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# //Environmental Policy//

Developing an effective environment policy for a college requires considering various aspects of sustainability and environmental stewardship. Therefore IQAC of this college is pleased to formulate "environmental policy "guidelines that can serve as a benchmark for related activities and proposals.

#### **Environmental Commitment:**

Shri Rajiv Gandhi Govt. College Banda is committed for promoting sustainability and minimizing its environmental impact. We recognize the importance of protecting natural resources, reducing waste, and conserving energy to create a sustainable future for our campus and community.

#### **Plantation Drive:**

To undertake plantation drive for dense and green forestry in the campus to make the environment more green and lush .However due to rocky terrain, it is very difficult to plant the saplings but we have to overcome the issues to develop botanical, herbal and regular landscape gardens in view of the plantation drive.

# **Waste Management:**

Our Institute is dedicated to implement comprehensive waste management practices. We promote waste reduction and proper disposal of waste materials. This involves providing bins across campus, Color coded dustbins are used, Green for wet and blue for solid waste. Raising awareness about waste reduction, and working towards a zero-waste goal.

#### Water Conservation:

> To conserve water resources and promoting responsible water usage in campus. This includes implementing water-saving measures such as low-flow faucets and toilets, maintaining efficient irrigation systems for gardens and planted trees and educating the students' community about water conservation practices like water harvesting and recycling.

### **Sustainable Transportation:**

➤ To encourage sustainable transportation options to reduce carbon emissions and promote greener commuting. We provide bicycle stands, promote carpooling, support public transportation initiatives, and strive to make the campus pedestrian-friendly.

## **Green Spaces and Biodiversity:**

➤ To value the preservation and enhancement of green spaces on campus, promoting biodiversity, and protecting natural habitats. We strive to maintain a healthy ecosystem by planting native species, organic/natural plantation and gardening and engaging in sustainable landscaping practices.

## **Education and Awareness:**

> To foster environmental literacy and awareness among our students, faculty, and staff. To integrate sustainability principles into our curriculum, organize awareness campaigns, and offer educational programs on environmental topics. However NSS units of college are creating awareness and promoting the campaign "Green India Clean India". Plantation drive and awareness programs on World Environment Day i.e. 5th day of June.

# Partnerships and Collaboration:

> To seek partnership and collaboration with local organizations, government agencies, and the wider community to address environmental challenges collectively. To engage in knowledge-sharing and community outreach initiatives to contribute to regional and local environmental goals.

### **Continuous Improvement:**

To regularly review and improve our environmental policies, practices, and performance. To set measurable goals, track progress, and adopt strategies to align with emerging best practices and technological advancements.

## **Implementing Four R's**

> To Follow and implement the Four R's in life and institute i.e. Refuse, Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.

#### **Best Practices**

- > To develop rainwater harvesting system in the campus to recharge the ground water level.
- > To dispose the chemical waste into lab pipeline after maximum dilution.
- > To reduce CO2 emissions generated by our means of Vehicles and other sources.
- ➤ To produce compost manure from the college's organic waste and efficiently run by the students (vermicompost project) and further it is used for the college herbal garden as well for planted trees.
- > To minimize the paper use and promote soft and e-copies in order to save trees and environment.we regularly use blank side of used papers for avoiding the misuse of papers.

# **Compliance and Legal Requirements:**

> To ensure compliance with applicable environmental laws, regulations, and standards in the college premise. To strive to go beyond compliance and set higher standards for environmental stewardship.

This policy with holistic and green approach will be communicated to the students and all the stakeholders through college's internal communication and will also be made available on the institutional website for awareness and implementa. The Energy Policy, objectives and targets will be reviewed on a regular basis by a committee chaired by Principal and committee members of the College.

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