

Policy Document

GREEN CAMPUS INITIATIVES

Vijaya Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences for Women is committed to create environment consciousness among its members and in the society. Environment friendly practices are encouraged for sustainable development and the institution set in harmony with nature promotes a stress-free learning environment on the campus. The green practices adopted by the institution are discussed hereunder.

Rain water recycling and harvest rain water to resolve and manage water scarcity problems that may arise in the future. Our maintenance staff regularly inspects tap leakages and attends to repair needs immediately to avoid loss of potable water. The use of water is minimized in hostels by facilitating the use of washing machines.

Water Resources and Rain Water Harvesting

As the college is located in a hot climatic zone, the college realizes the importance of conservation and the best utilization of water resources. The college maintains and generates water resources. The college has a bore well to meet the general needs of the institution. The institution encourages recycling of RO water and rain water harvesting.

The water from the roof tops along with the rain water is collected through a well-connected pipe work delivery system. This arrangement is helpful in collecting water, which is then collected into pits, specially constructed for this purpose. The rain water stored in the pits, is used for the maintenance of the green cover on the campus. In the hot summer season, when water scarcity is more, the surrounding bore wells get recharged and the ground water level increases.

Energy Consumption

LED bulbs are used in maximum to save energy. Electric and electronic equipment is turned off when not in use.

Public Transport/ Bus facility

The college provides bus facility to all its students and staff.

Restricted Entry of Automobiles

No vehicle is allowed into the campus, making the campus pollution free. The vehicles are parked outside the gate of the campus. Students nearby are encouraged to come by bicycles to college. All the college buses and vehicles are used by the college members do have PUC certification, which is renewed regularly.

Pedestrian-friendly Paths

The pathways inside the campus are well maintained and pedestrians can walk safely through the campus as entry of vehicles is restricted. Security Guards at the two gates keep a watch on the entry of vehicles and crossing into the campus. Pedestrian friendly pathways are properly marked with suitable sign boards. Many of the non-teaching staff and a few students in and around the location daily walk down to college.

Ban on use of Plastic:

The campus is plastic free zone, there is a complete restriction on single use plastics on the campus. Special bins are arranged to collect the plastic waste. Students participate in awareness activities inside and outside the campus. Hazards of use of plastic are explained to students from time to time by organizing Seminars to create **Plastic Free Zone**. Plastic waste is collected by the Clean Earth Green Earth Solutions, Vijayawada.

Land scaping with Trees and Plants:

The number of trees and plants on the campus create an eco-friendly environment and creates a positive impact on the stakeholders, who engage themselves with the institution by participating in several plantation activities. The institute has full time gardener to maintain and monitor the natural plants and medicinal garden. Most of the corridors of the college are lined

up with potted plants. College has a separate herbal garden on the campus.

Efforts for Carbon neutrality

The institution has medicinal garden consisting of around 150 plants. It was established to cultivate and maintain medicinal plants for educational and research purpose. The prime objective is to maintain a conservatory of the most common and important species of medicinal and aromatic plants which have significance in day-to-day primary health care.

There is a prohibition of burning plastic in the campus, which helps in achieving Carbon Neutrality.

Students and faculty involve in **Green Campus Initiatives** through Swachh Bharat activities by college NSS Unit.

Paperless Office

The college uses technology to maintain the campus a paperless one.

Most of the official communication like notices for various meetings of staff as well as students, holiday notices, program communication, greetings on different occasions...etc is done through the bulk sms facility, emails and other social media.

For the purpose of sending invitations, participation news, views.... etc (for conferences, interviews,

campus interviews, seminars, workshops.... etc.) emails, sms and social media are preferred.

Unless required paper, printouts are not preferred and most of the work is done through soft copies on computers.

The Principal and the staff of the college contributed greatly for planting of trees under **Vanam-Manam Programme**, and for medicinal plant nursery development.

Waste Management

Separate bins are placed for the collection of bio degradable and non-bio-degradable waste.



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Fertilizers are not encouraged to maintain the college garden, rather compost of plant waste is used as manure.

The institution has MOUs with organizations which collect paper waste and electronic waste.




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