



# Acharya Institute of Management and Sciences

Environment and Sustainable Policy

## **12. Environment and Sustainable Policy**

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### **12.1 Purpose**

Consistent with Mission, Code of Conduct and the Environmental and Sustainability (E&S) Vision, AIMS is committed to an environmentally sustainable manner of conducting our operations that positively impact our students, staff, employees, the immediate community and the environment. The purpose of this policy is to implement the principles of the Environmental and Sustainability program that also include our green initiatives. All individuals associated with AIMS exist to support these principles.

### **12.2 Scope**

AIMS and all related entities including students, faculty, staff, support staff, infrastructure; related employees including contractors working within AIMS and others working on behalf of AIMS.

### **12.3 Compliance And Conformance**

AIMS will comply and conform with all applicable Environmental and Sustainability laws, regulations, and best practices; AIMS E&S policies and other requirements to which the organization subscribes related to identified E&S aspects and impacts. AIMS will conduct periodic audits and implement practices to ensure compliance and conformance to these requirements.

### **12.4 Continuous Improvement**

AIMS will establish achievable E&S goals, objectives and targets in conjunction with the interests of our students, infrastructure and other related entities and continually improve our performance and will report our progress as and when required. We aim to establish policies and controls that promote a positive E&S culture.

### **12.5 Operational Integration**

AIMS will integrate E&S into operational decisions to proactively ensure that we consistently promote environmentally sustainable practices. Specifically, AIMS requires that an E&S evaluation be integrated into vital decision-making processes such as changes to infrastructure, student-related activities, etc. Processes and services that will reduce E&S risks, improve E&S performance of our operations, activities and interaction with the immediate external community will also be considered.

### **12.6 Environment And Climate Change**

AIMS will minimize waste and emissions, reuse and recycle materials, promote renewable energy use, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and conserve energy and water wherever feasible, to minimize our impact on the environment.

## **12.7 Communication And Education**

AIMS E&S will communicate this policy to employees, customers, shareholders, suppliers, community and other stakeholders and share best practices throughout AIMS in order to promote continuous improvement and enhance E&S performance.

## **12.8 Waste Management**

The institution's waste management policy aims to minimize waste generation, promote recycling and reuse, and ensure the safe disposal of all waste types, including electronic waste (e-waste). Waste products are audited every semester to monitor the quantity and type of waste generated, ensuring proper segregation, recycling, and disposal through approved methods. The institution has also partnered with NGOs such as ITC WoW (Well-being Out of Waste) to facilitate the responsible collection and disposal of recyclable materials. Special focus is given to e-waste, which is handled and disposed of only through authorized recyclers to prevent environmental pollution and safeguard public health. The policy further promotes awareness among students and staff to adopt sustainable consumption and waste management practices.

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