

# Government of West Bengal GOVERNMENT GENERAL DEGREE COLLEGE SALBONI

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# Policy Documents on Green Campus, Energy and Environment 2023-2024

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

Citizens of the 21<sup>st</sup> century have an enormous role to play in mitigating the damages caused to our planet by centuries of human civilization. Being a higher education institute of some prestige and directly run by the Higher Education Department of the Government of West Bengal, Government General Degree College, Salboni recognizes its responsibility to restore the sustainable ecosystem that we may have lost by exploiting Nature for our benefit. Therefore, our college has laid down its policies for the protection of the environment for all its stakeholders to follow rigorously.

# VISION

With the lately acknowledged threats imminent to our civilization, we envisage a future when the ecological balance will be restored, natural resources will be expended with thrift and all the stakeholders will realize and carry out their roles and responsibilities towards the environment.

#### **MISSION**

To translate our vision into reality, our mission is to think big, but do all the little things necessary to accomplish this greater goal. We therefore have thoroughly planned a roadmap and implemented it integrally with all the regular academic and administrative activities of our college.

#### **OUR POLICIES/INITIATIVES**

We have adopted the following policies to participate in the worldwide mission of protecting the environment. We have taken the following pledges.

#### **GREEN CAMPUS INITIATIVES**

- Every stakeholder is to adopt a tree planted on the campus and to pay attention to the nourishment and growth of the tree.
- Quality Green/Environment Audit has been initiated and is to be done after regular intervals.
- A herbal garden with medicinally important plants is prepared and maintained.
- We will observe each Thursday as "No Vehicle Day" so that the use of vehicles run on fossil fuel is reduced.
- We have installed the banners like smoking-free campus and plastic-free campus and live by them.

• We observe programmes like the Swachh Bharat Mission which are organized by the NSS unit of the College.

### **ENERGY CONSERVATION INITIATIVES**

- We have resolved and started to save and optimize the use of energy, following the advisory issued by the Higher Education Department on 4 July 2024, Govt. of West Bengal.
- Rainwater harvesting system has been set up to be used for various purposes such as gardening to reduce the use of groundwater.
- Displayed posters like Save Energy and Save Water on the College premises.
- Turn off unnecessary lights and use daylight instead.
- Turn off the monitor when one leaves one's table.
- All stakeholders are regularly made aware of their roles and responsibilities in the mission of conservation of energy.

# WASTE MANAGEMENT INITIATIVES

- Our Institution follows environment-friendly steps to dispose of waste.
- The institution ensures minimum wastage of drinking water.
- We segregate the unavoidable generation of waste into biodegradable and non-biodegradable wastes and dispose of them accordingly.
- Chemical liquid waste generated in the lab is collected in separate soak pits which are located aloof from the water bodies.
- E-waste generated is disposed of properly.
- The Institution does not produce any radioactive waste.
- The Institution does not produce any biomedical waste.
- We reuse, repair and recycle things and initiate a "Waste to Wealth Mission" to have minimum impact on the environment caused by the generation of waste.
- We understand our roles and responsibilities in protecting the environment at large, beyond the campus.
- All stakeholders are regularly made to understand and be informed about the necessary things to be done towards smart management of waste.

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