



E-WASTE MANAGEMENT POLICY

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1. INTRODUCTION

Baba Mastnath University (BMU), Rohtak, recognizes the growing challenge posed by the management of electronic waste (e-waste) in modern academic institutions. E-waste includes discarded electronic devices such as computers, printers, cell phones, refrigerators, and other digital equipment that have outlived their functional life. Given the toxic nature of several components in these devices, improper disposal can lead to severe environmental and health hazards.

With the increasing reliance on ICT infrastructure in teaching, research, and administration, BMU generates a significant volume of e-waste. The University is committed to the principles of sustainable development and responsible environmental stewardship and will implement an effective, legally compliant, and eco-friendly e-waste management system.

2. POLICY STATEMENT

BMU is dedicated to adopting environmentally sound waste management practices in line with national and international legislation, including the **E-Waste Management Rules (2016)** and **Amendment Rules (2018)**. The University shall adopt the waste hierarchy model—**Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Recover**—to minimize waste generation and promote sustainable disposal practices. All university stakeholders including faculty, staff, students, and external contractors must adhere to this policy in their respective areas of responsibility.

3. OBJECTIVES OF THE POLICY

BMU seeks to achieve the following objectives through this policy:

1. **Minimize e-waste generation** at the source and promote practices of repair, reuse, and recycling.
2. **Create awareness** among all stakeholders about proper e-waste handling and environmental responsibility.
3. **Ensure safe storage, transport, and disposal** of all types of e-waste within the University.
4. Promote the **adoption of green technologies** and environmentally sound recycling techniques.
5. Guide procurement decisions towards **eco-friendly and durable electronic products**.
6. Provide regular **training and capacity building** for faculty, staff, and students on e-waste management.

4. SCOPE OF THE POLICY

This policy applies to all departments, research centres, hostels, administrative sections, and any other units operating under BMU that use or discard electronic and electrical equipment. It encompasses the

generation, storage, recycling, transportation, and final disposal of all e-waste produced in the campus.

5. E-WASTE POLICY GUIDELINES

1. **Storage & Disposal:** E-waste shall be securely stored at designated university facilities or handed over to authorized e-waste recyclers approved by government agencies.
2. **Awareness & Education:** The University shall organize awareness seminars and training sessions for faculty, staff, and students. Faculty members are encouraged to instill environmental values in students.
3. **Inventory Management:** BMU will implement an e-waste inventory management system to track and maintain records of all obsolete electronics.
4. **Environmentally Sound Practices:** BMU will promote recycling technologies that do not adversely impact the environment or human health and will hold all stakeholders accountable.

6. E-WASTE POLICY IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

6.1 Apex Level Advisory Committee

An **Apex E-Waste Advisory Committee** will be formed under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. The committee shall include faculty, administrative staff, and student representatives and will:

- Develop implementation procedures and monitor progress.
- Maintain records and ensure safe practices.
- Recommend updates based on evolving environmental laws and institutional requirement.

6.2 E-Waste Management Forum at faculty/departmental level

A dedicated faculty-led forum, under the direction of the Dean or HOD shall be established to:

- Conduct quarterly awareness programs.
- Organize voluntary e-waste collection drives.

6.3 Minimizing Waste Generation at Source

All departments must take steps to **minimize the generation of both hazardous and non-hazardous e-waste** through responsible procurement, maintenance, and consumption. Departments shall submit periodic reports detailing waste minimization measures.

6.4 Reuse, Recovery, and Recycling of Non-Hazardous Waste

BMU will encourage innovative methods for the reuse and recycling of waste materials. Paper waste will be converted into packing material, and eco-friendly enzymatic treatments will be used for ink and dye removal.

6.5 Setting Up of Disposal Facility

- All obsolete devices must be reported to the E-Waste Disposal Committee.
- Unusable items will be categorized as scrap and transferred to **Governmental Approved Recycler** for revenue generation
- The disposal team shall maintain detailed records and certificate of disposal

7. Review Policy

This policy will be reviewed every five years, or earlier if needed, to ensure continued compliance with environmental laws and the evolving academic and technological environment of BMU.

