

# UNIVERSITY OF JAMMU

## “E-Waste Policy”

### Introduction

The policy shall be referred as E-Waste Policy of University of Jammu, 2022. E-waste has been one of the fastest growing waste streams in the world which must be addressed before it becomes global crisis. E-waste means the waste electrical and electronic equipment, whole or in part discarded as waste by consumer or bulk consumer as well as rejects from manufacturing, refurbishment and their repair processes. Government of India notified of these Rules and to define the role of the producers, the Government of India overriding the E- Waste (Management) Rules, 2016 vide G.S.R.338 (E) dated 23-03-2016 which came to force on October 10, 2016 and were amended vide G.S.R. 261(E) the Gazette of India dated 22-03-2018. The E-Waste (Management ) Rules,2016 are applicable to each producer, consumer, dismantler, recycler, bulk consumer and collector of E-waste involved in the sale, manufacture, purchase, processing and use of the electrical and electronic equipment or components. Categories of the electrical and electronic equipment (EEE) including their components, spares, consumables, and parts as specified in the rules (Schedule 1 of the E-Waste Management Rules, 2016).

**Aims and Objectives of E-Waste Policy:** E-waste policy of the University of Jammu seeks to meet the following objectives:

- E-Waste minimization: Minimization of E-waste in the University Campus by extending the end life of the EEE, through reuse, donations, buy-back offers, etc.
- Safe disposal: Dispose E-waste in a manner that is safe and sound and is in accordance with the guidelines issued by Central Government /Jammu and Kashmir Pollution Control Committee (JKPCC) from time to time.
- Environmental protection: To ensure environmental conservation and protection from the deleterious effects of E-waste.
- Public sensitization and awareness: To mobilize the stakeholders on the proper management and handling of E-waste on sustainable basis.

**Scope of Policy:** The policy covers University of Jammu, Main Campus, Offsite Campuses, Hostels, and Residential Campuses.

### Implementation of Waste Management at Department / Offsite Campus/ Section Level

Waste Management at Department / Offsite Campus/ Section Level be managed by HoD through Department Affairs Committee (DAC) at Department Level / Rector through Campus Affairs Committee (CAC) of Offsite Campus/ Officer In-charge Services Section for the various sections procuring through Services respectively.

**Steps in Declaration of E-Waste:** Various steps involved/covered in the E-Waste Policy are as under:-

- **Identification of E-Waste :** Each Department/ off site-Campus /Section of the University shall identify and declare E-waste which are to be discarded (due to failure, technical capability, cosmetic condition, age replacement, deprivation, technologically obsolete, orphaned products, etc.) through their respective Departmental Affairs Committee (DAC)

based on the average age mentioned in the “Guidelines on implementation of E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2016” of Central Pollution Control Board, Delhi (notified on the website of J&K Pollution Control Board, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of J&K)

- **Exploring Possibilities for Re-use:** First possibilities should be explored for up-gradation of equipment's in working condition for its reuse. DAC may identify next potential owner/user.
- **Donate working older technologically /obsolete equipment** In case it cannot be used even after up-gradation, possibilities be explored for donation of working older technologically /obsolete equipment to other University Departments Schools, Colleges or other Government /Non-Government entities, if possible.
- **Auction of E-Waste**  
In case option of donation does not materialise, Auction of E-waste so generated at Department / Offsite Campus/ Section Level be done according to the “Guidelines on implementation of E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2016” under the guidance of “Waste Management & Disposal Committee of E-Waste” constituted by University of Jammu.

**Procedure in case the equipment is declared obsolete etc before the average/ end of life of product:**

In case the equipment is declared obsolete etc before the average/ end of life of product, the following procedure is to be adopted:

- In case equipment is unserviceable or involves higher service cost in comparison to its utility, it may be declared as an E-waste. The concerned department should contact the authorized service center of the manufacturing firm for inspection of equipments inspected for its current status.
- In case, there is non-availability of the authorized service center of the manufacturing firm, the department may contact USIC (University of Jammu) for the inspection of the equipment. The USIC, if required may seek assistance from a technical expert within or outside the University.
- Otherwise, the concerned department may seek/hire, the services of a third party having relevant technical expertise for the inspection of the equipment and report thereof.

**Record-Keeping and Storage of E-Waste:** Each department /Center/Section shall maintain the record of entire E-waste generated through in a proper format as provided in the Form-2 of E-waste management Rules, 2016. The information which has been recorded in the Form-2 by the respective Department /Center /Section shall be communicated periodically to the Service Section of the University (or any other section as deemed fit by the University). It should be ensured that end of life items are not mixed with E-waste containing radioactive material as covered under provisions of Atomic Energy ACT 1962. University should file the E-waste returns in Form 3 to the J&K state Pollution Control Board as specified in E-Waste Management Rules, 2016. Department shall ensure safe storage of EEE waste in a rain-proof shed so that it should not harm the local environment.

**Adjustment of Revenue Receipts**

Revenue Receipts generated from the Auction of E-waste so generated at Department / Offsite Campus/ Section Level be shared / adjusted as:- 50% will be deposited in the local fund of concerned Department / Offsite Campus/ Section, 25% shall be transferred to the Campus development Fund and the remaining 25% to Green Campus Task Force (GCTF-JU) respectively.

**Review of E-Waste Policy**

University should review policy periodically to incorporate changes as per requirements.

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