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Policy on Disabled Friendly Environment

Introduction

VTM NSS College, at its core, believes that every student deserves an equitable opportunity to succeed in their educational journey. The institutional Disabled-Friendly Environment Policy is a fundamental aspect of our commitment to inclusivity, aiming to create a campus where accessibility and support are integral to our operations. This policy outlines our dedication to removing physical, academic, and social barriers, ensuring that students with disabilities can fully participate in all aspects of college life. By enhancing campus accessibility and fostering a culture of understanding, the college strives to create an environment where all the learners can evolve holistically, ingrained with values of humanity, companionship and nation building. In addition to addressing physical and academic accessibility, the policy emphasizes the importance of cultivating a campus culture that values diversity and promotes inclusivity.

Objectives

The disabled-friendly policy in VTM NSS College aims to create an inclusive and supportive environment for students with disabilities. The key objective of this policy focuses on:

- 1. To ensure all campus facilities, including classrooms, libraries, and restrooms are physically accessible to students with various types of disabilities. This includes ramps, rails and wheel chairs.
- 2. To promote inclusive teaching practices and curriculum design that address diverse learning needs. This includes offering materials in various formats, using adaptable teaching methods, and ensuring that course content is accessible.
- 3. To foster a culture of inclusivity through on-going education ensuring a respectful and supportive environment for everyone.
- 4. To ensure that all physical and digital spaces on campus are accessible to students with disabilities, including the provision of necessary facilities, and assistive technologies.
- 5. To offer personalized academic and non-academic support to address the specific needs of students with disabilities, including adjustments in internal assessment, exams, and campus services.

Methodology

VTM NSS College is committed to ensuring that all students, regardless of their abilities, have equal access to educational opportunities and campus resources. Our Disabled-Friendly Environment Policy is designed to promote inclusivity and accessibility across all aspects of college life. The primary objective of our Disabled-Friendly Environment Policy is to ensure that VTM NSS College adheres to best practices and legal requirements regarding disability accessibility. This policy applies to all college facilities, programs, and services.

To create an inclusive campus environment, VTM NSS College has invested in extensive modifications to enhance physical accessibility. Our buildings are equipped with ramps, rails and wheel chairs to accommodate individuals with mobility impairments. Designated accessible parking spaces are located near all major buildings to ensure convenient access. Classrooms and other academic facilities have clear pathways to support students who use wheelchairs or other mobility aids.

Ensuring effective communication for all students of the college is a critical aspect of our policy. Our college introduced an app named as Ashakiran for blind students which provides accessible educational resources and tailored to enhance their learning experience. Our college facilitates scribe facility for disabled students during exams to ensure equal access and support for their academic needs.

Through its user-friendly interface, it empowers visually impaired learners to engage with their curriculum effectively and independently. It ensures that VTM NSS College remains responsive to the evolving needs of our community and maintains a supportive environment for everyone.

VTM NSS College is dedicated to creating an accessible and inclusive campus environment through our comprehensive Disabled-Friendly Environment Policy. By focusing on physical, communication, and program accessibility we strive to ensure that all individuals can fully participate in and benefit from our educational programs and campus resources. Through these efforts, we uphold our commitment to equality and inclusivity for all members of our college community.

Conclusion

In conclusion VTM NSS College's Disabled-Friendly Environment Policy underscores our unwavering commitment to creating an inclusive and accessible campus for all students. By prioritizing accessibility, providing essential accommodations, and fostering a culture of respect and awareness, we aim to eliminate barriers and support the diverse needs of our students. Our college believe that by upholding these principles, we not only enhance the educational experience for students with disabilities but also enrich the entire college community, promoting a culture of equity and mutual respect that benefits everyone.

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