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GREEN CAMPUS POLICY-2022



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1. INTRODUCTION

Saraswati College of Pharmacy, Mohali is committed to promoting environmental sustainability and ecological responsibility within the campus community. Educational institutions play an important role in shaping environmentally conscious citizens. The concept of a Green Campus focuses on creating an eco-friendly environment where sustainable practices are integrated into everyday academic and administrative activities.

The Green Campus Policy aims to reduce environmental impact while improving the quality of life for students, faculty, staff, and visitors. Through planned initiatives such as tree plantation, waste management, energy conservation, and environmental awareness programs, the institution aims to build a sustainable campus environment.

The college recognizes that environmental protection is not only a responsibility but also an educational opportunity. By implementing green practices and encouraging active participation, the institution fosters environmental awareness and sustainable thinking among students.

The campus environment provides an ideal setting to demonstrate practical sustainability initiatives. These initiatives include conservation of natural resources, protection of biodiversity, reduction of pollution, and promotion of green infrastructure. Through the Green Campus Policy, Saraswati College of Pharmacy aims to set an example of environmental stewardship for the surrounding community.

2. OBJECTIVES OF THE GREEN CAMPUS POLICY

The Green Campus Policy has been designed to ensure sustainable development and environmental conservation within the campus. The major objectives include:

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- To increase green cover and biodiversity within the campus.
- To promote environmental awareness among students, faculty members, and staff.
- To encourage responsible usage of natural resources such as water and energy.
- To promote sustainable lifestyle practices within the academic environment.
- To develop environmentally responsible citizens who understand the importance of sustainability.
- To integrate environmental protection with educational and institutional practices.

By achieving these objectives, the institution aims to create a campus culture that values ecological balance and sustainable growth.

3. POLICY FOR PLANTATION

3.1 Objectives

- Increase the number of trees and plants on campus.
- Improve air quality and ecological balance.
- Promote biodiversity and environmental awareness.

3.2 PLANTATION PROGRAMS

Tree plantation is one of the most effective methods for improving environmental quality. Trees play an important role in maintaining ecological balance, improving air quality, reducing carbon dioxide levels, and supporting biodiversity.

The college organizes plantation drives during monsoon seasons and environmental events. Students, faculty members, and departments are encouraged to participate actively.

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Selection and Maintenance of Plants

- Preference for native and medicinal plants.
- Regular watering and protection of plants.
- Use of organic manure for plant growth.

4. ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS EVENTS

Environmental awareness is an essential component of the Green Campus Policy. Educational programs help students understand environmental challenges and motivate them to participate in sustainability initiatives.

- World Environment Day
- Earth Day
- Van Mahotsav
- Clean Campus Drives
- Environmental workshops and awareness campaigns

5.PROTECTION AND MANAGEMENT POLICY

5.1 Native Plants

The college encourages plantation of native species because they adapt better to local climatic conditions and support biodiversity.

5.2 Herbal Garden

A herbal garden will be maintained in the campus for educational and environmental awareness purposes.

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- Tulsi

- Aloe Vera
- Neem
- Ashwagandha
- Lemongrass

5.3 Maintenance of Green Areas

- Regular watering and pruning of plants.
- Use of organic fertilizers.
- Protection and landscaping of green areas.

6. GREEN CAMPUS SUSTAINABILITY MANUAL

6.1 Energy Conservation

- Use of LED lighting.
- Switching off electrical equipment when not in use.
- Promotion of renewable energy sources.

6.2 Water Conservation

- Repair water leakages.
- Promote rainwater harvesting.
- Encourage responsible use of water.

6.3 Waste Management

- Waste segregation.
- Recycling of materials.

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- Placeme

nt of dustbins at important locations.

6.4 Plastic-Free and Paperless Campus

- Reduction of single-use plastics.
- Promotion of reusable materials.
- Use of digital communication to reduce paper consumption.

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IMPLEMENTATION BY IQAC

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) will monitor and implement the Green Campus Policy.

- Conduct environmental awareness programs.
- Monitor sustainability practices.
- Maintain records and reports of green initiatives.

8. GREEN COVERAGE ACCORDING TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGS)

SDG 11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities

Promoting green spaces and environmentally responsible practices within the campus.

SDG 13 – Climate Action

Tree plantation and energy conservation initiatives help reduce carbon footprint.

SDG 15 – Life on Land

Protection of biodiversity and maintenance of herbal gardens support ecosystem conservation.

9. DECLARATION FOR AVOIDING CUTTING OF TREES

The college strictly discourages cutting of trees within the campus and promotes conservation of existing trees.

9.1 Prohibition of Tree Cutting

Trees may only be removed under valid circumstances such as:

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- Tree is

dead or severely diseased.

- Tree creates safety risk.
- Approved infrastructure development.

9.2 Compensatory Plantation

If a tree is removed due to unavoidable reasons, at least three to five new trees will be planted.

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