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# POLICY ON GREEN CAMPUS INITIATIVES

Green Campus Initiatives are a series of programs and actions implemented by Don Bosco College, Tura to promote sustainability and environmental stewardship on the campus. These initiatives encompass various measures such as energy efficiency, renewable energy, waste management, water conservation, sustainable transportation, sustainable building design, biodiversity conservation, education and awareness, collaboration, and monitoring and evaluation. The goal of Green Campus Initiatives is to create a greener and more sustainable campus environment, educate and engage the College community on sustainability issues, and reduce the ecological footprint of the institution.

# **Objective of Policy on Green Campus Initiatives:**

- 1. **Environmental Sustainability:** The primary objective of the policy is to promote environmental sustainability within the campus of Don Bosco College, Tura. This includes implementing initiatives that reduce the college's carbon footprint, conserve natural resources, and minimize waste generation.
- 2. **Energy Efficiency:** The policy aims to enhance energy efficiency within the College campus. It sets objectives to reduce energy consumption, promote the use of renewable energy sources in the College.
- 3. **Waste Management:** An important objective of the policy is to establish effective waste management practices within the College. This includes promoting recycling, composting, and proper disposal of waste materials. The policy also encourages the reduction of single-use plastics and the adoption of sustainable practices.
- 4. **Water Conservation:** The policy aims to conserve water resources on campus. It sets targets to reduce water consumption, rain water harvesting and the promotion of awareness among students and staff regarding responsible water usage.
- 5. **Biodiversity Conservation:** Another objective of the policy is to protect and enhance biodiversity within the college premises. This includes preserving existing green spaces, and promoting the cultivation of native plants to support local ecosystems.
- 6. **Sustainable Transportation:** The policy encourages the use of sustainable transportation methods among students, faculty, and staff. It aims to promote the use of public transportation to reduce carbon emissions from personal vehicles.
- 7. **Education and Awareness:** The policy emphasizes the importance of education and awareness regarding environmental sustainability. It aims to integrate sustainability topics into the curriculum (Value Education), organize awareness campaigns, workshops, and seminars, and encourage research and projects related to green initiatives among the students.
- 8. Collaboration and Partnerships: The policy promotes collaboration with relevant stakeholders, such as local government bodies, NGOs, and community organizations, to foster a collective approach towards environmental sustainability. It encourages partnerships to share resources, expertise, and best practices, and to work towards common goals for a greener campus.

- 9. **Monitoring and Evaluation:** The policy establishes mechanisms for monitoring and evaluating the progress of green initiatives within the college. It sets targets, tracks performance, and periodically reviews the effectiveness of implemented measures. This allows for continuous improvement and adjustment of strategies to achieve sustainable outcomes.
- 10. **Leadership and Role Modeling:** The policy encourages Don Bosco College, Tura, to be a leader and role model in promoting green practices and sustainability in the region. By demonstrating commitment to environmental stewardship, the College aims to inspire other institutions, communities, and individuals to adopt similar initiatives for a more sustainable future.

#### The Mission of Green Campus Initiatives:

The mission of the Green Campus Initiatives of Don Bosco College, Tura is to create a sustainable and environmentally responsible campus that fosters a culture of conservation, innovation, and education.

#### The Vision of Green Campus Initiatives:

The vision for the Green Campus Initiatives at Don Bosco College, Tura is to create a model institution that embraces sustainability as a core value and leads the way in environmental conservation, innovation, and education.

## The Green Campus Initiative Policy of the College states the following points:

- 1. **Renewable Energy:** With the help of the Government to install solar panels on rooftops and open spaces to harness solar energy and reduce dependence on fossil fuels. This can power the campus buildings, streetlights, and other electrical appliances.
- 2. **Energy Conservation:** Conduct energy audits to identify areas of high energy consumption. Implement energy-efficient practices such as using LED lights and promoting responsible use of electrical appliances by students and staff.
- 3. **Waste Management:** Establish a comprehensive waste management system that includes segregation at the source, recycling facilities, and composting of organic waste. Raise awareness among students, faculty, and staff about the importance of waste reduction and proper disposal.
- 4. **Water Conservation:** Implement water-saving measures such as installing rainwater harvesting systems. Encourage students to practice water conservation habits like turning off taps when not in use and reporting any water leaks promptly.
- 5. **Green Spaces:** Develop and maintain green spaces on campus by planting native trees, shrubs, and flowers. Create outdoor seating areas, gardens, and rooftop gardens to enhance the aesthetic appeal and improve air quality.
- 6. **Environmental Education:** Integrate environmental education into the curriculum across various disciplines. Organize workshops, seminars, and guest lectures on topics related to sustainability, climate change, and environmental conservation.

- 7. **Paperless Initiatives:** Encourage the use of digital platforms for communication, assignments, and administrative tasks to reduce paper consumption. Provide access to ebooks, notes and online resources to minimize the need for printed materials.
- 8. **Sustainable Food Practices:** Promote organic and locally sourced food options in the campus cafeteria. Avoiding selling of plastic water bottles.
- 9. **Green Events and Campaigns:** Organize green events such as tree-planting drives, clean-up campaigns, and eco-awareness campaigns to engage the campus community and raise awareness about environmental issues.
- 10. **Collaboration and Partnerships:** Establish collaborations with local environmental organizations, government agencies, and other educational institutions to exchange knowledge, share best practices, and work together on sustainability projects.

Implementing these initiatives will require collaboration among students, faculty, and staff, along with support from the college administration. Regular monitoring and evaluation of these initiatives will also help track progress and identify areas for improvement. This policy will seek the approval of the Governing Body of the College.

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