

Multani Mal Modi College, Patiala

Policy document on Green Campus Initiatives

Objectives of the Policy

- To minimize environmental pollution and encourage recycling of solid and liquid waste.
- Minimize the air and noise pollution inside the campus and sensitize students for environmental protection
- To increase natural greenery in and around the campus
- Encourage the practice of walking and riding bicycles, thereby creating interest in physical fitness.
- To implement rainwater recycling and harvest rainwater to resolve and manage water scarcity problems in the future.
- To save electric energy.

Policy

To establish and maintain a green campus it is decided to spread awareness on the green practices among students and educate stake holders.

It is decided to fairly manage water resources, waste management, electric energy, and minimize paper use.

Policy implementation:

Institute has implemented the following practices towards the establishment and maintenance of the green campus.

RESTRICTED ENTRY OF AUTOMOBILES: The college extends the Bus Pass facility to students who come from distant places. The institute encourages students to use the public transport instead of their vehicles for safety, security, fuel conservation

and to reduce environmental pollution. Staff/students residing near the campus are encouraged to practice walking or use bicycles to come to the campus.

PEDESTRIAN FRIENDLY PATHWAYS: Separate vehicle parking space is provided for boys and girls at the main entrance of the college campus. As the campus is vehicle-free, students and staff experience comfort walking through the pedestrian-friendly pathways. The internal roads are lined with trees and they are properly maintained by the campus maintenance committee.

BAN ON USE OF PLASTIC: Single-use plastic items such as plastic bottles, bags, spoons, straws, and cups are banned completely and awareness is created among staff and students through orientation and display boards on the premises. To restrict the use of plastic, measures have been taken to replace single-use plastic teacups with crockery glasses in the canteen. The staff and the students are instructed to use steel or copper water bottles instead of plastic bottles.

LANDSCAPING WITH TREES AND PLANTS: The landscaping of the college is worth seeing and reflects an aesthetic sense. The institute has a canopy of trees and plants to make the environment pollution free and to safeguard the health of all the inmates. The lawns and the trees provide shade and a beautiful ambience. Utmost care is taken to develop and maintain a green landscape by trained gardeners and supervisor. The construction, maintenance, and beautification committee constituted in the college looks after the development and maintenance of the greenery on the campus.

Paperless Office: The institute authorities are taking initiatives to make the campus paperless. Internal communication in the campus through e-mail or e-messages, is driving towards a paperless office. Electronic gadgets are preferred to transfer and store official data and information.