



SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENT
POLICY

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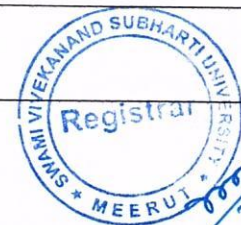


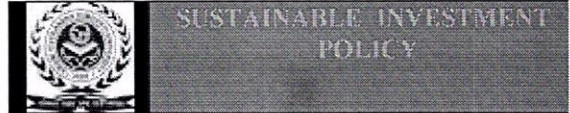
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S. No.	Particulars	Description
1	Policy Number	U-07/SVSU/2024/794(i)
2	Policy Statement	Swami Vivekanand Subharti University, being a socially responsible educational institution, recognizes the importance of integrating sustainability considerations into its financial and infrastructure investments. This Sustainable Investment Policy serves as a framework to guide responsible financial management while supporting the transition towards a sustainable economy.
3	Scope of the Policy	The Sustainable Investment Policy is developed to ensure Generate long-term financial returns by Mitigating the financial risks associated with environmental and social factors and to Support companies and initiatives contributing to sustainable development
4	Policy Status	Original
5	Originated By	University Environment Committee
6	Reviewed By	Registrar
7	Effective Date of Policy	20/07/2024
8	Approving Authority	Hon'ble Vice Chancellor
9	Policy Review Date	





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1. Preamble:

Swami Vivekanand Subharti University, Meerut is committed to promoting sustainable development through responsible institutional practices. As a socially responsible educational institution, the University recognizes the importance of integrating sustainability considerations into its financial and infrastructure investments.

The Sustainable Investment Policy is developed to ensure that all investment decisions incorporate Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) principles, promoting long-term sustainability while maintaining financial prudence. Universities play a vital role in shaping future leaders, and therefore sustainable investment practices also serve as a model for students, researchers and stakeholders.

2. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to:

- 2.1. Integrate sustainability principles into the University's investment decisions.
- 2.2. Ensure responsible financial management aligned with institutional sustainability goals.
- 2.3. Support investments that generate environmental and social benefits.
- 2.4. Align University operations with national and global sustainability objectives such as the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

3. Scope

This policy applies to all types of university investments including:

- 3.1. Infrastructure investments
- 3.2. Energy and environmental projects
- 3.3. Equipment and machinery procurement
- 3.4. Campus sustainability initiatives
- 3.5. Endowment or institutional financial investments

The policy applies to all administrative units and authorities involved in financial and investment decision-making within the University.





4. Sustainable Investment Principles

4.1. Environmental Sustainability

The University will prioritize investments that reduce environmental impact and enhance resource efficiency. These may include:

- 4.1.1. Solar energy systems and renewable energy projects
- 4.1.2. Energy-efficient lighting and infrastructure
- 4.1.3. Rainwater harvesting and water conservation systems
- 4.1.4. Waste management and recycling facilities
- 4.1.5. Environment-friendly campus transportation such as battery-operated vehicles

Such initiatives will help reduce the University's carbon footprint and promote sustainable campus operations.

4.2. Social Responsibility

The University will invest in facilities and initiatives that promote social welfare and inclusiveness, including:

- Accessible infrastructure such as ramps, elevators and assistive facilities for persons with disabilities
- Clean drinking water and health facilities
- Student welfare and community development initiatives
- Educational and research infrastructure supporting sustainable development

These investments will ensure equitable access and improve the quality of campus life.

Governance and Ethical Investment

All investments shall follow transparent and ethical financial practices. The University will ensure:

- 4.2.1. Accountability and transparency in financial decision-making
- 4.2.2. Compliance with institutional financial regulations
- 4.2.3. Avoidance of investments in sectors that may harm society or the environment
- 4.2.4. Responsible management of institutional assets

Where appropriate, the University may avoid investments in industries such as tobacco, gambling, or other activities that contradict social responsibility principles.





5. Sustainable Investment Strategy

The University shall adopt a multi-dimensional sustainable investment strategy consisting of the following components:

5.1. *ESG Integration*

Environmental, Social and Governance factors will be integrated into the evaluation process for all investments.

5.2. *Impact Investments*

The University will encourage investments that generate measurable environmental or social benefits. Priority areas may include:

- 5.2.1. Renewable energy
- 5.2.2. Waste management and recycling
- 5.2.3. Sustainable transport systems
- 5.2.4. Health and educational infrastructure
- 5.2.5. Research and innovation in sustainability

5.3. *Sustainable Campus Development*

Infrastructure investments will prioritize sustainability features such as:

- 5.3.1 Solar power generation
- 5.3.2 Energy-efficient buildings
- 5.3.3 Smart waste management systems
- 5.3.4 Water conservation technologies

6. Governance Structure

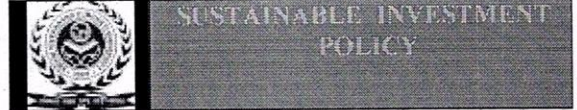
The University Environmental Committee which will evaluate investment proposals, monitor ESG compliance and ensure alignment with university sustainability goals.

7. Implementation

The Sustainable Investment Committee shall be responsible for implementing this policy which may include;

- 7.1. Evaluation of sustainable investment opportunities.
- 7.2. Monitoring environmental and social impacts.
- 7.3. Coordination between administrative and academic departments.
- 7.4. Documentation of sustainability initiatives.





8. Monitoring and Reporting

The Committee shall maintain records and reports of sustainable investments and sustainability-related initiatives.

Periodic reports may include:

- 8.1. Investments made in sustainability projects.
- 8.2. Environmental and social benefits achieved.
- 8.3. Progress toward institutional sustainability goals.

Such reporting will support transparency and institutional accountability.

9. Policy Review

This policy shall be reviewed as and when required to ensure alignment with emerging sustainability practices, institutional priorities and regulatory requirements

