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POLICY DOCUMENT ON THE GREEN, CLEAN AND DISABLED-FRIENDLY CAMPUS

Introduction

Government Girls' General Degree College is committed to encourage environmental sustainability, cultivating and maintaining green campus and responsible usage of energy resources. This policy outlines by the college authority, IQAC, Maintenance, Beautification and Gardening Committee and Environmental and Energy Audit Team express commitment towards conservation of natural resources, reduction of environmental footprints, and encouraging a culture of sustainability to a greener, cleaner and barrier-free campus for all.

Policy Statement

- 1) Environmental Responsibility:** Government Girls' General Degree College, though a newly established Fourth government girls' college in Kolkata (Established in 2016) is well aware of its responsibility to protect and conserve the environment. We are committed to reduce the adverse environmental impact of our activities. Such as, a collective effort should be taken to minimize the habit of single-use plastics usage by encouraging alternatives such as reusable containers and water bottles.
- 2) Promotion and Maintenance of the Greenery:** The College has constituted a Maintenance, Beautification and Gardening Committee under IQAC, and also NSS Unit 1 is there to promote and maintain the greenery and creation of natural ambience for its sustenance to give pollution-less clean and green campus to its stakeholders.
- 3) Energy Efficiency:** Energy efficiency will be ensured in college campus and facilitates by employing energy-efficient measurement like stepwise replacement of normal lights to LED lamps etc. Regular energy audits and assessments will be conducted to identify scopes for reduction of energy consumption.
- 4) Use of Renewable Energy Sources:** The College initiates the use of renewable energy sources like installation of solar panels to reduce the consumption of fossil fuels.
- 5) Water Conservation and Recycling:** The college authority encourages Water Conservation and Recycling processes such as rain-water harvesting initiatives and reuse of Air Conditioner Waste water for cleaning and gardening purpose.
- 6) Waste reduction, Reuse and Disposal:** The College will implement waste reduction to minimize landfill waste (Bio-waste) and effective use of e-governance (minimal use of papers) and encourage segregation of materials to be disposed. Chemical wastes are also kept separated for proper disposal.

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- 7) **Disabled-friendly and Barrier Free campus:** Ramps will be constructed to facilitate barrier free environment at the entrance of the college building. Disabled friendly Toilets will be constructed in the campus to create disabled friendly, barrier free environment. Facilities like Wheel-chair services for disabled students will be arranged.
- 8) **Sanitary Vending machine:** The College should have facilities of Sanitary Napkins Vending Machines with incinerator for girls at the campus. The vending machines should be installed to ensure an effective, safe and convenient mode for any time access to the sanitary napkins. The purpose is to promote safe and hygienic sanitary practices among the girls.
- 9) **Education and Awareness Programs:** The college authority will educate and spread awareness among its students, faculty and staff members about environmental responsibilities, sustainability and responsible energy consumption. Environment sustainability, energy conservation and its efficiency related courses, workshops, seminars/webinars and events will be offered to the campus community.

Compliance:

The College will comply with all relevant environmental laws, regulations and safety standards. We will also work together to obtain environmental certifications and recognition from society and other responsible authorities.

Roles and Responsibilities:

- **College Administration:** The college administration will provide all the necessary resources and support for the implementation of the policy.
- **Environmental and Energy Committee:** A dedicated committee will be formed comprising of the internal and external members of the college to oversee the college's environmental and energy initiatives by setting goals and monitoring the progress
- **Maintenance, Beautification and Gardening Committee:** A committee is formed to create and maintain college environmental and energy infrastructures on a daily basis.
- **NSS Unit 1:** NSS Unit 1 of the college will perform a pivotal role in campus and out campus community sensitization activities by Students through campaigning for clean, green and safe environment.
- **Faculty and Staff Members:** Faculties and Staff members are expected to support and participate in sustainability efforts and energy-saving measures.
- **Students:** Students are the pillars of all such initiatives and will be encouraged to actively involved in sustainability activities and provide input on environmental activities.

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Report and Monitoring:

Progress towards the goals mentioned in this policy will be monitored annually by the college authority, IQAC and Environmental and Energy Audit Committee and a report will be published to communicate the achievements and areas of improvements. Registers for these purposes are also maintained by Maintenance, Beautification and Gardening Committee for day-to-day report.

Review and Revision:

Environmental and Energy Audit Committee will prepare an annual report on the progress and outcomes of the environmental and energy initiatives taken by the Government Girls' General Degree College authority. The report will be prepared by a team of Internal and External members of the College. The report will be made available to all stakeholders and audited by External team for continuous improvement and further sustainability efforts.

Conclusion:

Government Girls' General Degree College, a newly formed college is committed to being a responsible curator of the environment and promoting sustainability in all aspects of its operations. Moreover, our college will be maintained a disabled-friendly and barrier-free environment for our stakeholders. Through the collective efforts of all our stakeholders, we aim to reduce our environmental impact and contribute positively to a cleaner and greener future for all.

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