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POLICY ON ENVIRONMENT AND GREEN INITIATIVES

Creating a Green Campus: Beyond Just Grass

The green campus concept offers an institution an opportunity to take the lead in redefining its environmental culture and protect the ecosystem. The Green campus and Environmental Policy will develop exciting new co-curricular and extracurricular practices that encourage students and faculties to take the lead in creating positive change. NIPS School of Hotel Management is conscious about environment conservation with its green campus initiatives and maintain pollution free and clean campus.

Objective of the Policy:

- ◆ *To protect and conserve ecological systems and resources within the campus.*
- ◆ *To ensure efficient use of environmental sources to meet the needs and aspirations of the present and future generations.*
- ◆ *To integrate environmental concerns into policies, plans and programs for social development.*
- ◆ *To make the campus plastic free.*
- ◆ *To create environmental awareness amongst all stakeholders of the institute including students, parents, visitors, vendors etc.*

Main focus area for green campus policy are:

1. Green Lawn with trees and plants

*NIPS College campus is a bustling hub of activity, filled with students, faculty, and events. But amidst the academic buildings and crowded walkways, a well-maintained green lawn can act as an oasis, offering a vital space for relaxation, recreation, and even academic inspiration. The **lush green NIPS lawn** adds visual appeal to our campus, its benefits extend far beyond aesthetics.*

The sprawling lawn area of 4800 square feet is a testament to the campus's dedication to providing ample green space for students, faculty, and visitors alike. This verdant expanse invites relaxation, recreation, and contemplation. Whether its students studying under the shade of trees, groups engaging in lively discussions, enjoying a picnic, cake mixing day or any other events, the lawn fosters a sense of community and well-being.

- ◆ *Mental Wellness: Studies have shown the positive impact of nature on mental health. NIPS Green Lawn space provides a calming environment, reducing stress and promoting a sense of well-being. Students can unwind, socialize, or simply enjoy a moment of peace amidst their busy schedules.*
- ◆ *Physical Activity: Our lawn offers ample space for recreational activities like cricket, football, kite flying, or simply walking and jogging. This encourages physical activity, contributing to a healthier student body.*
- ◆ *Environmental Sustainability: The Lawn act as carbon sinks, absorbing carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and releasing oxygen. They also contribute to the campus's biodiversity by providing habitats for birds, insects and small animals.*
- ◆ *Community Building: The Green lawn creates a natural gathering space for students, faculty, and staff. They encourage interaction, fostering a sense of community and belonging.*
- ◆ *Aesthetic Appeal: Our well-maintained lawn enhances the overall beauty of the campus, creating a more inviting and pleasant environment for everyone.*





2. *Plants in pots*

Complementing the vast lawn are approximately 200 plants lovingly cultivated in earthen pots. These plants serve as vibrant accents throughout the campus, adding pops of colour, texture, and fragrance. From towering palms to cascading ferns, each plant is carefully selected and placed to enhance the aesthetic appeal of the surroundings. The presence of plants on campus extends beyond mere decoration. They play a vital role in maintaining a healthy environment. Plants absorb carbon dioxide, release oxygen, and regulate temperature. By fostering a green campus, the institution demonstrates its commitment to sustainability and environmental protection.

The interplay between the expansive lawn and the vibrant plants creates a harmonious symphony of nature. The soft rustling of leaves in the breeze mingles with the cheerful chirping of birds, creating a soothing and rejuvenating atmosphere. This natural tapestry enhances the overall learning and living experience for the campus community.

The lawn area and plant life of a campus are more than just aesthetic elements. They represent the institution's commitment to creating a welcoming, sustainable, and inspiring environment. By nurturing these green spaces, the campus becomes a sanctuary where students, faculty, and visitors can connect with nature, find respite, and thrive in an atmosphere of beauty and tranquillity.



3. Clean Campus initiatives

In accordance to Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, the institute is committed to actively coordinate cleanliness activities in the campus and beyond the campus. A gardener and full time adequate supporting staff are appointed for the maintenance of litter free clean and Green campus. These initiatives include:

- ◆ *Generating mass awareness on cleanliness and hygiene amongst students and staff members by holding regular cleanliness drives.*
- ◆ *Lecturers and staff members are encouraged to participate in the cleanliness drive.*
- ◆ *Commit to manage waste and maintain clean campus especially during college events.*
- ◆ *Conduct various Environment awareness days and tree plantation program.*



4. Clean Air Initiatives

The institute encourages student and staff to use public transportation and it also encourages for carpooling, walking, cycling activities which will control air pollution and strengthen social interaction. Smoking and burning of garbage is strictly prohibited in campus. The abundant natural plantation and greenery cleans the air in the campus.

5. Installation of Energy efficient equipment

The institute commits to install environment-friendly electrical appliances that save energy and reduce wastage of energy. Most of the tube lights and lamps are LEDs in classrooms and passages to minimize the energy consumption.



6. Controlling Food Waste

The Institute follows a comprehensive approach to tackle the issue of food waste, turning the campus into a model of sustainability and resourcefulness. Through interactive workshops, campus-wide campaigns, students are educated about the environmental and economic impact of food waste, encouraging them to make conscious choices. This approach has fostered a sense of community responsibility among students, encouraging them to become active participants in sustainability efforts .

