

# **Environment Sustainability Policy**

According to SRRCET, it is our duty to take good care of and conserve the world because it is "our first home". The goal of becoming GREEN is to establish sustainable and environmentally friendly practices on campus. Since 2010, the institution has undertaken a number of initiatives to increase environmental quality, resource conservation, and energy efficiency. As a result, the campus is 75% green, with the botanical garden, grass, and particularly the installation of herbal air coolers on the college's premises. A variety of grasses, plants, shrubs, and trees can be found at SRRCET. In order to make the campus more environment friendly, energy-efficient, and sustainable, we at SRRCET swear to protect the environment and improve it. SRRCET supports and promotes awareness campaign, seminars, workshops and other interactive sessions to keep campus Green.

#### **Objectives**

- To reduce, recycle and reuse
- To ban single-use plastic on our premises to make it a plastic-free campus
- To undertake auditing procedures for the yearly assessment of our environmental policy
- Implementation and adopting the feedback of the auditing agency for improvement
- To ensure judicious use of all the resources and save for future generations
- To support innovative eco-friendly solution for any environmental related problems

## **Aspects of the Policy**

## **Green Campus Initiatives**

- landscape scale conservation
- Naming and numbering of existing trees
- Buildings and Infrastructure are kept up in an environmentally sustainable way.
- Place for birds' nests

#### **Environment Initiative**

- Water Conservation through Rainwater Harvesting System
- Drainage system for collection of wastewater
- Collaboration with agencies for proper disposal of Solid, Liquid, biomedical waste
- Collaboration with agencies for proper disposal of E-waste
- Regularly organizing cleanliness drives
- Tree plantation drives are conducted frequently
- Plastic prohibition signage for a plastic free campus
- Pedestrian friendly pathways

## **Efficient and Sustainable Energy Initiative**

- Installation of a rooftop Solar Power Plant
- Installation of Energy Efficiency Equipment or Signage
- Switching off all the appliances when not in use and signage for the same
- Energy savings by using LED lights
- Energy savings through the use of 3+ star energy-saving appliances

## **Waste Recycling System**

- Collecting discarded papers to send them to recycling facilities.
- To reduce paper usage, digitization of attendance records and internal assessment Other works are initiated
- Duplex printers are purchased for the day-to-day work in the administrative Office

#### Audits

Annually, the college conducts a green audit, an environment audit, and an energy audit by external agencies, and the recommendations of the green audit report are implemented in a time-bound plan for the benefit of our stakeholders and society.

## **Awareness Initiatives**

- Regularly organizing workshop, competitions and awareness program for environment related issue on and off campus
- Environment-centric Student Societies and Departmental Activities
- Plastic ban campaigns on campus
- Organizing anti-cracker campaigns

## **Process and Procedure for Implementation of Policy**

- A detailed action plan will be drawn up to identify the areas of improvement in the scope of the policy
- From time to time, circulars and notifications are issued
- Display of signage for the implementation and scope of this policy
- MoUs with external agencies are signed for waste management, recycling, and other requirements for environmental sustainability

The policy is subjected to periodic amendment or review whenever it is necessary through proper committees and administrative orders.

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