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ALIEN SPECIES REDUCTION POLICY

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Introduction

Alien species are introduced to a new place, intentionally or accidentally, from outside their natural ranges. Some species may become invasive due to intrinsic characteristics and adversely affect native biodiversity, ecosystems and socio-economic aspects. Climate change is also attributed to the spread of alien species, which facilitates conducive environment for them. Alien species and their invasion are one of the global issues of great concern. The consequences of alien species have been thoroughly addressed in all international conventions and national policies.

Policy Statement

We at Sri Sri University are committed to follow the guidelines prevailing the alien species reduction measures in University campus

Objectives

- To enhance the native biodiversity in the campus
- To protected the university campus from invasion, especially by plant species
- To maintain a status of green campus

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Scope

1. Regarding the presence of alien plant species, regular monitoring shall be conducted in the campus
2. No ornamental plants and plant seeds from outside shall be permitted to grow in the premises without valid permission of the competent authority.
3. If ornamental plants have to be grown even after the permission of the Competent Authority, then they shall be grown in an enclosed space or in pots.
4. Assisted regeneration of all species planted shall be native to the region with no alien species. The inclusion of alien species shall be considered on the basis of functional traits not affecting the native species community structure.
5. All the staff of university, students and other workers shall be made aware about the adverse consequences caused by alien species.
6. All staff and students involved in horticulture, agriculture and plantation activities shall be provided identification of common alien species, if any. Subsequently, species shall be eradicated immediately.

Executive Registrar