

Gokhale Education Society



Green Campus Policy

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a) Green Campus Initiative Policy

A green campus is one where sustainable and environmentally friendly grounds keeping practices are advanced through natural cordial practices and training. The concept of "green grounds" gives an organization the opportunity to take the lead in restructuring its natural culture and developing new ideal models by developing workable solutions to the ecological, social, and economic requirements of humanity.

Foremost Green Campus Initiatives at Gokhale Education Society (GES)-

- Rainwater Harvesting
- Waste water treatment by ABR
- Composting of food waste
- Vermicomposting of organic matter
- Segregation of degradable and non-degradable solid waste
- Utilization of solar power
- Utilization of concrete material leftover after testing
- Use of LED lamps and tube lights
- Digital Library/ e-learning centre
- No vehicle days
- Usage of bicycles, public transports and car sharing
- Paperless office (ERP and digital notice board)
- Plastic free campus
- Plantation and landscaping
- Use of electric powered vehicles
- Use of eco-friendly material for various purposes
- Creating awareness of environmental sustainability among the students and society

In order to green an area, it must be free of perpetually wasteful elements, use traditional energy sources for its daily energy requirements, manage disposal properly, buy condition-friendly supplies, and implement a strong recycle program. The organization has to create the time-bound



strategies for carrying out the operations on the green spaces. In order to create a clean and green campus, these strategies should be incorporated into institutional planning and organising documents.

a) Save Energy Tips:

- Enable the power management functions on your computer and monitor so that when you
 aren't using them, they enter a low power "sleep" mode.
- When you leave your Table, turn off your monitor.
- Set your laser printer's power management options to "on."
- When possible, log off instead of shutting down.
- Use daylight instead of unnecessary lighting.
- Use small fluorescent or LED lighting.
- When not in use, turn off the lights in conference rooms, classrooms, and lecture halls.
- Only use the fans when necessary.

b) Digital Library/E-Learning Centre

Incorporate extra soft readout material (use of e resources). Streamline the difficult readout content. For official informational exchange, internet reading, and other purposes, use email more often. Use e mail for sending and receiving messages, information instead papers notices.

c) Waste Management

We have garbage bins located in various areas. Waste that is collected is divided into three categories: food waste, paper waste, and plastic garbage.

d) Ban on Polythene

Due to its negative effects on land, water, human health, and general public wellbeing, plastic garbage has become one of the most significant environmental challenges. By outright prohibiting plastic, we have taken the initiative to make the GES campus "plastic free."

e) Utilization of solar power

The utilization of solar power has increased significantly over the years due to its numerous benefits, including its environmental friendliness, low maintenance costs, and reliability. Different institutes and colleges in GES campus have a solar panels installed on rooftops to



generate electricity. This reduces the reliance on non-renewable sources of energy and helps to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

f) Green Audit (Waste, Water, Energy, Biodiversity)

Green Audit is a systematic identification, quantification, recording, reporting and analysis of components of environmental diversity. To analyze environmental practices within and outside the GES campus, which will have an impact on the eco-friendly ambience, organization will take initiation with the motive of inspecting the work conducted within the organizations whose Exercises can cause risk to the health of inhabitants and the environment. Through Green Audit, GES will get direction as how to improve the condition of environment and there are various factors that have determined the growth of carrying out Green Audit.

• Scope of Green Audit

- ✓ To review of solid waste management activities implemented by college.
- ✓ To review of liquid waste management activities implemented by college.
- ✓ To review of e-waste management activities implemented by college.
- ✓ To review of feasibility of Rain Water Harvesting System in college campus.
- ✓ To review of the feasibility of Sewage Treatment System by collecting various data.
- ✓ To review the feasibility of Biogas Generation Plant by collecting the data of canteen waste.
- ✓ To review of existing solar power plant in line with green initiative by college.
- ✓ To review of solar water heater system installed at Hostel in line with green initiative by Society.
- ✓ To suggest good practices to college staff, students for Green initiative by implementing various small level projects in college campus.
- ✓ To discuss on the audit report and finalizing the action plan to resolve those issues.

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