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INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL (IQAC)

**GREEN CAMPUS, ENVIRONMENT AND
ENERGY USAGE**

Policy and Procedure

Policy on Green Campus, Environment & Energy Usage

Introduction:

The progress and development have led to the deterioration of nature. In the quest for fulfilling man's needs, he has exploited nature to its maximum. This development is not ecologically sustainable. Awareness about the degradation of nature with implementation of strategies to conserve it becomes more important for the sustainable development. We believe that, higher education institutes can play an important role in development of responsible youths.

We have adopted the environment friendly practices along with curricular and co-curricular activities to develop a green and eco-friendly campus. This offers a lead to the institution to redefining its environmental culture and development of new paradigms by creating sustainable solutions to environmental, social and economic needs of the mankind.

It was necessary to look forward to make the efficient use of available water and other resources. A clean and healthy environment aids effective learning and provides a conducive learning environment. We decided to educate and make aware students on the issues such as renewable energy sources, waste management and water conservation. HEI works in the areas of energy, environment, and waste management. The stakeholders work to develop an eco-friendly, sustainable campus and to disseminate the concept of green campus.

Scope: -

The policies on green campus, energy and environment will develop new practices that encourage stakeholders to take lead in creating positive change for sustainable development. This initiative helps to review all infrastructural and administrative functions from the stand points of eco-friendly, energy conservation and sustainable environment in and around the college premises.

Objectives: -

1. To include the environmental concern into policies, plans and programmes into various activities.
2. To ensure proper and efficient use of all available environmental resources including energy and water
3. To adopt good environmental practices to reduce the waste that can have any adverse effect on the environment.
4. To increase the awareness about environment concern with the help of stakeholders and local community.
5. To protect and conserve ecological systems and resource.

Strategies:

1. To develop eco-friendly campus by planting more trees.
2. To conserve the energy and use of renewable energy sources.
3. To use of available water efficiently
4. To manage the waste properly.
5. To work with all stakeholders and local community.

Guiding Principles:

HEI resolved to work with stakeholders to foster a culture of self-sustainability and eco-friendly campus. The time bound strategies are developed to implement green campus initiatives. At the outset, committees comprising faculty from the various departments are constituted in consultation of IQAC.

It was entrusted the task of formulating principles for clean and green campus. The committee plans and executes initiatives as follows:

1. Conduct a green, environmental, electrical and fire safety and energy audit of the campus periodically.
2. Sensitization of the stakeholders to minimize the use of polluting products and use proper environment-friendly substitutes and services.
3. Ingrain the importance of cleanliness for a healthy life through Swachhata Pandharwada and Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.
4. Programs conducted by NSS/ NCC, tree plantation, Cleanliness etc.
5. Use of energy efficient equipment at workplace.
6. Awareness about environmental issues by organizing Events, Rallies, Awareness Campaigns, Cleanliness Drives, Seminars, Workshops, presentations, Tree Plantation , within and outside the campus
Rangoli Competitions, Essay Competitions, Excursions, Study Tours, Guest Lectures, Talks, etc.
7. Initiatives to implement the Clean and Green Campus Policy.

Environment and eco-friendly/green campus

- Increase of green cover in and around the campus by plantation.
- Development of Botanical garden to conserve local and exotic xerophytic plant species.
- Construction of pedestrian friendly roads in the campus with help of paver blocks.
- Development of botanical garden and nursery of medicinal plants.
- Plantation of saplings

Energy Conservation:

- Suitable action taken to reduce greenhouse gas emissions due to energy consumption
- To use of energy efficient lamps (LED) where ever possible like office, corridors, toilets, store room, etc.
- To use of energy efficient equipment in laboratories/ classrooms/ canteen.
- Use of solar power and solar street poles within college campus.
- Promoting the use of public transport system.
- Creating awareness by organizing seminars, workshop, debates, essay competition activities related to climate change, environmental protection, and environmental issues.
- Celebrating environmental days
- Promoting projects and experiments in the education system as part of regular curriculum which is related to environmental aspects.

Waste Management:

- Adoption of methods for waste segregation at source in the form of dry and wet with help of dustbins.
- Use of vermicomposting units for disposal of organic waste and production of organic manure to fertilize the trees.
- Take appropriate actions to reduce and recycle waste.
- Establishment of MoUs and agreements to manage, collect and dispose waste, e-waste, scrape, etc. appropriately
- Actions taken for minimize the use of plastic within campus
- Adoption for paperless/less paper work culture in administration.

Water Management

- Adopting following measures on campus to reduce water consumption
 1. Rain water harvesting.
 2. Drip and Sprinkler irrigation for watering the plants.
 3. Use of recycled water for watering the plants.
 4. Use of septic tanks and soak pits.
 5. Safe and Clean Potable Water using water purification systems
 6. Use of water efficient taps.

HEI practiced to display of instructions/alerts/ slogans/ at prominent locations in the campus for conservation of water wall paintings on campus wall, energy and waste management for sustainable development.

We strive to follow a scheme of continuous improvement and upgradation in our procedures, practices and review the policy on a regular basis to evaluate continued relevance and to monitor compliance.

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