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POLICY on SMOKE-FREE CAMPUS
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The University is dedicated to provide a safe, healthy, clean, and supportive environment to every student, faculty, staff and visitor. This Smoke-Free Campus Policy prohibits smoking and the use of tobacco products throughout the University campus and promotes awareness of the health risks associated with tobacco use.

This policy applies to all students, faculty, and staff members of the University. In addition, it shall apply to all contractual personnel, vendors, visitors, guests, and any other persons entering or using University premises, facilities, or University-controlled outdoor areas.

University shall maintain a smoke-free campus. Smoking and the use of tobacco products are prohibited at all indoor and outdoor University locations, including but not limited to:

- Academic blocks, classrooms, laboratories, libraries and offices.
- Hostels, residences, cafeterias, canteens and other common areas.
- Sports grounds, gymnasiums, auditoriums and event venues.
- Roads, pathways, parking areas, gardens and open spaces within the University premises.
- University vehicles and vehicles operated for the University activities.
- Indoor and outdoor events, functions, meetings and student activities conducted on campus.

Prohibited Products and Activities

The prohibited products on the University premises include smoking cigarettes, bidis, cigars, pipes, or other combustible tobacco products; use of smokeless tobacco products; and use of other tobacco-containing smoking products.

Dissemination and Communication

The University shall display clearly visible 'NO SMOKING / SMOKE-FREE CAMPUS' signage at campus entrances, academic and administrative buildings, hostels, public areas and other appropriate and prominent locations. The policy shall be communicated through the University website, student/faculty orientation, notices, awareness programmes and relevant institutional documents.

Awareness and Compliance

The University shall conduct periodic awareness activities on the harmful effects of tobacco use and encourage tobacco cessation. Also, students and employees seeking support may be guided to qualified healthcare professionals or recognized tobacco-cessation service centers. All members of the University community are expected to comply with this policy.



Violations may be addressed through counselling, warning and/or disciplinary action in accordance with the University's applicable rules and regulations. Repeated or serious violations may be referred to the appropriate University authority for further action.

Roles and Responsibilities

Responsible Unit / Person	Key Responsibility
University Administration	Approve, implement and periodically review the policy.
Dean/Office of Student Welfare	Coordinate awareness, student communication and implementation.
Security & Estate/Facilities	Display signage and support enforcement across campus.
Hostel Administration	Ensure smoke-free compliance in hostel and residential areas.
Faculty & Staff	Promote compliance and report persistent violations through proper channels.
Students	Follow the policy and support a smoke-free campus environment.

Review and Monitoring

The policy shall be reviewed periodically, and at least once every **five years**, or earlier if required due to changes in applicable law, University regulations, or public-health guidance. Records of awareness activities, signages, circulars, and implementation measures may be maintained as supporting evidence of the University's smoke-free campus commitment.

