

PUSHPAGIRI COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

Medicity Campus, Perumthuruthy PO Thiruvalla

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Policy Document on Green Campus



Green Campus

"A Green Campus is a place where environmental friendly practices and education combine to promote sustainable and eco-friendly practices in the campus". The green campus concept offers an institution the opportunity to take the lead in redefining its environmental culture and developing new paradigms by creating sustainable solutions to environmental, social and economic needs of the mankind.

The administration of the Institute believes that everyone has to work out the time bound strategies to implement green campus initiatives. Every individual of PCP Campus will work, may he/she be a student, faculty and support staff to foster a culture of self-sustainability and make the entire campus environmental friendly. The Green Campus Initiatives (GCI) will enable the institution to develop the campus as a living laboratory for innovation.

College environmental aims and objectives

- To promote sound environmental management policies and practices throughout the College.
- To reduce and, where practicable, prevent pollution.
- To adopt targets for improving environmental performance.
- To ensure a sound understanding of current environmental performance.
- The college is striving to develop its institution on a self sustainable basis in the areas of power, water and cleanliness.
- The faculty, staff and students have to contribute collectively to develop an echo friendly sustainable campus and disseminate the concept of eco – friendly culture to the nearby community and wherever possible.
- Awareness creations about environmental issues among students and employees.

Restricted entry of vehicles

 The college encourages the employees and students to frequently use public transport, bicycles, etc. to limit the emissions.

Pedestrian-friendly pathways

The campus have Pedestrian-friendly pathways.

Ban on use of Plastic

- The college continuously committed to work towards plastic-free campus.
- Pushpagiri College of Pharmacy has been constantly adopting practices and revising its
 policies towards a cleaner and plastic-free campus.
- The Government of Kerala had banned all one time use plastic products with effect from 01.01.2021. Pushpagiri Medical Society had formed a Committee for the effective implementation of the new rule. Following the rule, Pushpagiri Medical Society has issued a notification to Students and all staffs that there would be a ban implemented on the use of single use plastics on the campus.
- The institution through its Nature Club conducts sensitization programs on the harmful impact of single-use plastics and mandates all the students to avoid bringing non-bio-degradable plastic items to the institution, which include plastic bags, cups, plates, small drinking water bottles, straws and sachets. The institution facilitates environment friendly substitutes like stainless steel, washable and reusable tumblers at all water units and mandates the canteen to serve only in paper plates and paper cups to systematically ban the use of plastics on the campus. The Nature Eco Club also encourages the students to sensitize their respective households about the harmful effects of plastics and make their households plastic-free.

 To promote a sustainable environment, Swachch Bharat campaigns, World Water Day celebration, World Environment day celebration are regularly organised. As part of the campaigns, environmentally safe practices such as plastic ban, water conservation, waste segregation, cleanliness are implemented regularly.

Landscaping with trees and plants

- As per the green practices in the campus, Pushpagiri College of Pharmacy is planting more trees within and outside the campus.
- PCP organizes Tree Plantation program every year at the College Campus. Faculty and students take part in the plantation drive, a green initiative of the government. Students and staff enthusiastically initiate and participate in the tree plantations drive on the campus and also outside the campus. "Naallekai oru Maram"- A programme focused on planting trees in connection with 60th Jubilee of Pushpagiri Medical Society was an active step for the betterment of nature and to bring awareness among the students regarding advantages of tree plantation for an Eco-friendly Environment. College celebrated "The World Environmental day" on June 5th 2021 and conduct "Trash to Treasure" competition among students and also talks by eminent people to bring awareness. The plantation program includes plantation of various types of medicinal variety, wild plant species in large numbers. This program promotes eco-friendly environment, by stepping up the oxygen levels on the campus.
- As part of the "Nature Club", activities like organic vegetable farming, harvesting, auction and formation of medicinal plant garden are organized.

Major Green Campus Initiatives:

- Plastic free Campus
- · Tree Plantation Drive



- · Cleanliness Drive
- · Landscaping and gardens
- · Nature Club
- Medicinal Garden
- · Waste water Management
- Maintenance of water bodies and distribution system in the campus
- · Use of LEDs only

E-waste Collection Drive Suggestions:

- To calculate the Carbon Footprint of the college.
- · Installation of Solar Panel
- Paperless office

Specific Measures that college can implement:

- · Minimize use of paper
- · Maximize use of paperless technology i.e. sharing of data /Lecture notes on e-mail etc.
- Take Notes Electronically
- Introduce double-sided printing to reduce paper waste.

The Institute will make all the necessary efforts to involve the students, faculty and staff in "Green Campus Initiatives" by designating the volunteers of Echo Club, NSS with green campus initiative slogan specially designed for the purpose.

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