

G.H.G. KHALSA COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

GURUSAR SADHAR (LUDHIANA)

POLICY DOCUMENT ON WATER CONSERVATION



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Introduction

Water is so essential for life that it's simply impossible to imagine life without water. The uneconomical and unethical use of water by human being is the sole reason for deterioration of this valuable natural resource. Thus, both quality and quantity of water are at stake and have to be taken care of. It's the moral duty and social responsibility of each individual and community as a whole to contribute to conserve water and rejuvenate the water resources. In this backdrop, G.H.G. Khalsa College of Education, Gurusar Sadhar has always made strenuous efforts to ensure water conservation and water harvesting. The College motto in this regard has been - "Be Water Smart, Every Drop Counts". The primary goal of water conservation policy of the College is to provide safe and clean water in whole campus area alongwith implementing water efficient practices. Student and staff engagement play a major role in our water sustainability strategies. Reducing water conservation policy of the College.

Objectives of the Policy:

- □ To maximize water use efficiency and minimize wastage of water.
 □ To ensure awareness about the water conservation policy of the College among all the staff and students.
 □ To organize various outreach programmes under the leadership of NSS/
- different clubs, departments and societies for creating awareness on water conservation.
- ☐ To educate students to monitor and collect information related to water bodies and their pollution of nearby areas.
- ☐ To inform, educate and increase the awareness regarding the importance of water to life and the need for its conservation.

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College initiatives: The College is committed to make sure that water is used most judiciously and efficiently. In this regard following practices are adopted by the College:

- Waste water is properly drained out to maintain greenery in the campus.
- Proper drainage system is available in the college to avoid wastage of water.
- Water wasted during the drinking at the water cooler is directed to the lawn area for the purpose of reusing it.
- The overflowing water from the potted plants is directed to the drainage in the garden.
- Potted plants are put in the stands so as to direct the overflowing water to the small plants and grass in the garden.
- Water overflowing from the storage tank is directed to the garden in the parking area.
- The household waste water is also directed to garden area in the parking lot of the College.
- Waste water from the canteen is directed to a kitchen garden backside the canteen area.
- Water wastage is minimized by regularly checking the leakages and through the maintenance work.
- College has two water tanks which is sufficient as per the need of the institution and the water from the tank is uniformly distributed in the campus area.
- Signages are displayed at the various places and especially at the water usage points like near the water cooler, canteen area, bathrooms etc. to educate students of economical usage of water.
- Students are regularly oriented through various environment related programme to reduce the wastage of water /economical usage of water.
 Some of these programmes include NSS camps (extension lectures,

poster making and collage making activities etc.), Swatchta Pakhwada celebration, awareness through morning assemblies

- Use of water efficient fixtures, rain water harvesting and smart water conservation practices are employed in the College.
- In the degree college campus (shared infrastructure boys' and girls' hostels, playground, seminar hall and Nihang Shamsher Singh Hall) water conservation is mainly done by rainwater harvesting. During rainy season rainwater is collected and directed to the wells for percolation.

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