	
14		×		Gov. officials don't ask company for money				×
15	×			Gov. officials come to inspect then ask for money. It is common.			×	
16		Don't answer		Don't know		×		
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19			×	Don't know	×			
20		×		Gov. officials don't ask company for money		×		
21		×		Need to give gifts to customs to receive smoothly service.		×		
22		×		Don't know		×		
23		×		Don't give				×
24		×		Not yet	×			×
25		×		<ol> <li>Review if the company made any mistake;</li> <li>If not and need to speed up;</li> <li>If yes, if request reasonable</li> </ol>				×
26		×		Often avoid and withdraw or say that report to leaders; can't argue with gov. official, use third parties (law firm)				$\times$
27		×		Have to respond to facilitate	×	×	×	×
28		×		Gov. officials knows that companies are doing serious business, requests are not too much	×			
29		×		Accept if appropriate or refused if un reasonable		×		
30		×		In the previous company, paying bribe is like paying the price of a public service without receive (ilegally).			×	
31		×		Company voluntarily gives gifts to build relationship		×		
Total	3	24	3		10	12	5	8
Percentage	10%	77%	10%		32%	39%	16%	26%

6. ANTI-BRIBERY AND CORRUPTION RISK ASSSESSMENT CHECKLIST

question 56, what kind         58. Are you aware that you?         59. Does           pight company?         business         partners/investors         pullished           77.2         57.3         57.4         58.1         58.1         58.1         59.1           77.2         57.3         57.4         58.1         58.1         58.1         58.1         59.1           7.2         X         X         X         X         X         X         58.2         59.1           X         X         X         X         X         X         X         X         X           X         X         X         X         X         X         X         X         X           X         X         X         X         X         X         X         X         X           X         X         X         X         X         X         X         X           X         X         X         X         X         X         X         X           X         X         X         X         X         X         X         X           X         X         X         X         X         X				Ass	Assessment of corruption	corruptic	in risks al	risks and due diligence	ligence						Commitment	ment			
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	70. Are th	70. Are the internal control 71.	control		your company	oany have	72. Is there regular a	assessment of the Pr	72. Is there regular assessment of the Programme by the leadership including:	adership including:		
Question:	systems, i counting a practices, lar review	systems, in particular the ac- counting and record keeping practices, subjected to regu- lar review and audit?	ar the ac- I keeping to regu-		feedback mechanisms and other internal processes supporting the continuous improvement of the Programme?	and other porting the ent of the		72.1 Monitoring and periodic review by senior management of the Pro gramme's suitability, adequacy and effectiveness?		72.2 Periodic reporting by management of the results of reviews to the Audit Committee or the Board with implementation of improvements as appropriate?		72.3 An independent assessment by the Board of the adequacy of the Programme?
Company	70.1	70.2	70.3	71.1	71.2	71.3	72.1.1	72.1.2	72.2.1	72.2.2	72.3.1	72.3.2
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30		N/A			N/A		N/A	A,		N/A	Z	N/A
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Total	26	3	0	25	4	0	16	10	11	12	6	16
Percentage	84%	10%	%0	81%	13%	%0	52%	32%	35%	39%	19%	52%

Question:	73.When shortcomings are identified, can you shortly describe which main type of corrective	ŗ		r unit i kepor mig	nis Loco information	n ahourt.	
Question:			74 Does vour company publicly disclose information about	DV DITTO V			
	measures do you appiy in your company:	74.1 The Programme including management systems employ to ensure its implementation?	74.1 The Programme including the management systems employed to ensure its implementation?	74.2 Material holdings of subsidiaries, affiliates, jo ventures and other relat entities?	74.2 Material holdings of 24.2 Material holdings of subsidiaries, affiliates, joint ventures and other related entities?	74.3 Payments to governments on a country-by-country basis?	ints to its on a -country
Company		74.1.1	74.1.2	74.2.1	74.2.2	74.3.1	74.3.2
٢	Investigate->talk to hierarchy->decide what to do		×		×		×
7	Review and responds with actions, implementation		×	~	N/A	N/A	A
£	N/A				N/A	N/A	A
4	Counter argument		×		N/A	N/A	A
ß	Report to HQ. Involve: compliance, legal, HR	×			N/A	N/A	A
9	Internal meetings with relevant department to identify reasons and propose solutions, not name shame.	×		~	N/A	N/A	A
7	Accounting to check, re-do or price is too high.		×		N/A	N/A	A
80	ISO 9001	×			N/A	N/A	A
6	Propose measures including discipline, refreshment training for related people, update/revise	×		×			
10	Based on internal procedure:return gift, warning/bribe/discipline/reduce salary+fired	Z	N/A		N/A	N/A	A
11	Acknowledge, investigate and solve according to company policy.	×			N/A	N/A	A
12	Meeting and suggesting the solutions.		×		N/A	N/A	A
13	The board of directors ask accounting office to announce and collect data to find solution.		×		N/A	N/A	A
14	Meeting, dicussing and giving solutions to change the staff or procedure.		×		×	N/A	A
15	Discussing to find solutions.		×		×	N/A	A
16	Doing survey and inform the result to all employees, making action plan then get approval to do action plan.	×		×		N/A	A
17	N/A		×		×	N/A	A
18	Meeting to find solution.		×		×	N/A	A
19	Meeting to find reason and solution.		×	~	N/A	N/A	A
20	Making an action plan to deal with problem.	×		×		N/A	A
21	Don't know		×	2	N/A	N/A	A
22	Convene meeting Board of management, look at company procedures	×		2	N/A	N/A	A
23	Revise, communicate, meetings, online feedback	×		×			×
24	Staff to be reminded, fired, reduced salary, demote, suspend	×		×			×
25	as per HQ policy (manuals)	×			×		×
26	Immediate action. Auto system, if issue is not deal with, will escalate to higher level. Procurement process often has most compliant to b e quicker	×			×		×
27	Corrective measures based on above internal control reports		×		×		×
28	Remind staff, try to find correct information, inspect randomly		×		N/A		
29	Procurement only		×	~	N/A		
30	Don't have any experience because the company is just in the setting up stage.	Z	N/A	~	N/A		
31	Identify corrective measures and reasons		×		×		×
Total		12	16	Ŋ	6	0	7
Percentage		39%	52%	16%	29%	%0	23%

## **ANNEX 5 – LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS**

Abbreviation	Explanation
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
SME	Small and Medium Enterprise
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
SOE	State Owned Enterprise
MNCs	Multinational Corporations
VND	Vietnam Dong
PCI	Provincial Competitiveness Index
VAT	Value Added Tax
N/A	Not Applicable



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