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1) <u>Restricted entry of Automobiles</u>

The BTLC has restricted entry of Automobiles, it means:

- i. Only Staff staying far away and in exceptional cases are given permission to bring automobiles.
- ii. All students are restricted to use automobiles. The management does not provide parking space and entry to the students with automobiles. Almost 100% students comply to use the public transport means.
- iii. Only Limited teaching and non- teaching staff are permitted to use vehicles where the vehicle is parked at entrance parking bay. Automobiles are not permitted to enter the campus area to avoid noise pollution, air pollution or Pedestrian path rights.





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2) Use of Bicycles/ Battery Powered Vehicles:

- i. In the Campus, the students are allowed to use only bicycles or battery powered vehicles
- ii. The vehicles are parked at the parking bay only. Neither teacher nor teaching staff are allowed to get bicycles inside the college campus.





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3. Pedestrian friendly pathways

From entrance (with or without vehicles) each entrance is connected to pedestrian friendly pathways. It is wide, tar road. Trees are along the both sides of pedestrian, pathway geometrically diagonal, straight, not curved, corroded. It is covered by shadow of trees along the side. These pedestrian pathways are

free from the automobiles. It is a well-maintained path.





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4. Ban on Use of plastic

Plastic bags are a major cause of environmental pollution. It causes untidiness in the campus, attracts animals and are the main cause of pollution.

BTLC restricts the use of plastic in campus by spreading awareness through flyers and banners which are displayed at various places.

BTLC had carried out environmental audit for the promotion of green campus audit, especially to promote ban on use of plastics.





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5. Landscaping with Trees

Campus uses 3.5 acres of land with restricted compound protected by trees all around.

Inside the Campus, amongst the Institutional Buildings landscaping is done with avenue trees. There are pedestrial paths also with avenue trees.







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6) Potted Plant

The huge campus has a cover of huge well-maintained trees which is unique to see in city. A campus covered with greenery.

It is a natural beauty, the management has planned and planted these trees since the inception stage and is well maintained.





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7. Report of Activities for the Implementation of Green Campus:

- A) Importance of Green Campus:
- 1. Aesthetic Value
- 2. Reduce Environmental Pollution
- 3. Creates Healthy Atmosphere for teaching-learning.
- 4. Social binding Social Obligation.

B) BTLC Activities for the implementation of Green Campus:

	Direct Activities	Indirect Activities
1.	Restricted entry of automobiles	e-examination e-evaluation
2.	Use of bicycle/battery powered vehicles	e-finance & accounts
3.	Pedestrian friendly pathways	e-admission
4.	Ban on use of plastics	e-administration
5.	Landscaping with trees	e-submission of reports, notices on college website
6.	Landscaping with lush green lawns	e-workshops, orientations, FDP's etc.
7.	Campus covered with trees	e-SSR submission to NAAC
8.	Awareness	e-enrolment of students in college in NSS, in DLLE.
9.	Green audit	
10.	Plantation & Conservation	e-data collection e-research publication

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8. Photos of tree planation



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Policy Document on Green Campus/

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Policy Document on Green Campus Policy document for Plastic Free Campus



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About college

Balasaheb Thackeray Law college, located in the Taloja Phase -2, Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation,. It was established in 2002. Balasaheb Thackeray Law college is built in warm red brick with cool and spacious corridors.

Balasaheb Thackeray Law college offers to provide excellent quality of legal education as well as looks after the overall development of students. The faculty, renowned for its meritorious profile and versatile talent, is dedicated to the cause of liberal education. The College has always maintained high academic standards. More significantly, it has provided students an enabling and creative environment to freely develop and express views that help them respond to changes in society.

Green Campus Policy

The Green Campus Policy of the college visualizes a Clean and Green Campus where environmental friendly practices and education combine to promote sustainable and ecofriendly practices in the campus and beyond the campus. It also offers the institution an opportunity to take the lead in redefining its environmental culture through inculcating environmental ethics among the students and staff.

Mission

To create environmental consciousness among the society and actively involve in the activities to protect the environment for a sustainable, pollution-free and healthy life ahead.



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Objectives

- To create awareness in students and staff to minimize the use of environmentfriendly products and services.
- To inculcate the importance of cleanliness for a healthy life among student and staff
- To aware students about environmental issues by organizing Events like Awareness Campaigns, Cleanliness Drives, Workshops, Presentations, Tree Plantation Drives, Conference, Competition on "SAY NO TO PLASTIC" etc.

Initiatives Taken to Implement the Clean and Green Campus Policy

- The Institution is committed to managing its campus in accordance with its Clean and Green Campus Policy by establishing the following infrastructure and carrying out the following activities:
- Landscaping with Trees and Plants
- Ban on Single-Use Plastic
- 25 Kv. Solar Plant in the College
- Street Lights Controller
- Use of LED Bulbs/Tubes and Power Efficient Equipment's
- Rainwater Harvesting
- Paperless Office and Communication
- Solid Waste Management
- Liquid waste management system through percolation system: -
- Water Management
- E-waste Management
- Display Boards to Promote Environmental Sensibility on College Campus



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- Observance of Days to protect and Nurture Environment
- The Green, Environmental and Energy Audit

Initiatives to Implement the Green/Plastic free campus

The following infrastructure has been established, and the following actions are being carried out, as part of the Institution's commitment to managing its campus in compliance with the Clean and Green Campus Policy:

Landscaping with Trees and Plants:

In accordance with the Clean and Green Policy of Balasaheb Thackeray Law college, Taloja, Navi Mumbai the college works to grow a wide variety of attractive ornamental plant species and medicinal trees both inside and outside the campus. The College organize tree planting drives, which are regularly undertaken by NSS Unit.

Plastic Free campus:

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Single-use plastics are totally prohibited in all areas of Balasaheb Thackeray Law college, Taloja, Navi Mumbai, including the canteen, classrooms and the laboratories. The college provides eco- friendly alternatives such as stainless steel washable and reusable tumblers, and the canteen is required to serve food only on glass, or stainless-steel plates. The use of single-use plastic is completely prohibited in college campus and in all significant college meetings and events organized according to college administration policy.

4 Installation of energy-efficient equipment and alternative energy sources:

The college installed a solar energy plant on the roof of its main building. Since these solar panels were installed, MSEDCL's electricity bills have significantly decreased. The solar panels' energy production is connected to the MSEDCL power grid, which receives the power generated by the panels in exchange for a subsidy from the MSEDCL for the college electricity use. The college is committed to installing energy-saving and environment friendly electrical appliances. In order to reduce energy usage, most tube lights and lamps in

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classrooms, Library, moot court and passages have been replaced with compact fluorescent bulbs or LED bulbs.

Boards are displayed everywhere to switch off the light's seminar hall, classrooms, and library when not in use.

4 Rainwater Harvesting for water conservation:

Through rainwater harvesting, the college makes sure that rainwater is conserved. Rainwater from the roof top outlets is transported via pipelines attached to the big water harvesting tanks. Rainwater collected in the tank is used to irrigate the plants in the medicinal Garden. In order to utilise harvested rainwater for irrigating the plants of medicinal garden, the college built big tanks next to the medicinal garden. Furthermore, the excess rainwater from these tanks is transported to the soak pit in order to replenish the groundwater.

Process of waste management:

Balasaheb Thackeray Law college, Taloja, Navi Mumbai disposes of the garbage produced at the college with complete accountability and after taking all necessary safety measures. The agreements for waste management are made with various agencies.

By separating waste into dry and wet categories using the designated dustbins, which are placed in strategic spots and given to the local municipal truck, the campus is kept clean and environmentally friendly. Vermicomposting is utilised to process all of the solid waste that is gathered from the campus. Such vermicompost is intended for use in gardening. A stack of one-sidedly printed paper that is used for routine rough paper work. Awareness is made among the students to reduce their electronic waste and to make arrangements for environmentally friendly disposal. Display boards to Encourage Environmental Awareness in College Campus:

Numerous boards have quotes that support environmental ethics and awareness, such as reducing air pollution, eliminating plastic on campus, conserving energy, recycling resources, and planting trees, displays about nature conservation, plantations and other topics are



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available to all college stakeholders.

Environment Centric Awareness Activities:

The college supports environmental awareness initiatives, plantation programmes, cleanliness drives both on and off campus, and environmental day celebrations.

4 Environmental audits:

To evaluate the college campus's strengths and shortcomings for long-term sustainability, the college plans to regularly do a Green Audit. An effective method for figuring out how and where to most resources, including water and electricity, are being consumed. Green audit

provides an effective method of using natural resources while regulating all sustainable and environmentally friendly actions. Additionally, it raises awareness of environmental issues

among employees at institutions as a whole. The energy audit will find energy waste thanks to its specialised technologies. Upon inspection, many defects that result in substantial energy loss are frequently found that the college is unable to identify.

Clean Campus Drive:

The college actively encourages staff and students to maintain a clean and green campus in compliance with Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. The college administration takes the lead on the clean and green campus initiative by ensuring that resources, personnel, and waste handling methods are properly distributed throughout the year. The initiatives under this include:

Raising staff and student awareness of hygiene and cleanliness through cleanliness initiatives and awareness campaigns.

Conserving and tending to the variety of flora and trees that are a part of the college campus a healthy source of oxygen that contributes to the institute's vegetation.

A crucial element of all the community activity that NSS undertakes is the planning of demonstrations, plays, and awareness campaigns on subjects linked to the "Swachh Bharat Abhiyan."

Make a commitment to trash management and upkeep of a tidy campus, particularly during college events.

Implement a tree-planting initiative to preserve a clean, green environment.

Offering miniature plants instead of bouquets as a gesture of appreciation to guests



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In response to the growing environmental concerns and the need for sustainable practices, the leadership at BTLC has undertaken a comprehensive initiative to transform its campus into an eco-friendly heaven. This multifaceted approach encompasses a range of strategies, each contributing to the overall goal of creating a green and sustainable environment.

1) Restricted Entry of Automobiles:

BTLC has implemented a stringent policy limiting the entry of automobiles on campus. While exceptions are made for staff residing far away, students are entirely prohibited from using personal vehicles. Even the limited staffs with vehicles are permitted to park at designated areas near the entrance, preventing noise and air pollution within the campus.

2) Use of Bicycles/Battery-Powered Vehicles:

Promoting sustainable transportation, BTLC encourages the use of bicycles or battery-powered vehicles. This policy is especially enforced for students, limiting their options to these eco-friendly modes of transport. Staff members are also expected to adhere to these guidelines, with bicycles restricted to parking zones near the entrance.

3) Pedestrian-Friendly Pathways:

The pathways within the campus are meticulously designed to be pedestrian-friendly. Wide tar roads, approximately feet in width, adorned with trees on both sides, create a serene and well-maintained environment. These pathways ensure a peaceful and safe passage for students, staff, and visitors, free from the disturbances of vehicular traffic.

4) Ban on Use of Plastics:

Recognizing the environmental hazards posed by plastic, BTLC has implemented a strict ban on its use within the campus. This initiative aims to reduce visual pollution, minimize harm to wildlife, and foster an eco-conscious community. The institution undertakes awareness campaigns through flyers and banners, fostering a sense of responsibility among its members.



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5) Campus Covered with Trees:

One of the distinctive features of BTLC is its extensive green cover. The campus boasts a variety of well-maintained trees, providing a natural aesthetic that is uncommon in metropolitan settings. This green oasis not only enhances the beauty of the campus but also contributes to the overall well-being of the BTLC community.

6) Potted Plants:

Complementing the natural landscape, BTLC has strategically placed potted plants throughout the campus. These green additions not only contribute to the aesthetic appeal but also signify the institution's commitment to a sustainable and environmentally conscious campus.

7) Report of Activities for the Implementation of Green Campus:

BTLC has not only implemented these green initiatives but also actively reports on its activities for the promotion of a sustainable campus. This involves a comprehensive approach, including the importance of a green campus, direct and indirect activities, and the positive impact on aesthetics, environmental pollution reduction, and the creation of a healthy teaching and learning atmosphere.

In conclusion, BTLC 's commitment to a green campus is evident through its holistic approach, covering transportation, infrastructure, and awareness. By embracing sustainability, BTLC not only sets an example for educational institutions but also cultivates a culture of environmental responsibility among its students and staff. This initiative stands as a testament to the institution's dedication to fostering a harmonious coexistence with the environment.



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