

7.1.3 Policy Document On Environment and Energy Usage

The Environment and Energy Usage Policy of NBN Sinhgad Institutes campus, Pune is to manage energy in such a systematic way so as to minimize its impact on the environment. The policy aims to explore renewable energy resources to reduce the burden of the government and to find out substitute natural resources as solutions to the energy crisis. This environment and energy policy is binding for all the components of the institution and applies to all its stakeholders and to the various activities undertaken by the institution. It will help us to embed efficiency and environmental awareness into our everyday activities, thus helping us to realize our responsibilities and commitment to conservation of natural resources and to limit its usage. The Enviro Club, an official platform devoted to the cause of environmental awareness, to undertake green initiatives, and to conduct green literacy programs to save energy and to protect the environment.

Policies:

- 1. To assess our energy usage and measure its impact on the environment.
- 2. To count CO2 emissions generated by our means of transportations- vehicles.
- 3. To reduce local air pollution emissions using environment-friendly vehicles, including bicycles, public transportation and use of pedestrian-friendly roads.
- 4. To install photovoltaic solar panels for the generation of alternative energy.
- 5. To install LED bulbs in the complete campus to save energy.
- 6. To develop systematic waste management mechanisms.
- 7. To develop a rain water harvesting unit.
- 8. To undertake a tree plantation drive.
- 9. To take additional measures to continuously improve our energy consumption.
- 10. To ensure the availability of necessary resources to achieve our objectives.
- 11. To encourage use of advanced technology to minimize energy consumption, atmospheric emissions and noise, particularly from our vehicle fleets.
- 12. To engage in dialogue with the government agencies, municipal corporations and the affiliating university and actively work with the local organizations in the areas of environment, energy efficiency and sustainable development.



- 13. To monitor and respond to emerging environmental and energy issues. To strengthen our employees' and students' environmental knowledge and skills in order to improve our own environmental performance.
- 14. To provide information and training opportunities on energy saving measures.
- 15. To offer opportunities for employees and students to engage in initiatives those contribute to environmental protection.

This policy will be communicated to the students and employees via internal communication channels, and will be made available to all the stakeholders on the institutional website. The Environment and Energy Policy, objectives and targets will be reviewed on a regular basis by the Enviro Club Convener and its members under the guidance of the Principal of the college.



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