



Food Waste Measurement Policy

1. Introduction

Manipal university Jaipur is steadfast in its commitment to fostering a campus community that champions responsible resource management and ecological stewardship. As part of this unwavering dedication to sustainability, we recognize the pivotal role food waste reduction plays in minimizing our environmental footprint and advancing the principles of social responsibility.

This policy outlines the guidelines and procedures for measuring and managing food waste generated within Manipal University Jaipur. Recognizing the importance of sustainability and responsible resource management, the university is committed to reducing its environmental footprint, including food waste. This policy serves as a framework for monitoring and reducing food waste across campus.

2. Objectives

- 2.1. To quantify and assess the amount of food waste generated on campus.
- 2.2. To identify areas and operations within the university where food waste is most prevalent.
- 2.3. To develop strategies and initiatives for reducing food waste.
- 2.4. To promote awareness and education about food waste reduction among students, faculty, and staff.
- 2.5. To foster collaboration with local organizations to address food waste at the community level.

3. Responsibility and Accountability

- 3.1. The Directorate of General Services & Administration is responsible for implementing and overseeing this policy.
- 3.2. Each university department and dining facility is responsible for measuring, reporting, and actively working to reduce food waste within its respective area.





- 3.3. The Directorate of General Services & Administration shall provide guidance and support in implementing food waste reduction initiatives.

4. Food Waste Measurement

4.1. Regular Food Waste Audits:

4.1.1. Each dining facility and food service operation shall conduct regular food waste audits.

4.1.2. Audits shall include tracking the types and quantities of food waste generated.

4.1.3. Data from audits shall be recorded using standardized forms and reported to the Directorate of General Services & Administration.

4.2. Data Analysis:

4.2.1. The Directorate of General Services & Administration shall analyse the collected data to identify trends and areas for improvement.

4.2.2. Data shall be used to establish benchmarks and set food waste reduction targets.

5. Food Waste Reduction Strategies

5.1. Prevention:

5.1.1. Implement portion control measures.

5.1.2. Enhance menu planning and forecasting to reduce overproduction.

5.1.3. Educate food service staff on food waste reduction techniques.

5.2. Diversion:

5.2.1. Promote composting of food waste.

5.2.2. Explore partnerships with local organizations for food donation programs.

5.3. Education and Outreach:





5.3.1. Conduct awareness campaigns for students, faculty, and staff.

5.3.2. Offer workshops and seminars on food waste reduction.

6. Reporting and Monitoring

6.1. The Directorate of General Services & Administration shall maintain records of food waste data and reduction initiatives.

6.2. Progress reports shall be provided annually to the university community and shared with relevant stakeholders.

7. Effective Date Review and Evaluation

7.1. Food Waste Measurement Policy of Manipal University Jaipur shall be effective from 24th August 2020.

7.2. This policy shall be reviewed biennially to assess its effectiveness and make necessary updates.

7.3. The Directorate of General Services & Administration shall conduct periodic assessments to ensure compliance with the policy.

8. Conclusion

Manipal University Jaipur is committed to reducing food waste as part of its broader sustainability efforts. This policy outlines the responsibilities, procedures, and strategies for measuring and reducing food waste on campus. By working together, we can contribute to a more sustainable and environmentally responsible university community. This policy document serves as both an emblem of our commitment and a blueprint for action. Within its pages, we articulate our vision for comprehensively measuring and proactively mitigating food waste throughout the university. This commitment is grounded in our understanding of food waste as a multifaceted challenge that demands a holistic approach.

Number	Year	Major Revision
Version 3.0	2022	Modification as per vendor agreement
Version 2.0	2021	COVID 19 Regulations
Version 1.0	2020	Initial policy

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