## Patrician College of Arts and Science

## **Institutional Green Policy**

Since inception, the institution has believed in maintaining a green and healthy environment despite being located in the heart of the city. Every effort is taken to maintain carbon dioxide neutrality by planting trees and plants of different varieties to sustain an eco friendly campus. Its beautiful landscaping not only provides a pleasant learning environment for the students but also captures the attention of the visitors to the campus.

Some of the measures taken for a clean and eco friendly environment are:

- **a. Mode of transport:** Students are encouraged to use bicycles to commute to college. Separate parking space is provided for bicycles.
- **b. Plastic-free campus:** The management promotes plastic free campus. Various clubs of the college organize programs to create awareness on harmful effects of plastics.
- c. Carbon neutral initiatives: Emphasis is laid on paperless office to save carbon emission in printers. Reuse of one –side paper printouts is encouraged. Utilization of ERP software and ICT facilitates paperless administration. Samsung Tab is provided by the Management to all staff members to administer paperless communication and ICT for day to day administration. The college documents are maintained primarily in the form of soft copies.
- d. **Rainwater harvesting:** Recharge wells and Percolation pipes are installed for proper rain water accumulation and absorption.
- e. **Environmental Management:** The college promotes sound environmental management policies and practices by
  - Following the guidelines legislated by State and Central Government bodies.
  - Reducing and preventing pollution.
  - Adopting targets for improving environmental performance with a proper understanding of current environmental needs.

## **Green Cover Management**

The college will initiate and promote activities that will facilitate a greater extend of green coverage. The Enviro Club of the college will be responsible for promotion and creating awareness on the need for green coverage in the campus.

**Carbon Management :** The college will ensure the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and implement a carbon management strategy and use energy efficiently.

**Energy Management:** The college will ensure the consumption of low energy by installing LED bulbs and super fans.

**Water Management:** The College will ensure efficient and environmentally responsible use of water. Rain water is harvested and recycled water is used for maintaining green campus

**Waste Reduction and Recycling:** The College will ensure that Sustainable resource management practices, based on reduce, reuse and recycle principles is implemented. Efforts will be taken to minimise the adverse environmental impacts by proper disposal of paper waste and e-waste and use of environment – friendly cups / plates and glasses in the Cafeteria.

**Awareness and Training Programs:** The college will ensure that training programmes on environmental related issues to create awareness among students, faculty and the neighbouring community.