

Green Campus Policy 2017

Recognizing the need for sustainability in everyday life, DME has adopted a green campus policy which envisions the development of DME as an eco-friendly campus.

Objectives:

- 1. To ensure judicious use of resources on the campus and minimize their consumption
- 2. To sensitize students and employees of DME on environmental concerns and prevailing sustainability issues
- 3. To develop/adopt sustainable and eco-friendly practices on campus so as to develop self-reliance in resource management and encourage the 3Rs-Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.
- 4. To engage with institutional stakeholders and community members for environmental conservation efforts
- 5. To minimize wastage and adopt effective waste management practices

Scope: This policy is applicable to key areas of day-to-day functioning at DME-

- 1. Energy use
- 2. Water management
- 3. Waste management
- 4. Landscaping and gardening

1. Energy use

As part of its focus on energy management, DME will strive towards ensuring:

- 1.1 Inspection of the campus facilities every semester to identify, maintain and repair faulty or broken equipment on campus, such as ICT equipment, electrical devices, electrical panels, etc.
- 1.2 Appropriate investment on developing renewable sources of energy on campus such as solar cells/panels.
- 1.3 Adoption of energy efficient equipment/appliances and fixtures such as LED lights on campus.

2. Water Management

As part of its focus on water management, DME will strive towards ensuring:

2.1 Inspection of the campus facilities every semester to identify and repair any faulty installations such as pipes, taps, flushes, etc. which may lead to leaks and wastage of water.

2.2 Adoption of rain water harvesting techniques and proper utilization of the same.

2.3 The exploration of water recycling mechanisms through collaborations with appropriate organizations.

3. Waste Management

As part of its focus on waste management, DME will strive towards ensuring:

- 3.1 Adoption of waste segregation methods such as appropriately placed dustbins for dry and wet waste
- 3.2 Appropriate e-waste management practices for collection, disposal or recycling of such waste
- 3.3 Minimal use of paper on campus in all aspects of administrative and academic functioning by utilizing ERP and emails to the extent possible
- 3.4 Minimal use of plastic on campus to reduce non-recyclable waste
- 3.5 Adoption of appropriate practices to reduce/recycle/treat municipal waste within the campus premises such as collaborations with companies/NGOs for recycling
- 3.5 Minimize hazardous waste and appropriate management of such waste

4. Landscaping and gardening

As part of its focus on building a green campus, DME will strive towards ensuring:

- 4.1 Expansion of green cover in the campus through investments in gardening and landscaping activities.
- 4.2 Active engagement with the community for increasing green cover in the surrounding areas.

The above-mentioned policy directions shall be incorporated in institutional functioning and shall reflect in various activities/initiatives focused on environment and sustainability. The same shall be observed as critical themes during academic events such as conferences, seminars, etc., and also in extra-curricular events, extension and outreach activities of the institute.