

Prahladrai Dalmia Lions College of Commerce & Economics

Policy Title: The Green Cell



1. Introduction

Green Cell is a dedicated initiative for Sustainable Development, which aims at providing direction and coherence, at the regional as well as at global level, for research and active campus activity on vulnerability, impacts and adaptation. To this end, Green Cell will act as a new and growing network operating on symbiotic coordination between scientists & technocrats on one hand and entrepreneurs & practitioners on the other, with an explicit purpose of inculcation of environmental ethics into individual lifestyle as well as basic outlook of life.

Acknowledging the rapid deterioration of biodiversity and ever-expansive pollution vise-evis emerging policy strategies, new scientific developments and lessons learnt from past programmes, Green Cell promises to deliver, in collaboration with its implementing partners, assessment of existing sustainability status of identified regions of concern, compilation of traditional knowledge base-with scientific validation (on the impacts of and responses to sustainable development as well as sustainable strategies), and provide the credible scientific information that is being increasingly sought by the world's decision makers.

2. Objectives

Enhancement of environmental friendly attitudes of the students and mobilization of their latent resources and skills towards development of personal-ethics and commitment for a greener society through knowledge and awareness.

- Providing a platform for students to inculcate eco-friendly aptitudes.
- Protection and enhancement of the campus-environment.

- Mobilization of students' strength towards development of eco-friendly technologies.
- Organization of seminars, symposiums & workshops enhancing sustainability issues.
- Conducting surveys and camps for educating rural inhabitants on Habits, Health
 & Hygiene, and Socio-Economic and Ecological Sustainability.
- Encouragement of environmental culture through quizzes, essays, debates, posters.
- Interaction with local & global environmental bodies.
- Carrying out out-reach programs of social commitments- clean-ups, plantation,
 etc.
- Coordinate in introducing the concept of Green Building and Green-wall in the University.
- Provide better media coverage of the institute and attract students from College level.
- Give a platform to conduct seminars, workshops, lecture-series, videos, etc.
- Publication of newsletters and magazines; production of Audio-Visual materials for environmental awareness

3. Composition of Committee in charge

- Vice Principal of the Self Finance Courses Convener (Prof.SubhashiniNaikar)
- Faculty from Self Finance Courses (Prof. Manisha Jadhav & Prof. Shilpi Dey)
- Faculty from Degree Aided courses (Prof. Ragini Gadade)

4. Role

Green campus program enables schools and colleges 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 as compared to conventional educational institutes.

5. Process / Procedure

Keeping in mind the role of the green cell, the committee will plan and execute to:

- Seek views of all stakeholders to make the go green campus initiative functional throughout the year
- 2. Conduct the campus environmental impacts to identify the targets for improvements
- 3. Establish the green campus environmental ethic awareness campaigns
- 4. Set forth a Green Campus Mission and Statement of Principles
- 5. Link Green Campus Activities to Academics
- 6. Organize awareness campaigns for students, faculty and society
- 7. Chart out yearly planner for the institute, local community.
- 8. Develop strategic plans and create student teams to carry out specific tasks of the strategic plan. For instance, plan to save energy at the institute level with a time bound plan to install solar panels at the top of the institute.
- 9. Conduct an annual Green and environment Audit.
- 10. Purchase only energy efficient electronic devices

- 11. Evaluate the daily operations in terms of pollution prevention, waste stream management, energy efficiency, reusing, recycling and repairing wherever possible.
- 12. Secure a commitment up front from the people in charge that well founded recommendations will be acted upon once audits are completed.

Promotion of "Save Energy Tips" in and outside the institute:

- Activate power management features on your computer and monitor so that it will go into a low power sleep mode when you are not working on it.
- 2. Turn off your monitor/Laptop when not working.
- 3. Activation of power management features on printer, computers etc.
- 4. Turn off unnecessary lights during day time.
- 5. Avoid use of decorative lighting.
- 6. Use LED or compact Fluorescent bulbs.
- 7. Keep Lights off in conference rooms, classrooms, staff rooms, auditorium.
- 8. Use fans only when they are needed.
- 9. Unplug appliances when not in use.

Wastewater Management

The institute plans to work towards the direction of waste water management and rainwater harvesting. The institute has decided to take up all measures to implement waste management and harvest of rain water.

Collaborations

The Green Cell of Prahladrai Dalmia Lions College has collaborated with a well known brand, "Ferns and Petals" for plant donation drives as an initiative from respected faculties.

6. Initiatives

Major Green Campus Initiatives

- 1. ISO Certification 9001:2015 Certified
- 2. Wastewater Management
- 3. Displayed poster on E-waste Management
- 4. MIS to completely follow paperless work process
- 5. Digital Library
- 6. Establishment of Green Cell
- 7. Green Audit Conducted
- 8. Environment Audit Conducted
- 9. Tree Plantation Drive
- 10. Maintenance of water bodies and distribution system in the campus.
- 11. Landscaping

The institute will make all the necessary arrangements and efforts to involve the students, faculty and staff in "Green Cell Initiatives" by designating the volunteers of Green Cell along with the campus slogan for completing the purpose.

14. Policy Details

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