



Extending Manipal University Jaipur's Disposable Policy to Outsourced Services and the Supply Chain

With an increasing focus on environmental sustainability and social responsibility, Manipal University Jaipur has taken the lead in adopting eco-friendly practices across campus. A key component of this effort involves the implementation of policies to minimize single-use plastics and reduce waste. Manipal University Jaipur is committed to extending these disposable item policies beyond its campus, encompassing both outsourced services and the broader supply chain.

The use of disposable products and single-use plastics has significant environmental impacts, contributing to ocean pollution and greenhouse gas emissions. Manipal University Jaipur recognizes its responsibility to address these issues, not only within campus boundaries but also in the wider context of its operations. The supply chain for disposable items often includes complex, global networks. By influencing the sourcing and production of these products, Manipal University Jaipur can promote ethical and sustainable practices throughout the entire supply chain. Extending disposable item policies also helps the university build positive relationships with local businesses, encouraging sustainable practices that benefit the entire surrounding community.

Manipal University Jaipur actively engages with its suppliers and service providers to communicate its commitment to these disposable item policies. This involves setting clear expectations around sustainable practices, such as reducing single-use plastics, using eco-friendly materials, and adopting responsible waste management. At all campus restaurants, contractors are prohibited from distributing single-use straws and disposable utensils to customers. Additionally, Manipal University Jaipur canteens do not offer disposable cutlery or plastic shopping bags, and cleaning staff are responsible for overseeing waste sorting and recycling efforts. The university also encourages students and faculty to adopt sustainable habits and reduce their use of disposable cutlery and other single-use items.

One of the primary contributors to environmental pollution worldwide is the widespread use of disposable items, which poses a severe threat to ecosystems and wildlife. By promoting



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responsible use and disposal of single-use plastics and other disposable items, Manipal University Jaipur aims to significantly mitigate this problem. When negotiating contracts with outsourced service providers, the university includes specific sustainability-related clauses tied to its disposable item policies. This approach ensures that suppliers are held accountable for meeting these standards. Furthermore, the university has implemented a system for monitoring and reporting on the sustainability performance of outsourced services and supply chain partners. Through regular assessments and transparent reporting, the university can identify areas for improvement and strengthen accountability.

In taking these steps, Manipal University Jaipur makes a meaningful impact by reducing environmental harm, fostering ethical sourcing, and promoting a culture of responsible consumption. By doing so, the university sets a powerful example for its community and contributes to a more sustainable and responsible future for everyone.



Fig.12.2.7 (c)

Cleaning staff which Manipal University Jaipur has outsourced with Qness Corps is in charge of enforcing waste sorting and resource recycling procedures





Fig.12.2.7 (a)

MUJ has outsourced food and beverages services on contract with **Chef on Wheels** and **Quest Corps** and abide the contractors to use Non disposable tableware in the mess.



Fig.12.2.7(b)

The culinary services are encouraged to use Non disposable cutlery in Administration and Academic.