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POLICY DOCUMENTS ON THE GREEN CAMPUS/PLASTIC FREE CAMPUS



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Policy document on the green campus/plastic free campus

Gorubathan Government College has taken steps to lessen its carbon footprint and conduct its operations in a way that is as environmentally friendly and sustainable as possible in order to fulfill its commitment to promoting environmental awareness among its students, staff, and the general public. With this aim the IQAC, Green Audit team, Eco-club and Campus beautification committee of Gorubathan Government College have adopted the following policy for maintaining Clean and Green Campus and promoting eco-consciousness:

Policy Statement:

- 1. Ensuring energy efficiency within the campus
 - a) Energy conservation through LED lights: As Energy conservation measures installation of LED lights in all the classroom and offices of the college will be done and all the CFL and tube lights will be replaced over time.
 - b) Awareness Messages on Energy Saving Practices are displayed on the walls of building to make students aware of energy conservation measures.
- 2. Pollution control measures to be undertaken
 - a) Automobile restriction within campus: Entry of automobiles into the campus will be restricted. All the students and teaching and nonteaching staff will be encouraged to travel by public transports or to use bicycle where feasible. The college authority has provided a stand for keeping the bicycles. No Vehicle Day is to be observed every Wednesday of a week.
 - b) Ban of plastic usage within campus: The campus has already been declared as a plasticfree zone and this will be strictly adhered to this green campus initiative. The NSS unit may be encouraged to generate awareness among the students about waste management, recycling of waste plastic, campus sanitization etc.

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- 3. College will celebrate important days relating to environment and Awareness Programmes will be conducted for conservation of Natural Resources:
 - a) Celebration of the important days like Earth Day, International Biodiversity Day, World Environment Day will be done through conducting seminars, publication of wall magazine and poster competitions to promote awareness regarding conservation of nature and natural resources,
 - b) Plantation at the college campus to be encouraged.
 - c) With the assistance of the NSS unit, campaigns will be conducted on campus on a regular basis to raise awareness of vector-borne illnesses, health, and hygiene.
- 4. Academic courses to be offered on environmental issues:
 - a) Departments to be requested to organise Value added courses on waste management, water conservation, bio conservation etc.
 - b) Environmental science is compulsorily taught as a part of the University Curricula. Teachers will be asked to take extra effort in helping students develop an awareness of the environment.

5. Medicinal Plant Garden:

- a) The Department of Botany already maintains a small unit of Medicinal Plant Garden within the college campus as a green campus initiative. Various ornamental plants and a vegetable garden already exist within the college campus and these will be properly maintained and further enriched with new plants.
- b) The College has already installed a Compost Unit which will be maintained by Zoology Department and Eco-Club students. The students would help to produce compost that keeps the vegetable garden and medicinal plant garden green and healthy.

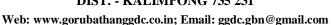
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- 6. Outreach Programmes to be conducted:
 - a) Awareness rallies which are held regularly as part of this program will be continued and increased in frequency as much as possible
 - b) Sanitization and health hygiene awareness programmes are regularly being held and will be further encouraged within and beyond the campus, especially at tea garden areas.
 - c) Students will be encouraged to visit agricultural fields to research plant diseases and meet with farmers. This will enhance their understanding of plant pathogen interaction, provide them with knowledge about control techniques, and make them aware of the social and economic implications of these actions.
- 7. Conducting Green Audit is mandatory to monitor the proper execution of the plans and assess the efficacy of the programmes and will be done regularly.

Roles and Responsibilities:

- The college administration will offer all the assistance required to carry out the aforementioned plans.
- The responsibility for planning and carrying out the environmental measures will be looked after by the Green Audit and the Eco-club Committee.
- In order to accomplish the above points, the NSS unit of the college will cooperate to carry out
 the plans.
- Students and staff will also need to actively participate in order to sustain these practices, and
 they will also be responsible for carrying out the actions after they have been approved.

Conclusion: Gorubathan Government College thus intends to gradually make its transition to more environmentally friendly operations. By doing so, it hopes to raise awareness of environmental issues among students and staff as well as serve as an example for other public offices and institutions in the neighbourhood.

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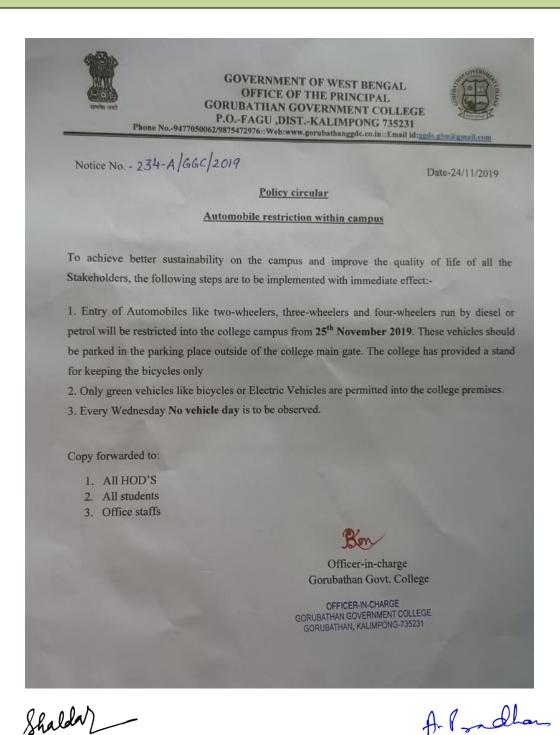
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POLICY: AUTOMOBILE RESTRICTION WITHIN THE CAMPUS



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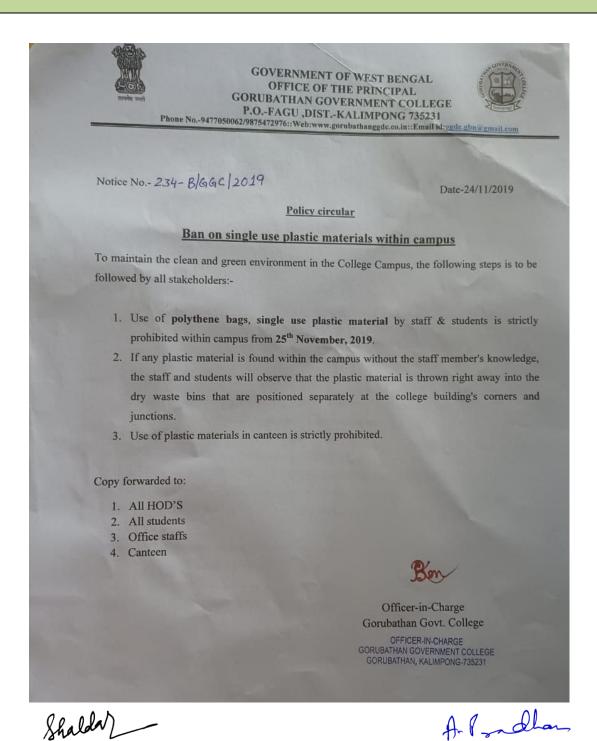
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POLICY: BAN ON SINGLE USE PLASTIC MATERIALS WITHIN CAMPUS



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