

GAYATRI VIDYA PARISHAD COLLEGE FOR DEGREE AND P.G. COURSES (AUTONOMOUS)

VISAKHAPATNAM

(Affiliated to Andhra University, Accredited by NAAC with B" Grade)

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POLICY ON PLASTIC-FREE CAMPUS

Plastic pollution is ubiquitous in terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems. Plastic waste exposed to the environment creates problems and is of significant concern for all life forms. Plastic production and accumulation in the natural environment are occurring at an unprecedented rate due to indiscriminate use, inadequate recycling, and deposits in landfills. We have all contributed to this problem, knowingly and unknowingly and we must work to reduce and eliminate plastic pollution.

Gayatri Vidya Parishad College for Degree and PG Courses (A) comply with 30.08.2019 dated UGC on the notified by the guidelines (https://www.ugc.gov.in/pdfnews/8170476 UGC-Guidelines-for-Ban-of-Plastic-Use-in-Higher-Education-Institutions.pdf) for Ban of Plastic Use in Higher Education Institutions.

By virtue of this policy, Gayatri Vidya Parishad College for Degree and PG Courses (A) prohibits single-use plastic on its campus. Everyone associated with Gayatri Vidya Parishad College for Degree and PG Courses (A) must adhere completely to the plastic ban policy. Let's work together to create a cleaner, greener world free of dangerous plastics by running campaigns and awareness programmes.



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The following must be adopted by all stakeholders involved under the policy:

a. Ban on usage of plastics in the institution's premises, canteen etc.

All events organized inside the campus should strictly follow the plastic ban.

- b. To carry out awareness drives and sensitization workshops on the harmful impacts of single use plastics.
 - c. It is advised to all students to avoid bringing non-bio-degradable plastic items to the institution.
 - d. To encourage students to sensitize their respective households about harmful effects of plastics and make their households 'plastic free'.
 - e. To provide water units to avoid the purchase and use of plastic water bottles.
 - f. To inform about alternative solutions like cloth bags etc., to plastic bottles and other goods on campuses.
 - g) To conduct events on designing ecological and environment friendly goods to minimize the use of single use plastic.

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