

# St. Johns College of Pharmaceutical Sciences

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#### POLICY DOCUMENTS ON ENVIRONMENT AND GREEN CAMPUS

"Mother earth is not a resource, she is an heirloom"

-David Ipina

St.Johns College of Pharmaceutical sciences bequeath a clean and ecologically pleasant campus, where eco-friendly teaching and activities work together to faster sustainable and environmentally friendly behaviour. The Green campus concept allows the institution to take the lead in the regeneration of environmental culture by promoting environmental ideals among students and faculty. In order to instill eco-consciousness in themselves and the world around them, the institute also encourages students and staff to adopt, implement and support environmentally friendly practices. The growing human footprint on the planet is generating significant environmental issues that are only going to become worse over time. A massive effort is required to offset the detrimental impacts of human activities on the environment, which, in turn, affect how we interact with the world and with one another. All problem-solving strategies must be used in order to create true change.

# **Objectives:**

- 1. To encourage the students to maintain clean and green environment.
- 2. To educate the students to create awareness amongst public.
- 3. To instil the students, the value of the environment and the issues that it faces.
- 4. Understanding various environmental issues and need to address them.
- 5. Ensure environment friendly practices in the college.
- 6. To undertaken tree plantation drive.

#### GREEN CAMPUS INITIATIVES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

#### A. Energy consumption:

Energy saved is the energy generated. To reduce the energy consumption, the institute practices

- 1. Turn off the things when not in use.
- 2. Using LED light bulbs.
- 3. Use the fans only when they are needed.
- 4. Turn off your monitor when you leave your on it.
- 5. Keep lights off in conference rooms, lecture halls when they are not in use.
- 6. Turn off unnecessary lights and use day light instead.

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#### B. Renewable energy:

Solar energy is the cleanest and most abundant renewable energy source. The institute promote solar energy; the stakeholders are encouraged for promoting and adopting renewable energy.

#### C. Conserve natural resources:

The institution believes in sustainable natural resources conservation and it is a process of rational use and skilful management and preservation of the natural environment with all its resources. The trees like neem, Papaya, tamarind, and mango are preserved. From the inception of the institute, the students and staff actively participate in tree plantation activities.

#### D. Water resources and Rain water harvesting:

As the college is located in a hot climatic zone, the college realises the importance of conservation and the best utilisation of water resources. The college maintains and generates water resources. The college has a bore well to meet the general need of the institution. The water from the roof tops along with the rain water is collected through a well-connected pipe work delivery system. This arrangement is helpful in collecting water, which is then collected in to pits, specially constructed for this purpose. The rainwater stored in the pits is used for the maintenance of the green cover on the campus. In the hot summer season, when water scarcity is more, the surrounding bore wells get recharged and the ground water level increases.

#### E. Restricted entry of motor vehicles:

The staff and students have to possess emission certification while using the two-wheeler / four-vehicles. Students and staff are encouraged to have bike or car pooling following norms to reduce the emissions. Nearly 15 buses are plying to cater students and staff transportation to reduce consumption of petrol/ diesel to cut emissions.

# F. Pedestrian friendly pathways:

Campus has sufficient space for parking vehicles of staff and students. Roads inside the campus are well maintained. Pedestrians can walk safely on the pathways.

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### G. Promoting use of bicycles:

The institute encourages the students and staff to use bicycles in the campus. Some students regularly use bicycles. It is a fuel saving attitude for future generations.

### H. Ban on use of plastic:

The institution banned single usage of plastic. In the canteen steel glasses and plates, spoons are in use to be eco friendly environment.

# I. Landscaping with trees and plants:

Along the regular practice of planting trees, the students and staff enthusiastically participate in plantation programme.

#### J. Waste management:

The institute practices three R's (Reduce, Recycle, and Reuse) to tackle the waste. Some initiatives are as follows:

- 1. Waste water from canteen and hostel shall be used for watering trees and plants.
- 2. Solid waste management to be done as per kadimetla village panchayati norms.
- 3. E-waste to be disposed in an eco-friendly manner.

The institution has MOU with organisations which collect solid waste and electronic waste.

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