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Respected Sir/Madam,

This is in continuation to UGC's letter. D.O.No.F.1-54/2019 (Website/Swachhata Hi Sewa) dated 30th August, 2019 regarding participation in '**Swachhata Hi Sewa Campaign**' launched by the Govt. of India to reduce the use of plastic, especially single use plastic and dispose off plastic waste. The detailed guidelines to be adopted in the universities and colleges are available on the UGC website. All the Higher Educational Institutions were requested to upload the information with regard to the participation of students, teachers, staff and officials in the campaign on the University Activity Monitoring Portal (UAMP) of UGC.

The universities and their affiliated colleges are once again requested to actively participate as per the guidelines on "**Swachhata Hi Sewa Campaign**" and upload relevant information on University Activity Monitoring Portal (UAMP) of UGC (<https://www.ugc.ac.in/uamp/>) under the event Swachhata Hi Sewa latest by 5:00 pm on 2nd October 2019.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Rajnish Jain)

To

The Vice-Chancellors of all Universities.

The Principals of all Colleges.

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UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

“Swachhata Hi Sewa Campaign”

UGC Guidelines for Ban of Plastic Use in Higher Education Institutions

Whereas plastic waste has emerged as one of the biggest environmental concerns adversely impacting the soil, water, health and well-being of citizens at large;

Whereas excess-consumption of plastic combined with limited waste disposal systems has become a challenge to the urban waste disposal systems, and has choked the rivers and water systems in rural areas;

Whereas the time has come for a systematic campaign to reduce the usage of plastic, especially the single use plastic;

Whereas the Government has decided to take plastic ban as a national level campaign to address the environmental hazards being and bring attitudinal changes that shun use of plastics; and

Whereas the educational institutions have the unique spread and influence to educate the students and households on the need for avoiding usage of plastics,

University Grants Commission hereby issues the following guidelines for all the higher educational institutions in the Country:

Guidelines

1. Scope of guidelines:

- (a) These guidelines are applicable to all the higher educational institutions (HEIs) in the Country.
- (b) They encourage HEIs (universities and colleges) to adopt policies and practices towards cleaner and plastic free campuses.

2. All the HEIs in the Country shall strive to make their campuses 'plastic-free' by systematically banning use of plastics and replacing the same with suitable environmental friendly substitutes.

3. Every HEI shall:

- a. Ban use of single-use plastics in canteens, shopping complexes in the institution's premises and hostels, etc.
- b. Carry out awareness drives and sensitization workshops on the harmful impacts of single use plastics.
- c. Mandate all students to avoid bringing non-bio-degradable plastic items to the institution.
- d. Encourage their students to sensitize their respective households about harmful effects of plastics and make their households 'plastic free'
- e. Install necessary alternative facilities like water units to avoid the use of plastic water bottles, and encourage use of alternative solutions like cloth bags, paper bags etc., instead of plastic bottles, bags, covers and other goods on campuses.

4. All HEIs which have adopted villages under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan shall undertake a campaign in their adopted villages till they are converted into 'plastic-free villages' through promoting awareness and encouraging shift to alternative products.

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