

# Manipal University Jaipur Policy on Ethical Sourcing of Food and Supplies

# 1. Introduction

Manipal University Jaipur recognizes the importance of ethical sourcing in ensuring sustainability, responsible procurement, and ethical treatment of workers and communities involved in the production of food and supplies used within the university. This policy document outlines our commitment to ethical sourcing, aligning our values with responsible practices in sourcing food and supplies for our institution.

# 2. Objectives

# 2.1. Sustainability:

To promote sustainable practices that minimize environmental impact and support conservation efforts.

# 2.2. Ethical Treatment:

To ensure the ethical treatment of workers and communities involved in the production and supply chain of food and supplies.

# 2.3. Transparency:

To maintain transparency in sourcing practices and provide information to the university community regarding the origin and impact of sourced products.

# 3. Ethical Sourcing Principles

# 3.1. Environmental Responsibility:

Manipal University Jaipur is committed to sourcing food and supplies that are produced using environmentally responsible practices, including

sustainable agriculture, responsible fishing, and minimal environmental impact.

#### 3.2. Fair Labor Practices:

We require suppliers to adhere to fair labor practices, including fair wages, safe working conditions, and the protection of workers' rights.

### 3.3. Local and Community Support:

Whenever feasible, the university will prioritize sourcing from local and regional suppliers to support local economies and communities.

#### 3.4. Animal Welfare:

We advocate for humane treatment of animals in food production and support the use of products from sources that adhere to ethical animal welfare standards.

#### 3.5. Certifications:

Manipal University Jaipur will give preference to products that carry recognized certifications for ethical sourcing and sustainability, such as Fair Trade, USDA Organic, or Rainforest Alliance.

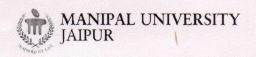
#### 4. Supplier Selection and Evaluation

#### 4.1. Supplier Assessment:

The university will assess and select suppliers based on their adherence to ethical sourcing principles.

#### 4.2. Ongoing Evaluation:

Regular supplier evaluations will be conducted to ensure ongoing compliance with ethical sourcing standards.



# 5. Transparency and Communication

#### 5.1. Information Disclosure:

Manipal University Jaipur will provide information to the university community regarding the ethical sourcing practices, certifications, and impacts of sourced products.

#### 6. Education and Awareness

#### 6.1. Education Programs:

The university will conduct educational programs, workshops, and campaigns to raise awareness about ethical sourcing and its importance within the university community.

## 7. Evaluation and Improvement

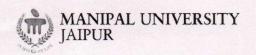
#### 7.1. Regular Assessment:

- a. This policy will be periodically reviewed to assess its effectiveness in promoting ethical sourcing practices.
- b. Feedback from the university community and suppliers will be considered for policy enhancements.

#### 8. Conclusion

Manipal University Jaipur is dedicated to ethical sourcing practices that align with our commitment to sustainability, responsibility, and ethical treatment of workers and communities. This policy document reflects our pledge to ensure that the food and supplies used within our institution uphold these principles and contribute to a better future for all.





# **Version History**

Number	Year	Major Revision
Version 3.0	2022	Modification in procurement process
Version 2.0	2021	Special Clauses due to COVID 19
Version 1.0	2020	Initial policy

