

सावित्रीबाई फुले पुणे विद्यापीठ
(पूर्वीचे पुणे विद्यापीठ)



परिपत्रक क्र. ३३३/२०२४

विषय :- उच्च शिक्षण संस्थांच्या परिसरात एकल वापराच्या प्लॉस्टिकवर बंदी लागू करणेबाबत.

संदर्भ :- विद्यापीठ अनुदान आयोगाचे पत्र क्र.D.O.No.14-9/2021(CPP-II)(C-101974), Dated:04/11/2024.

या परिपत्रकाद्वारे सर्व संबंधितांना कळविण्यात येते की, विद्यापीठ अनुदान आयोगाने दिनांक ०४ नोव्हेंबर, २०२४ च्या पत्रान्वये उच्च शिक्षण संस्थांच्या परिसरात एकल वापराच्या प्लॉस्टिकवर बंदी आणण्यात आलेली असून यासंदर्भात निर्गमित केलेली मार्गदर्शक तत्त्वे/निर्देशांचे पालन संबंधित सर्व उच्च शिक्षण संस्थांनी करण्याबाबत कळविलेले आहे. सदर संदर्भीय पत्रामधील आशय स्वयंस्पष्ट असून सदर संदर्भीय पत्राची प्रत सोबत जोडली आहे.

त्यानुसार विद्यापीठातील सर्व शैक्षणिक विभाग, सर्व प्रशाला व प्रशासकीय विभाग येथील विभागप्रमुख/संचालक/शाखाप्रमुख यांनी आपल्या विभागात तसेच विद्यापीठाशी संलग्नित सर्व महाविद्यालये/परिसंस्था यांनी आपल्या स्तरावर विद्यापीठ अनुदान आयोगाने संस्थेच्या परिसरात एकल वापराच्या प्लॉस्टिकवर बंदी आणल्याबाबत दिलेल्या मार्गदर्शक तत्त्वे/निर्देश यांची अंमलबजावणी काटेकोरपणे करावी, ही विनंती.

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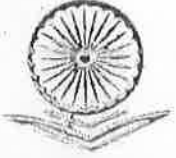
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D.O.No.14-9/2021(CPP-II) (C-101974)

04th November, 2024/ 13 कार्तिक, 1946

Subject: Implementation of Ban on single use plastic in campus of Higher Education Institutions.

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As we all recognize, the urgency to reduce our reliance on plastic, particularly single-use plastics, has never been more critical. The detrimental effects of these materials extend far beyond immediate convenience; they pose severe long-term challenges that threaten our environment, public health, waste management systems, and involve significant cleanup costs. It is imperative that we take decisive and immediate action to phase out single-use plastics from our daily lives.

Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) play a vital and multifaceted role in addressing this pressing issue. They not only educate students on the importance of environmental stewardship but also engage in impactful research that fosters a deeper understanding of sustainable practices. By connecting with local communities and encouraging activism, HEIs can cultivate a sense of ethical citizenship among their students and faculty, ultimately contributing to a more informed and socially responsible society.

To support this mission, the University Grants Commission (UGC) has developed guidelines aimed at curbing plastic use within Higher Education Institutions. These guidelines have been disseminated for adoption, and the UGC regularly issues advisories encouraging HEIs to lessen their plastic consumption, particularly focusing on single-use items and proper disposal methods for plastic waste. For your convenience, a copy of these guidelines is attached.

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DR/Admn(NT) - plz draft a circular to that effect.

CONTINUATION SHEET

As we move forward, we again urge Higher Education Institutions to amplify their efforts in tackling the pervasive issue of single-use plastics. This initiative is crucial not only for protecting our environment but also for safeguarding human health, addressing waste management challenges, combating climate change, and promoting economic sustainability. Implementing such a ban can catalyze a transformative shift towards the adoption of more sustainable materials and practices, ultimately benefiting both our planet and society as a whole.

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D.O. No.F.1-54/2019 (Website/Swachhata Hi Sewa)

30th August, 2019

Subject: Participation in 'Swachhata Hi Sewa Campaign'

Respected Sir/ Madam,

'Swachhata Hi Sewa Campaign' is being launched by the Government of India from September 11, 2019 to October 2, 2019 with the aim to eliminate use of plastic and to dispose plastic waste. Towards achieving this objective through the Higher Education Institutions (HEIs), detailed guidelines are enclosed herewith which may be adopted in universities and colleges.

2. Further, the following activities may be undertaken: ...
 - a) Starting from 11th September till 2nd October 2019, all students in every HEIs may be encouraged to do **Shramdaan** picking up any plastic waste in their surroundings and bringing them to a central location in the institution.
 - b) The plastic waste so collected may be disposed off in consultation with the District/Municipal/Gram Panchayat administration on 2nd October so that it could be used for effective recycling or in road-construction or in cement industry.
3. Universities and their affiliated colleges are requested to upload the information with regard to the number of students, teachers, staff and officials who have participated in this campaign along with photographs and videos on the **University Activity Monitoring Portal** of UGC (<https://www.ugc.ac.in/uamp/>) under the event Swachhata Hi Sewa latest by 05:00 pm on 2nd October, 2019.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Rajnish Jain)

To
The Vice Chancellors of all the Universities.



UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

“Swachhata Hi Sewa Campaign”

UGC Guidelines for Ban of Plastic Use in Higher Education Institutions

Whereas plastic waste has emerged as one of the biggest environmental concerns adversely impacting the soil, water, health and well-being of citizens at large;

Whereas excess-consumption of plastic combined with limited waste disposal systems has become a challenge to the urban waste disposal systems, and has choked the rivers and water systems in rural areas;

Whereas the time has come for a systematic campaign to reduce the usage of plastic, especially the single use plastic;

Whereas the Government has decided to take plastic ban as a national level campaign to address the environmental hazards being and bring attitudinal changes that shun use of plastics; and

Whereas the educational institutions have the unique spread and influence to educate the students and households on the need for avoiding usage of plastics,

University Grants Commission hereby issues the following guidelines for all the higher educational institutions in the Country:

Guidelines

1. Scope of guidelines:

- (a) These guidelines are applicable to all the higher educational institutions (HEIs) in the Country.
- (b) They encourage HEIs (universities and colleges) to adopt policies and practices towards cleaner and plastic free campuses.

2. All the HEIs in the Country shall strive to make their campuses 'plastic-free' by systematically banning use of plastics and replacing the same with suitable environmental friendly substitutes.

3. Every HEI shall:

- a. Ban use of single-use plastics in canteens, shopping complexes in the institution's premises and hostels, etc.
- b. Carry out awareness drives and sensitization workshops on the harmful impacts of single use plastics.
- c. Mandate all students to avoid bringing non-bio-degradable plastic items to the institution.
- d. Encourage their students to sensitize their respective households about harmful effects of plastics and make their households 'plastic free'
- e. Install necessary alternative facilities like water units to avoid the use of plastic water bottles, and encourage use of alternative solutions like cloth bags, paper bags etc., instead of plastic bottles, bags, covers and other goods on campuses.

4. All HEIs which have adopted villages under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan shall undertake a campaign in their adopted villages till they are converted into 'plastic-free villages' through promoting awareness and encouraging shift to alternative products.

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D.O.No.14-9/2021 (CPP-II)

June 7, 2021

Sub: Elimination of Single Use Plastic- reg.

Respect Madam/Sir,

This is in continuation to UGC letter D.O.No.F.1-54/2019 (Website/Swachhata Hi Sewa) dated 30.09.2019, requesting Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) to reduce the use of plastic, especially single use of plastic and dispose off plastic waste. UGC also framed guidelines which are to be adopted in HEIs. These guidelines are available on UGC website.

In order to achieve the objective of Elimination of Single Use of Plastic, following approaches could be adopted by HEIs to target different group:

- Essay competition among students.
- Activities by organization like NCC, NSS, Nehru Yuva Kendra etc.
- Hackathons among students and start-ups to promote innovation in the areas of alternate materials, recycling, circular economy etc.

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All the Higher Educational Institutions and their affiliated colleges/institutes are requested again to undertake approaches suggested above following strict adherence to the Government Guidelines/Protocols on Covid-19 and upload the relevant information on University Activity Monitoring Portal (UAMP) of UGC (<https://www.ugc.ac.in/uamp>)

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Rajnish Jain)

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D.O.No.14-9/2021 (CPP-II)

8th October, 2021

Respected Madam/Sir,

This is in continuation to UGC letter D.O.No.F.1-54/2019(Website/Swachhata Hi Sewa) dated 30.09.2019 and D.O. No. 14-9/2021(CPP-II) dated 07.06.2021, requesting HEIs to reduce the use of plastic, especially single use of plastic and dispose off plastic waste. UGC also framed guidelines in this regard which are to be adopted in HEIs.

As you are aware, the Government of India has launched a 75 weeklong campaign 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' to celebrate the achievements of the country and its people. This campaign not only commemorates the achievements but also motivates and encourages citizens to take positive steps for the growth of the country.

"Awareness programmes to avoid the use of single use plastics" has been identified as one of themes for the campaign with a view to gather momentum, scale visibility and outreach. A suggested list of such single use plastic items is attached. Awareness generation may also be brought out on the recently notified Plastic Waste Management Amendment Rules, 2021, wherein, identified single use plastic item, which have low utility and high littering potential, will be phased out by 2022.

All the Universities and affiliated colleges/institutes are requested to make the awareness programme impactfully in order to avoid use of single use plastics have maximum visibility as part of 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav' and share action taken report on the list of activities undertaken on the email ebsbmhrd19@gmail.com.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Rajnish Jain)

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October 13, 2021

Respected Madam/Sir,

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Annexure I

Campaign to reduce/eliminate use of littered single use plastic

A. Do not use disposable single-use plastic items:

- Plastic/ thermocol (polystyrene) disposable cutlery including plates, cups, glasses, cutlery such as forks, spoons, knives, trays, straws, stirrers used for serving eatables/drinks.
- [Thermocol] for decoration, Plastic flags
- wrapping or packing films around gifts and invitation cards
- plastic or PVC (flex) banners less than 100 micron,

B. Discourage use of the following:

- Plastic carry bags;
- Artificial plastic flowers;
- PET plastic water bottles especially less than 1 litre;
- Plastic folders and
- Any other plastic material for which an alternative exists.

SOP for zero-waste events Events (Official functions/ Weddings/ Social or religious functions)

The vision of SBM-U 2.0 is to make all cities “Garbage Free”. A key requirement for this would be to adopt 3R principles and principles of circular economy for reducing, reusing and recycling of waste to ensure maximum resource recovery. Parallely, in alignment with Government of India's focus, SBM-U 2.0 also aims at phased elimination of single-use plastics.

Given that public events pose a challenge for cities in terms of generating substantial quantities of waste and their subsequent disposal, there is a need to ensure that going forward, all public events be conducted on “zero-waste” principles, to minimize the amount of waste generation and need for their safe disposal. This would be possible through use of environment friendly products/ items, easy access to toilets and waste disposal facilities by all attendees at such events, with all COVID appropriate measures as mandated by Government of India in place.

To this end, an indicative SOP with suitable **Do's/ Don'ts** is being proposed as per suggestive guidelines given below, for ULBs to ensure that any public event in their jurisdiction is a “zero-waste” or Swachh event.

1. Entrance

- No plastic/ flex posters/ signages to be used for displaying information regarding the event. All posters/ signages to be printed on eco-friendly materials such as cloth, jute, paper etc.
- The welcome board at the gate should clearly mention that this is a Swachh or “zero-waste” event.
- No flowers/`decorations made of plastic to be used.
- Foot operated sanitizer machines to be placed at the entrance. A cut-out of the city's Swachhata mascot, if relevant, may be placed next to the machine.
- Clear signages are put directing participants to the various areas of the event.
- Access to the venue to be *Divyang*-friendly.

2. Registration area (if applicable, for official events)

- Appropriate physical distancing to be maintained at the registration point
- Registration of guests to be carried out by organisers using handheld tablets
- Name tags to be printed on cardboards, with jute/ cloth lanyards
- Participant kit (if provided) may consist of the following items:
 - Cloth/ jute bag made by SHGs from waste cloth

- Notepad made of recycled paper
- Eco-friendly plantable pens
- Mementos, if any, may be made out of recycled materials. Use of *papier mache* boxes, steel lapel pins, stainless steel water bottle, etc may be encouraged.
- Participants to scan a QR code to receive the agenda/ papers/ publications related to the event

3. Inside the venue

- No plastic water bottles of any size, plastic cups/ glasses to be used anywhere in the venue. Only bio-degradable environment friendly drinking cups to be used.
- Drinking water tap dispensing machines/ 20 litre potable water dispensers with paper cups/ steel cups/ glasses to be placed at accessible distances throughout the venue.
- In case of official functions and workshops, for panel discussions, etc, glass water bottles and drinking glasses to be placed on the dais for use by panelists.
- Hand sanitisers to be placed at accessible distances throughout the venue.
- Use of multi-layered wrapping paper, ribbons etc. to be kept to a minimum.
- Presentations made during the event (if applicable) to be posted on a website or emailed to all participants post event instead of providing printed, physical handouts.
- No outside food/ beverages to be allowed inside the venue
- Green, Blue litter bins with prominent signages printed on them to be placed at easily accessible locations throughout the venue, for disposal of bio-degradable (e.g. food, kitchen, floral wastes, bio-degradable cutlery, etc.) and non-bio degradable wastes (e.g wrapping paper, paper cups, ribbons, etc.).
- All litter bins to be emptied frequently (depending on duration of event) and the waste transported out in segregated collection vans of ULB.

4. Dinning- area

- Use of only bio-degradable cutlery/ reusable plates and cutlery (e.g. steel, bone-china etc.) to be used.
- To ensure that no food is wasted, organisers may tie up with local NGOs for distribution of leftovers at shelters OR have in-situ mobile composting at site.
- All litter bins to display key messages such as 'humara kachara humari zimadari', 'har din do bin' etc.
- Signage for saving water to be prominently displayed above wash basins.

5. Washrooms

- Toilets/ washrooms for all gender groups to be available within the premises, fulfilling the following minimum conditions:
 - a. All **toilet seats and urinals** clean and usable at all times
 - b. **Wash basin(s)** clean and usable at all times
 - c. Availability of **water at all times**
 - d. Adequate **ventilation** facility (vents, slanted glass slats and/or exhaust fan), are **well lit** at all times, both **within and outside**, with each seat having its own light point, and all light points functional
 - e. Functional **bolting arrangements** on all doors of all toilet seats

f. Proper disposal facility for the toilet effluents

- All washrooms to be cleaned multiple times in a day, to maintain the above conditions
- All wash basins to have suitable signages (e.g. "Dhoya Kya") for handwashing, water saving etc.
- Ramps to be in place for *Divyang* attendees
- Ladies' toilets to have:
 - g. sanitary pad vending machines*
 - h. Wastepaper for wrapping sanitary pads*
 - i. Separate bins to be in place for disposing sanitary pads*
- Soap dispenser machines in each toilet
- SHE toilets (mobile toilets for women), and mobile toilets for men, transgenders, etc. (if required), with all the functionalities of point (1) to be placed at accessible locations around the venue.