

# POLICY ON COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY

#### Introduction:

As an international research force, our organization recognizes the critical need to commit to sustainability and minimize our impact on the environment. This policy document outlines our approach to minimizing environmental impacts from our purchasing, wastage reduction, and CO2 emissions reduction.

## Purchasing:

We acknowledge that purchasing is one of the most significant impacts we have on the environment. Therefore, we will prioritize the procurement of environmentally sustainable products and services that minimize our environmental footprint. We will do this by:

Conducting life cycle assessments of our products and services to identify and select the most environmentally sustainable options.

Prioritizing suppliers with environmentally sustainable practices and certifications, such as ISO 14001, and ensuring that suppliers are aware of our environmental expectations.

Considering the use of recycled materials, compostable products, and alternatives to single-use products in our purchasing decisions.

## Wastage Reduction:

We recognize that reducing our waste is a critical element in minimizing our environmental impact. Therefore, we will focus on reducing our waste by:

Implementing recycling programs in all our facilities, with a focus on reducing waste to landfill.

Encouraging the use of electronic documents to reduce paper usage.

Minimizing packaging and utilizing eco-friendly packaging options where possible.

#### CO2 Emissions Reduction:

We acknowledge that our operations contribute to greenhouse gas emissions and recognize the importance of reducing our carbon footprint. Therefore, we will aim to reduce our CO2 emissions by:



Encouraging the use of alternative modes of transport such as cycling, walking, and public transport, and promoting carpooling for work-related travel.

Using energy-efficient equipment and implementing energy-saving measures in our facilities, such as LED lighting and motion sensors.

Measuring our carbon footprint and setting targets for reducing emissions, regularly reporting our progress towards those targets.

### Conclusion:

As an international research force, we understand the importance of sustainability and the role we play in minimizing our impact on the environment. We are committed to implementing and continuously improving this policy document to ensure we operate in a manner that is environmentally sustainable.