



Water Conservation and Management Policy

1. Purpose

The Institute of Business Management (IoBM) recognizes water as a critical natural resource and is committed to its responsible use, conservation, recycling, and management.

This Policy establishes a framework for sustainable water management practices that support environmental stewardship, operational efficiency, campus sustainability, and the well-being of the University community.

2. Objectives

The objectives of this Policy are to:

- Promote efficient and responsible water use.
- Reduce water wastage across campus operations.
- Encourage water conservation practices.
- Support water recycling and reuse initiatives.
- Protect water quality and prevent pollution.
- Ensure access to safe drinking water.
- Improve resilience to water scarcity.
- Contribute to national and international sustainability goals and benchmarks.

3. Scope

This Policy applies to:

- Students
- Faculty
- Staff
- Visitors
- Contractors
- Service providers

and covers all water-related activities across the University's campuses, facilities, operations, and infrastructure.

4. Guiding Principles

Water management activities at IoBM shall be guided by the following principles:

Conservation

Water shall be used responsibly and efficiently.

Reuse

Opportunities for water recycling and reuse shall be maximized wherever feasible.

Quality

Water quality shall be maintained and protected.

Continuous Improvement

The University shall continuously seek opportunities to improve water management practices.

Environmental Stewardship

Water resources shall be managed in a manner that minimizes environmental impact.

5. Water Conservation

IoBM shall implement measures to reduce water consumption across campus.

These measures may include:

- Water-efficient fixtures and fittings.
- Leak detection and repair programs.
- Water conservation awareness campaigns.
- Efficient irrigation practices.
- Monitoring and management of water consumption.
- Water-conscious landscaping practices.

The University shall seek to minimize water wastage through both operational practices and infrastructure improvements.

6. Water Recycling and Reuse

IoBM recognizes water recycling as a key component of its sustainability strategy.

Greywater Recycling

The University currently operates systems that recycle greywater and reuse it for campus landscaping and green spaces.

This practice supports:

- Reduction in freshwater consumption.
- Sustainable landscape management.
- Resource efficiency.
- Environmental conservation.

The University shall continue to maintain and improve water recycling systems where feasible.

Future Opportunities

The University shall evaluate opportunities for additional water reuse, recycling, and resource recovery initiatives as part of future infrastructure planning and development.

7. Sustainable Landscape Irrigation

Recognizing the importance of maintaining green spaces while conserving water resources, IoBM shall implement sustainable irrigation practices.

These may include:

- Utilization of recycled water for irrigation.
- Efficient irrigation scheduling.
- Reduction of unnecessary water loss.
- Selection of suitable plant species.
- Continuous monitoring of irrigation performance.

Landscape management practices shall seek to balance environmental sustainability with campus aesthetics and biodiversity.

8. Safe Drinking Water

IoBM is committed to providing access to safe and clean drinking water for all campus users.

The University shall:

- Maintain drinking water facilities throughout campus.
- Conduct regular monitoring of water quality.
- Maintain water filtration and treatment systems.
- Expand water refill facilities where appropriate.

- Encourage the use of reusable water bottles.

The availability of drinking water stations shall support both public health and the reduction of single-use plastic bottle consumption.

9. Water Monitoring and Management

The University shall monitor water usage to support informed decision-making and continuous improvement.

Monitoring activities may include:

- Total water consumption.
- Water consumption by facility.
- Water recycling volumes.
- Irrigation water usage.
- Water efficiency improvements.

Data shall be maintained through the Sustainability Reporting Framework.

10. Water Pollution Prevention

IoBM shall take measures to prevent contamination of water resources and drainage systems.

The University shall promote:

- Proper disposal of chemicals and hazardous substances.
- Responsible maintenance activities.
- Protection of drainage infrastructure.
- Pollution prevention practices.
- Compliance with environmental requirements.

No hazardous materials shall be intentionally discharged into drainage or water systems.

11. Awareness and Education

The University shall promote awareness regarding responsible water use through:

- Student orientation programs.
- Sustainability campaigns.
- Educational signage.
- Workshops and awareness activities.
- Community engagement initiatives.

Members of the University community are encouraged to contribute to water conservation efforts.

12. Water Management Targets

By 2030

IoBM shall strive to:

- Maintain access to safe drinking water facilities across all campus buildings and major student activity areas.
- Continue the use of recycled greywater for irrigation and landscaping purposes.
- Expand water refill facilities where required.
- Conduct periodic water audits.
- Improve water-use efficiency across campus operations.
- Implement water-efficient fixtures in all new buildings and major renovations.
- Integrate water conservation considerations into future infrastructure projects.

Progress toward these targets shall be reviewed annually.

13. Monitoring and Reporting

The University shall monitor:

- Total water consumption.
- Water consumption per capita.
- Greywater recycled and reused.
- Water conservation initiatives.
- Drinking water infrastructure coverage.
- Water efficiency improvements.

Performance shall be reported through the Sustainability Reporting Framework.

14. Responsibilities

Sustainability Office

- Monitor implementation of the Policy.
- Collect and report sustainability performance data.
- Recommend improvements.

Maintenance Department

- Operate and maintain water infrastructure.

- Maintain greywater recycling systems.
- Monitor water consumption and efficiency.

Students, Faculty and Staff

- Practice responsible water use.
- Report water leaks and wastage.
- Support water conservation initiatives.

15. Review

This Policy shall be reviewed every three years or earlier if required.

16. Effective Date

This Policy shall take effect upon approval by the President of the Institute of Business Management.

Approved By:  _____

President, Institute of Business Management

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