



## **CRITERION 4**

### **4.1 PHYSICAL FACILITIES**

#### **Metric 4.1.2**



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## Infrastructure Policy

St. John's College, Anchal, recognizes the importance of maintaining a robust infrastructure to support its academic mission and vision, providing a conducive environment for learning, research, and development. Each academic year, budget allocation is made to address various infrastructure needs of the institution. This policy outlines guidelines for the construction of new facilities, maintenance of existing buildings, and optimal utilization of infrastructure resources.

### Scope of the Policy

- This policy guidelines all new construction projects undertaken by the college, including the planning, design, and implementation phases, to ensure alignment with institutional objectives and regulatory requirements.
- It encompasses maintenance activities for existing college buildings and infrastructure, including routine inspections, preventive maintenance, renovations, and emergency repairs, to uphold safety standards and prolong the lifespan of facilities.
- The policy governs the utilization of college infrastructure, including space optimization, shared facility usage, technology integration, and community engagement initiatives, to maximize resource efficiency and support the diverse needs of the campus community.



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- It includes measures to ensure compliance with relevant laws, regulations of the State and Central Government and industry standards governing construction, maintenance, and safety practices.
- It incorporates principles of environmental sustainability into infrastructure planning and development, promoting green building practices, energy efficiency, and the use of renewable resources to minimize the college's ecological footprint and contribute to broader sustainability goals.

## Elements of the Policy

### 1. New Constructions:

- New construction projects will be prioritized based on the college's strategic objectives, anticipated growth in student population, academic needs, and feedback from stakeholders.
- All new constructions must adhere to environmentally sustainable practices, including energy efficiency, use of renewable resources, and adherence to green building standards.
- New buildings will be designed to ensure accessibility for individuals with disabilities, in compliance with relevant regulations and standards.
- Construction projects will be planned and executed within approved budgets, with periodic reviews to ensure cost control and financial transparency.
- Both existing and new constructions will incorporate the installation of systems for harvesting natural resources and utilizing renewable energy sources.



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- Construction will prioritize accessibility, ensuring it is friendly to individuals with different abilities

## 2. Maintenance of Existing Buildings:

- Existing buildings will undergo regular inspections to identify maintenance needs, safety hazards, and infrastructure deficiencies.
- A proactive preventive maintenance program will be implemented to address routine maintenance tasks, such as painting, plumbing repairs, and electrical inspections.
- Renovation and upgrade projects will be undertaken as necessary to enhance the functionality, safety, and aesthetic appeal of existing buildings.
- Emergency response plans will be in place to address unexpected infrastructure failures or disasters, ensuring minimal disruption to college operations.

## 3. Proper Utilization of Infrastructure:

- College facilities will be utilized efficiently to maximize space utilization and accommodate changing academic needs.
- Common areas, such as libraries, laboratories, and recreational facilities, will be designed and managed to facilitate multi-purpose use by students, faculty, and staff.
- Infrastructure will be equipped with state-of-the-art technology to support modern teaching methods, research endeavors, and administrative functions.



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- The college will actively engage with the campus community to solicit feedback on infrastructure utilization and identify opportunities for improvement.

#### 4. Compliance and Monitoring:

- All infrastructure activities will comply with relevant local bodies, state, and central government regulations, as well as industry standards and best practices.
- Key performance indicators will be established to monitor the effectiveness of infrastructure policies and identify areas for continuous improvement.
- Feedback mechanisms will be established to solicit input from students, faculty, staff, and other stakeholders regarding infrastructure needs, priorities, and satisfaction.

#### Expected Outcomes

- The policy will align infrastructure initiatives with the college's strategic objectives, supporting academic growth, research excellence, and institutional priorities, thereby enhancing the college's overall competitiveness and reputation.
- Integration of technology into college infrastructure will support innovative teaching, learning, research, and administrative functions, enhancing the educational experience and positioning the college as a leader in educational technology adoption.



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- By adhering to building codes, safety regulations, and industry standards, the policy will ensure that college facilities meet or exceed safety requirements, reducing the risk of accidents and liability issues while enhancing the overall safety of the campus environment.
- The policy will promote efficient space utilization, enabling the college to accommodate growing academic and administrative needs without the need for excessive expansion, leading to cost savings and improved operational efficiency.
- By incorporating natural resource harvesting and renewable energy utilization into construction projects, the college will reduce its environmental footprint and contribute to sustainability efforts, leading to long-term environmental benefits and cost savings.
- The policy will result in college facilities that are accessible to individuals with diverse abilities, fostering inclusivity and ensuring equitable access to educational resources for all members of the campus community.

The College management is monitoring all infrastructure construction and maintenance activities in order to ensure that all such endeavors adhere to the stipulations outlined in this infrastructure policy. By upholding these standards, the management aims to foster a dynamic and inclusive campus environment that prioritizes sustainability, accessibility, and technological advancement.



  
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