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7.1.5(2) Green Campus Policy

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Green Campus Policy

Santhiram College of Pharmacy believes that a clean, green, and pollution-free environment provides a serene and pristine backdrop for effective learning. Being eco-friendly is not only a responsibility of the industry and corporate sector but also of educational institutions. A green campus is a place where environmentally friendly practices and education combine to promote a sustainable and eco-friendly campus.

Objectives:

- 1. To avoid air pollution on the campus.
- 2. To avoid the use of polythene and its forms.
- 3. To promote greenery on the campus.
- 4. To lessen paper use.
- 5. To maintain a tobacco-free campus.

The institute implements the following practices toward the establishment and maintenance of a green campus:

1. Restricted entry of automobiles

- Automobiles are strictly restricted on campus by providing separate parking areas for twowheelers and four-wheelers near the entrance.
- Mass transportation of faculty and students is facilitated by college buses from various locations.

2. Use of bicycles/battery-powered vehicles

- Students and faculty are motivated to use bicycles on campus through organized cycle rallies and fitness awareness programs by the NSS unit.
- The institute has procured battery-powered vehicles for transportation within and between group institutions.
- Students are encouraged to work on projects involving solar vehicles.

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3. Pedestrian-friendly pathways

Wide and neat pathways with trees full of blossoms are maintained.

4. Ban on use of plastic

- The institute strictly declared a ban on the use of polythene and its forms in the classrooms, canteen, student stores, and community garden on the campus.
- · Faculty and students are motivated to use eco-friendly bags and alternatives by conducting awareness programs like clay Ganesh statues, and sponsoring jute or cotton bags in workshops/FDPs organized by the institution.
- Biodegradable materials and steel vessels are used in the canteen.
- Awareness programs on creating a plastic-free campus are organized by the NSS unit.

5. Landscaping with trees and plants

- The institute established landscaping with trees and plants around 20,800 yards in four divisional areas on the campus, with various kinds of plants surrounding them.
- Drip irrigation and sprinkler systems are implemented in the gardens.
- The maintenance department nurtures the gardens and plants with utmost care.

6. Paperless office

- · The institute uses an ERP system, WhatsApp groups for official communications, and electronic media like emails for external communication.
- · Faculty and students are encouraged to print on both sides of the paper and reuse single-side waste paper for rough work.

7. No Tobacco Zone

- The institute has declared the campus a tobacco-free zone by restricting the sale of all forms of tobacco and its products. Signboards are displayed on the campus.
- Awareness programs on health issues related to tobacco consumption are regularly organized by the NSS unit.

8. Digital Library/E-Learning

Maintaining soft copies of academic books and other relevant content, along with memberships in various e-journals.

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 Providing additional reading materials in soft copy format and sharing them through emails and WhatsApp groups.

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