

Next Quarter (formerly ForecastEra Pvt. Ltd.)

Report on the current state of readiness for compliance with General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

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To,
The Management,
Next Quarter (formerly ForecastEra Pvt. Ltd.)
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Data Privacy Compliance Letter

Scope

Riskpro India was engaged to perform an assessment or compliance audit against GDPR requirements applicable to the Next Quarter (formerly ForecastEra Pvt. Ltd.). (hereinafter referred to as Next Quater) processes engaged in handling personal data. The purpose of this report is to provide a high-level overview of the existing compliance status of the company's operational and support processes, as well as identify areas that need improvement.

Review Methodology

- · Discussions and interviews with the management
- Inspection of documents, policies, and a quick glance through for the level of content
- Walkthrough of applications, processes, and systems

Summary Findings:

- The Company has established a comprehensive Management Framework, including Privacy by design and Privacy by default principles, to carry out its business with its customers.
- The Company has the necessary technical and organizational measures/ information security controls in place appropriate to the size and operations of the company. The implemented controls should be effectively applied for GDPR Compliance.
- Privacy Policy on the Next Quarter website is GDPR compliant with all the appropriate measures.
- A Data Protection Officer (DPO) is appointed to handle the Privacy Program as well as all queries concerning Privacy.
- Documented all the relevant Policies and Procedures, including the Data Privacy Policy and Framework.
- Privacy Incident Management is in place to enable Next Quarter to assess and respond to Privacy Incidents on priority, to mitigate potential harm to affected individuals, and to comply with applicable laws and regulations.



• Conducted a Data Privacy Awareness workshop to create awareness among Next Quarter employees accessing Personally Identifiable Information.

Scope Limitation

The scope of our GDPR compliance review engagement was limited to evaluating the existence of key processes, the privacy framework, and required artifacts within the internal teams, as well as for the following website and its associated processes.

Next Quarter (formerly ForecastEra Pvt. Ltd.) (https://nextq.ai/)

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Conclusion on GDPR Compliance



Based on our review, we believe that the company's application and processes engaged in handling personal data are "GDPR Compliant"

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Disclaimer: This report is intended only for information purposes and should not be considered an absolute audit report. This is also not a certificate for GDPR compliance. It is merely an independent review and reporting of our findings to provide assurance to end clients about the GDPR readiness of our clients.

Annexure: Compliance status against EU GDPR requirements

Reference	Control Requirement	Status	Next Quarter Current Practice	Action Plan
1.1.1	Decision-makers and key people in the company are aware of the Data Privacy requirements and its accountability requirement.	Compliant	Next Quarter decision-makers and key personnel are aware of their responsibilities concerning Data Privacy requirements and associated accountability obligations. Evidence Verified: -MIS July. 2025 -MIS Meting with Management -MIS MOM July 2025	NA
1.1.2	The company has implemented adequate privacy reporting to the Board and Senior Management of the Quarterly meetings_discussions etc. that are held.	Compliant	Next Quarter has a process for regularly sharing Data Privacy reports with Senior Management through meetings and discussions has been established. Evidence Verified: Evidence Verified: -MIS July. 2025 -MIS Meeting with Management -MIS MOM July 2025	NA
1.1.3	The requirement to appoint Data Protection Officer (DPO) is identified. DPO has been appointed (as required).	Does Not Apply	 Next Quarter does not have an obligation to appoint a Data Protection Officer as: Next Quarter is not a public authority Core business activities of Next Quarter do not require large-scale, regular, and systematic monitoring of individuals such as online behaviour tracking, etc. Core business activities of Next Quarter do not require large-scale processing of special categories of data or data relating to criminal convictions and offences. 	NA

1.1.4	If a DPO appointment is not mandated by the regulation, a privacy officer is identified or appointed to assume the role of Data Privacy.	Compliant	1. Next Quarter has identified and appointed a Data Protection Officer to assume the role of Data Privacy.	NA
1.1.5	Data Protection Officer (DPO) is registered with Supervisory Authority (SA).	Does Not Apply	Next Quarter does not have an obligation to appoint a Data Protection Officer. Hence this control is not applicable.	NA
1.1.6	Privacy Roles and Responsibilities are defined and documented.	Compliant	 Next Quarter has defined and documented the Privacy Roles and Responsibilities. Evidence Verified: Data Protection Policy and Framework (Main Policy) V1.0 	NA
1.1.7	The organization's DPO business contact information is made available to the public.	Compliant	 Next Quarter has established the organization's DPO/Privacy officer business contact information made available to the public. The privacy notice has been updated with the required changes. 	NA
1.1.8	The Privacy Office tracks and analyses the impact of new laws, changes in laws, relevant enforcement actions and new regulatory expectations.	Compliant	Next Quarter has established a Privacy Officer to track and analyse the impact of new laws, changes in laws, relevant enforcement actions, and new regulatory expectations. Evidence Verified: Subscription screenshots	NA
1.1.9	The company has developed a procedure for Risk Assessment	Compliant	 Next Quarter has defined and documented the Risk Assessment Procedure. Next Quarter has defined and documented Risk Assessment Report. Evidence Verified: Risk Assessment Procedure, 30 September 2024, Version 4.0 Risk Assessment Report, 24 June 2025, Version 7 	NA

1.1.10	Company's risk assessment covers privacy related risks.	Compliant	Next Quarter risk assessment report includes an evaluation of privacy-related risks Evidence Verified: Risk Register	NA
1.1.11	Privacy Risk Assessment is done at least half yearly _ annually	Compliant	Next Quarter has defined and documented the Risk Assessment Procedure. Evidence Verified: Risk Assessment Procedure, 30 September 2024, Version 4.0	NA
1.1.12	The company has developed procedures for Internal Audit and privacy self-assessment. Internal Audits of the privacy self assessments are conducted at least annually.	Compliant	 Next Quarter has defined and documented a Data Protection Policy Framework that includes the requirements of conducting privacy audits periodically or as may be required by the applicable regulation. Next Quarter has documented the GDPR Assessment Checklist to conduct the assessment at regular intervals. Evidence Verified: Data Protection Policy and Framework (Main Policy) V1.0 	NA
1.1.13	The company provides security and privacy awareness training to the employees at the time of induction and refresher training at a regular interval.	Compliant	 Next Quarter has shared the Information Security Training Records and Material. Next Quarter has shared the ISMS Awareness Session Attendance Report. Next Quarter has conducted the Data Privacy Training. Evidence Verified: ISMS Training PPT ISMS Awareness Session Attendance Report 	NA
1.1.14	Employees and contractors acknowledge the Code of Conduct.	Compliant	Next Quarter employees and contractos acknowledge the Code of Conduct Policy. Evdience Verified: -Code of conduct	NA

1.1.15	All new employees have to read and sign the Confidentiality Agreement upon joining.	Compliant	1. Next Quarter employees read and sign the Confidentiality Agreement upon joining.	NA
1.1.16	The company (not based in European Union) has appointed in writing a representative in the European Union.	Does Not Apply	1. Next Quarter does not have any offices present in European Union. Hence, this control does not apply.	NA
1.1.17	Company (working as a joint controller) documents the respective roles and relationships of the joint controllers.	Does Not Apply	Next Quarter does not work as a joint controller. Hence this is not applicable.	NA
1.1.18	Company (working as a joint controller) makes available the details of the arrangement to the individuals.	Does Not Apply	1. Next Quarter does not work as a joint controller. Hence this is not applicable.	NA
1.1.19	Company has Information security related policies and procedures that describes information security processes, practices and organization.	Compliant	 Next Quarter has defined and documented the Information Security Policy and it defines information security processes, practices, and organization. Evidence Verified: Information Security Policy, 30 September 2024, Version 3.0 	NA
1.1.20	Information Security Policy & Procedures are reviewed and approved by the Management at least annually.	Compliant	 Next Quarter team has defined and documented the Information Security Policy and it defines information security processes, practices, and organization. Next Quarter conducts a review of the ISMS Policy at least once a year. Evidence Verified: Information Security Policy, 30 September 2024, Version 3.0 	NA

2.1.1	The company has established and documented purposes for processing personal data.	Compliant	 As per the assessment, the company is not required to maintain a Record of Processing Activities (RoPA) under Article 30 of the GDPR, since it does not meet the thresholds outlined for mandatory documentation. Specifically, the organization has fewer than 250 employees and its processing activities are not likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of data subjects, are not frequent, and do not involve special categories of data or criminal convictions/offenses. Next quater has documented the purpose of processing in the Privacy notice. 	NA
2.1.2	The Company limits the collection of personal information to the minimum necessary to provide the service. Input templates are defined which are used for data collection. Client organizations are responsible for providing only the information that is necessary.	Compliant	 Next Quarter collects data as it is minimum necessary . next Quarter has estabilished the Input templates for data collection. Evidence Verified: Existing Employee Data Consent Form 	NA
2.1.3	The company has developed and implemented procedures and/or mechanisms to verify that the personal data processed is complete, accurate, not misleading, and updated.	Compliant	 Next Quarter is collects the data of Job seekers from LinkedIn, Employee Referrals, and the Career Portal, where the data is directly provided by the job seekers. The employees directly provide the data to the HR and Finance Team; therefore, the data is considered to be accurate. Next Quarter collects data directly from leads/prospects from the Website book a demo page, Hence, it is considered to be accurate. Next Quarter signs the contracts with the customers/clients/vendors. Next Quarter directly collects the details from them. Hence, it is considered to be accurate. At present the Next Quarter is not processing any EU related personal data however agrees to develop the mechanism verify that the personal data processed is complete, accurate, not misleading, and updated. 	NA

2.1.4	The company undertakes periodic reviews to determine whether it is necessary to retain the personal data in its possession.	Compliant	Next Quarter has defined and documented the Retention Policy and the Retention Schedule. Evidence Verified: Retention Policy Retention schedule	NA
2.1.5	The company has developed and implemented mechanisms to notify any other individual or entity, with whom personal data has been shared if the personal data is not complete, inaccurate, is misleading, and not updated.	Compliant	 Enquired. The HR Team POC at Next Quarter confirmed that they currently process only the data of Indian employees and that no EU employee data is being processed at present. Next Quarter HR Team shares the details with a third party for background verification. In case the data is not updated or complete, they notify the third party. Next Quarter Team agrees to notify any other individual or entity with whom EU individual personal data has been shared if the personal data is not complete, inaccurate, misleading, or not updated. Also, the Next Quarter Team agrees to maintain documented evidence and furnish the same evidence upon request. 	NA
2.1.6	The company ensures that the personal data of individuals collected from a third party source is accurate and complete.	Compliant	Enquired. 1.Next Quarter POC from the HR Team informed that the Company does not have Employees from the European Union (EU). Next Quarter processes the data of Indian employees. 2. Next Quarter POC from the HR Team informed that they collect the CVs of candidates from third-party websites, namely, LinkedIn and Naukri. The CVs, which contain personal data, are directly provided by the candidates and hence, the data is accurate. 3. Next Quarter POC from the HR Team verbally informed that they collect data on the employee background verification report from the hired vendor. 4. Next Quarter collects data directly from leads/prospects from the Website, The personal data, are directly provided by them and hence, the data is accurate.	NA

3.1.1	The company has developed and implemented policies and procedures for data retention and data disposal.	Compliant	Next Quarter has documented the Retention Policy and the Retention Schedule. Evidence Verified: Retention Policy Retention schedule	NA
3.1.2	The company has developed and implemented policies and procedures for managing Data Breaches.	Compliant	Next Quarter has documented the Data Breach Notification Policy to manage Data Breaches. Evidence Verified: Data Breach Notification Policy	NA
3.1.3	The company has developed procedure and supporting templates for Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Compliant	1. Next Quarter has defined and documented the DPIA Policy. 2. Next Quarter has documented the DPIA Template. Evidence Verified: - Data Protection Impact Assessment Template - DPIA - Data Protection Impact Assessment Procedure V1.0	NA
3.1.4	The company has developed and implemented procedures for security and data privacy assessments for Third Parties. Annual third party due diligence _assessments are performed for critical vendors.	Compliant	Next Quarter has defined and documented the Third Party Assessment Policy. Evidence Verified: -Third party Vendor - Privacy Assessment V1.0	NA
3.1.5	Cross Border Transfer policies Procedures are in place	Compliant	Next Quarter has defined and developed procedures for cross border transfers. Evidence Verified: Cross-Border Processing or Transfers of Personal Data V1.0	NA

3.1.6	The Company has code of conduct within the Employee Handbook that establishes standards and guidelines for personnel ethical behaviour. These include security and privacy clauses. Personnel are required to read and accept the entity's code of conduct	Compliant	Next Quarter employees and contractors acknowledge the Code of Conduct Policy. Evidence Verified: -Code of conduct	NA
3.1.7	The data protection (privacy) policy is in place and updated within the last 12 months.	Compliant	 Next Quarter has defined and documented the data protection policy. Evidence Verified: Data Protection Policy and Framework (Main Policy) V1.0 	NA
3.1.8	A documented and implemented privacy complaint handling process is in place to respond to queries and complaints related to personal data protection.	Compliant	 Next Quarter has a process to respond to queries and complaints related to personal data protection in their privacy notice. A data subject can raise queries at Email Id: nextqdpo@nextq.ai RiskPro team raised a query using the e-mail to verify the issue. 	NA
4.1.1	The company has identified and documented the personal data necessary for the identified purposes.	Compliant	 As per the assessment, the company is not required to maintain a Record of Processing Activities (RoPA) under Article 30 of the GDPR, since it does not meet the thresholds outlined for mandatory documentation. Specifically, the organization has fewer than 250 employees and its processing activities are not likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of data subjects, are not frequent, and do not involve special categories of data or criminal convictions/offenses. Next quater has documented the purpose of processing in the Privacy notice. 	NA

4.1.2	The company has maintained a list of locations where personal data is stored, backed up including cloud infrastructure.	Does Not Apply	1. As per the assessment, the company is not required to maintain a Record of Processing Activities (RoPA) under Article 30 of the GDPR, since it does not meet the thresholds outlined for mandatory documentation. Specifically, the organization has fewer than 250 employees and its processing activities are not likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of data subjects, are not frequent, and do not involve special categories of data or criminal convictions/offenses.	NA
4.1.3	The company has identified the requirement of maintaining record of processing activities document.	Does Not Apply	1. As per the assessment, the company is not required to maintain a Record of Processing Activities (RoPA) under Article 30 of the GDPR, since it does not meet the thresholds outlined for mandatory documentation. Specifically, the organization has fewer than 250 employees and its processing activities are not likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of data subjects, are not frequent, and do not involve special categories of data or criminal convictions/offenses.	NA
4.1.4	The company maintains data inventory/record of processing activities document.	Does Not Apply	1. As per the assessment, the company is not required to maintain a Record of Processing Activities (RoPA) under Article 30 of the GDPR, since it does not meet the thresholds outlined for mandatory documentation. Specifically, the organization has fewer than 250 employees and its processing activities are not likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of data subjects, are not frequent, and do not involve special categories of data or criminal convictions/offenses.	NA
4.2.1	On the applications and websites that shouldn't be accessible to children, Age-Gating is implemented on the signup page.	Does Not Apply	1. Next Quarter does not provide any products and services on any of the applications and websites that should not be accessible to children. Hence, age gating need not be implemented on the signup page.	NA
4.2.2	The company has developed and implemented procedures and/or mechanisms for verifying the age of a child.	Does Not Apply	1. Next Quarter does not provide any products and services on any of the applications and websites to children. Hence, this control does not apply.	NA
4.3.1	The company has developed procedure for privacy by design.	Compliant	Next Quarter has defined and documented Privacy by Design Policy. Evidence Verified: -Privacy by Design and Default Policy	NA

4.3.2	The entity has implemented privacy by default whereby least privileges are set and controls relating to privacy setting are provided to the end users.	Compliant	1. Next Quarter has defined and documented Privacy by Default Policy.Evidence Verified: -Privacy by Design and Default Policy	NA
4.4.1	The Company reviews Privacy Notice annually.	Compliant	1. Next Quarter has defined and documented the Privacy Notice and agrees to review it annually.	NA
4.4.2	The Privacy notice is published at all the collection points including company's website with information about choice available to data subjects and contains all the details mentioned in the act.	Compliant	Next Quarter has published privacy notice at all data collection points. Evidence Verified: https://nextq.ai/privacy-policy/	NA
4.4.3	The company displays the cookie policy on their website	Compliant	 Next Quarter has implemented a cookie policy on the website. Evidence Verified: https://nextq.ai/cookie-policy/ 	NA
4.4.4	The company displays the cookie banner on the website. The cookie banner provides information about the cookies set on the website. The cookie banner requests consent from website visitors for setting non-essential cookies. (i.e. analytics,	Compliant	1. Next Quarter have published cookie banner on the website.	NA

	marketing). The consent is recorded.			
4.5.1	Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) is conducted for new projects and changes to existing programs, systems, or processes that handle personal data as specified by Authority.	Compliant	Next Quarter has defined and documented the Data Protection Impact Assessment Policy. Evidence Verified: DPIA - Data Protection Impact Assessment Procedure V1.0	NA
4.5.2	Data protection issues risks identified during PIAs_DPIAs are tracked and addressed.	Compliant	Next Quarter has defined and documented the Data Protection Impact Assessment Policy. Evidence Verified: DPIA - Data Protection Impact Assessment Procedure V1.0	NA
4.5.3	The company consults the supervisory authority prior to processing where a data protection impact assessment indicates that the processing would result in a high risk in the absence of measures taken by the company to mitigate the risk.	Compliant	Next Quarter has defined and documented the Data Protection Impact Assessment Policy. Evidence Verified: DPIA - Data Protection Impact Assessment Procedure V1.0	NA

4.6.1	The company has developed an Incident Response Plan.	Compliant	 Next Quarter has defined and documented the Incident Response plan. Evidence Verified: Incident Management Policy, 30 September 2024, Version 4.0 	NA
4.6.2	Incidents of breach are notified to the Supervisory Authority (SA) and or the Controller	Compliant	Next Quarter has reviewed and approved Data Breach Notification Policy. Evidence Verified: Data Breach Notification Policy	NA
5.1.1	The company has identified and documented grounds for processing personal data for specific, stated purposes	Compliant	Next Quarter has defined the ground of processing personal data for specific, stated purposes in the privacy notice. Evidence Verified: https://nextq.ai/privacy-policy/	NA
5.1.2	The company has identified and documented grounds for processing for sensitive personal data for specific, stated purposes	Does Not Apply	Next Quarterdoes not process any sensitive personal data. Hence this control does not apply.	NA
5.1.3	The company conducts Legitimate Interest Assessment before processing personal data if the grounds of processing is legitimate interest.	Compliant	Next Quarter has documented the Legitimate Interest Assessment. Evidence Verified: LIA Template	NA

5.1.4	The company has developed and implemented procedure to conduct Legitimate Interest Assessment before processing personal data on the grounds of legitimate interest.	Compliant	Next Quarter has documented the Legitimate Interest Assessment. Evidence Verified: LIA Template	NA
5.1.5	LIA is approved internally, documented and revised annually	Compliant	Next Quarter has documented the Legitimate Interest Assessment. Evidence Verified: LIA Template	NA
5.1.6	The company ensures that the processing of personal data relating to criminal convictions and offences or related security measures are carried out only under the control of official authority or when the processing is authorised by Union or Member State law.	Does Not Apply	Next Quarter does not process personal data relating to criminal convictions and offences. Hence, the control is not applicable.	NA
5.2.1	Where the company relies on consent as its legal basis for processing data, the company obtains and records the consent from individuals	Compliant	Enquired. 1. Next Quarter collects consent from the customers/prospects /leads on Book a demo tab on the website. 2. Next Quarter HR team has consent as a ground for processing the personal data of Job seekers. Evidence Verified: -Call with the website vendor	NA
5.2.2	The company obtains and records the individual's explicit consent prior to	Does Not Apply	Next Quarter does not collect ay sensitive personal data. Hence, the control is not applicable.	NA

	collecting the individual's Sensitive Personal Data.			
5.2.3	Where the company relies on consent as its legal basis for processing data, the company provides an option to the individual to withdraw the consent for Processing their Personal Data.	Compliant	Enquired. 1. Next Quarter has document the Privacy Notice and collects consent.	NA
5.2.4	The company has developed and implemented procedures and/or mechanisms for obtaining the consent of the parent or guardian of a child in relation to the offer of information society services directly to a child.	Does Not Apply	Next Quarter does not provide any products and services on any of the applications and websites to children. Hence, this control does not apply.	NA
5.2.5	A Suppression list is maintained for opt-out cases and the company screens the communication against this list.	Does Not Apply	1. Next Quarter does not document the suppression list for opt-out cases as they do not do any marketing email campaigns for the EU region.	NA
5.2.6	Do-not-call list of anyone who says they don't want marketing calls is maintained. The company screens the communication against the maintained do-not-call list including relevant preference services or	Does Not Apply	1. Next Quarter does not make do any cold calling activities.	NA

	relevant national_regional_sectoral DND lists.			
6.1.1	The company has developed and implemented procedures and_or mechanisms to meet its obligations to individuals to access their personal data.	Compliant	Next Quarter has developed procedures or mechanisms to meet its obligations to data subjects to access their personal data. Evidence Verified: Data Subject Rights Procedure	NA
6.1.2	The company has developed and implemented procedures and_or mechanisms to meet its obligations to individuals to erase their personal data.	Compliant	 Next Quarter has developed procedures or mechanisms to meet its obligations to data subjects to erase their personal data. Evidence Verified: Data Subject Rights Procedure 	NA
6.1.3	The company has developed and implemented mechanisms to restrict processing of personal data in certain cases.	Compliant	Next Quarter has developed procedures or mechanisms to meet its obligations to data subjects to restrict processing of personal data in certain cases. Evidence Verified: Data Subject Rights Procedure	NA
6.1.4	The company has developed and implemented procedures and_or mechanisms for transferring personal data to the individual in a structured, commonly used, and machine-readable format.	Compliant	Next Quarter has developed procedures or mechanisms to meet its obligations to data subjects to transfer personal data to the individual in a structured, commonly used, and machine-readable format. Evidence Verified: Data Subject Rights Procedure	NA

6.1.5	The company has developed and implemented mechanisms to address the request object to processing of personal data in certain cases.	Compliant	Next Quarter has developed procedures or mechanisms to meet its obligations to data subjects to review of and provide adequate information regarding decisions made solely based on automated processing of personal data. Evidence Verified: - Data Subject Rights Procedure	NA
6.1.6	The company has developed and implemented mechanisms to review of and provide adequate information regarding decisions made solely based on automated processing of personal data.	Compliant	Next Quarter has developed procedures or mechanisms to meet its obligations to data subjects to object to the processing of personal data in certain cases. Evidence Verified: - Data Subject Rights Procedure	NA
6.1.7	The company has developed and implemented procedures and_or mechanisms to confirm whether the company is processing or has processed personal data of the individuals.	Compliant	Next Quarter has developed procedures or mechanisms to meet its obligations to data subjects to confirm whether the company is processing or has processed the personal data of the individuals. Evidence Verified: - Data Subject Rights Procedure	NA
6.1.8	The company has developed and implemented procedures and_or mechanisms to meet its obligations to individuals to correct, complete, and update the Personal Data.	Compliant	Next Quarter has developed procedures and mechanisms to meet its obligations to data subjects to object to correct, complete, and update the Personal Data. Evidence Verified: - Data Subject Rights Procedure	NA

6.1.9	The company complies with the requests and communicates the same to the individuals within the time periods specified by regulations.	Compliant	Next Quarter has developed procedures to comply with request and communicate with the individual within the time period specified by regulation. Evidence Verified: Data Subject Rights Procedure	NA
6.1.10	The company has developed and implemented mechanisms to object to processing of personal data for direct marketing purposes.	Compliant	Next Quarter has developed procedures and_or mechanisms to meet its obligations to data subjects to object to the processing of personal data for direct marketing purposes in the Data Subject Request Procedure. Evidence Verified: - Data Subject Rights Procedure	NA
6.1.11	The company has developed and implemented mechanisms to object to processing of personal data for scientific or historical research purposes or statistical purposes except certain cases.	Does Not Apply	Next Quarter does not process personal data for scientific or historical research purposes or statistical purposes.	NA
6.1.12	Support email or phone line is provided to modify, delete, or other data requests in the absence of a website or online self-service mechanism.	Compliant	 Next Quarter has a process to respond to queries and complaints related to personal data protection in their privacy notice. A data subject can raise queries at Email Id: nextqdpo@nextq.ai RiskPro team raised a query using the e-mail to verify the issue. 	NA
7.1.1	A formal contract is executed between Company and Third Party Service Providers before the work is initiated. Agreement includes terms on confidentiality,	Compliant	Next Quarter has documented the contract with the third party service provider. Evidence Verified: Forecastera Technologies_DPA	NA

	responsibilities of both parties.			
7.1.2	The company ensures that the third-party processor obtains the company's express written consent prior to subcontracting services or making any changes concerning the addition or replacement of sub-processers.	Compliant	Next Quarter has documented that third party processors obtains the Next Quarter's express written consent prior to subcontracting services or making any changes concerning the addition or replacement of sub-processers. Evidence Verified: - Forecastera Technologies_DPA	NA
7.1.3	New Third Party Service Providers are selected based on a Vendor Selection Process. Privacy and Security risk assessment is a key part of the vendor selection process. Company requires all key subservices to be compliant with security certifications and attestations such as ISO 27001, SOC1 or SOC2.	Compliant	1. Next Quarter has defined and documented the Vendor Due Diligence Policy.	NA
7.1.4	On a periodic and as- needed basis, the entity assesses compliance by vendors and business partners with the entity's privacy commitments and requirements and takes	Compliant	1. Next Quarter has defined and documented the Vendor Due Diligence Policy.	NA

	corrective action as necessary.			
7.1.5	Data Protection Addendum(DPA), contracts are in place for all parties with whom data is shared.<_p> Entity obtains privacy commitments from vendors using Data Protection Agreement (DPA) with standard contract clauses. Entity discloses personal information only to appropriate third parties based on the purpose of the information.<_p>	Compliant	1. Next Quarter has documented the Data Protection Agreement with the third party service provider. 2. Next Quarter has defined and documented Data Protection Addendum(DPA) for all parties. Evidence Verified: - Forecastera Technologies_DPA	NA
7.1.6	If the company is working as a data processor, the company only processes personal data in accordance with the instructions of the client company and treats it confidential.	Compliant	 Clients (who use Next Quarter) determine the purpose (e.g., sales forecasting, analytics) and means (e.g., choosing Next Quarter as the service) of processing. Next Quarter provides tools and services, but does not decide why the data is being processed. EvidenceVerified: Data Processing Agreement (ForecastEra Inc. (DBA Next Quarter) and OpenAI) GMPA_Forecastera_20231204 capgemini 	NA

7.1.7	The company (when working as a data processor) has a contract with its client organizations to process any personal data on their behalf.	Compliant	 Clients (who use Next Quarter) determine the purpose (e.g., sales forecasting, analytics) and means (e.g., choosing Next Quarter as the service) of processing. Next Quarter provides tools and services, but does not decide why the data is being processed. Evidence Verified: Data Processing Agreement (ForecastEra Inc. (DBA Next Quarter) and OpenAI) GMPA_Forecastera_20231204 capgemini 	NA
7.1.8	If the company is working as a data processor, the company obtains written authorization from the client company prior to subcontracting services.	Compliant	 Clients (who use Next Quarter) determine the purpose (e.g., sales forecasting, analytics) and means (e.g., choosing Next Quarter as the service) of processing. Next Quarter provides tools and services, but does not decide why the data is being processed. Evidence Verified: Data Processing Agreement (ForecastEra Inc. (DBA Next Quarter) and OpenAI) GMPA_Forecastera_20231204 capgemini 	NA
7.2.1	All cross-border data flows and data export mechanisms outside of the country are identified and documented.	Does Not Apply	1. As per the assessment, the company is not required to maintain a Record of Processing Activities (RoPA) under Article 30 of the GDPR, since it does not meet the thresholds outlined for mandatory documentation. Specifically, the organization has fewer than 250 employees and its processing activities are not likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of data subjects, are not frequent, and do not involve special categories of data or criminal convictions/offenses.	NA
7.2.2	Customers are made aware that their information may be transferred outside their country.	Compliant	Next Quarter has update the privacy notice as per GDPR requirements and through the privacy notice customers are made aware that their information may be transferred outside their country.	NA

7.2.3	Evidences of the transfer mechanism used for cross-border data flows for personal data (e.g. contracts, intra-group schemes approved by the Authority, standard contractual clauses, authority approvals) are maintained.	Compliant	1. Next Quarter has documented the DPA along with the transfer mechanism. 1. Data Processing Agreement (ForecastEra Inc. (DBA Next Quarter) and OpenAI) 2. GMPA_Forecastera_20231204 capgemini	NA
8.1.1	The access is provided to users on need to know basis.	Compliant	 Next Quarter defined and documented Access Management Policy which is reviewed annually. Evidence Verified: Access Management Policy, 30 September 2024, Version 4.0 	NA
8.1.2	The access provided to the personal data is reviewed on periodic basis.	Compliant	Next Quarter defined and documented Access Management Policy which is reviewed annually. Evidence Verified: Access Management Policy, 30 September 2024, Version 4.0	NA
8.1.3	Information security controls are implemented	Compliant	 Next Quarter has shared SOC 2 report and NIST report. Evidence Verified: SOC 2 Report NIST Report 	NA

8.1.4	On the day of joining, HR will send a mail to IT Helpdesk providing the details of the new joiners. The IT then provides necessary access as per request Employee user accounts are removed from various application and network system as of the last date of employment based on access revocation request sent by HR department.	Compliant	 On the day of joining, the official e-mail ids are created to access to the company's network. Evidence Verified: Sample Onboarding E-mail 	NA
8.1.5	When an employee leaves the organization, the employee's manager initiates the 'Exit Process'. HR informs respective teams _ IT team within 24 hours to deactivate_delete the user ID from the email system and all applications.	Compliant	 If the employee exits the company, then the Next Quarter Team deactivates /deletes the user ID. Evidence Verified: Sample Exit e-mail 	NA

8.1.6	Personal data is defined in information classification policy	Compliant	1. Next Quarter has documented Data Protection and Privacy Framework in which all Personal Data (PD) and Sensitive Personal Data (SPD) are categorized as 'Confidential' information as per the Information Security Policy of Next Quarter. 2. Next Quarter has a defined and documented Data/ Information Classification Policy in which the term Confidential is defined. Evidence Verified: - Privacy Policy - Data Classification Policy	NA
8.1.7	The data in transit and at rest in encrypted.	Compliant	 Next Quarter has defined and documented encryption policy. Evidence Verified: Encryption Policy, 30 September 2024, Version 4.0 	NA
8.1.8	The company must ensure that backup planning processes protect Personal Data from unauthorized use, access, disclosure, alteration and destruction.	Compliant	 Next Quarter has defined and documented Backup policy. Evidence Verified: Backup Policy, 30 September 2024, Version 4.0 	NA
8.1.9	Establish and test business continuity and disaster recovery plans.	Compliant	 Next Quarter has defined and documented Business continuity (BCP) and disaster recovery (DR) plans. Evidence Verified: BCP & DR Policy, 30 September 2024, Version 5.0 	NA
9.1.1	The product, service or ideals that are marketing are the same or similar to those that the individuals originally consented to receive marketing for.	Does Not Apply	1. Next Quarter has confirmed that their marketing activities are not for the EU region.	NA

9.1.2	The company identifies if the contact is an individual or business contact for marketing.	Does Not Apply	1. Next Quarter has confirmed that their marketing activities are not for the EU region.	NA
9.1.3	The company identifies the marketer (self_other company) on any one-to-one marketing communication that they send. The company provides company name, address, phone number, and email address on any marketing communication.	Does Not Apply	1. Next Quarter has confirmed that their marketing activities are not for the EU region.	NA
9.1.4	The company includes a link to privacy notice when sending marketing communication.	Compliant	1. Next Quarter has shared a sample marketing email.	NA
9.1.5	While using bought in list, company ensures that appropriate consent of data subjects are obtained by the data supplier. The company does not use a Bought-in lists for texts, emails or recorded calls unless they have proof of opt-in consent within last six months which specifically named them.	Does Not Apply	Next Quarter confirmed that they do not use any brought in list.	NA
9.1.6	When sending marketing communication (i.e. by email or text), the	Compliant	1. Next Quarter has shared a sample marketing email.	NA

con	mpany offers an opt-	
out	it option to an individual	
(e.g	g. by reply or	
	subscribe link).	

*** End of Report ***