



GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE FOR MEN

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Green Campus Policy:

Climate change and Environmental pollution are serious threats that the world is facing. The college's Green Campus Policy is to create a clean and green campus where environmental awareness and education are combined to advance eco-friendly and sustainable behavior both on and off campus by fostering environmental ethics among the faculty and students. It also gives the students a chance to develop exciting new co-curricular and extracurricular practices that encourage students to take the lead in creating positive change.

Objectives:

- Encouraging them to utilize environment-friendly products and services while reducing the reliance on harmful ones.
- Future generations awareness, encourage the adoption of environmentally sound practices, and lessen any unfavorable effects on the environment.
- Encourage the usage of bicycles and public transportation systems in reducing the carbon footprints.

Water Conservation :

Rainwater harvesting:

Water is essential for life and plays a major role in creating the earth's climate. Rain Water Harvesting & Conservation is the activity of direct collection of Rain Water. The conservation of Rain Water so collected can be stored for direct use or can be recharged into the Ground Water. The rainwater harvesting & conservation aims at optimum utilization of the natural resource that is, Rain Water, which is a primary source of water.

In our college campus, a rainwater harvesting system is arranged.

Minimizing consumption of water:

- The institute is installed with appliances which reduce water consumption.
- Usage of the water that comes out of the RO water purification systems for gardening and groundwater recharge.

Reduce the Use of Plastic:

Plastic pollution is a real issue. Plastics are made from oil and gas and their production harms our environment from added greenhouse gases. Nature can't digest plastic. Plastics break up into smaller pieces called micro-plastics. It never breaks down. Plastics affect millions of sea and land creatures who are injured or killed eating them. The institution through its NCC & NSS,

with an objective to empower the students to save the planet, conducts sensitization programs on the harmful impact of single-use plastics and mandates all the students are encouraged to refrain from bringing non-bio-degradable plastic items to the institution, such as plastic bags less than fifty microns in thickness, cups, plates, small drinking water bottles, straws, and sachets to systematically reduce the use of plastics on the campus.

Restricted entry of Automobiles/ No Vehicle Day:

To raise environmental sensitivity and awareness among its stakeholders about vehicular pollution, the institution encourages the employees and students to frequently use public transportation and bicycles to limit the emissions. The college has a dedicated parking shed on the campus for motorbikes and cycles. The college promotes the use of buses operated by the Andhra Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation (APSRTC) as the primary mode of public transportation, discouraging the usage of motorcycles. Every 4th Saturday is observed as the No Vehicle Day.

Use of Bicycle:

Our college being in a municipal town, a large number of students use public road transport (buses) or the railway to reach the college. Those who are living within a short distance from college are encouraged to use bicycles for their commute.

Tobacco - Free Policy:

The harmful effects of tobacco use are well established and accepted globally. The use of tobacco is a prominent risk factor for six to eight leading causes of death. The institute resolved to ban the usage of tobacco products, including cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, and electronic cigarettes, within the premises.

Plantation & Greenery:

Government Degree College for Men, Srikakulam organizes tree plantation programs at the College Campus. Students and staff enthusiastically initiate and participate in the tree plantation drives on the campus and also outside the campus. The college greenery is well maintained through skilled persons.

Plantation drive:

Every year we take part in the Van Mahotsav on several other occasions saplings of different varieties are planted. Students together with NSS volunteers & NCC Cadets actively participate in plantation programs.

Pedestrian Friendly Pathways:

Vehicle parking shed is provided at the main entrance of the college campus. There are pathways for pedestrians with restrictions on vehicular entry for safe movement. The pedestrian pathways shall be maintained with green coverage.

Environmental Management System:

By conforming to ISO 14001:2015, Government Degree College for Men, Srikakulam demonstrates its commitment to environmental sustainability, ensuring that its operations have minimal negative impact on the environment while maximizing positive contributions to sustainability goals. This achievement also signifies the college's proactive approach to environmental stewardship and its readiness to meet global standards of environmental management.

Energy Management System:


By conforming to ISO 50001:2018, the Energy Management System of the college demonstrates its commitment to effective energy management, contributing to cost savings, environmental sustainability, and enhanced reputation through systematic energy performance improvements.

e-Waste Management:

e-waste or electronic waste is generated whenever an electronic or electrical component or device whose working life has expired or is damaged or no longer used by people due to technological advancements. E-waste is a serious issue for our environment because it releases harmful toxic chemicals from the metals due to chemical reactions and these toxic chemicals harm our environment. The institute in association with certified vendors disposes of e-waste generated in the campus ensuring the disposal is carried out as per the prevailing norms without harming the environment. The institute also conducts awareness programs on e-waste among the students and public for effective disposal of e-waste.

Standard Green Practices:

The College celebrates World Environment Day, World Water Day, Pollution Control Day, and Ozone Day on the campus and green practices through Ecoclub activities. The main objective of these programs is to provide adequate awareness to the students about the importance of the environment, its conservation, and the sustainable use of environmental resources. The programs are conducted through seminars, essay writing, debates, etc.



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