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In adherence to the directives issued by regulatory authorities, including the Pharmacy Council of India (PCI), Directorate of Technical Education (DTE), Himachal Pradesh Technical University (HPTU), and National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), our institution has developed a comprehensive policy document to support the Plastic-Free Campus Initiatives. These initiatives underscore the importance of responsible plastic use and aligns with our commitment to promoting environmental sustainability and fostering eco-friendly practices within the campus.

The policy emphasizes:

1. Reducing single-use plastics through innovative and practical measures.
2. Encouraging the use of sustainable alternatives and promoting awareness among students, faculty, and staff.
3. Ensuring compliance with government regulations on the use and disposal of plastics.
4. Organizing campaigns and workshops to educate stakeholders on the environmental impact of plastic waste.
5. Replace plastic in canteen, mess and pantries with biodegradable and reusable alternatives.

The document has been prepared with active contributions from various stakeholders, reflecting our institution's dedication to creating an environmentally conscious and sustainable campus.

To ensure inclusivity and alignment with institutional goals, the policy was thoroughly discussed during the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) meeting held on January 20, 2025. After comprehensive deliberation, it was unanimously approved by all members, reinforcing our resolve to adopt practices in line with regulatory guidelines.

We request your continued cooperation and support in implementing this initiative. Together, we can work towards achieving a cleaner, greener, and more sustainable future for our institution and the community.

  
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*Dated-24/01/2025*

  
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## **Policy Document**

### ***Plastic-Free Campus Initiative: Handling and Responsible Use of Plastics***

**Introduction:** Govt. College of Pharmacy, Rohru, is committed to promote environmental sustainability and addressing the harmful impacts of plastic waste. The institute is well aware the overall harmful impact of plastic use on environment and the individual efforts that can make a change in globally sensitive scenario. This policy outlines measures to achieve and maintain a plastic-free campus, fostering an eco-friendly environment for education and innovation.

**Vision:** To create a sustainable and environmentally conscious campus by eliminating single-use plastics and promoting the use of eco-friendly alternatives.

#### **Objectives:**

1. To reduce and eventually eliminate the use of single-use plastics on campus.
2. To create awareness among students, staff, and visitors about the environmental impacts of plastic waste.
3. To promote sustainable practices through education, research, and community engagement.

**Scope:** This policy applies to all students, faculty, staff, vendors, and visitors within the premises of Govt. College of Pharmacy, Rohru.

#### **Policy Measures**

##### **1. Ban on Single-Use Plastics:**

- Prohibit the use of single-use plastic items, such as bags, bottles, straws, cutlery, and plates, within campus premises.
- Encourage the use of reusable and biodegradable alternatives.

##### **2. Plastic-Free Procurement:**

- All faculty must ensure that purchases avoid plastic packaging wherever feasible.
- Vendors and suppliers are required to comply with the college's plastic-free guidelines.

##### **3. Awareness Campaigns:**

- Organize regular workshops, seminars, and campaigns to educate stakeholders on the importance of reducing plastic use.
- Include topics related to plastic pollution and environmental sustainability in academic and extracurricular activities.

##### **4. Infrastructure Support:**

- Install water refill stations to discourage the use of bottled water.
- Provide separate bins for biodegradable and recyclable waste to encourage proper disposal.

##### **5. Green Alternatives:**

- Promote the use of cloth or jute bags, steel or glass containers, and other sustainable products.
- Introduce incentives for students and staff who adopt eco-friendly practices.



## 6. Waste Management:

- Implement effective waste segregation and recycling systems.
- Partner with local recycling units to ensure responsible waste disposal.

## 7. Monitoring and Compliance:

- Form a Plastic-Free Campus Committee (PFCC) to oversee the implementation and enforcement of the policy.
- Conduct periodic audits to assess progress and identify areas for improvement.

## 8. Partnerships and Collaborations:

- Collaborate with NGOs, government bodies, and local communities to amplify efforts in reducing plastic waste.
- Participate in regional and national initiatives promoting plastic-free environments.

## 9. Management of lab waste:

The institute has adopted to discard laboratory waste and chemicals. The institute will hand over biodegradable/chemical/ hazardous waste to biogene Enviro Engineers Shimla (Common Bio Medical waste treatment facilities), Sandli Solan, Himachal Pradesh (An authorised subsidiary approved by Govt. of HP)

## Implementation Timeline

### 1. Short-Term Goals (0-6 months):

- Eliminate single-use plastics in administrative offices, canteens, and events.
- Set up awareness programs and distribute alternatives.

### 2. Medium-Term Goals (6-12 months):

- Fully integrate waste segregation and recycling practices.
- Ensure compliance from vendors and stakeholders.

### 3. Long-Term Goals (1-2 years):

- Achieve a completely plastic-free campus.
- Establish the college as a model for sustainability.

## Roles and Responsibilities

- **Administration:** Ensure the policy's implementation and provide necessary resources.
- **Faculty and Staff:** Lead by example and integrate sustainable practices into academic activities.
- **Students:** Actively participate in initiatives and comply with guidelines.
- Monitor compliance, resolve issues, and provide regular updates on progress.

**Conclusion** By adopting this policy, Govt College of Pharmacy, Rohru, aims to set an example of environmental stewardship, inspiring students and the community to prioritize sustainability. Together, we can work towards a greener and healthier planet.

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