

# Manipal University Jaipur Plastic Waste Reduction Policy

## 1. Introduction

At Manipal University Jaipur, we recognize our responsibility to minimize our environmental impact and promote sustainability in all aspects of our operations. One critical area where we can make a significant difference is in reducing plastic waste on our campus. This policy outlines our commitment to reducing plastic waste and provides a framework for achieving this goal.

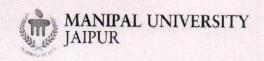
## 2. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to:

- a. Reduce the use of single-use plastics on campus.
- b. Promote responsible plastic waste management and recycling practices.
- c. Raise awareness and engage the university community in plastic waste reduction efforts.

# 3. Policy Statements

- 3.1. Single-Use Plastics Reduction
- a. Manipal University Jaipur will phase out the use of single-use plastic straws, cutlery, cups, and bags on campus.
- Alternative, sustainable options such as biodegradable or reusable alternatives will be made available in campus dining facilities, vending machines, and at university events.
- 3.2. Plastic Recycling
  - a. Adequate recycling bins will be strategically placed across campus to facilitate the collection and proper disposal of plastic waste.



b. Educational campaigns will inform the campus community about the importance of proper plastic waste disposal.

#### 3.3. Plastic-Free Events

- a. Manipal University Jaipur will encourage event organizers on campus to adopt plastic-free practices, such as using reusable or compostable materials.
- b. Event planners will be provided with guidelines and resources to help them reduce plastic waste during events.

#### 3.4. Sustainable Procurement

- a. The university's procurement policies will prioritize suppliers and products that minimize plastic packaging.
- b. Vendors and suppliers will be encouraged to offer plastic-free packaging options.

#### 3.5. Research and Innovation

- a. Manipal University Jaipur will support research initiatives focused on plastic waste reduction, recycling technologies, and sustainable materials.
- b. Faculty and students will be encouraged to engage in research projects related to plastic waste management.

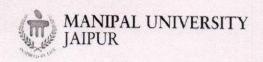
#### 4. Implementation

#### 4.1. Responsibility

- a. Office of Registrar Manipal University Jaipur, in collaboration with relevant departments, will oversee the implementation of this policy.
- b. Each department and unit will be responsible for implementing plastic waste reduction measures within their areas of influence.

#### 4.2. Compliance





- a. All members of the university community, including students, faculty, staff, and vendors, are expected to comply with this policy.
- b. Non-compliance may result in disciplinary actions as per university policies.

## 5. Monitoring and Reporting

### 5.1. Progress Tracking

a. Regular assessments will be conducted to track progress toward plastic waste reduction goals.

## 5.2. Annual Reports

- a. Office of Registrar Manipal University Jaipur will publish annual reports summarizing the university's achievements in plastic waste reduction.
- b. These reports will be shared with the campus community and made available to the public.

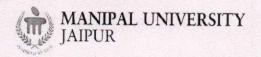
#### 6. Review and Revision

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure its continued effectiveness in reducing plastic waste on campus. Feedback from the campus community and evolving best practices in sustainability will inform any necessary revisions.

#### 7. Conclusion

Manipal University Jaipur is committed to taking proactive steps to reduce plastic waste on campus. By implementing this policy, we aim to inspire our community members to adopt sustainable practices and contribute to a healthier planet for current and future generations.





## **Version History**

Number	Year	Major Revision
Version 2.0	2022	Including measures as per UGC and Central Government of India
Version 1.0	2020	Initial policy

Approval