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**POLICY GUIDELINES
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(In exercise of its powers conferred under the provisions of Section 7(x) of AUUP Act 2005 and Article 6.3 b(viii) of First Statutes of Amity University Uttar Pradesh (AUUP) and Section 11(x) of Uttar Pradesh Private Universities Act, 2019, AUUP has laid down these policy guidelines with an objective to ensure the environment sustainability)

1. SHORT TITLE, APPLICATION AND COMMENCEMENT

- 1.1 These Guidelines may be called Amity University Uttar Pradesh (AUUP) Policy Guidelines for Environmental Sustainability (Revised).
- 1.2 These Guidelines shall apply to all academic departments, support departments, faculty members and students at Amity University Uttar Pradesh (AUUP) and its campuses.
- 1.3 The Policy shall come into force with effect from the date of approval.

2. OBJECTIVE

- 2.1 The objectives of these guidelines are to provide the procedures/good practices for setting and reviewing environment and sustainability intention and targets.

3. PROCEDURE/ PRACTICES:

- 3.1 **Water:** AUUP will strive and work towards developing water conservation and water efficiency strategies:
 - 3.1.1 Promote water efficiency practices to all the University's stakeholders.
 - 3.1.2 Monitor and minimize the University's water consumption.
 - 3.1.3 Plant indigenous flora to reduce water usage.
 - 3.1.4 Promote planting indigenous in and around the University to reduce water usage.
 - 3.1.5 Review opportunities for reducing the use of mains water and install alternative water systems on campus wherever feasible.
 - 3.1.6 Sustain implementation of innovative water-efficient technologies such as rainwater harvesting, reuse of water etc.
 - 3.1.7 Campus should also maintain efforts of students, faculty and staff to implement sustainable water system on campuses.
- 3.2 **Energy:** AUUP is determined to implement energy sustainability measures to reduce consumption of non-renewable energy through energy efficient projects and energy saving activities which will have positive effect on the environment.

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- 3.2.1 Keep vigil at university's electricity consumption and minimize it.
 - 3.2.2 Implement the best available energy technology for all new buildings and in existing structures wherever possible.
 - 3.2.3 Promote electricity efficiency practices and reduction of the University's carbon footprint to all stakeholders.
 - 3.2.4 Conduct energy audits and monitoring of energy use at the campus.
 - 3.2.5 Create awareness among students, faculty members and all relevant stakeholders to efficiently use the energy (electricity) on campus.
- 3.3 **Waste Management:** AUUP supports sustainable waste management at its campus including
- 3.3.1 Promote reduce, reuse and recycle waste wherever possible in university at all discharge points on campus.
 - 3.3.2 Make use of recycled products wherever feasible.
 - 3.3.3 Identify and minimise hazardous wastes on campus.
 - 3.3.4 Apply systems for safe and environmentally responsible disposal of wastes (hazardous and general) that cannot be re-used or recycled.
 - 3.3.5 Work towards minimising paper use through promotion of double-sided printing and use of online systems and other efficient technologies.
 - 3.3.6 Create awareness for waste reduction practices among all the university's stakeholders.
- 3.4 **Transportation:** AUUP strive to implement sustainable transportation:
- 3.4.1 Support the use, wherever possible of efficient public transport, bicycles and walking, and car-sharing/pooling etc.
 - 3.4.2 Discourage unnecessary use of both private and university vehicles during the day to reduce traffic and parking issues on campus.
 - 3.4.3 Liaise with the local administration with regard to shared public transport strategies.
 - 3.4.4 Promote sustainable practices and invest in technologies required for university stakeholders to engage in practices such as Skype meetings and video conferencing.
- 3.5 **Sustainable Green Catering**
- 3.5.1 Encourage use of recyclable containers or reusable plates.
 - 3.5.2 Provision of water dispensers in all the academic and administrative blocks to avoid use of plastic water bottles.
- 3.6 **Sustainable Event Organization**
- 3.6.1 Use of digital banners in the events organised, to the extent possible.
 - 3.6.2 Provision of reusable eco-friendly registration kits instead of plastic files and plastic bags.

3.7 Recycling:

3.7.1 All faculty members and staff in all offices and departments of University will participate in the recycling effort by following the principles of separation of recyclable and non-recyclable materials and placing them in appropriately marked recycling bins. Students are also motivated to participate in campus recycling efforts.

3.7.1.1 Common Recyclable objects:

- Newspapers
- Paper
- Aluminum Cans
- Cardboard
- Coffee cups
- Glass bottles
- Plastic bottles/ bags/containers

3.7.1.2 E waste image E-Waste and Hazardous Waste

- Carbon batteries
- Cell Phones
- Chemicals (In labs: like paint, solvents, pesticides)
- Chemical storage jugs
- Tube lights/bulbs
- Computers and peripherals
- Electronics items

Recycling committees will monitor progress on recycling with assistance from the Environmental Recycling Subcommittee.

4. **COMMITTEE'S CONSTITUTION:** University will constitute a committee to oversee the implementation of this policy. The committee comprises of:

- 1) Dean of faculty - Chairperson
- 2) Two HoIs - Member
- 3) Two Professors - Member
- 4) Sr. Director Administration - Member
- 5) QAE official - Member

The committee will meet once in six months to deliberates, review and implement environment sustainability policy.

5. **APPROVING AUTHORITY:** Vice Chancellor shall be the approving authority for implementing actions related to environmental sustainability at campus.

6. **REVIEW OF POLICY:** The policy shall be reviewed, once every year to ascertain the effectiveness of the implementation of sustainability practices and to explore if any further change is made in the policy to improve the existing practices.

7. **COMPLIANCE:** Deans, Directors & HoIs will implement the policy guidelines, compliance may be reported in form of periodic report (six months) on the measures taken for environmental sustainability implementation. QAE will conduct a periodic sustainability audit through competent auditors once in a year to ensure compliance of the policy.

