

## Green Campus Policy Document

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**Applicable To:** Students, Faculty, Administrative Staff, Visitors, and External Stakeholders

**Purpose:** To promote sustainable environmental practices and create a plastic-free, eco-friendly campus.

### 1. Introduction

Aurora's PG College (MCA), Uppal, Hyderabad, is committed to promoting environmental sustainability and creating a healthier, greener campus. Through this policy, we aim to reduce our environmental footprint by minimising the use of plastic, conserving natural resources, and adopting eco-friendly practices. The Green Campus Policy outlines the strategies and actions necessary to ensure environmental responsibility and awareness among all stakeholders.

### 2. Objective

- To create a green, eco-friendly, and plastic-free campus environment.
- To reduce and eliminate single-use plastics across the campus.
- To promote sustainability through energy conservation, waste management, and environmental education.
- To engage students, faculty, and staff in environmental initiatives and green practices.
- To support the use of renewable resources and reduce the carbon footprint of the institution.

### 3. Scope

This policy applies to all:

- Students
- Faculty members
- Administrative staff
- Visitors and external stakeholders involved in activities related to the college

### 4. Policy Guidelines

- **Ban on Single-Use Plastics:** The campus will eliminate the use of single-use plastics, such as plastic bags, bottles, straws, and utensils. Alternative eco-friendly products like cloth bags, stainless steel bottles, and biodegradable utensils will be encouraged.
- **Awareness Campaigns:** Regular workshops, campaigns, and drives will be conducted to educate students and staff about the harmful effects of plastic and the benefits of reducing its usage.
- **Green Canteens and Stores:** All campus vendors and canteens must use eco-friendly packaging materials. Plastic packaging will not be allowed, and vendors must switch to paper, jute, or other sustainable alternatives.
- **Energy Conservation:** The institution will promote the use of energy-efficient devices (LED lighting, energy-saving appliances) and ensure that energy is used responsibly. Regular energy audits will be conducted to monitor consumption and identify areas for improvement.

- **Water Conservation:** Water-saving practices, such as the installation of rainwater harvesting systems and water-efficient fixtures, will be adopted. Regular monitoring of water use and maintenance of water bodies will be carried out.
- **Waste Management:** A comprehensive waste segregation system will be implemented, with separate bins for biodegradable, recyclable, and non-recyclable waste. The college will encourage composting of organic waste and recycling of paper, glass, and metal materials.
- **Green Spaces:** The college will maintain and expand green spaces, including tree plantations and gardens. Students and staff will be involved in tree-planting drives and maintaining the biodiversity of the campus.
- **Sustainable Transport:** The institution encourages the use of bicycles, carpooling, and public transport among students and staff. Dedicated parking spaces for bicycles will be provided, and vehicles with higher fuel efficiency will be promoted.
- **Curriculum Integration:** Environmental sustainability will be integrated into the curriculum, with courses and workshops focused on eco-friendly practices, climate change, and resource conservation.
- **Green Clubs and Student Initiatives:** Students will be encouraged to participate in green clubs and initiatives that promote sustainable practices on campus, including tree planting, clean-up drives, and recycling projects.

## 5. Implementing and Monitoring

- Prakriti, the Nature Club of the institution will be entitled to oversee the implementation of this policy. The committee will include students, faculty, and staff representatives.
- Regular audits and reviews will be conducted to ensure compliance with the Green Campus and Plastic-Free Campus initiatives.
- Feedback from students, faculty, and staff will be gathered regularly to improve the effectiveness of the policy.
- Non-compliance will result in appropriate action, including fines, bans, or other disciplinary measures, depending on the severity of the violation.

## 6. Responsibilities

- **Management**
  - Ensure the allocation of resources for the implementation of the policy.
  - Promote the Green Campus Policy through internal communications.
- **Prakriti, Nature Club**
  - Monitor the implementation and progress of the policy.
  - Conduct awareness campaigns and organise events related to sustainability.

- **Students, Faculty, and Staff**


- Comply with all aspects of the policy.
- Actively participate in environmental initiatives and events.
- Encourage others to adopt eco-friendly habits and reduce plastic usage.

## 7. Conclusion

This policy will be reviewed annually by the **College Management** in consultation with the **Disciplinary and Appeals Committees** to ensure its effectiveness and relevance. Feedback from stakeholders will be considered in making necessary updates.

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