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**7.1.2: The institution has facilities and initiatives for**

**The Policy Documents of the Institution**



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### ENERGY CONSERVATION POLICY

Environmental friendliness and energy harvesting are of major interest today, which are key factors for any organization to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). By keeping these points in specifying the energy policy of St. Ann's College for Women's, Gorantla, Guntur, it is expected to support renewable energy sources as per National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) guidelines.

Another important factor is the rapidly and dynamically increasing energy demand. As conventional sources cannot easily meet this requirement, our institution has established alternative energy sources in the form of solar Power generation. The energy policy also undertakes efficient energy management and energy conservation.

The Institute's energy policy is to monitor, conserve and manage the energy needs of the campus with the increase in energy demands. It is the responsibility of the institution to educate students and staff about energy saving measures.

Efficient use of electrical energy with maximum utilization of renewable PV power generating system and optimal utilization of lighting load with optimal energy conservation measures in the campus and maintaining green energy campus using energy management system.

#### OBJECTIVES OF THE POLICY: -

- Improvement in energy efficiency to reduce energy consumption and cost.
- Minimizing energy consumption by using energy efficient equipment and maximizing use of daylight and natural ventilation.
- Creating a culture of energy conservation actions among students and staff.
- Designing suitable control mechanism for efficient energy saving organization.
- To ensure participation of all stakeholders of the organization in energy conservation measures.
- To provide necessary budgetary allocations to achieve the institutional objectives.

#### POLICY ACCESSIBILITY AND PROVISIONS:

- Conducting external energy audit once a year and internal energy audit once in six months.
- Managing the energy requirements of the campus with a backup power supply system to supply uninterrupted power.
- Establishing energy efficient use measures in supply and demand systems as part of energy management of the campus.
- Replacement of the existing conventional lighting with the LED lamps in phased manner.
- Phased expansion of solar PV system.
- To create awareness among students and staff by conducting various programs in energy conservation and management.
- The institute shall continuously review and update the approved policy and shall adhere to its implementation.



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### WASTE MANAGEMENT POLICY

St. Ann's College for Women, Gorantla, GUNTUR, is committed to transform lives and serve society with excellence in teaching and learning cultural enrichment and outreach services. The institute came into existence in 1997 with the objective of promoting higher education and research in rural areas in the fields of arts, commerce and science.

The College has a sustainable and holistic waste management system to help minimize environmental damage and provide a safe and healthy working environment for teaching and non-teaching employees, students and visitors. It is the responsibility of the college to dispose of all campus waste by using proper segregation procedures at source and converting it into a value-added environmentally friendly product. Also, non-degradable solid waste is handed over to the municipality.

Facilitating the implementation of the action plan brought in the "National Environment Policy 2006", includes aspects of. Hazardous waste management, their minimization environmental management and active promotion of clean up techniques. The College adopts the principles of 'best practicable environmental choice' in providing its waste management services. The college focuses on waste minimization reuse and waste elimination.

The College recognizes the importance of meeting waste requirements responsibly, reducing waste generation and increasing reuse and recycling where possible. College teaching and non-teaching staff, students, guests and other users of the premises shall comply with all laws in accordance with this policy and the accompanying "College Environmental Guidance".

#### OBJECTIVES OF THE POLICY:

- To ensure that waste management is carried out in accordance with relevant laws
- Minimizing waste generation at source and reusing.
- Identifying and coordinating each activity related to waste management.
- Environmental awareness, waste minimization and promotion of reuse.
- Safe handling and storage of waste on college campus.
- Providing adequate training to staff, students and other stakeholders on waste management issues.
- To promote a comprehensive approach to waste management in the campus.

#### INITIATIVES:

- Provision of advice and guidance to the committee on waste management
- Overseeing the day to day delivery of general waste disposal
- Liaising with the "Eco-club" to establish standard procedures for managing waste on the college campus
- Dispose of waste through an appropriate waste disposal system, in accordance with college policies.
- Follows prevention of waste at source and minimization of waste
- Conducting awareness programmes among staff and students regularly
- The college explores options/opportunities for reuse of waste in an environmentally sustainable manner.
- Degradable waste is transporting to vermicompost unit
- Non-Degradable Waste is transported daily by the municipality of Repalle



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### WATER CONSERVATION POLICY

**Introduction:** Water conservation is an essential practice that contributes to sustainable development and environmental responsibility. As a responsible institution, St. Ann's College for Women recognizes the importance of conserving water resources to minimize our environmental impact. The Water Conservation Policy aims to establish guidelines, practices, and measures to promote efficient water usage throughout the college campus.

#### Objectives:

The primary objective of the Water Conservation Policy is to reduce water consumption, promote water efficiency, and raise awareness among students and faculty about the importance of water conservation. By implementing this policy, we strive to minimize water waste, conserve natural resources, and foster a culture of sustainability within the college community.

#### Policy Guidelines:

##### Efficient Infrastructure:

- Measures are taken to regularly inspect and maintain plumbing systems to identify and repair leaks promptly.

##### Education and Outreach:

- Educational campaigns are organized to raise awareness about water conservation practices among students and faculty.
- Providing informational materials and resources on campus platforms, including the college website.

##### Operational Practices:

- The institution has three rainwater harvesting pits to tap the rainwater during the monsoon season. All the rainwater harvesting pits are built scientifically to store the maximum amount of water in the soil. It will raise our water table and keep our soil healthy.
- Promoting the use of reusable water bottles and reducing the reliance on single-use plastic water bottles.
- A bore well is maintained on campus to meet water requirements.

##### Monitoring and Evaluation:

Regular assessment of water usage data and identify opportunities for improvement. Conducting audits and inspections to ensure compliance with the water conservation policy and identify areas for further improvement.

##### Conclusion:

By adopting and implementing the Water Conservation Policy, St. Ann's College for Women demonstrates its commitment to sustainable practices and environmental stewardship. By encouraging responsible water usage and fostering a culture of conservation, we contribute to a more sustainable future for our college and the broader community. Together, we can make a significant impact on preserving this valuable resource for generations to come.



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### **GREEN CAMPUS POLICY**

St. Ann's College for Women shall demonstrate higher sensitivity and responsibility in implementing green concepts in the campus. The campus sustainability initiatives is established with the aim of promoting green practices in and beyond the institution and develop best practices strategies in environmental management. Although establishment and maintenance of green campus is important, spreading awareness on the green practices among students and educating stake holders is our priority.

#### **Water Management**

- Always practice and implement rain water recycling and harvest rain water to resolve and manage water scarcity problems in future
- Protect environment towards climatic changes and conservation of sources for drinking water.
- Regularly inspect taps for draining and repair immediately to avoid loss of potable water.

#### **Waste Management**

- Spread the awareness amongst society about the waste management for ecosystem and methods for its disposal.
- Promote the efforts for the conversion of waste into renewable energy Renewable Energy
- Improve awareness about renewable energy.
- Promote adaptation of solar power equipment.
- Adopt and promote power saving electrical equipment such as LED Blubs and Tubes

#### **Green Building**

- Cleanliness in and around the campus and waste minimization.
- Medicinal plants and more fruit plants and trees have been planted to clean the atmosphere.

## **Paperless Office**

- Advocate the benefits of paperless work in reducing the waste production and green practices.
- Digital Library.

## **Electricity Management**

- Turn off your monitor when you leave your table.
- Activate power management features on your laser printer.
- Whenever possible, shut down rather than logging off.
- Turn off unnecessary lights and use daylight instead.
- Keep lights off in conference rooms, classrooms, lecture halls when they are not in use.
- Use the fans only when they are needed.

## **Green initiatives beyond the campus**

The Green Campus Programs beyond the campus shall be encouraged and planned. Strong commitment and support from the Management will always be there to the students for contribution to embedding sustainability in the campus and beyond the campus. Green Neighborhood promotional programs will inculcate social skills in students and bring awareness in communities to control pollution, save energy, practice on-site renewable energy methods and preserve agricultural and environmentally sensitive areas. The student-led Green Campus programs to be initiated by students of the institution under the guidance of the Principal and staff of NSS and Eco-club.



  
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### DISABLED-FRIENDLY AND BARRIER FREE ENVIRONMENT POLICY

According to the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act (RPWD Act) 2015, "Government shall ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy the right to equality, dignified life and respect for their own integrity on par with others." This Act prohibits discrimination against persons with physical and mental disabilities.

St. Ann's College for Women's Gorantla, Guntur is against all forms of discrimination on any grounds. Our college aims to provide an inclusive teaching and learning environment that does not discriminate against students and employees with disabilities.

Our institute aims to make programs and activities accessible to all stakeholders. All the departments of the college strive to provide a helping hand to the diverse students by ensuring the benefits of the programs and activities. The institute provides various facilities to create a disabled friendly and barrier free environmental campus.

#### **OBJECTIVES OF THE POLICY: -**

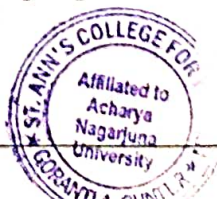
- To create a culture of inclusion in the College to prevent discrimination and exploitation of students and staff with disabilities from all areas of work and education.
- To ensure implementation of all laws relating to persons with disabilities
- Designing appropriate regulatory mechanism for effective delivery of services to disabled students and college staff.
- To provide accessible education to students with disabilities in the college.
- To ensure full participation of persons with disabilities and provide them with Equal opportunities for development.
- Providing all types of assistance in academic and exam related issues.
- Providing guidance and counseling to differently gifted and differently challenged students.
- Providing necessary budgetary allocations to achieve the above objectives.

#### **POLICY ACCESSIBILITY:**

- Providing online and offline accessible study material to all students with disabilities.
- Conduct awareness programs for teaching staff and non-teaching staff regarding accessibility issues.
- As per AP Government, 3% of total seats are reserved for Visually Challenged, Hearing Impaired, Orthopedically Challenged, emotionally and physically challenged in 1st year degree courses.
- The institute ensures representation of all types of disabilities listed in the Rights of Persons with Disabilities-2016 as per government regulations from time to time.

#### **FACILITIES AVAILABLE FOR STAFF AND STUDENTS:**

- Hard and non-slip surface ramps and railings
- Disabled friendly toilets.
- Wheelchair facility.
- IWDA screen reader computer software.
- Scribe facility.
- Soft and hard copies of subject wise material.
- Facilities are provided from time to time as per government rules and regulations.



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