User Guide: FIU Sanctions Screening Web Application

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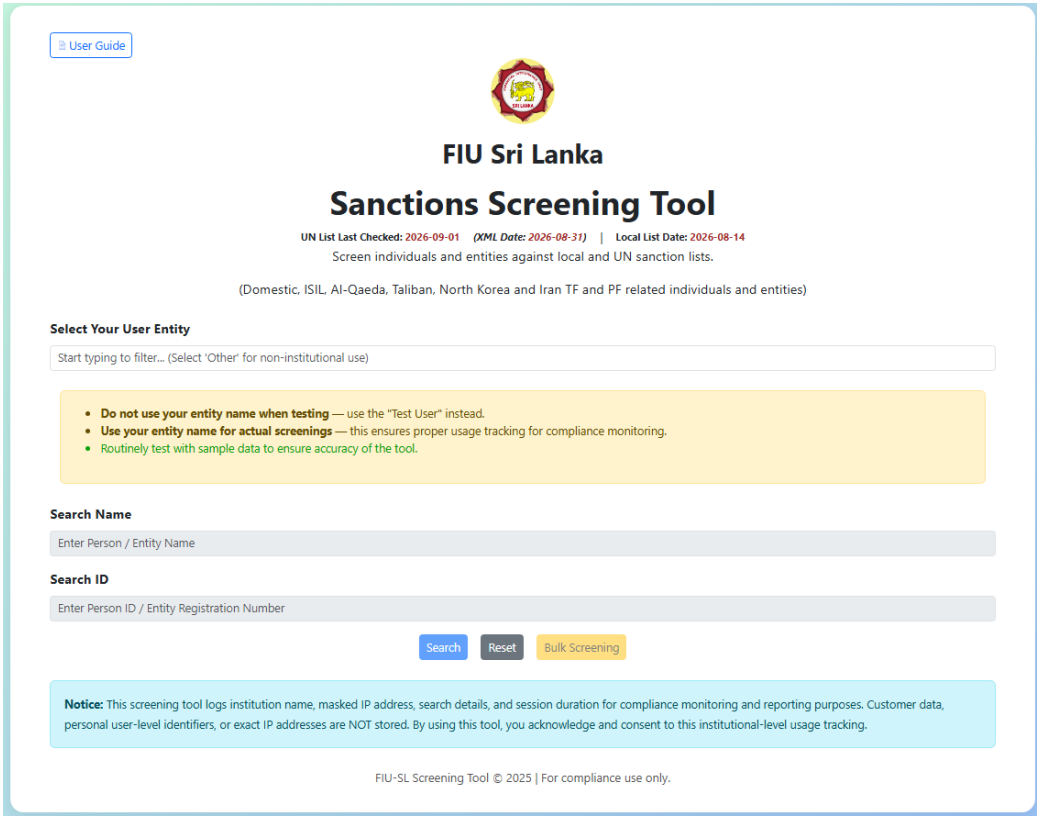
1. Introduction

This web-based screening tool is developed by the Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) to enable Reporting Entities (REs) to screen individuals and entities against following sanctions lists:

- UNSCR 1373 local list concerning local terrorists.
- UNSCR 1267/1988/1989 International Lists concerning ISIL, Al-Qaeda, Taliban.
- UNSCR 1718 international list concerning North Korea proliferators.
- DPRK reports database developed by Royal United Services Institution (RUSI) on individuals and entities identified in the UN Panel of Experts reports on North Korea from 2010 to 2023.

2. Accessing the Tool

1. Open a supported web browser (Google Chrome, Firefox, Microsoft Edge). The tool is accessible in both computer and mobile devices.
2. Navigate to the official screening tool URL: https://fiuscreening.cbsl.lk/
3. You will be presented with the home page.



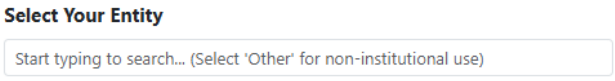
4. The home page displays important contextual information for users:
    a. **UN List Last Checked -** Indicates the date and time when the screening tool last checked the United Nations Security Council source for updates to the UN Consolidated Sanctions List.
    b. **XML Date** – Indicates the date of the United Nations Consolidated Sanctions List (XML file) currently being used by the screening tool. This represents the latest UN sanctions list successfully retrieved and available for screening. If the date is shown with the label "(fallback)", it means the official UN list link is currently inaccessible and the tool is using a locally stored fallback version to ensure uninterrupted screening functionality.
    c. **Local List Date** – Reflects the latest update to Sri Lanka's domestic sanctions list, as issued by the Ministry of Defence.
    d. **Notice** – A brief statement is displayed informing users that all screening activity is logged at the institutional level for compliance monitoring. The notice clarifies that no personal identifiers or full IP addresses are stored.

3. Conducting a Single Screening

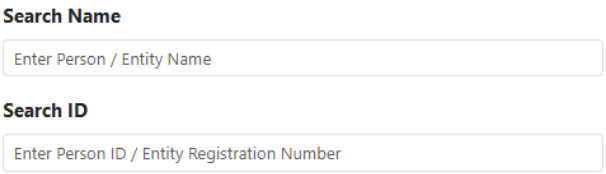
1. Begin by selecting your institution from the dropdown list on the home page. As you type, the list will automatically filter to help you find your entity more quickly.

    ⚠️ Note: The 'Search' and 'Bulk Screening' buttons will remain disabled until a valid institution is selected.

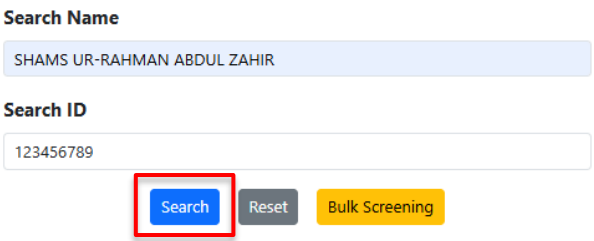
    For testing purposes, you may choose the placeholder entity "Test User". However, for all official screenings, ensure you select your actual institution from the list to ensure proper audit logging and compliance tracking.



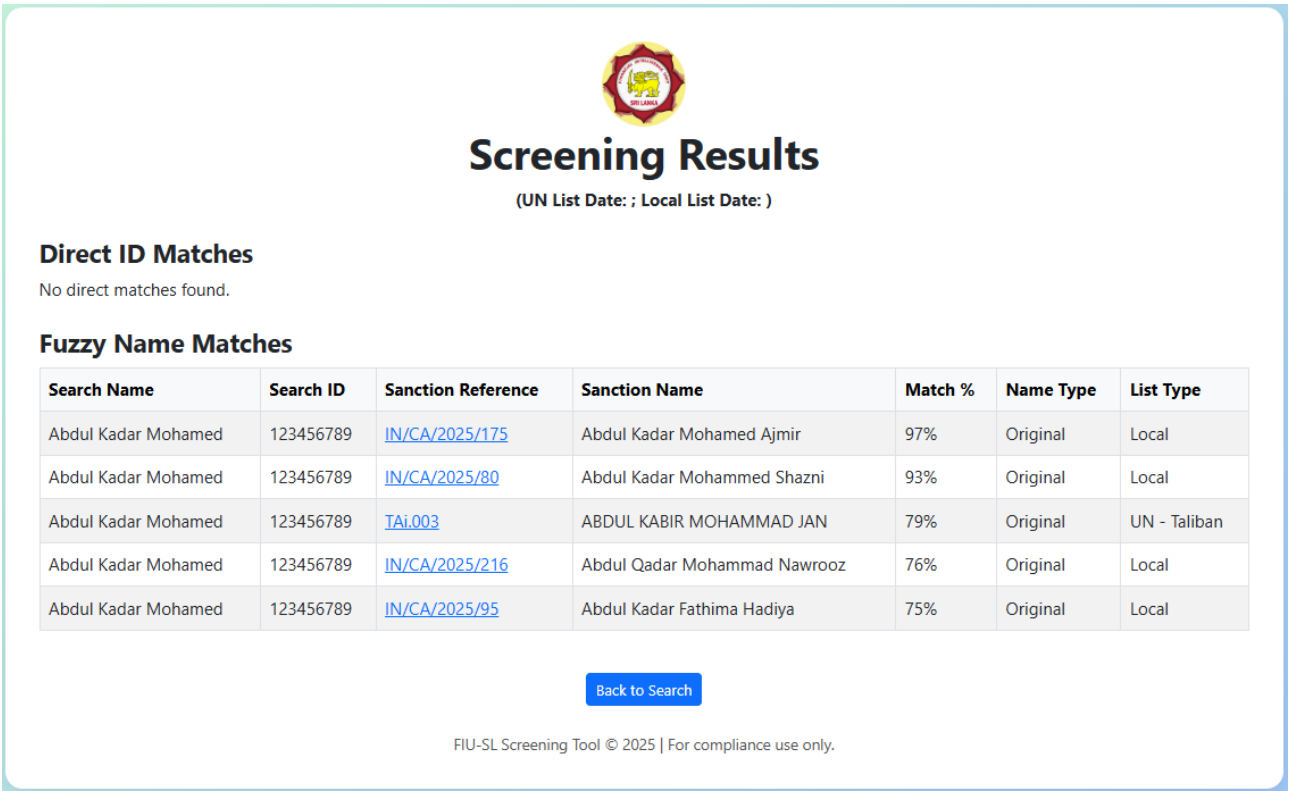
2. Enter the name (of the person or entity) and ID (e.g., NIC / passport for persons and business reg. number for entity) of the individual or entity.



3. Click the 'Search' button.



5. Review the search results, which will show any exact matches with ID and/or fuzzy matches with the name over a threshold dynamically calculated based on the length of the name.



Screening Results

(UN List Date: ; Local List Date:)

Direct ID Matches

No direct matches found.

Fuzzy Name Matches

Search Name	Search ID	Sanction Reference	Sanction Name	Match %	Name Type	List Type
Abdul Kadar Mohamed	123456789	IN/CA/2025/175	Abdul Kadar Mohamed Ajmir	97%	Original	Local
Abdul Kadar Mohamed	123456789	IN/CA/2025/80	Abdul Kadar Mohammed Shazni	93%	Original	Local
Abdul Kadar Mohamed	123456789	TAi.003	ABDUL KABIR MOHAMMAD JAN	79%	Original	UN - Taliban
Abdul Kadar Mohamed	123456789	IN/CA/2025/216	Abdul Qadar Mohammad Nawrooz	76%	Original	Local
Abdul Kadar Mohamed	123456789	IN/CA/2025/95	Abdul Kadar Fathima Hadiya	75%	Original	Local

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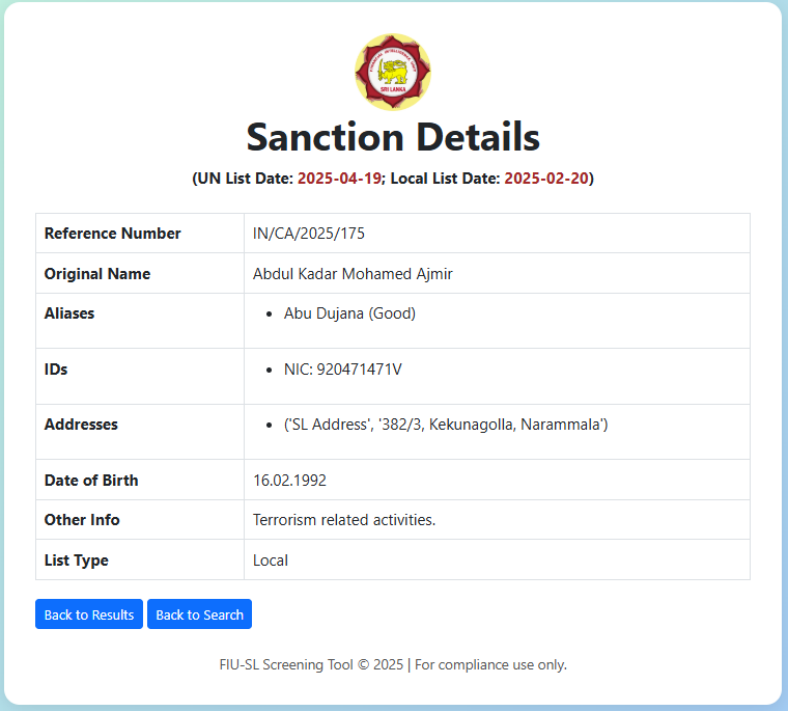
- **Search Name** – The name entered by the user for screening.
- **Search ID** – The identification number (e.g., NIC, passport, business registration) entered for screening.
- **Sanction Reference** – The official reference number associated with the matching entry in the sanctions list.
- **Sanction Name** – The name of the individual or entity as recorded in the sanctions list.
- **Match %** - The percentage similarity between the entered name and the matched sanction name, based on fuzzy matching algorithms.
- **Name Type** – The classification of the name in the sanction list, such as:
  - Original
  - Good Quality Alias
  - Poor Quality Alias
- **List Type** – The source of the sanction match, such as:
  - Local
  - UN (ISIL, Al-Qaeda, Taliban, DPRK)
  - RUSI (DPRK proliferation associates)

6. Click on any Sanction Reference number in the results table to open the full sanction record associated with that match.

   These details provide critical information—such as aliases, list source, DOBs, citizenship, and additional identifiers—which can assist in further investigation and help determine whether the match truly corresponds to the individual or entity being screened.



Sanction Details

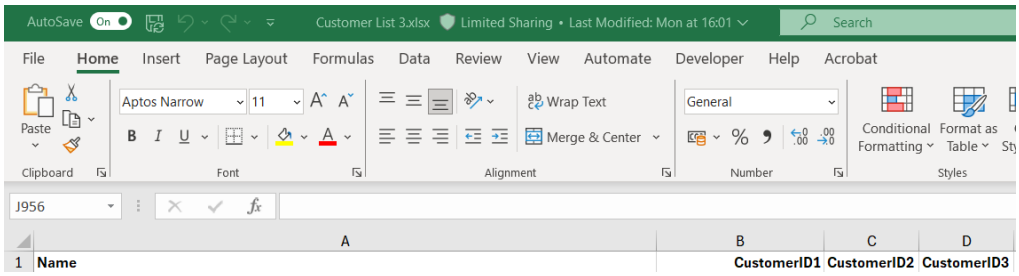
(UN List Date: 2025-04-19; Local List Date: 2025-02-20)

Reference Number	IN/CA/2025/175
Original Name	Abdul Kadar Mohamed Ajmir
Aliases	• Abu Dujana (Good)
IDs	• NIC: 920471471V
Addresses	• ('SL Address', '382/3, Kekunagolla, Narammala')
Date of Birth	16.02.1992
Other Info	Terrorism related activities.
List Type	Local

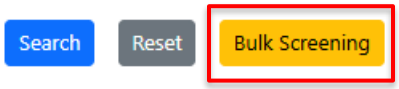
4. Conducting a Bulk Screening

1. If you have a list of customers to be screened, use the Bulk Screening option.
   To proceed, prepare an Excel file with the following columns:
   - **Name** – Full name of the customer – person or entity (required)
   - **CustomerID1** – Primary identification number (required)
   - **CustomerID2** – Additional ID (optional)
   - **CustomerID3** – Another additional ID (optional)

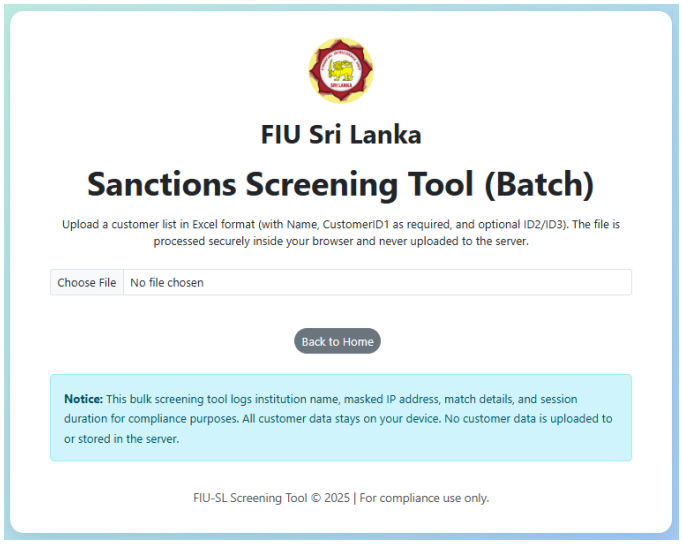
⚠️ Each row must contain at least a Name and a CustomerID1 for it to be processed. You may include up to three IDs per customer, which will be screened simultaneously for matches. **Maximum number of rows (customers) for a file is 500**.



2. On the home page, after selecting your entity, click 'Bulk Screening'.

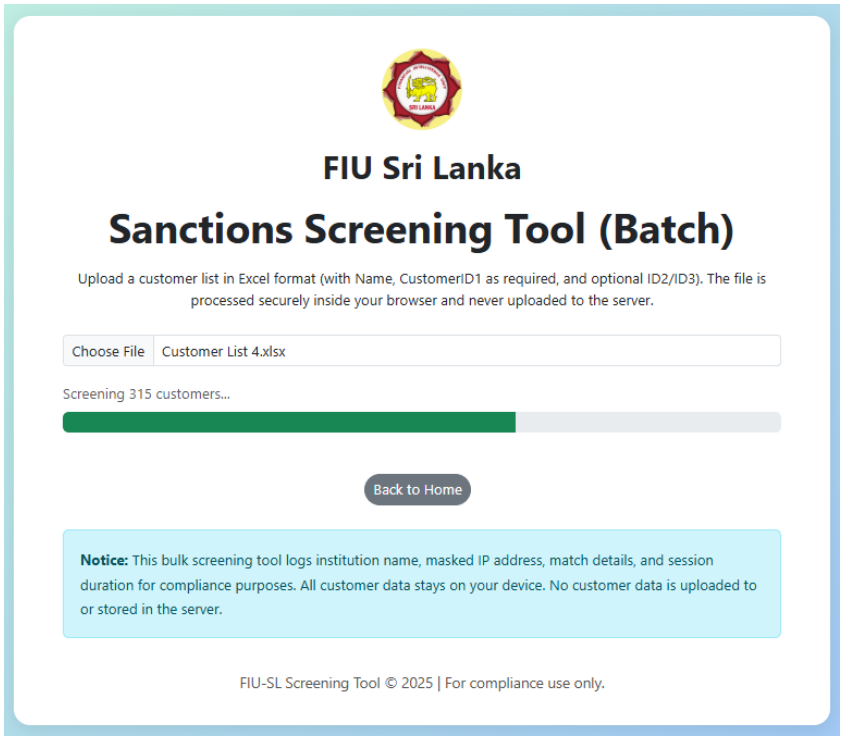


3. Upload the Excel file using the file selection dialog box.

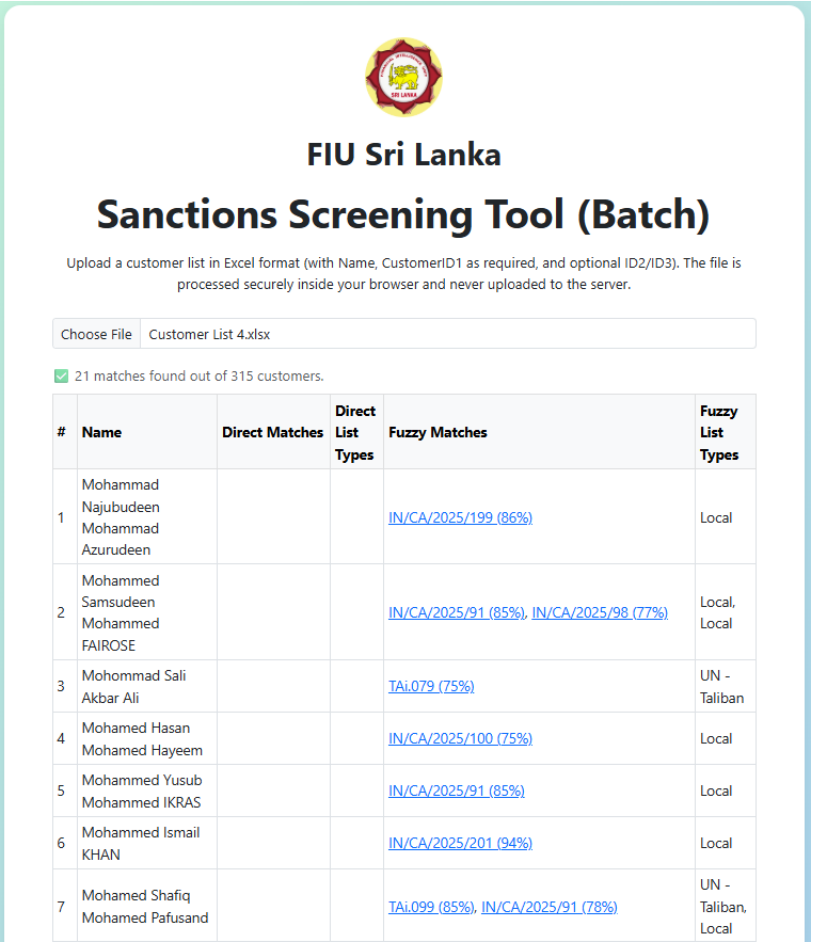


4. Wait while the tool screens the uploaded file. After uploading the Excel file, the tool will process the data **directly within your browser**.

   ⚠️ Note: To uphold data protection and privacy standards, **none of the customer data in the Excel file is transmitted to the server**. All processing is performed entirely on your local device.



5. Review the match results in the table. Click reference numbers to view details.



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Sanctions Screening Tool (Batch)

Upload a customer list in Excel format (with Name, CustomerID1 as required, and optional ID2/ID3). The file is processed securely inside your browser and never uploaded to the server.

Choose File | Customer List 4.xlsx

21 matches found out of 315 customers.

#	Name	Direct Matches	Direct List Types	Fuzzy Matches	Fuzzy List Types
1	Mohammad Najubudeen Mohammad Azurudeen			IN/CA/2025/199 (86%)	Local
2	Mohammed Samsudeen Mohammed FAIROSE			IN/CA/2025/91 (85%), IN/CA/2025/98 (77%)	Local, Local
3	Mohommad Sali Akbar Ali			TAi.079 (75%)	UN - Taliban
4	Mohamed Hasan Mohamed Hayeem			IN/CA/2025/100 (75%)	Local
5	Mohammed Yusub Mohammed IKRAS			IN/CA/2025/91 (85%)	Local
6	Mohammed Ismail KHAN			IN/CA/2025/201 (94%)	Local
7	Mohamed Shafiq Mohamed Pafusand			TAi.099 (85%), IN/CA/2025/91 (78%)	UN - Taliban, Local

Sanction Details

(UN List Date: 2025-05-13; Local List Date: 2025-02-20)

Reference Number	IN/CA/2025/91
Original Name	Mohammed Suhair Mohammed Aroos
Aliases	• Abu Asia (Good)
IDs	• NIC: 803523851V • DL/PP: N0020516 • DL/PP: N5307358 • DL/PP: N3420690
Addresses	• ('SL Address', 'No. 182/45, Dunumadalagahawatta Road, Gorokgahamadala, Balangoda') • ('SL Address', '340, Mahavidiya, Balagahamula, Balangoda') • ('Foreign Address', 'Raqqa, Syria')
Date of Birth	17.12.1980
Other Info	Terrorism related activities and funding for terrorism.
List Type	Local

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5. Audit and Logging

All screening activities are logged at the user institutional level for **compliance monitoring purposes**. No personal identifier data of the screened persons / entities or full IP addresses of the devices are stored. Logs are securely uploaded daily to FIU's Google Drive repository.

6. Privacy and Security Measures

- All customer data is processed in-browser for bulk screening.
- IP addresses are masked before logging.
- No screening data is stored on the server.
- HTTPS is enforced in production environments.