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## **VISHWA CHETHANA DEGREE COLLEGE**

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#### **GREEN CAMPUS INITIATIVES**

### **Green Campus**

A "Green Campus", with its focus on developing our college campus on a greener avenue, is a major step in developing a greener community on the way to making our homeland greener and cleaner in the development of a greener-planet.

Green Campus Program enables college to conserve natural resources like water and biodiversity, optimize energy efficiency, manage waste and educate about climate change and sustainability while addressing well-being of the students.

This means increasing efforts to support energy efficiencies of mechanical and lighting equipment, improve air quality, increase water conservation, higher concentration of waste avoidance, increasing recycling streams, and engaging catering in environmentally friendly practices.

### Objectives of the Go Green Programme

An initial step of the Go Green Programme includes in setting up of the Green-Campus Committee within the institution. The programs organised by this committee should be functioned as per the guidelines given by the members of the committee.

- 1. Greenery to provide pollution free air and carbon sink.
- 2. A clean campus.
- 3. Minimise waste and consumption of energy.
- 4. Adoption and deployment of environment friendly activities.
- 5. Impact of use of digital technology and management to reduce consumption of natural/non-renewable resources paper, gas, water, energy etc.

### Members of the Go Green Committee:

- 1. Principal of the College-Chairperson
- 2. IQAC Coordinator-Secretary
- 3. Faculty Representative nominated by the Principal
- 4. Student Representative
- 5. Non-teaching Representative

#### Role of Go Green Campus Programme:

The Go Green Committee planned to execute the following:

This section covers the efforts that can be taken by colleges whether it is their initiative or a lobby coming from students.

### 1. Recycling Programs

Our college has some type of recycling opportunities available at this point. Recycling is one of the most effective and sustainable ways to reduce waste and help the environment. This can be achieved by placing the Recycling bins in crowded places. By this way, students can see and use

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### 2. Composting Projects

One of the huge problems of any campus is food waste. To eliminate that, a college can start a composting project on their premises. There should be a couple of bins for that. And food compost can be used in a local garden for using as manures to the plants within the campus.

### 3. Create a Garden

It's an impressive initiative to follow. Having a garden on campus is good for several reasons:

- It can be used as a learning opportunity and part of the curriculum;
- · It produces fresh vegetables and fruit;
- Working in the garden is known to reduce stress, anxiety, and depression;
- · It promotes greener living.

### 4. Sustainability Classes and Events

Advocating for more sustainable living is also important. Most of the time, people are not aware of the easy ways they can do better. There can be a sustainability class that students can take. A great idea would be to host regular events on the matter as well and be more environmentally friendly.

### 5. Unplug Devices

Even when not used, plugged-in devices use standby power. Unplug them when they are not in use. Use natural sunlight that penetrates inside the classrooms. Do not use excessive lighting as well.

### 6. Stop using disposable items

One of the biggest sources of waste are disposable items such as plastic forks, knives, spoons, cups, water bottles, and everything else which gets used once and then tossed in the trash. Usually, things made of paper are biodegradable, but most disposables composed of plastic aren't. That means they can sit in landfills for hundreds of years before breaking down.

It can be tempting to save yourself the chore of having to wash dishes. But by sticking to permanent reusable plates, cutlery and cups, you'll be living much more sustainably – and also save money in the long term.

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And it is also preferred to:

- Buy yourself a nice reusable water bottle, instead of buying water every time you go out.
- Buy local to reduce the carbon footprint from deliveries/shipping;
- Eliminate plastic bags use paper ones, or, even better, cloth bags;
- · Look for energy-saving appliances when shopping;
- Choose things in recyclable or recycled packaging, if possible.
- · Avoid single-use items, especially plastic kitchenware.

Here is another outstanding idea – re-sell what you do not need. Optionally, you can donate it as well. Choose durable items that you won't have to replace every couple of months.

### 7. Get cycling

Driving a car causes pollution and riding a bike is one of the most sustainable forms of local transportation around, because the only energy it uses is the amount your legs put into it. It'll also help keep you fit and healthy.

### 8. Recycle

Finally, the easiest way to create a more sustainable campus is to recycle as much as you can, whether it's paper, plastic, electronics or clothing.

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