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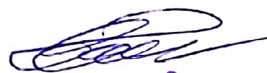
The Green Campus, Energy and Environment Policy

Scope of the Policy

The Green Campus, Energy and Environment Policies will develop exciting new co-curricular and extracurricular practices that encourage students to take the lead in creating positive change. These initiatives call for a thorough review of all infrastructural, administrative functions from the standpoints of energy efficiency, sustainability and the environment.

The focus areas of this policy are:

- Clean Campus Initiatives
- Landscaping Initiatives
- Clean Air Initiatives
 - ◆ Smoking Free Campus
- Infrastructure
 - ◆ Solar Power Plant
 - ◆ Installation of Energy Efficiency Equipment
 - ◆ Water Conservation through Rainwater Harvesting System
- Waste Management processes
 - ◆ Solid Waste Management
 - ◆ Liquid Waste Management
 - ◆ E-Waste Management
- Awareness Initiatives
- Environment-centric Student Societies and Department Activities
- Green Audit
- Energy Audit
- Plastic-Free Campus



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Objectives of the Policy

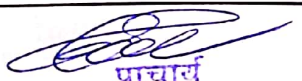
- To protect and conserve ecological systems and resources within the campus.
- To ensure judicious use of environmental resources to meet the needs and aspirations of the present and future generations.
- To integrate environmental concerns into policies, plans and programmes for social development and outreach activities.
- To work with all stakeholders and the local community to raise awareness and seek the adoption of environmental good practice and the reduction of any adverse effects on the environment.
- To continuously improve our contribution to climate protection and adaptation to climate change and to the conservation of global resources.
- To continuously improve the efficient use of all resources, including energy and water, and to reduce consumption and the amount of waste produced, recovering and recycling waste where possible.
- To make the campus plastic free.

Policy:

Clean Campus Initiatives

GCP had pledged to actively coordinate cleanliness activities in the college and beyond the campus in accordance with the vision of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. It commits to continue with this Programme. The broad vision is as follows:

1. Generating mass awareness on cleanliness and hygiene amongst students and staff members by holding regular cleanliness drives. The idea is to motivate them to contribute in a proactive manner.
2. Activities under 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan' will be a key component of all the community work being done by NSS volunteers of the college.
3. Staff Members will be encouraged to participate in the cleanliness drive in the college campus.
4. Events such as poster and slogan competitions, essay writing, spoken word poetry, speeches, skits on 'Swachh Bharat' will be organised.
5. Remove all kinds of waste material like broken furniture, unusable equipment etc.
6. Commit to manage waste and maintain clean campus especially during college events.


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Landscaping Initiatives

The campus landscape, like its buildings, can be seen as the physical embodiment of a college's values. It is a vital part of the life of a campus, providing space for study, play, outdoor events, relaxation and aesthetic appreciation. Green campus landscapes also manage runoff, help recharge groundwater, and clean and cool the air on campus. The landscape serves as a visual representation of the campus community's commitment to sustainability. As campus landscapes are so visible and accessible, landscaping initiatives are a great way to build awareness around the environment.

There are more than 363 trees. The landscape of trees and plants provide the 500+ students and staff with clean and cool air and is a soothing environment.

The college commits to maintaining the symbiotic relation of the institution with nature by

- Organizing annual tree plantation drives
- Encouraging student societies to hold tree planting events

Clean Air Initiatives

We encourage our students and staff to use public transportation. We encourage carpooling to college, an activity that will control air pollution and strengthen social interaction. The entry of automobiles inside the campus is restricted to discourage the use of private vehicles.

◆ Smoking Free Campus

In compliance with the framework provided by the National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP) 2007-2008, the college prohibits smoking and the use of other tobacco products. As a step in this direction, smoking and use of tobacco in and around the campus is strictly prohibited. The Staff of the college ensures enforcement of the anti-smoking policy.



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Infrastructural Initiatives

◆ **Renewable Sources of Energy**

GCP is dedicated to minimize and sustainably manage its use of electricity. The college believes in reducing the consumption of electricity produced by non-renewable resources by switching to clean energy sources like solar energy for purposes like lighting the campus. 20 kw on grid rooftop solar system is proposed under PM-Usha Scheme.

◆ **Energy Saving and Energy Efficient Equipment**

We commit to install environment-friendly electrical appliances that save energy and reduce wasteful inefficiencies. Water Conservation through Rainwater Harvesting System

GCP has committed to this effort to replenish the groundwater table by practicing rainwater harvesting. This practice helps in the replenishment and recharge of the groundwater. It is also proposed to build large size tank to store rain water under PM-USHA scheme.


Waste Management Processes

GCP strives to have a minimal impact on the environment and is dedicated to reduce and manage the waste generated by the college campus. The following specific procedures will be undertaken to ensure GCP's contribution in protecting the environment.

◆ **Solid Waste Management**

With its aim to provide holistic education that also has a positive impact on the environment, the college will adopt practices that will mitigate the generation, and manage solid waste through the following methods:

- Take initiatives to spread awareness amongst students about
 - ✓ Food wastage and ways of minimizing it
 - ✓ Minimizing the use of packaged food
 - ✓ The habit of reusing and recycling non-biodegradable products


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◆ **Liquid Waste Management**

- Maintain leak proof water fixtures.
- Continued employment of a caretaker to take immediate steps to stop any water leakage through taps, pipes, tanks, toilet flush etc.

◆ **E-Waste Management**

GCP ensures that its usage of technology and generation of e-waste does not impact the environment. For this purpose, the college plans to strive towards:

- Awareness amongst students about reduction of e-waste and environment friendly disposal practices for e-waste.
- Encouraging department and society level activities pertaining to e-waste management.

Environment-centric Student Societies and Department Activities

GCP encourages all the departments and specific student societies like Green society, NSS to organize events, competitions and training sessions that will bring about positive environmental changes at the grassroots level. The college supports departments and student societies in moulding the students into active agents of environment protection and conservation.

◆ **Green Society**

Institutional changes towards sustainability and eco-friendly practices have percolated down to the students which have led more and more students to join Green Society. Making the society a compulsory one will provide it a bigger platform to broadcast the institution's environmental values to raise awareness. Because compulsory societies expect the fulfilment of a specified number of hours of work and commitment, this will aid the green initiatives and practices that are a part of this policy to grow exponentially.



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Conduct Green Audit

The college aims to regularly conduct a Green Audit of our college campus to assess our strengths and weaknesses to further our goals of long-term sustainability. A green audit is a useful tool to determine how and where most energy or water or resources are being used. The college can then consider how to implement changes and make savings. It can determine the type and volume of waste. Recycling projects or waste minimization plans can be adopted. It will create health consciousness and promote environmental values and ethics. It provides a better understanding of the impact of

Eco- friendly practices on campus. Green auditing will promote financial savings through reduction of resource use. It is imperative that the college evaluate its own contributions toward a sustainable future.

Conduct Energy Audit

An Energy Audit to be conducted as and when required to further reduce its carbon footprint. The importance of reducing energy consumption cannot be overstated. The energy audit, with its specialized tools will identify wastage of energy. Such an inspection often reveals several different flaws which cause a loss of significant amounts of energy which the college will not be able to detect. These flaws often have easy and affordable solutions and provide significant savings.

Plastic-Free Campus

GCP has been observing most of its duties in terms of solid waste management since its inception. In view of the Government of India's resolution to ban all single use plastics due to the hazardous impact of plastic use and pollution, the college administration strictly bans the use of single use plastics in its premise to make it a 'Plastic Free Campus'.



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