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INTRODUCTION:

Siena College of Professional Studies is committed to promote environmental sustainability and awareness within its campus and the surrounding community. We recognize the critical importance of environmental protection, conservation, and sustainable practices in our pursuit of academic excellence and holistic development. This Environmental Policy Report outlines the environmental policies and initiatives implemented by Siena College of Professional Studies and assesses the institution's commitment to environmental sustainability.

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT:

Siena College acknowledges its responsibility to reduce its environmental footprint and contribute to a healthier and more sustainable future. This policy outlines our commitment to several key initiatives that align with our mission to create a green and environmentally conscious campus. Siena College is committed to promoting environmental sustainability and fostering a culture of responsibility towards the environment among all stakeholders. We acknowledge the importance of sustainable practices in the campus.

POLICIES ADOPTED

- **Green Campus Initiatives**

The Green Campus Initiative is a comprehensive program developed by Siena College of Professional Studies, Edakochi to promote sustainability, conservation, and environmental stewardship in our campus. The college has initiated projects to enhance the green cover on the campus, including tree planting drives and the maintenance of green spaces. We are committed to create a greener and more sustainable campus environment. The college has actively taken initiatives with the help of Nature Club and NSS to develop and maintain gardens and green spaces inside the campus. We have conducted tree plantation drives to increase the green cover on campus. Campus beautification was also done as part of this by planting flowering plants, hanging gardens etc. to enhance the aesthetic appeal of the campus.

- **Resource Conservation**

We actively promote the responsible use of natural resources, including energy, water, and raw materials, across all college activities. For this we have implemented energy-efficient technologies such as LED lighting all over the campus. We encourage the use of natural lighting and ventilation in buildings. We promote the use of renewable energy sources wherever feasible. The college also promote the use of public transportation, cycling, and carpooling.

- **Waste Management and Recycling**

Siena College is dedicated to minimize waste generation and encourage recycling and responsible disposal practices. We have established a comprehensive waste segregation and recycling program. The college have also implemented a pipe composting inside the campus for effective waste management. We have also taken initiatives to reduce the use of plastic on campus.

- **Vegetable Gardening**

The college has established and promoted an organic vegetable garden in campus. We have educated students and staff on sustainable farming practices incorporating the Organic Farming Online course.

- **Environmental Education**

We have integrated environmental education and awareness into the curriculum and promote eco-friendly practices among students and staff.

- **Environmental Protection Awareness**

The college has organized workshops, seminars, and awareness campaigns on environmental issues including Ozone protection awareness. We have promoted responsible behavior and mindfulness towards the environment among students and staff.

- **Beyond the campus environmental activities**

Siena College of Professional Studies, Edakochi has a rich culture of environmental promotional and sustainability activities that extends beyond the college campus to the community in which it is located. Our college has worked to fulfil its obligations to the community at large. 'Evergreen Siena' is a flagship and prestigious initiative of Siena College that has pioneered new ways to support sustainable practices and green initiatives. The college's nature-loving students and staff, collectively called as the Green Volunteers of the college carry out Evergreen Siena's initiatives. These initiatives are mainly in collaboration with the Nature Club and NSS Unit of the college.

CONCLUSION

Siena College of Professional Studies is committed to the cause of environmental sustainability, and we are dedicated to implement and continually improve our environmental policies and initiatives. Through these initiatives and policies, we aim to foster a culture of environmental consciousness, inspire future generations, and make a positive impact on the planet. This Environmental Policy Document shall serve as a guiding framework for our environmental initiatives and shall be communicated to all stakeholders, fostering a sense of collective responsibility for our shared environment. Our aim is to inspire and educate the next generation of leaders to be environmentally responsible and make a positive impact on the planet.