



# GOVERNMENT COLLEGE KASARAGOD

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## GREEN AND PLASTIC-FREE CAMPUS POLICY DOCUMENT

### Introduction

At Government College Kasaragod , we are committed to creating a sustainable, environmentally conscious campus. Our aim is to foster a culture that promotes environmental responsibility, conservation, and a plastic-free environment. This policy document outlines our strategies and practices to achieve a green campus and reduce plastic waste, aligning with the goals of the Haritha Keralam Mission, Government of Kerala and other relevant departments.

### 1. Objectives

#### 1.1. Plastic-Free Campus:

Objective: To significantly reduce and ultimately eliminate the use of single-use plastics within the campus.

Action Plan:

- Encourage the use of eco-friendly alternatives to single-use plastics.
- Conduct awareness campaigns to educate students, staff, and visitors on the harmful effects of plastic and the benefits of a plastic-free environment.

#### 1.2. Waste Management:

Objective: To segregate and manage waste effectively, promoting recycling and responsible disposal practices.

Action Plan:

- NSS to collect plastic and bio wastes separately and deliver them to the Haritha Karmasena for proper recycling and processing.
- Promote composting and utilisation of the biogas plant for treating bio-wastes.

#### 1.3. Biodiversity and Greenery:

Objective: To conserve and enhance the campus's green cover, biodiversity, and rare and endangered trees (RET).

Action Plan:

- Maintain Biodiversity Park and a Rare and Endangered Trees (RET) garden.
- Encourage the plantation of more trees and maintain a fruit garden.



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#### 1.4. Community Involvement:

Objective: Engage the college community and local residents in environmental-friendly activities.

Action Plan:

- Collaborate with Bhoomithrasena and the Botany department for environmental-friendly initiatives.
- Organise community awareness programs and tree plantation drives.

### 2. Implementation Guidelines

#### 2.1. Plastic-Free Campus:

- All campus members must avoid single-use plastics and use reusable, eco-friendly alternatives.
- Plastic waste bins will not be provided within the campus premises.

#### 2.2. Waste Management:

- Bio-wastes should be deposited in designated bins near the biogas plant.
- Plastic waste should be segregated at the source before being handed over to the NSS.

#### 2.3. Biodiversity and Greenery:

- The Biodiversity Park, Rare and Endangered Trees (RET) garden, and fruit garden shall be maintained by the NSS and other relevant departments.
- Students are encouraged to actively participate in tree plantation drives and upkeep of the gardens.


#### 2.4. Community Involvement:

- Regular meetings and awareness programs will be conducted to engage the community in environmental-friendly initiatives.
- Collaborative efforts with local authorities and organizations for collective action towards a greener environment.

### 3. Monitoring and Evaluation

3.1. The NSS and Botany departments will conduct regular audits to assess the progress and effectiveness of the policy's implementation.



  
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3.2. Adjustments and improvements to the policy will be made based on the audit outcomes and evolving environmental requirements.

By adhering to this policy, we aim to create a sustainable, green, and plastic-free campus, setting an example for responsible environmental practices and nurturing a sense of environmental consciousness in the academic community and beyond.

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