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ANTI-DRUG ABUSE POLICY

Our institution is committed to fostering a drug-free academic environment that upholds integrity, safety, and holistic development. Substance abuse undermines educational goals, jeopardizes health, and violates the law.

Purpose

The policy will help in creating a safe and conducive learning environment and to prevent drug misuse, minimize its impact when it occurs, and support students toward healthy, successful futures.

Objectives

1. Safeguard Student Health & Academic Success

- ✚ Prevent physical, mental, and academic decline due to substance use. Drug abuse can disrupt coursework, lead to drop-outs, and reduce career prospects
- ✚ Avoid legal or licensing repercussions—drug-related infractions can limit future job and professional license eligibility.

2. Maintain a Safe and Productive Learning Environment

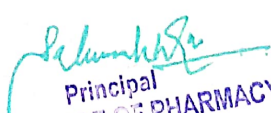
- ✚ Reduce crime and safety risks—drug misuse is linked to violence, accidents, property damage, and more strain on campus services.
- ✚ Promote public safety by fostering a secure, focused atmosphere for all college stakeholders.

3. Ensure Legal Compliance & Institutional Integrity

- ✚ Align with applicable laws, which mandate clear anti-drug regulations and prevention programs for institutions receiving federal funding.
- ✚ Maintain organizational credibility, trust, and eligibility for grants and public support.

4. Provide Support and Encourage Health-Seeking Behavior

- ✚ Focus on preventive education, healthier alternatives, counseling, and rehabilitation—not just punitive measures
- ✚ Adopt harm-reduction approaches to encourage students to seek help without fear of automatic punishment


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5. Foster a Culture of Awareness and Accountability

- ✚ Emphasize community-wide prevention, combining outreach, environmental strategies, and peer support to shape positive social norms
- ✚ Engage the entire campus—involving students, faculty, and local partners—in sustained awareness and anti-drug efforts.

Scope

- ✚ This policy applies to all students, faculty, staff, and visitors across all campuses, hostels, affiliated centers, and college-sponsored events.

Prohibited Substances

The following are strictly prohibited:

- ✚ Narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances as defined under the NDPS Act, 1985.
- ✚ Alcohol, tobacco, and any intoxicants.
- ✚ Unauthorized prescription medications.

Student Undertaking

All students must sign an anti-drug pledge during admission, affirming their commitment to abstain from substance use.

Monitoring & Surveillance

- ✚ Installation of CCTV in key areas as per Karnataka Higher Education Department directives.
- ✚ Random checks in hostels and common areas.
- ✚ Consent-based random drug testing (urine, breath, or blood) when deemed necessary.

Counseling & Rehabilitation

- ✚ Access to professional counselors for affected individuals.
- ✚ Referral to certified de-addiction centers when necessary.
- ✚ Confidentiality assured for those seeking help voluntarily.

Disciplinary Actions

Violations will attract:

- ✚ Suspension or expulsion based on severity.
- ✚ Mandatory counseling sessions.
- ✚ Legal action under the NDPS Act for serious offenses.

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Legal Compliance

All actions under this policy will comply with:

- ✚ Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.
- ✚ University Grants Commission (UGC) guidelines.
- ✚ State and central government regulations.

Confidentiality

All matters related to drug use, treatment, or policy violations will be handled with strict confidentiality, consistent with legal and ethical obligations.

Review & Amendments

The policy will be reviewed annually by the Anti-Drug and awareness Committee, comprising faculty, student representatives, and legal advisors, to ensure its effectiveness and relevance.

Frequency of

Meetings

Quarterly (once every three months) and as needed in case of urgent issues or reported incidents.



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