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3.3.6 Smoke free policy

Smoke free campus

Dnyaan Prasad Global University (DPGU), Pune, is committed to promoting public health and well-being in alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being. The University, comprising six Schools – School of Pharmacy and Research (SPR), School of Hospitality and Tourism (SHT), School of Technology and Research (STR), School of Liberal Arts (SLA), School of Business and Strategy (SBS), and School of Management and Research (SMR) – recognises the importance of maintaining a healthy, safe and smoke-free campus environment. The University aims to minimise the harmful effects of tobacco consumption and promote healthy lifestyle practices among students, faculty members, staff and the wider community.

The University undertakes awareness initiatives to educate students and staff about the harmful consequences of smoking and tobacco use. These initiatives include awareness programmes, educational sessions highlighting the health risks associated with tobacco consumption, counselling and awareness activities for school and college students, and de-addiction initiatives promoting tobacco cessation. Through these efforts, DPGU seeks to discourage tobacco use, encourage responsible lifestyle choices and strengthen awareness about the importance of tobacco-free living.

Furthermore, the University encourages active participation from its Schools and institutional stakeholders in promoting a smoke-free campus culture. Through health awareness campaigns, educational outreach and preventive health initiatives, DPGU aims to create an environment that supports non-smoking behaviour, protects individuals from exposure to tobacco smoke and contributes to the overall health and well-being of the university community.

Sensitization Boards Within the College Campus

In accordance with the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Notification G.S.R. 417(E), the institute strives to ensure strict implementation of its smoke-free campus policy. Smoking and the possession or carrying of tobacco-related substances and packets are strictly prohibited within the institute's premises. This prohibition applies to all indoor areas, including offices, meeting rooms, restrooms, corridors, classrooms, laboratories, and other enclosed spaces. Smoking is also prohibited in all outdoor areas of the campus, including parking areas, walkways, hostel premises, and canteen seating areas.

All faculty members, staff, students, and visitors are expected to adhere to the institute's smoke-free campus policy. Any violation of these guidelines will be dealt with strictly, and appropriate action will be taken against those found non-compliant, including being directed to leave the campus premises immediately.

Through these measures, the institute aims to foster a tobacco-free culture, protect the health of its



campus community, and encourage greater awareness of the importance of a smoke-free environment.

Sensitization board

Policy Infringements / Violations:

Any infringement of the smoke-free campus policy will be dealt with in accordance with the applicable local disciplinary procedures and the relevant legislation enacted by the Government. Employees, students, and visitors are encouraged to report any violations of this policy to their immediate supervisor or designated point of contact. All reports will be treated confidentially. National Tobacco Control Programme, under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, provides assistance to individuals wishing to quit tobacco: Toll-free number: 1800 112 356, Missed-call facility: 011-22901701

The policy is governed by the Prohibition of Smoking in Public Places Rules, 2008 (Annexure), as amended from time to time. Under these rules, smoking in public places, including workplaces, is an offence. This smoke-free campus policy came into effect on 02/06/2022 and was valid until 02/06/2025.

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SMOKE-FREE CAMPUS POLICY

1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Dnyaan Prasad Global University (DPGU), Pune, is committed to promoting a healthy, safe and comfortable environment for students, employees, visitors, contractors and all other persons present on its premises. This Smoke-Free Campus Policy aims to protect the university community from exposure to secondhand smoke, discourage the use of tobacco products and support a clean, healthy and conducive academic and working environment.

This Policy applies to all students; teaching and non-teaching employees; full-time, part-time, contractual and temporary staff; visitors and guests; contractors and vendors; and any other individuals present on university premises.

The Policy applies throughout all University buildings, classrooms, laboratories, offices, libraries, common areas, facilities, vehicles, open spaces and grounds, including premises used by or associated with the University's six Schools:

- School of Pharmacy and Research (SPR)
- School for Hospitality and Tourism (SHT)
- School of Technology and Research (STR)
- School of Liberal Arts (SLA)
- School of Business and Strategy (SBS)
- School of Management & Research (SMR)

2. DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this Policy:

- Smoking includes inhaling, exhaling, burning or carrying any lit or heated cigarette, cigar, pipe or any other smoking substance or device.
- Electronic smoking devices include e-cigarettes, vapes, vape pens and similar electronic nicotine delivery systems.

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- Secondhand smoke refers to the involuntary inhalation of smoke or vapour from tobacco products or electronic smoking devices.
- Tobacco products include products containing tobacco intended for smoking, chewing or any other form of consumption.

3. LEGAL AND REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

This Policy shall be implemented in accordance with applicable national and state laws, rules, regulations and public-health directions, including:

- The Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products Act (COTPA), 2003, and rules made thereunder, as amended from time to time.
- The Prohibition of Smoking in Public Places Rules, 2008, as amended from time to time.
- Applicable Government of India, Maharashtra State and local authority directions relating to tobacco control and smoke-free educational institutions and public places.
- United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 3 (Good Health and Well-being), which promotes healthy lives and well-being for all at all ages.

Smoking and the use of tobacco products are prohibited on University premises. All persons must comply with applicable statutory restrictions, including prescribed distance requirements from building entrances and institutional boundaries wherever mandated by law.

4. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Every individual on University premises is responsible for complying with this Policy. The following responsibilities shall apply:

- Students and employees: Comply with the smoke-free requirements; refrain from smoking or using prohibited tobacco products on University premises; maintain cleanliness; and report observed violations to the appropriate University authority.
- Faculty members, School Heads and administrative supervisors: Communicate the Policy to students and staff, promote compliance and report violations to the designated administrative authority.

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- University Administration / Registrar's Office: Coordinate implementation of the Policy, arrange display and maintenance of appropriate smoke-free signage, communicate the requirements to relevant stakeholders and coordinate awareness and cessation-support information.
- Human Resources and Student Welfare authorities: Guide employees and students seeking assistance towards available counselling, wellness guidance, government-approved cessation programmes and relevant helpline information.
- Security and facilities personnel: Support implementation by bringing apparent violations to the attention of the designated University authority and assisting in maintaining a smoke-free campus environment.

Any concern or suspected violation may be reported to the immediate supervisor, School Head, Human Resources, Student Welfare Office or the Registrar's Office, as appropriate.

5. ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE

Violations of this Policy shall be addressed in accordance with applicable statutory provisions and the University's applicable disciplinary procedures. Action shall be proportionate to the nature, severity and recurrence of the violation and may include appropriate disciplinary measures or referral to the competent authorities for action under applicable law.

Students, employees and visitors are encouraged to report violations to the appropriate University authority. Reports shall be handled sensitively and, to the extent permitted by law and practicable, confidentially. Nothing in this Policy shall limit or replace action required under applicable law.

6. SUPPORT FOR SMOKING CESSATION

The University encourages individuals who wish to stop smoking or using tobacco to seek appropriate support. Subject to availability, guidance may include:

- Sharing information about government-approved tobacco and smoking cessation programmes.
- Guidance on accessing counselling, healthcare consultation or wellness support.
- Circulation or display of educational resources and relevant helpline information.

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Employees may approach the Human Resources function and students may approach the Student Welfare Office or another designated University authority for guidance on available support.

7. TOBACCO CESSATION SUPPORT AND HELPLINES

Individuals seeking assistance to quit tobacco use may access resources made available under the National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India. The source policy lists the following support contacts; their current availability should be verified before publication:

- Quitline Toll-Free Number: 1800-112-356
- Missed Call Support: 011-2290-1701

8. INSTITUTIONAL COMMITMENT

Dnyaan Prasad Global University is committed to maintaining a safe, smoke-free and health-promoting campus for its students, employees, visitors and the wider community. The University will promote awareness of the harmful effects of smoking and tobacco use and encourage healthy lifestyle practices through appropriate educational and outreach initiatives. The cooperation of every person on campus is essential to sustaining a clean and healthy environment.

9. POLICY REVIEW AND VALIDITY

This Policy shall come into effect from the date of approval by the competent authority of Dnyaan Prasad Global University and shall remain in force until amended, superseded or withdrawn by the competent authority. The University may review this Policy periodically or whenever required by changes in applicable laws, regulations or institutional requirements.

(Dr. Ranjit D. Patil)
Registrar (I/c)
Dnyaan Prasad Global University

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Smoke-Free Policy

1. Purpose and Scope

The purpose of this Smoke-Free Policy is to promote a healthy, safe, and comfortable environment for all individuals at the institute. This policy supports the well-being of employees, students, contractors, and visitors by reducing exposure to secondhand smoke and ensuring compliance with applicable government regulations. It also aims to improve workplace cleanliness, productivity, and overall institutional image.

This policy applies to:

- All employees (full-time, part-time, contractual, and temporary staff)
- Students
- Visitors and guests
- Contractors and vendors
- Any individuals present on institute premises

This policy covers all institute buildings, facilities, vehicles, and grounds.

2. Definitions

For the purpose of this policy:

- **Smoking** includes inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying any lit or heated cigarette, cigar, pipe, or any other smoking device.
- **Electronic Smoking Devices** include e-cigarettes, vapes, vape pens, and similar electronic nicotine delivery systems.
- **Secondhand Smoke** refers to involuntary inhalation of smoke or vapor from tobacco or electronic smoking devices.

3. Legal Compliance

This policy is implemented in accordance with applicable national and state legal requirements and public health directives, including but not limited to:

- The **Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products Act (COTPA), 2003**, and associated Rules
- Relevant **state and municipal smoke-free regulations**
- Government of India directives mandating tobacco-free educational institutions and public areas
- **United Nations Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 3**, which promotes ensuring healthy lives and fostering well-being for all at all ages

All students, employees, contractors, and visitors are required to adhere to these legal and institutional provisions. Smoking and the use of tobacco products are strictly prohibited within the campus, and individuals must comply with the **minimum**

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distance requirements from building entrances and institutional boundaries as mandated by law.

4. Responsibilities

All individuals are responsible for compliance with this policy.

- **Employees & Students**
  - Adhere to smoking restrictions and designated areas
  - Maintain cleanliness and proper disposal of smoking waste
- **Supervisors & Faculty**
  - Communicate and enforce the policy
  - Address and report violations to HR/administration
- **Administration/HR**
  - Maintain signage and smoking zones
  - Provide awareness and cessation resources

Concerns or violations should be reported to supervisors or the HR department.

5. Enforcement and Compliance

Infringements of the Smoke-Free Policy will be addressed in accordance with the institute's disciplinary procedures and relevant statutory provisions, including the Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products Act (COTPA), 2003 and the Prohibition of Smoking in Public Places Rules, 2008, as amended from time to time. Non-compliance with this policy constitutes a violation of law, and appropriate action shall be taken based on severity and recurrence, up to and including disciplinary measures or legal penalties as prescribed.

Employees, students, and visitors are encouraged to report violations of this policy to their immediate supervisor or designated authority. All reports will be handled sensitively and treated with confidentiality to the extent permitted by law.

6. Support for Smoking Cessation

The institute encourages individuals who wish to quit smoking and will provide support by:

- Sharing information on government-approved cessation programs
- Offering access to counseling or wellness guidance where available
- Circulating educational resources and helpline information

Employees and students seeking assistance may contact HR/student welfare office for guidance.

7. Tobacco Cessation Support

The institute promotes a healthy, safe, and supportive environment for all. To assist individuals wishing to quit tobacco use, resources are available under the **National**



Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India:

Quitline Toll-Free Number: 1800-112-356

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8. Institutional Commitment

The institute is committed to maintaining a safe, smoke-free, and health-promoting campus. This Smoke-Free Policy is a key initiative in safeguarding the well-being of employees, students, visitors, and the greater community. Compliance with this policy is the responsibility of every individual on campus, and collective adherence is essential for sustaining a clean and healthy environment.

9. Validity

This Smoke-Free Policy is effective from **02 June 2022** and shall remain in force until **02 June 2025**, unless amended by competent authority.

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(Vice- Principal)

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Pimpri, Pune - 411018.

Name of the activity: Online Drawing and Essay Competition

Organizers: DYPDPU's Dr. D.Y. Patil Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences and Research, Pimpri Pune.

Venue: Online (Submission through Google Form link)

Date: 17/10/2025 and 18/10/2025

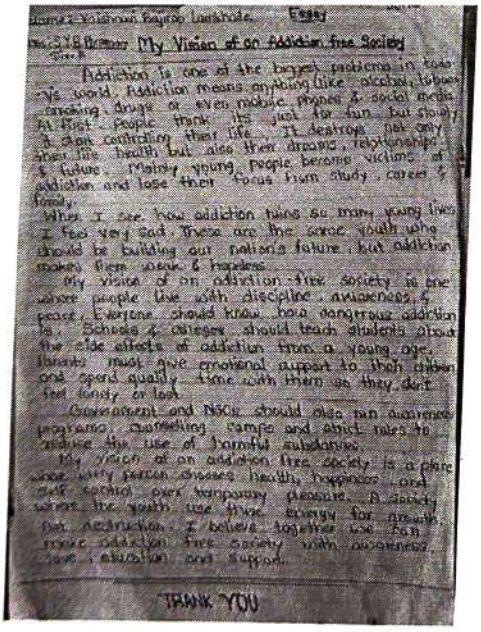
DYPDPU's Dr. D. Y. Patil IPSR, Pimpri organized an Online Drawing and Essay Competition on the 17th and 18th of October 2025 with the aim of fostering creativity, imagination, and self-expression among students. The competition focused on two socially relevant themes: "My Vision of an Addiction-Free Society" for the essay category and "Addiction Free India" for the drawing category. The event aimed to spread awareness about the ill-effects of addiction while encouraging participants to present their ideas through artistic and written expression.

Students from various academic programs enthusiastically participated by submitting their entries through the provided Google Form link. All participants were awarded E-certificates as a token of appreciation for their creative contributions and efforts toward promoting a healthy and addiction-free society.

The program was well-received and succeeded in inspiring the students to think critically and creatively about the role of youth in building a drug-free India.

PO's Mapped: Ethics, Communication

SDG Mapped: 3 Good Health and Well-being



Essay

My Vision of an Addiction free Society

Addiction is one of the biggest problems in today's world. Addiction means anything like alcohol, tobacco, smoking, drugs or even mobile phones & social media. At first people think its just for fun but slowly it start controlling their life. It destroys not only their health but also their dreams, relationships & future. Mainly young people become victims of addiction and lose their focus from study, career & family.

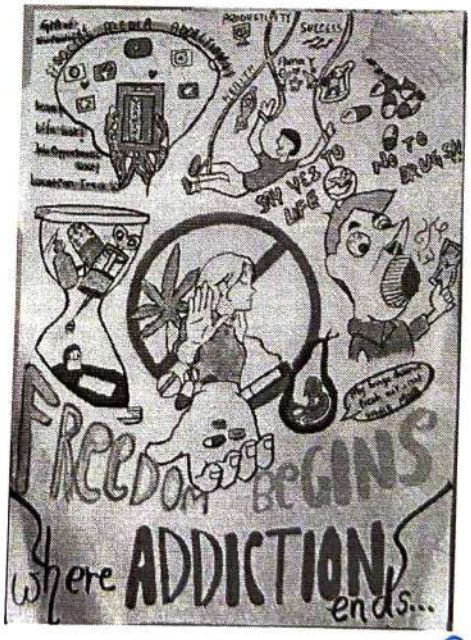
When I see how addiction takes so many young lives I feel very sad. These are the same youth who should be building our nations future, but addiction makes them weak & hopeless.

My vision of an addiction free society is one where people live with discipline, awareness & peace. Everyone should know how dangerous addiction is. Schools & colleges should teach students about the side effects of addiction from a young age. Parents must give emotional support to their children and spend quality time with them so they don't feel lonely or lost.

Government and NGOs should also run awareness programs, counselling camps and strict rules to reduce the use of harmful substances.

My vision of an addiction free society is a place where every person chooses health, happiness and self control over temporary pleasure. A society where the youth use their energy for growth, not destruction. I believe together we can make addiction free society with awareness, love, education and support.

THANK YOU



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