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POLICY FOR GREEN CAMPUS



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Introduction

VISAT Engineering college acknowledges its responsibility to foster environmental sustainability and reduce its ecological footprint. In alignment with its commitment to environmental protection, the college establishes the following policy to promote a green campus and reduce plastic usage within its premises.

Goals

- 1. Environmental Conservation:** To conserve natural resources, protect biodiversity, and mitigate environmental degradation.
- 2. Waste Reduction:** To minimize waste generation and promote recycling and reuse practices.
- 3. Plastic-Free Campus:** To eliminate single-use plastics and encourage sustainable alternatives.
- 4. Awareness and Education:** To raise awareness among students, faculty, and staff about environmental issues and the importance of sustainable practices.
- 5. Promote Green Initiatives:** Green initiatives encompass a wide range of actions aimed at promoting sustainability and reducing environmental impact, including efforts to conserve energy, adopt renewable resources, minimize waste, and protect ecosystems.
- 6. Conduct Green Audits:** To ensure the finest environmental sustainability practices.

Policy Statements

1. Waste Management: Implement a comprehensive waste management system that includes segregation, recycling, and proper disposal of waste.

Provide adequate recycling bins across the campus and composting facilities for convenient waste disposal.

Encourage the adoption of sustainable practices such as reducing paper usage, printing double-sided, and promoting digital communication.



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2. Plastic-Free Campus: Prohibit the use of single-use plastics such as plastic bags, straws, cutlery, and bottles on campus premises.

Encourage the use of eco-friendly alternatives such as reusable water bottles, cloth bags, and biodegradable packaging materials.

Collaborate with vendors and suppliers to ensure that products and packaging used on campus are environmental friendly and plastic-free.

3. Green Initiatives: Promote energy conservation measures such as the use of energy-efficient appliances, LED lighting, and renewable energy sources.

Implement water conservation practices and encourage the use of rainwater harvesting systems.

Establish green spaces on campus, including gardens, parks, and tree -planting initiatives to enhance biodiversity and promote a healthy environment.

4. Education and Outreach: Organize workshops, seminars, and awareness campaigns to educate students, faculty, and staff about environmental issues including global warming and sustainable practices. Encourage student-led initiatives and clubs focused on environmental conservation and activism.

Implementation

1. Policy Integration: Incorporate green campus and plastic-free initiatives into the college's operational procedures, facility management, and campus planning processes.

2. Monitoring and Evaluation: Establish mechanisms to monitor progress towards the goals outlined in this policy and regularly assess the effectiveness of implemented initiatives.

3. Stakeholder Engagement: Foster collaboration and engagement among students, faculty, staff, administration, and local community members to collectively support and advance environmental sustainability efforts.

4. Continuous Improvement: Continuously review and update the policy based on feedback, emerging best practices, and evolving environmental challenges.



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Compliance and Enforcement

- 1. Compliance:** All members of the college community are expected to adhere to the provisions outlined in this policy and actively contribute to its implementation.
- 2. Enforcement:** Designate responsible personnel or committees to oversee compliance with the policy and address any violations or non-compliance through appropriate channels.

Conclusion

By adopting and implementing this Green Campus/Plastic-Free Campus Policy, VISAT Engineering College reaffirms its dedication to environmental responsibility, sustainability, and the well-being of current and future generations. Through collective effort and shared commitments, we endeavor to create a campus environment that exemplifies ecological protection and fosters a culture of environmental consciousness and action.



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