

St. Joseph's College of Education for Women

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7.1.6 Circulars and Relevant Policy Papers for the Claims Made



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Report on Green Campus and Environment-Facilities and Activities at St.Joseph's College of Education for women

As the Principal of St.Joseph's College of Education for women, I am Pleased to tale on various initiatives taken by our institution to promote green campus and environment friendly facilities and activities.

We believe that it is our responsibility to reduce our environmental impact and promote sustainable practices. To this end, we have implemented several measures to minimize our Carbon footprint and create a cleaner and greener environment for our students and staff.

Waste management: we have implemented a source segregation system for the collection of dry and waste, with color coded waste bins placed at every comer and common room, our housekeeping staff is trained to follow these waste management practices, and collected waste is handed over to the local authority for proper disposal.

Paperless operations-we have a developed ERP System for all academics and administrative Activities to minimize paper usage. This includes online admission-learning platforms and digital record keeping

Energy Conservation: we have implemented several measures to conserve energy including using energy effective lighting and conditioning system, installing LED light and encouraging the uses of natural lights and ventilation.

Water Conservation: we have installed rain water harvesting system, low flow fixtures and reduce wastage

Green spaces: We have created green spaces on our campus, including botanical garden, herbal garden. We promote biodiversity but also provide a natural space for our students to relax and unwind.

Environment: Friendly activities: we organize various environments friendly activities including tree plantation drives, eco-friendly celebration of festivals and awareness campaigns on environmental issues



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The water management and conservative initiatives of St Joseph's College of Education for Women, Guntur includes the following:-

- i. Rain Water Harvesting: the run off rain water is harvested into a rain water harvesting pit helps in recharging ground water levels.
- ii. Bore Well: the institution has a bore well and the water from the bore well is used for cleaning washing and gardening purposes.
- iii. Tanks: the institution has a concrete water tank to store the water it receives from the GMC Water Authority and has four concrete tanks and a syntax tank to pump water for the meeting the daily requirements in the campus. The water from the GMC water Authority is used for drinking and other purposes.
- iv. Economical usage/ reduced wastage: the following programmes and activities are conducted to ensure economical usage and minimum wastage of water.
 - a. Water Recharging Pit: in the campus serves to maintain the water level of the wells and the water from the wells is used for various purposes in the hostel after purification via the water purifier.



b. Reminders by word of mouth is given to the staff and students to be judicious in the use of water.

c. Sign Boards containing quotes of save water are displayed near water taps to remind all to close the taps after use.

d. Automatic Water Level Controller for motor pumps prevents the overflow of water from overhead tanks.

e. Students and staff are asked to bring to the notice of the bursar in cases of water leakages in pipes.

f. Water Conservation Days of National and International importance are commemorated in the institution to spread awareness about the need to conserve water for future.

g. Maintenance of Water Cooler and Water Purifier: The drinking water coolers and water purifiers are cleaned and their maintenance done periodically.

h. Maintenance of Water Tanks, Bore Wells, Wells and Water Recharging Pit: All the water reservoirs and the associated systems are repaired and maintained periodically.



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St Joseph's College of Education for Women, Guntur has adopted the following practices for maintaining a Clean, Green and Pollution Free campus

1. Office Attendants is allotted spaces for daily cleaning in the campus.
2. Color Coded waste bins are provided in strategic points for collection of waste.
3. Waste collected is disposed off periodically and scientifically.
4. Wash rooms are cleaned and disinfected daily.
5. Green Protocol and sign boards are exhibited at various places in the campus that serves as reminders to keep the campus clean.
6. Proper maintenance and repair of water purifiers, drinking water coolers is ensured
7. Tanks and Wells are cleaned periodically.
8. Care is taken to ensure that One Time use Plastic items are not used in the campus.
9. Use of Steel glasses and containers is promoted.
10. Trees and plants are planted in the campus and in the neighbouring areas.
11. Training in Organic farming.
12. Herbal and vegetable garden is maintained.
13. Smoking is prohibited in the campus.
14. Students are trained in cleaning by engaging them in cleaning the campus and surroundings and engaging in Swachh Bharat initiatives.
15. Help from the Guntur Corporation is taken to curb the spread of mosquitoes.
16. Awareness Programs conducted on Environmental Concern with Sustainable development, talks on Menstrual Hygiene are given to students to enhance personal hygiene.



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To minimize paper usage, we have developed enterprises resources planning system for all academics and administrative activities. Additionally we collect the disposal of liquid waste from labs and washrooms through a well-constructed drainage system.

In the terms of non-degradable waste management, and faculty members guide students on the proper use and handling of chemicals in the labs, we promote the use of less hazardous chemicals. We also disposal of water soluble chemicals through the sewage system after solubilizing them in water.

Moreover, we have banned the use of plastic on our campus to reduce non-degradable waste.

We wish that these policies will generate a cleaner and greener environment for all us to survival and work in. We support everyone to maintain these initiatives and help us to make a positive impact on environment.

Thank you for your collaboration.



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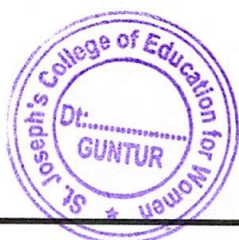
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Policy for Plastic-Free Campus

1. Introduction

Objective: The goal of this policy is to significantly reduce and eventually eliminate single-use plastics on campus to minimize environmental impact, promote sustainability, and foster a culture of ecological responsibility among students, faculty, and staff.

Scope: This policy applies to all campus operations, including academic buildings, administrative offices, dining facilities, events, and outdoor areas.

Campus Committee Composition

1. Chairperson
2. Administrative Liaison
3. Faculty Representatives
4. Student Representatives
5. Facilities Management Representative
6. Dining Services Representative
7. Procurement Specialist
8. Communications and Outreach Coordinator
9. Health and Safety Officer
10. Community Liaison
11. IT and Data Analysis Specialist

2. Definitions

- **Single-Use Plastics:** Plastics intended to be used once and discarded, such as plastic bags, straws, cutlery, plates, and bottles.
- **Reusable Alternatives:** Items designed for multiple uses, such as stainless steel bottles, glass containers, and cloth bags.

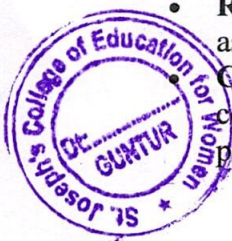
3. Policy Guidelines

a. Prohibition of Single-Use Plastics:

- **Ban on Plastic Bags:** We prohibit the use of plastic bags for our campus-related activities, including events and retail services. We encourage the use of reusable cloth bags.
- **Ban on Plastic Cutlery and Plates:** we discontinue the use of plastic cutlery, plates, and cups in all dining facilities and events. We replace with compostable or reusable alternatives.
- **Ban on Plastic Bottles:** We encourage to eliminate single-use plastic water bottles. We provide and promote the use of water refill stations and encourage the use of reusable water bottles.

b. Promotion of Alternatives:

- **Reusable Items:** We promote and provide incentives for the use of reusable items such as metal straws, glass or metal containers, and cloth bags.
- **Compostable Materials:** Where reusable alternatives are not feasible, we use compostable materials that break down naturally and support local composting programs.



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c. Waste Management:

- **Enhanced Recycling Programs:** We ensure that recycling bins are clearly labelled and placed strategically across campus. We educate the campus community about proper recycling practices.
- **Composting:** We implement and expand composting programs for organic waste, including food scraps and compostable materials.

d. Campus Facilities and Operations:

- **Green Procurement:** We require that all campus procurement processes prioritize eco-friendly products and services, including those that avoid plastic.
- **Sustainable Practices:** We incorporate sustainability criteria into all campus operational practices, including the design and maintenance of buildings and landscaping.

e. Education and Engagement:

- **Awareness Campaigns:** We launch ongoing educational campaigns to inform the campus community about the environmental impact of plastic waste and the benefits of alternatives.
- **Workshops and Training:** We provide workshops and training sessions on sustainable practices, including how to reduce plastic use and adopt eco-friendly habits.

f. Monitoring and Reporting:

- **Policy Compliance:** We establish a system for monitoring compliance with the policy and evaluating its effectiveness. This include regular audits and feedback surveys.
- **Progress Reporting:** We report on the progress of the plastic-free initiative to the campus community, highlighting achievements and areas for improvement.

g. Incentives and Recognition:

- **Incentive Programs:** We develop programs to reward the individuals who actively contribute to reducing plastic use.
- **Recognition:** We publicly recognize and celebrate achievements in sustainability to motivate continued engagement and improvement.

4. Implementation Plan

a. Timeline:

- **Short-Term Goals:** We take immediate actions that include phasing out single-use plastics, establishing recycling and composting programs, and beginning awareness campaigns.
- **Medium-Term Goals:** We evaluate the effectiveness of initial measures, refine practices based on feedback, and expand efforts to include more areas of campus.
- **Long-Term Goals:** We achieve a plastic-free campus through sustained effort, continuous improvement, and integration of best practices.

b. Responsibilities:

Campus Sustainability Committee: We oversee the implementation and enforcement of the policy, coordinate educational efforts, and report on progress.

Campus Community: We adhere to the policy guidelines, participate in educational initiatives, and contribute to the campus's sustainability goals.



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5. Review and Revision

a. Policy Review:

- We conduct regular reviews of the policy to ensure it remains relevant and effective. We adjust the policy based on feedback, technological advancements, and changing circumstances.

b. Feedback Mechanism:

- We provide a channel for the campus community to submit feedback on the policy and suggest improvements. We use this feedback to make data-driven decisions and enhance policy effectiveness.

This plastic-free campus policy aims to foster a culture of sustainability and environmental stewardship while providing practical guidelines and incentives to support the transition to a plastic-free environment.



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