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## **Policy Document – Environment Policy**

## Objective

It is very important that stakeholders understand their responsibility in taking care of the natural resources available in the best possible manner, for themselves as well as conserving and preserving resources for the future generations. Our objective is to make the stakeholders aware of issues related to environment as well as health and hygiene so that they acquire the required set of values and concerns for environment. The teachers of our college actively engage students in various activities, encourage and motivate them to develop a mind-set towards creating a clean, eco-friendly campus and thus positively contribute in environmental sustainability.

## Context

The Stockholm Declaration states that man bears a solemn responsibility to protect and improve environment for present and future generations so that a favourable living and conducive environment is ensured for quality of life on earth.

In this modern age, the environmental degradation has taken alarming proportions due to various factors like pollution of air, water and land due to industrialisation, over population, consumerism, materialism and un-mindful use of our natural resources. Ecological crisis is threatening the existence of species of flora and fauna including mankind. Man who has ability to think, discriminate and choose, has himself become the greatest enemy of the nature. Our hilly state which is a national and international tourist destination is also not untouched by the problem of the environmental degradation. If we don't take corrective and preventive measures to protect our environment, we will have to bear the brunt of our negligence.

The following measures are taken by the institution for promoting environmental sustainability:

- Cleanliness drive is undertaken on every Saturday by students and teachers.
- All departments are responsible for keeping their departments clean.
- Plantation drives are also carried out from time to time.
- We largely rely on the use of non-conventional sources of energy.

- The drainage system of the college has been linked to the Rain-water harvesting tank and the water collected is used to irrigate the plants thus contributing in conservation of water.
- The college disposes off waste in a systematic way. The waste is segregated and biodegradable waste is dumped in the biodegradable waste pit on regular basis and the compost thus formed is utilised as bio fertiliser for plants in the campus. Plastic waste and other solid waste including electronic waste is handed over to the municipality garbage collectors on regular basis for proper disposal by the Municipal Corporation.
- The college is increasingly making use of technology for administrative work thus promoting paperless work culture.
- There is a proper disposal of chemical/liquid waste and a separate pit (with gravel bed for the adsorption of hazardous component if any) has been made for collection of liquid waste from the Chemistry Lab.
- It is also proposed to recycle and reuse the paper waste largely consisting of five-yearold answer scripts.

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