



**VIVEKANANDA GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE
VIDYANAGAR, HYDERABAD – 500 044.**

(Accredited with B Grade by NAAC)

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POLICY DOCUMENT ON ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY USAGE

As an institution of higher learning, Vivekananda Government Degree College (VGDC) has a special obligation to ensure that the ways we educate our students, manage our internal affairs, and interact with the broader community serve as examples that others might follow. In this view the Environment and Energy usage Policy of VGDC focuses on managing energy in a systematic way so as to minimize its impact on the environment. The policy implies to explore the renewable energy resources to reduce the burden of the government and to find out substitute natural resources as solutions to the energy crisis.

POLICY:

To establish guidelines and practices that will lower the college's energy consumption, reduce expenditures on energy, and support green campus policy.

ENERGY POLICY:

OBJECTIVES:

Employees and students shall make every effort to reduce the amount of energy associated with lighting in the college campus by:

- Turn lights off in unoccupied spaces.
- To install LED bulbs in the complete campus to save energy
- Maximizing the use of natural light and turning off all non-essential lighting whenever possible.
- Turning off exterior building architectural lighting between 11:00 pm and 6:00 am.
- To calculate the energy use in the college and its environmental impact.
- Computer power management software shall be enabled to minimize the operation and consumption of electricity when computers are not in use.
- Computers purchased with the College funds are required to be ENERGY STAR.


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ENVIRONMENT POLICY

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VGDC vows to protect the Environment by maintaining a Green, Eco-friendly campus, and by creating awareness among its stakeholders both as individuals and members of the society, so as to contribute to making the earth, our common home, a sure haven and a comfortable abode for the posterity.

Objectives

- Promoting & benchmarking for environmental protection initiatives
- To impart awareness about green and clean campus and encourage to go green.
- To initiate sustainability practices in the campus and among Staff and Students.
- To minimize air pollution in and around the college by using public transport or pollution-free means of transport.
- To encourage Plantation programmes in the College.
- To tap rain water by constructing rainwater harvesting pits.
- Developing an environmental ethic and value systems in Students

Role of Eco-Club and NSS

- To conduct environment Protection and awareness programs.
- To implement environment Policy in the College.
- To Prepare Waste Management plan for the College.
- To reduce the use of Plastic usage in the College campus.
- To Communicate the Environment Policy to Staff and Students.
- To Increase in Environmental promotional activities for spreading awareness in the campus.
- To form Environment/Green committee for regulating eco-friendly initiatives in the campus premises and periphery.

Action plan:

- Observation of various days of importance ozone day, environment day, earth day etc
- Conduct awareness campaign on pollution and preventive measures
- Conduct regular green/environment audit and follow up corrective measures
- Ensure regular follow up and updates for clean campus practices like proper waste disposal,
- e-waste campaigning among Students and Staff, rain water harvesting and monitoring judicious water usage.
- Activities encouraging recycling, reuse, repair and refurbishing etc
- Conduct invited talk (dept./college level on various updates policies and various dimensions of environment studies)


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