

PANDIT SUNDARLAL SHARMA (OPEN) UNIVERSITY CHHATTISGARH



POLICY DOCUMENT OF FRIENDLY AND BARRIER FREE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE LEARNERS INCLUDING DIFFRENTLY-ABLED PERSON

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Friendly and Barrier Free Environment for the Learners including Differently-Abled Persons

The university's prime focus is on to creating equal, just and harmonious environment among the learners as well as the society. Also, the state government in the time of university formation mentioned that "the university shall not discriminate against any citizen of India on grounds of religion, race, caste, sex, place of birth or language" in the Chhattisgarh Legislature Act. In accordance to this, the university made policy for learners as well as the university staffs including academic and non-academic. The university also kept "National Policy For Persons with Disabilities, 2006" in mind while preparing the policy of 'friendly and barrier free environment for the learners including differently-abled persons' to be followed in the university.

The policy is described with the following points: -

1. University will ensure that design of the building such as ramps/lifts should be according to the disabled persons.
2. University will ensure the accessible, gender sensitive, safe, usable and functional washroom facilities should be provided for disabled persons.
3. University will ensure the proper text and pictogram signage such as tactical path, lights, display boards are necessarily located to be visible and touchable.
4. The use of signage of male and female symbols (along with written form), in accordance with local customs and standards, with raised outlines and bright color contrast will be more evident to everyone and particularly helpful for persons with visual impairments.
5. Learners with disabilities need to be adequately and appropriately supported in and out of the classroom with the right resources and assistive technology, and with leadership, teaching staff and college communities that are responsive to their needs.
6. University will ensure the accessibility of software tools and technology for the people with disabilities.
7. Provision for inquiry and information: Human assistance, reader, scribe, soft copies of reading material, screen reading.

In the line above university is committed to provide above mentioned facilities and services to create friendly and barrier free environment for the learners. Also, in view of this, the university

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will organize several seminars, conferences, workshops and different activities on various social and national issue to inculcate social responsibilities, duties, and rights among its stakeholders.

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