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### **POLICY ON PLASTIC FREE CAMPUS**

In response to the escalating environmental threat posed by plastic waste, and in accordance with the University Grants Commission (UGC) guidelines for Higher Educational Institutions to ban the use of single-use plastics and promote sustainable alternatives, this Plastic-Free Campus Policy is established. The policy aims to eliminate single-use plastics, promote eco-friendly alternatives, and raise awareness about the harmful effects of plastic.

It also supports national initiatives such as 'Swachhata Hi Sewa' and the State Government's ban on single-use plastic products, with the objective of encouraging environmentally responsible behaviour. All teaching and non-teaching staff, students, and visitors are expected to comply with this policy and contribute to making the campus plastic-free.

#### **Policy Objectives:**

1. To ban single-use plastics on campus in order to minimize plastic pollution and its adverse effects on the environment.
2. To promote the use of alternative, environmentally friendly materials and sustainable practices.
3. To educate the college community on the importance of sustainability and plastic waste reduction.

#### **Implementation Procedure:**

1. A strict ban shall be enforced on the use of single-use plastic items such as carry bags, cutlery, straws, plates, cups, and packaging materials in the college canteen, classrooms, offices, and the campus at large.



2. The use of plastic water bottles of 1 litre or less shall be prohibited during in-house meetings, seminars, and events organized within the institution.
3. The use of plastic-based decorative materials during college events, celebrations, and programs shall not be permitted.
4. Drinking water units and refill stations shall be installed across the campus to reduce the need for purchasing bottled water and to minimize plastic waste.
5. Students, faculty, and staff shall be regularly informed and encouraged to use eco-friendly alternatives such as cloth bags, paper bags, metal or glass containers, and reusable bottles.
6. Awareness campaigns, workshops, and seminars shall be conducted regularly by involving students, faculty, and staff to promote the principles of Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle (3Rs).
7. Everyone on campus shall be encouraged to avoid bringing non-biodegradable plastic items to the institution.

#### **Monitoring and Compliance:**

The college administration will oversee the planning, implementation, and monitoring of this Plastic-Free Campus Policy. It will also ensure that the necessary infrastructure and procedure are in place to support the policy's successful execution.

Coinciding with the theme of "Ending Global Plastic Pollution" on World Environment Day, June 5, 2025, we adopt this policy with a firm commitment to contributing toward a sustainable and environmentally responsible future.

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