

Tara Government College Sangareddy (Autonomous) An ISO 9001: 2015 certified college



Policy on the usage of plastic

Plastic has been the most used and abused product of humankind. A study reveals that there are more than 60000 plastic products in the world. Most of the plastic material doesn't disintegrate and for some it may take 1000 years to become part of the soil. Against this background, the policy on the usage of plastic has been prepared by the IQAC in coordination with eco-club.

Rationale behind the policy making is to

Objectives

- ✤ To make the college plastic free.
- To make the college PFC (Plastic Free campus)
- To gradually make way for alternative biodegradable products instead of plastic.

Below mentioned are the points that form part of the policy.

- 1. Plastic material and polythene bags below 9 microns are prohibited
- 2. To adopt 4 R policy (Refuse, Reduce, Reuse and recycle)
- 3. To encourage the EDC and other departments to evolve alternative material to plastic
- 4. To conduct seminars and other sensitisation programmes against the usage of plastic.
- 5. To make the campus plastic free (PFC- Plastic Free Campus)
- 6. To introduce harmful effects of plastic in syllabi and make it mandatory for all UG and PG students.
- 7. To empower students to lead an environmental-friendly life.

8. To involve all stakeholders in reusing plastic such as plastic bottles in watering plants.

Apart from meeting these objectives, the college also makes the following policy for other visitors

- All visitors are instructed to respect the policy in word and spirit and adopt themselves accordingly.
- No visitor is allowed to bring polythene bags banned by Government of India.
- All stakeholders are expected to participate in awareness drives and sensitizing workshops on the harmful impacts of plastics.
- Ensure plastic-free campus in the institution. Students and faculty must work towards this in mission mode. Usage of plastics should be stopped in canteens, shopping complexes in the institution's premises and hostels, etc. Students may not be permitted to bring non-bio-degradable plastic items to the institution.
- The office has already started using eatable cups for tea/coffee.
- Every student will strive to make his/her household plastic free.
- Students to be incentivized to carry out similar campaigns at community level
- Installation of necessary alternative facilities like water units to avoid the purchase and use of plastic water bottles.
- Ensure presence of alternative solutions like cloth bags etc., to plastic bottles, covers and other goods on campuses.
- Conducting events and poster competitions etc. on designing ecological and environment friendly goods to minimise the use of single use plastic.
- Flexis will be avoided. All departments are expected to use one flexi for all occasions.
- Cloth banners will be used in the campus.

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