

Waste Management Policy

Preamble:

Swami Sahajanand Bharati College of Education, Shrirampur is committed to transform lives and serve the society through pursuit of excellence in teaching, innovation, lifelong learning, cultural enrichment and outreach services. SSBCE realizes sustainable and holistic waste management essential in reducing its environmental footprint and providing a safe and healthy work environment for teaching and non-teaching employees, students, and visitors. The college has a duty to ensure that all the campus wastes are disposed of responsibly by using proper waste segregation mechanism at the source and if possible, converting it into value added environment friendly product. The purpose of the policy is to facilitate implementation of the action plan brought out in "National Environment Policy 2006".

Policy Statement:

The College implement the "Polluter-pays principle" in the delivery of its waste management services. The College apply a 'waste handling process', to reduce, reuse, recycle and recover waste products in preference to the dumping of waste to landfill. The college requires all the teaching and non-teaching staff, students, guests and anyone else making use of the premises to comply with this Policy and associated "College Environmental Guidance" to ensure compliance with all waste legislations. Any solid waste generated in the campus shall be managed and handled in accordance with the compliance criteria and the procedure laid down in Municipal Solid Wastes (Management and Handling) Rules, 1999.

The objectives of this policy are:

- To reduce waste generation at source and facilitate repair, reuse and recycling over the disposal of wastes in a cost-effective manner.
- To provide obviously defined roles and responsibilities to identify and co-ordinate each activity of the waste management.
- To ensure the safe handling and storage of wastes on college campus.
- To deliver appropriate training for teacher, resident, staff, students and other stakeholders on waste management issues.
- To encourage holistic approach of waste management in the campus

Procedures:

- To reduce waste at institute, students and staff are educated on proper waste management practices through lectures, advertisement on notice boards, displaying slogan boards in the campus.
- Waste is collected on a daily basis from various sources and is separated as **dry and wet waste**.
- Color coded dustbins are used for different types of wastes.
- Daily garbage is collected by housekeeping personnel and handed over to authorized personnel for further processing.
- All waste water lines from toilets; bathrooms etc. are connected with Municipal drainage mains.
- Waste material like plastic, papers etc. are collected and sold out to scrap vendor from time to time.
- The E-waste collected is stored in store room and disposed every year accordingly.
- Empty toners, cartridges, outdated computers and electronic items are sold as scrap to ensure their safe recycling.
- Rainwater harvesting pit is there which is monitored regularly and students are made aware about the concept of rainwater harvesting and its importance as part of NSS activities.