



Environmental Sustainability Policy for Maryam Abacha American University of Nigeria (MAAUN)

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Environmental Sustainability Policy is to outline the Maryam Abacha American University of Nigeria's (MAAUN) commitment to environmental sustainability and provide guidelines for reducing the institution's environmental impact. The policy addresses the university's efforts to promote sustainable practices in areas such as energy conservation, waste reduction, and responsible procurement.

II. SCOPE

This policy applies to all members of the MAAUN community, including students, faculty, staff, administrators, contractors, and visitors, and covers all university-owned or controlled properties and facilities, as well as university-sponsored activities and events.

III. POLICY STATEMENTS

1. MAAUN is committed to promoting environmental sustainability by integrating sustainable practices into its operations, facilities, curriculum, and research activities.
2. The university will strive to minimize its environmental impact and contribute to global efforts to address climate change, conserve resources, and protect ecosystems.
3. MAAUN will engage and empower its community members to participate in sustainability initiatives and foster a culture of environmental stewardship.

IV. SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES

1. **Energy Conservation:** The university will implement energy-efficient technologies, practices, and systems to reduce its energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions. This includes, but is not limited to, the use of energy-efficient lighting and appliances, heating and cooling systems, and building designs.
2. **Waste Reduction:** MAAUN will promote waste reduction, recycling, and responsible waste management practices to minimize the volume of waste generated and sent to landfills. This includes, but is not limited to, providing recycling facilities, composting organic waste, and encouraging the use of reusable materials.
3. **Water Conservation:** The university will strive to conserve water resources by implementing water-saving technologies and practices, such as low-flow fixtures, rainwater harvesting, and efficient irrigation systems.



4. Sustainable Procurement: MAAUN will prioritize the procurement of environmentally-friendly products and services that have a reduced environmental impact, support fair labor practices, and promote social responsibility.
5. Sustainable Transportation: The university will encourage sustainable transportation options, such as walking, cycling, carpooling, and the use of public transportation, to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and traffic congestion.
6. Green Building Practices: MAAUN will incorporate green building practices and sustainable design principles in the construction, renovation, and maintenance of its facilities to minimize their environmental impact and improve occupant well-being.
7. Education and Research: The university will integrate sustainability concepts and principles into its curriculum and research activities to foster environmental awareness, knowledge, and skills among students, faculty, and staff.

V. RESPONSIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

1. The university will establish a sustainability committee, comprising representatives from various campus constituencies, to develop, implement, and monitor sustainability initiatives and policies.
2. All members of the MAAUN community are expected to contribute to the university's sustainability efforts by participating in initiatives, adhering to policies and guidelines, and promoting environmental stewardship within their respective roles and responsibilities.
3. The university will regularly review and assess its environmental performance and sustainability initiatives, and will report on its progress to internal and external stakeholders.

By adopting this Environmental Sustainability Policy, the Maryam Abacha American University of Nigeria demonstrates its commitment to promoting environmental sustainability and reducing its environmental impact for the benefit of current and future generations.