

**H.H.M.S.P.B NSS College for Women, Neeramankara,
Thiruvananthapuram**

Policy Document on Green Campus Initiatives

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The college takes all possible efforts in providing a green and eco- friendly campus to the students and employees. The policy of the campus is based upon the following guidelines that we strictly follow:

- Sensitizing the students and making them appreciate the richness of the campus.
- Making them aware of the necessity of conserving the greenery of our campus and also giving them proper directions regarding the disposal of waste in an eco-friendly manner.
- Encouraging the students to make the campus more eco –friendly by planting more saplings as well as protecting trees, plants, vegetables garden, micro forest & the medicinal garden in the campus premises.
- Eco Friendly gestures like gifting saplings of trees & medicinal plants to invited experts & eminent personalities visiting the campus are also promoted.
- Encouraging a healthy waste management system through the proper use of waste bins, kept in the campus premises, classrooms, canteen, labs, hostel, departments & administrative sections. The wastes are collected in separate colour coded bins such as red, blue & green. Red indicates glass waste, blue non degradable & green degradable waste. These waste are later on collected by the HaritaKarmasena members for recycling & proper disposal.
- Adopting hygienic sanitary practices by the use of incinerators installed in the ladies toilet on the ground floor.
- Rain water harvesting is done for well recharging & recycled water is used for gardening purposes.
- Maintaining environmental quality by minimising the emission of pollutants or reducing the presence of polluting substances in the college. Purchasing of products which are harmful to the environment is minimised.
- Strictly following the Green protocols initiated by the government by adapting the reduction of waste as the primary focus and preventing the use of disposables and promoting reusable alternatives.
- Repairing and reusing electrical/ electronic gadgets to avoid accumulation of e-wastes.
- Appointing sufficient cleaning staffs by the PTA & helping them in their duties by organizing clean drive programmes with the help of NSS Volunteers to ensure cleanliness of campus and its surroundings.
- Conducting environment protection activities in the nearby communities with the help of NSS & various clubs.

- Striving to achieve a paperless office by encouraging dissemination of information to students and staff through digital media like WhatsApp, Google classrooms, GMeet, Zoom, telegram etc...
- Promoting the culture of using Ink pens to reduce the accumulation of plastic wastes.
- Promoting the use of steel containers and water bottles.
- Ensuring cleanliness of campus premises by minimising littering & promoting removal of wastes after every program is conducted.
- Avoiding plastic and flex items in the programmes and using only bio- degradable materials wherever possible.
- Conducting the green audit and energy audit periodically.
- Encouraging the students and the employees to use the pedestrian friendly pathways, bicycles and electric vehicles and pooling of vehicles in the campus.
- Discouraging the burning of dried leaves, paper and plastic materials within the campus.
- Financially supporting the environment friendly clubs like Nature Club, Forestry Club, Bhoomitra Sena Club to organize seminars, workshops, lecture & activities.
- Instructing the students to switch off the lights and fans in the classroom after use by saving energy consumption.
- Advising the students to close the taps after use, to control & prevent water wastage.
- Replacing the electrical fittings with more energy efficient ones. For example the use of LED lights, energy star appliances, smart power strips.
- Using cloth bags, banners, table cloths, curtains & paper files in the college and instructing the students & staff to bring the same.
- Installing Biogas plants to convert the wet waste into slurry which is used as manure for medicinal and vegetable gardens.

Principal

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