

## V.M.K.S.R. Vastrad Arts, Science and Vijay Shankarappa Bellihal Commerce College, Hungund



## 7. Institutional Values and Best Practices

7.1.2. Policy document on the green campus/plastic free campus.



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## Policy Document On Environment and Energy Usage

The Environment and Energy usage Policy of the college is to manage energy in such a systematic way so as to minimize its impact on the environment. The policy implies to explore the renewable energy resources to reduce the burden of the government and to find out substitute natural resources as solutions to the energy crisis.

This environment and energy policy is binding for all the components of the institution and applies to all its stakeholders and to the various activities undertaken by the institution. It will help us to embed efficiency and environmental awareness into our everyday activities, thus helping us to realize our responsibilities and commitment to conservation of natural resources and to limit its usage. The Dept. of Botany an official platform devoted to the cause of environmental awareness, to undertake green initiatives, and to conduct green literacy programmes to save energy and to protect the environment.

## **Policies:**

- To assess our energy usage and measure its impact on the environment.
- To count CO2 emissions generated by our means of transportationsvehicles.
- To reduce local air pollution emissions using environment-friendly vehicles, Including bicycles, public transportation and use of pedestrian-friendly roads.
- To install LED bulbs in the complete campus to save energy.
- To develop systematic waste management mechanism.
- To develop rain water harvesting unit.
- To undertake tree plantation drive.

- To take additional measures to continuously improve our energy consumption.
- To develop and maintain an environmental management system which is ISO: 14001
   and an Energy Management System based on ISO: 50001.
- To ensure the availability of necessary resources to achieve our objectives.
- To encourage use of advanced technology to minimize energy consumption, atmospheric emissions and noise, particularly from our vehicle fleets.
- To engage in dialogue with the government agencies, municipal corporation and the
- Affiliating university and actively work with the local organizations in the areas of environment, energy efficiency and sustainable development.
- To monitor and respond to emerging environmental and energy issues.
- To strengthen (1) our employees' and students' environmental knowledge and skills in order to improve our own environmental performance.
- To provide information and training opportunities on energy saving measures.
- To offer opportunities for employees and students to engage in initiatives those contribute to environmental protection.
- To train our employees and students through our Enviro Club to make them 'Go Green Specialists' and partners to plant trees each year.
   This policy will be communicated to the students and employees via

internal communication channels, and will be made available to all the stakeholders on the institutional website. The Environment and Energy Policy, objectives and targets will be reviewed on a regular basis by the Dept. of Botany under the guidance of the Principal of the college.

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