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## Policy Document on Environment and Energy Usage

Environmental sustainability is a critical issue that requires the commitment of all stakeholders, including University and individuals. This policy on environment and energy is designed to guide all components of our University towards the goal of conserving natural resources and limiting their usage. The policy is applicable to all stakeholders involved in the various activities undertaken by the University, and it emphasizes the importance of embedding efficiency and environmental awareness into our everyday operations.

The Green Campus Committee is a dedicated team responsible for promoting environmental awareness and undertaking green initiatives aimed at conserving energy and protecting the environment. The committee is also tasked with conducting green literacy programs to raise awareness of environmental issues and promote sustainable practices.

This policy is binding and underscores our University's commitment to environmental sustainability. We recognize our responsibilities in conserving natural resources and limiting their usage, and we are dedicated to fulfilling these responsibilities through the adoption of sustainable practices in our operations. By working together towards a sustainable future, we can create a healthier planet for ourselves and future generations.

Our policies on environment and energy are as follows:

- To evaluate our energy usage and measure its impact on the environment.
- To install photovoltaic solar panels for generating alternate energy.
- To install LED bulbs campus-wide to conserve energy.
- To establish a systematic waste management mechanism.
- To implement a rainwater harvesting unit.
- To initiate a tree plantation drive.
- To continuously improve our energy consumption through additional measures.
- To ensure the availability of necessary resources to achieve our objectives.
- To encourage the use of advanced technology to minimize energy consumption, atmospheric emissions, and noise, particularly from our vehicle fleets.
- To engage in dialogue with government agencies, the municipal corporation, the affiliating university, and local organizations on matters of environment, energy efficiency, and sustainable development.
- To monitor and respond to emerging environmental and energy issues.
- To enhance our employees' and students' environmental knowledge and skills to improve our own environmental performance.

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- To provide information and training opportunities on energy-saving measures.
- To offer opportunities for employees and students to participate in initiatives that contributes to environmental protection.
- To train our employees and students to make them 'Go Green Specialists' and partners to plant trees each year.

We are committed to reducing our environmental impact and promoting sustainable practices. These policies are binding and serve as a tangible manifestation of our dedication to these goals. The policies outline a clear and concise framework for all stakeholders involved in the various activities undertaken by the University to embrace environmentally responsible practices.

The Green Campus Committee, under the guidance of its chairman, plays a pivotal role in ensuring that the policies are upheld and implemented. The Convener and its members are responsible for reviewing the Environment and Energy Policy, its objectives, and targets on a regular basis. Through this review, we aim to ensure that our policies remain relevant and effective, and that we are consistently working towards our sustainability goals.

Our commitment to reducing our environmental impact and promoting sustainable practices is an on-going process. We recognize that we must continuously monitor and evaluate our operations to identify areas for improvement and implement changes that align with our sustainability objectives. By working together and remaining dedicated to our goals, we can create a more sustainable future for ourselves and future generations.

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