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COMPREHENSIVE GREEN CAMPUS POLICY FRAMEWORK 2026

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COMPREHENSIVE GREEN CAMPUS POLICY FRAMEWORK

Policy Numbers	1- Green Campus & Environmental Sustainability Policy 2- Waste Management Policy 3- Net Zero Transition & Sustainable Procurement Policy
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COMMITTED TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS
BUILDING GREEN FUTURES THROUGH EDUCATION

PREAMBLE & INSTITUTIONAL COMMITMENT

SVKM's NMIMS (Deemed to-be University) School of Business Management (SBM) is committed to abiding by the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and to managing its campus in a manner that minimises environmental impact.

This Comprehensive Green Campus Policy Framework consolidates and expands upon the institution's mission for sustainable environment

This policy is binding on ALL stakeholders — students, teaching staff, non-teaching staff, contractors, visitors and community partners — across all activities undertaken on or off campus under the institution's auspices.

Governing Committees

Committee	Abbr.	Primary Mandate
Green Campus Committee	GCC	Coordinate all green initiatives, audits, energy conservation, waste reduction and environmental awareness.
Research & Development Cell	RDC	Maintain research ethics, academic integrity and code of conduct in research

POLICY 1: GREEN CAMPUS & ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY

PREAMBLE

The Institution is committed to protecting, preserving, and enhancing the environment by minimising the adverse environmental impacts of campus operations, promoting sustainability in teaching, research, administration, and community outreach, and ensuring full compliance with all applicable environmental laws, regulations, and statutory requirements of the Government of India.

The Institution shall continuously strive to create a sustainable, healthy, energy-efficient, and environmentally responsible campus through active participation of students, faculty, staff, contractors, and stakeholders.

FOCUS AREAS

The policy covers:

- Clean Campus & beyond (Swachh Bharat Abhiyan alignment)
- Green Campus — landscaping, green walls, and medicinal garden
- Smoke-Free Campus (National Tobacco Control Programme 2007-2008 compliance)
- Plastic-Free Campus (single-use plastic ban in line with Government directives)
- Energy-efficient infrastructure and renewable energy
- Campus waste management
- Environment-centric student activities

OBJECTIVES

This policy encompasses the following objectives:

- Reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions across campus operations
- Energy-efficient infrastructure and progressive adoption of renewable energy systems with the objective of maximising renewable energy utilisation across campuses.
- Water conservation through efficient usage practices, rainwater harvesting, wastewater treatment, and recycling initiatives.
- Scientific management of solid and wet waste, including waste segregation, recycling of recyclable waste, and disposal of wet waste through composting or feeding to animals through MPCB-authorised vendors, wherever feasible and permitted.
- Clean Campus and community cleanliness initiatives aligned with *Swachh Bharat Abhiyan* and other Government cleanliness drives.
- Green Campus development including landscaping, green walls, tree plantation, and biodiversity conservation initiatives.
- Maintenance of a smoke-free and tobacco-free campus in compliance with the National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP) 2007–2008.
- Promotion and maintenance of a plastic-free campus in line with Government directives prohibiting single-use plastics.
- Collection and recycling of plastic waste including plastic water bottles and soft drink bottles through authorised recycling agencies/vendors.

- Environmental awareness programmes, student engagement, sustainability campaigns, and community outreach activities.
- Periodic compliance monitoring, environmental audits, sustainability assessments, and continual improvement initiatives for environmental performance enhancement.

A) ENERGY CONSERVATION & RENEWABLE ENERGY

The Institution is committed to promoting energy conservation, improving energy efficiency, and increasing the use of renewable energy sources across the campus through the following initiatives:

1. Energy-Efficient Infrastructure & Practices

- Adoption of energy-efficient LED lighting systems across all buildings and campus areas.
- Installation of environmentally friendly and energy-efficient electrical appliances and equipment to minimise energy wastage and operational inefficiencies.
- Deployment of motion sensors, occupancy sensors, and automated controls in classrooms, offices, washrooms, corridors, and common areas to optimise electricity consumption.
- Conducting periodic energy audits to assess energy performance, identify conservation opportunities, and implement corrective measures for continuous improvement.
- Promotion of responsible energy usage practices by creating awareness among students, faculty, staff, and service providers to switch off lights, fans, air conditioners, computers, and other electrical appliances when not in use.

2. Renewable Energy & Sustainable Building Design

- Installation and promotion of solar photovoltaic systems, including open access renewable energy procurement, with the objective of achieving up to 100% renewable energy utilisation and reducing dependency on conventional grid electricity.
- Encouragement of sustainable energy management practices to minimise overall electricity consumption and carbon footprint.
- Incorporation of passive architectural design principles in all major renovation projects to maximise natural lighting, ventilation, and thermal comfort, thereby reducing dependence on artificial lighting and mechanical cooling systems.
- Preference for green building concepts, energy-efficient building materials, and sustainable technologies in campus infrastructure development.

B) CLEAN CAMPUS AND BEYOND & SWACHH BHARAT INITIATIVES

The Institute commits to-

1. Proactively generate mass awareness about hygiene and cleanliness amongst students, teachers and staff
2. Motivate NSS, NCC and departmental community to conduct activities under this initiative

3. Conduct activities under 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan' as per Central/State Government directives
4. Promote events: essay writing, poster competitions, slogan competitions, skits and similar awareness activities
5. Continue beach cleaning after Ganpati immersion and National Flag collection after Independence/Republic Day
6. Administer an annual pledge to maintain cleanliness to all students, teachers and staff
7. Commit to and further promote the 5Rs: Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose and Recycle among all campus members

LANDSCAPING & BIODIVERSITY

The institute will work towards-

1. Organising tree plantation drives through Nature Club, NSS, NCC and student communities in nearby areas
2. Creation and maintenance of green patches adjacent to campus boundaries
3. Facilitation of a green wall within the campus
4. Preference for indigenous/native plant species in all landscaping; promote bird- and butterfly-friendly plantations
5. Maintaining a campus biodiversity register updated annually

CLEAN AIR INITIATIVES

Considering the campus location in Vile Parle near the airport and the limited scope for campus expansion, the Institution shall implement the following clean air initiatives:

1. Ensure regular cleaning, maintenance, and timely replacement of AHU and FCU air filters to maintain indoor air quality.
2. Award CAMC contracts to OEMs/authorised agencies for proper maintenance of low-side HVAC systems to ensure clean and healthy air circulation.
3. Encourage vehicle pooling and shared transportation to reduce vehicular emissions and promote sustainable commuting.
4. Restrict parking of private vehicles within the campus to discourage excessive automobile usage.
5. Maintain a strict no-smoking and tobacco-free campus in line with National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP) guidelines.

WATER CONSERVATION & RECYCLING

Recognising the importance of water conservation and sustainable water management, the Institution shall:

1. Encourage all stakeholders to use water judiciously and avoid wastage.
2. Install low-flow fixtures and aerators to reduce water consumption.
3. Promote rainwater harvesting to replenish groundwater levels.
4. Recycle treated water for landscaping, flushing, and other non-potable applications.
5. Reuse water generated during laboratory distillation and similar processes for suitable secondary purposes.
6. Carry out regular maintenance to prevent leakages and ensure zero water wastage.

7. Ensure periodic cleaning, inspection, and treatment of water storage tanks to maintain water quality.
8. Maintain water purifiers through regular servicing and CAMC by OEM/authorised agencies and create awareness on safe and healthy water usage practices.

COMPLIANCE & MONITORING SCHEDULE

Parameter	Frequency	Responsible Party	Record Keeper	Action on Non-Compliance
Energy Consumption Audit	Annual	Energy Auditor	Estate Office	Report to Dean; corrective plan within 30 days
Ambient Air Quality	Quarterly	GCC	GCC	Escalate to GCC; remedial action within 60 days
Water Quality (All Sources)	Quarterly	Facilities Manager	Estate Office	Immediate corrective action; report to GCC
Wastewater / STP Output	Monthly	STP Operator	Estate Office	Immediate corrective action; SPCB notification if required
Biodiversity Survey	Annual	GCC	GCC	Update biodiversity register; report gaps to GCC
Environmental Awareness Events	Every Semester	Social Responsibility Forum (SRF)	School Quality Assurance Cell (SQAC)	SQAC to flag non-compliance to IQAC

POLICY 2: WASTE MANAGEMENT POLICY

PURPOSE & REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

This policy governs the generation, segregation, collection, storage, transportation and disposal of all waste across SBM, at SVKM's NMIMS (Deemed-to-b University).

It is aligned with Solid Waste Management Rules 2016, Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules 2016, E-Waste (Management) Rules 2022, Plastic Waste Management Rules 2016 and Construction & Demolition Waste Management Rules 2016.

WASTE MINIMISATION —5Rs HIERARCHY

Priority	Action	Campus Examples
1 – Refuse	Decline what is not needed	Refuse single-use plastics; decline unnecessary printed materials
2 – Reduce	Minimise waste at source	Double-sided printing; digital communications via Outlook 365
3 – Reuse	Use items multiple times before disposal	Reuse printed paper on blank side; refill cartridges; furniture exchange
4 – Repurpose	Convert to serve a different function	Lab containers repurposed for storage; scrap paper for rough work
5 – Recycle	Convert waste into new raw materials	Paper/cardboard to scrap dealers; e-waste to authorised recyclers

COLOUR -CODED WASTE SEGREGATION AT SOURCE

Bin Colour	Waste Category	Examples
Green	Biodegradable / Wet Waste	Food scraps, garden waste, paper towels, leaves
Blue	Dry Recyclables	Paper, cardboard, plastic bottles, glass, metal cans
Black	Non-recyclable / Residual Waste	Sanitary waste, soiled materials, broken ceramics
Red	Hazardous / Chemical Waste	Lab chemicals, used reagents, hazardous lab materials
Yellow	Biomedical Waste	Bandages, gloves, syringes, biological samples, cultures
Orange / White	E-Waste	Computers, mobiles, batteries, cables, circuit boards

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

The institution will-

- Promote and practice the 5Rs — Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose and Recycle

- Provide paper waste to authorised scrap dealers for recycling
- Discourage printing. When essential, paper printed on one side must be reused for printing on the reverse before disposal
- Reduce paper use by adopting e-Governance — internal communications through Outlook 365 and digital platforms
- Promote use of biodegradable products for all campus consumables
- Create awareness through seminars, events and workshops on solid waste management every semester
- Ban usage of single-use plastics (carry bags, straws, cutlery, plates) on campus; biodegradable or steel alternatives mandatory

FOOD & CANTEEN WASTE MANAGEMENT

Given the volume of food waste generated across multi-campus operations, the institution shall:

- Require all canteen and food-court vendors to segregate organic waste at source using Green bins
- Explore and implement composting or biogas/organic waste converter solutions at each campus
- Set campus-specific food waste reduction targets in the annual Sustainability Report
- Include food waste management obligations in all canteen vendor agreements

E-WASTE MANAGEMENT

In alignment with E-Waste (Management) Rules 2022, the Institution:

- Promote e-waste drives through student association activities
- Warranties and buyback policies maintained for all computers and printers
- Purchases devices with longer lifetimes promoted; planned obsolescence actively discouraged
- Conducts awareness drives conducted on reducing e-waste and adopting environment-friendly disposal practices
- Hands over all e-waste only to authorised e-waste dismantlers/recyclers registered with SPCB
- Maintains annual e-waste inventory and disposal records through the IT Department

CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION (C&D) WASTE MANAGEMENT

In alignment with the C&D Waste Management Rules 2016, the institution shall:

- Segregate C&D waste at source during all campus renovation or new construction activities
- Engage only SPCB-authorised C&D waste collection and processing agencies
- Include C&D waste management obligations in all construction contractor agreements
- Maintain records of C&D waste generated, recycled and disposed for each project

WASTE RECORDS & REPORTING

Waste Stream	Record Type	Frequency	Responsible
Solid / Dry Recyclables	Scrap dealer receipts & weight records	Monthly	Estate Office
E-Waste	E-waste register; authorised recycler certificates	Annual	IT Dept. & GCC
Plastic	Annual plastic audit report	Annual	Estate Office & GCC
Food / Canteen Waste	Vendor waste log; composting records	Monthly	Estate Office & GCC
C&D Waste	Project-wise C&D waste register	Per project	Estate Office
Comprehensive Audit	Waste audit report for Green Audit	Annual	Estate Office, SQAC & GCC

POLICY 3: NET ZERO TRANSITION & SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT POLICY

GREEN PROCUREMENT

All purchasing decisions across the institution shall incorporate environmental sustainability criteria in addition to cost, quality, operational requirements, and statutory compliance.
The following sustainable procurement principles shall be adopted:

- Preference shall be given to Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) star-rated electrical and electronic equipment, with 5-star rated products preferred wherever technically and commercially feasible.
- Preference shall be given to products complying with Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) requirements, particularly for electrical, electronic, battery, plastic, and e-waste-related products.
- Preference shall be given to recycled, recyclable, reusable, or biodegradable materials including paper products, packaging materials, stationery items, and housekeeping consumables.
- Preference shall be given to locally sourced materials and products, wherever feasible, in order to reduce transportation-related carbon emissions and support regional supply chains.
- Procurement of single-use plastic products for campus operations, events, cafeterias, offices, and student activities shall be prohibited unless specifically permitted under applicable regulations or unavoidable operational requirements.
- All new construction and renovation materials shall, wherever feasible, comply with green building and sustainable construction norms, including use of low-VOC paints, recycled aggregates, energy-efficient materials, and environmentally preferable products.
- Plastic packaging waste generated from procured materials and consumables shall be channelled only to authorised recyclers and agencies empanelled under applicable EPR obligations and waste management regulations.

CARBON FOOTPRINT & EMISSIONS REDUCTION

Emission Scope	Description	Campus Sources
Scope 1 - Direct emissions	Direct GHG emissions from sources owned or controlled by the Institution	DG sets (operated during power outages), PNG/LPG consumption, institutional vehicles, refrigerant leakage from HVAC systems, laboratory fuel/equipment emissions
Scope 2 - Energy Indirect Emissions	Indirect GHG emissions from purchased electricity, steam, heating, or cooling consumed by the Institution	Grid electricity used for lighting, HVAC systems, laboratories, lifts, IT infrastructure, equipment, and utilities

Scope 3- Other Indirect Emissions	Other indirect emissions occurring due to institutional activities but from sources not owned or directly controlled by the Institution	Staff and student commuting, business travel, waste disposal, paper consumption, purchased goods and services, vendor activities, outsourced operations, water supply and treatment

CARBON REDUCTION TARGETS

Target Area	Goal / Initiative	Timeline / Status
Scope 1 -DG Sets	DG sets are provided only for critical loads. HVAC systems are excluded from DG operation to control CO_2 emissions. DG sets are operated only during power outages and emergency conditions.	Under Practice
Scope 1 - Refrigerant Leakage	Central cooling systems are installed with chillers operating on R-134a refrigerant. Chillers are operated and monitored by skilled technicians, and Comprehensive Annual Maintenance Contracts (CAMC) are awarded to OEMs to maintain systems at optimum efficiency and minimize refrigerant leakage.	Under Practice
Scope 2 - Electricity Emission Reduction	Install solar power capacity through rooftop solar and/or open access renewable energy mechanisms to offset up to 100% of grid electricity consumption.	By December 2026
Scope 3 - Baseline Assessment	Conduct and publish the first Scope 3 emissions baseline assessment covering major indirect emission sources.	By December 2027
Scope 3 -Waste Management	Waste disposal is carried out through authorized vendors approved by the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board (MPCB). Wet waste is utilized for animal feeding, and dry waste is segregated and sent for recycling.	Under Practice
Scope 3- Water Supply & Treatment	Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) are installed at campuses, and treated water is fully recycled and reused for toilet flushing and other non-potable applications.	Under Practice
Scope 3 - Reduction Targets	Define and implement measurable Scope 3 emission reduction initiatives based on findings from the baseline assessment.	By December 2028
Annual Carbon Footprint Reporting	Publish an annual campus carbon footprint assessment as part of the Sustainability Report.	Annually from 2026 onwards

CARBON REDUCTION INITIATIVES

The Institution shall implement the following measures to reduce carbon emissions and promote sustainable campus operations:

1. Renewable Energy Adoption

- Install solar photovoltaic systems through rooftop installations and open access arrangements to progressively offset campus electricity consumption.
- Solar power through Open Access under implementation for SBM, NMIMS, Mumbai and is targeted to go live before December 2026.
- Reduce dependency on conventional grid electricity through renewable energy procurement and on-site renewable energy generation.
- Explore opportunities for increasing renewable energy contribution across all out-of-Maharashtra campuses in a phased manner.

2. Sustainable Transportation

- Encourage the use of public transportation, carpooling, and shared mobility among students, faculty, staff, and visitors.
- Promote cycling and pedestrian-friendly campus initiatives wherever feasible.
- The institute will provide dedicated student transportation facilities from hostel to campus and back, to reduce individual vehicle usage and associated emissions.
- Installation of EV charging infrastructure wherever technically and commercially feasible.

3. Green Campus & Carbon Sinks

- Conduct annual tree plantation drives to enhance green cover and develop natural carbon sinks, based on site feasibility, local climatic conditions, biodiversity considerations, and long-term survival monitoring of planted trees.
- Maintain and protect existing green landscapes and biodiversity within campus.

4. Digital Governance & Paper Reduction

- Minimise paper consumption through digital governance initiatives including e-office systems, digital approvals, online communication platforms, and paperless academic and administrative processes, thereby reducing Scope 3 emissions.
- Encourage paperless academic, examination, and administrative processes to reduce Scope 3 emissions associated with paper usage and printing.
- Promote digital record management and online collaboration platforms across departments.

5. Responsible Waste Management

- Ensure waste disposal, recycling, and treatment activities are carried out only through Maharashtra Pollution Control Board (MPCB) / State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) authorised agencies.

- Promote segregation of waste at source into wet waste, dry waste, e-waste, and hazardous waste categories.
- Encourage recycling of plastic bottles, packaging waste, paper, and other recyclable materials through authorised recycling partners such as Bisleri Ltd. or equivalent approved agencies.
- Promote composting and environmentally responsible disposal practices wherever feasible.

6. Energy Conservation

- Promote responsible and efficient use of electrical appliances, lighting systems, and HVAC systems across campuses.
- Conduct periodic energy audits and implement corrective and preventive measures for energy optimisation.
- Encourage adoption of energy-efficient equipment, LED lighting, automation systems, and best operational practices to reduce overall energy consumption.
- Monitor major energy-consuming systems to identify opportunities for continuous improvement in energy performance.

NET ZERO ROADMAP

The Institute shall adopt a phased and structured approach towards achieving Net Zero emissions through the following roadmap:

Phase	Focus Area	Timeline
Phase 1	Baseline assessment of carbon footprint, energy consumption, water usage, and waste generation	May 2026
Phase 2	Implementation of energy efficiency measures and waste reduction initiatives	June 2026
Phase 3	Achieving 100% renewable energy adoption through open access and other renewable energy initiatives	December 2026
Phase 4	Implementation of sustainable transportation practices and water neutrality measures	December 2027
Phase 5	Residual carbon offsetting, environmental performance verification, and Net Zero certification	December 2028

ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

Stakeholder	Responsibility
Management	Provide strategic direction, approvals, and resources
Estate Office, Facility & Administration Team, Non-teaching staff	Implement sustainability initiatives and monitor environmental performance
Faculty & Students	Participate in awareness, sustainability, and conservation programmes
Vendors & Contractors	Comply with Institute environmental and sustainability requirements

DECLARATION

This Comprehensive Green Campus Policy Framework is an authoritative, binding document for all stakeholders of all School of Business Management, SVKM's NMIMS (Deemed to-be University).

Designation	Name	Signature	Date
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