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GREEN CAMPUS POLICY

“One of the first conditions of happiness is that the link between man and nature shall not be broken”

- Leo Tolstoy

Green Campus

Green Campus is a place where environmental friendly practices and education combine to promote sustainable and eco-friendly practices in the campus. The green campus concept offers an institution the opportunity to take the lead in redefining its environmental culture and developing new paradigms by creating sustainable solutions to environmental, social and economic needs of mankind.

Aims and objectives

- To develop the institution on a self – sustainable basis in the areas of power, water and cleanliness.
- To emphasise ‘sustainable development’
- To develop a plastic free environment in the campus.
- To create awareness about environmental issues among students and employees
- To reduce environmental emissions/ footprints
- To provide a green and healthy environment for all the members inside the campus.
- The faculty, staff and students have to contribute collectively to develop an eco – friendly sustainable campus and disseminate the concept of eco – friendly culture to the nearby community and wherever possible.



Reduce Plastic

- All the decorations are recommended to be done with reusable materials and eco-friendly materials' to avoid plastic and other waste.
- Eco- friendly items are recommended.
- Use of eco-friendly files are recommended whenever possible to reduce the use of plastic files inside the campus.
- The use of plastic covers are strictly prohibited inside the campus.
- Use of fountain pens and paper pens are encouraged instead of plastic pens.
- Reduce the wrappers of toffies by substituting it with distribution of other sweet food items.
- Steel tiffin boxes are recommended in place of plastic.
- Paper glasses or steel glasses are to be used in the staffroom.
- Reusable materials are to be used in the canteen.
- The use of stainless steel water bottles are recommended in place of plastic bottles.
- Plastic gifts and its exchange during celebrations are banned inside the campus.

Waste Management

- Methods for waste segregation are adopted in the college. Separate waste bins are arranged for solid waste and food waste.
- The use of tissue papers have to be reduced
- E-wastes are to be managed, collected and disposed appropriately as per the MOU
- Solid waste and paper waste are separated for the further process in every two months.
- To reduce hazardous waste and its management, e wastes are also collected and handed over to as per the MOU
- Actions are taken to reduce consumption of plastic in the campus.
- Burning of wastes are completely banned inside the campus.
- Papers are to be collected and given for recycling/ reuse of paper.



- Waste baskets, bins are kept at different locations in the campus. All the members in the campus are expected to use it and not to dispose wastes in any part of the campus.

Water Management

- Rain water harvesting system is maintained inside the campus.
- Use of recycled water for watering plants, trees etc
- Reminders “save water”/quotes on saving water are kept on relevant locations in the campus.
- Leakage from water taps is to be avoided.

Devoting time for plants:

- All the departments are expected to take care of the pots and plants placed near the proximity of their department.
- The students are expected to take the responsibility for the maintenance of the pots and inform if any pots are broken or damaged.
- The departments are expected to water the plants if they noticed any dryness or inform Bhoomithrasena (Nature Club)

Promotion of “Save Energy Tips” in and outside the Institute:

- Power management features are recommended to be activated on your computer and monitor so that it will go into a low power “sleep” mode when you are not working on it.
- All are expected to turn off the monitor whenever leaving your Table.
- Power management features on your laser printer are expected to be activated.
- All the members are expected to shut down rather than logging off their computer whenever possible.
- Unnecessary lights are to be turned off and use daylight instead.
- All the members of the campus are expected to avoid the use of decorative lighting.
- Use of LED bulbs is promoted.



- All the members of the campus are expected to keep the lights off in conference rooms, classrooms, lecture halls when they are not in use.
- All the members of the campus are expected to use the fans only when they are needed.
- Unplug appliances not plugged into power strips (like TVs, Refrigerators, ACs, smartboards, LCD projector, tea/coffeepots, printers, faxes, and chargers etc.)

Reduce Pollution And Environmental Emissions

- Use of hybrid and electric vehicles are encouraged and appreciated in the campus.
- Use of public transport is encouraged by giving instructions to all the members in the campus to bring vehicles with odd numbers and even numbers on alternate days.
- Vehicle Pooling is encouraged.
- Smoking is prohibited inside the campus.
- Horns of the vehicles are not recommended to be used inside the campus unless it is very much necessary.
- All are expected to follow vehicle policy of the campus.
- Cycling for recreation and use of cycles to travel are appreciated and encouraged.

No Burning

- Burning of waste materials is banned inside the campus. Only appropriate use of incinerators are allowed.
- Use of reusable items are encouraged inside the campus.
- Reduce the use of disposable items inside the campus to avoid burning the waste.
- Waste baskets are to be used instead of burning any waste.

Promotion of Digital documents

- Digital submissions and assignments on online mode are recommended than submission of hardcopies.



- Banners, brochures for different programmes are only digital inside the campus.
- Circulars and notices are only shared virtually and not printed and displayed.
- A request, “consider environment before printing this email” is auto-generated in every institution email id along with the content.
- E-books are widely encouraged.
- Letters and leave applications are recommended to be done through email than hardcopies.

Green and healthy environment

- All the doors are recommended to be open for proper air circulation inside the classes
- Windows are opened in the morning to ensure proper air circulation.
- Ventilators are checked and cleaned once in two weeks.
- Plants in pots are kept in corridors to spread positive energy for the students.
- Teaching and interacting under the shade of tree is done occasionally to experience a change in environment.

Appreciation for being closer to environment

Points are awarded for the department who has always been careful to be close with nature, taken measures for protecting the environment, planted any tree inside the campus or volunteered themselves for cleaning campus or any public places in their locality.

Let's together keep our campus clean and green



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