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DHANALAKSHMI SRINIVASAN

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

Environment Policy

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Objectives:

Sustainable Environment is essential for maintaining all forms of life in the planet. The policy aims to sensitize and guide the students, teachers and other employees in maintaining a friendly environment.

Scope:

Environmental issues are common in everyone's life. Dhanalakshmi Srinivasan College of Engineering and Technology is concerned with the need of protecting surrounding environment for the sustainability of our planet. It is committed to protect the environment. The environment sustainability concerns from over exploitation of natural resources to pollution of air, water and soil. The climate change is increasingly perceived as an impact of environment's over use. While environmental sustainability is not an individual issue, every one must contribute towards protecting the environment.

The college advocates the following in maintaining sustainable environment around the college:

- Sensitizing everyone on environment and its sustainability.
- Improving green coverage in the campus.
- Promoting use of energy efficient tools.
- Promoting environmental activities in neighbouring communities.
- Promoting projects / research relevant to environmental sustainability.

As a part of educational institute's social responsibilities, the college administration and teachers along with students should reach out the communities.

They should involve in protecting the environment including maintaining cleanliness in the environment.

The college encourages eco friendly practices in all its activities.

Guidelines and salient features:

- The policy covers broadly the following areas: green campus; waste disposal; and plastic free campus.
 - **Green Campus:**

- Plant and grow trees as number as possible;
 - Use rain water whenever feasible.
 - Water conservation is encouraged.
 - Restricted use of automobiles: The electric vehicles are only permitted inside the campus.
 - Solar system is being introduced to completely replace the conventional energy system.
- **Waste Disposal:**
 - Reuse, Reduce and Recycle philosophy is the mantra for waste management.
 - SOP is available for collection of wastes to their disposal.
 - Compliance with local rules to be followed.
 - Sensitising all members of the college on need of appropriate disposal of wastes.
 - The administration should create the facilities for appropriate disposal.
- **Plastic Free Environment:**
 - The campus is plastic free. The plastic use inside the campus is prohibited.
 - The various boards are displayed throughout the campus to sensitise the students and employees.
 - The use of plastics in the canteen and store is to be prohibited.
- **Administrative Measures:**
 - Committee is constituted by the college who would be responsible to take initiative to look after / manage the campus environment including waste disposal.
 - Conducting Environmental and Green Audit Periodically to identify the areas of improvement.

- Observing Earth Day and other days related to environment to sensitise not only members associated with the college but also the members of local community.
- Ensuring compliance with local rules and regulations.