

M&S response to media report received from BHRRC (August 2023)

Thank you for your email regarding the media report dated 29.05.23 regarding a wild animal attack at Bridwell tea estate in Sri Lanka.

M&S is committed to respecting internationally recognised human rights in line with the principles and guidance contained in the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. We therefore take all reports of this nature very seriously.

We can confirm that we have worked with both our supplier and with Fairtrade to understand the steps that have been taken to support the injured worker.

Further information on our broader approach to risk assessment and due diligence of our Sri Lankan tea supply chain can be found in our full response to BHRRC in February of this year: Microsoft Word - BHRRC response 02.2023 v4 (business-humanrights.org)