

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT POLICY

The institution has many challenges in practicing emergency management that are related to the distinctive structure of higher education. These structural and regional characteristics pose challenges for access control, monitoring movements, standardising procedures and decision-making processes, and prioritising resource allocations.

Our primary goal is to prevent incidents before they happen. If an incident does occur, the goal of the emergency management protocol is to respond safely and effectively, in partnership with local first response agencies.

## The Framework: The Three Phases of Emergency Management

- Prevention and Mitigation
- Response
- Recovery

The Institution takes every effort to reduce or remove the effects of emergency incidents and prevent exposures from turning into larger emergency incidents. The Institution is prepared to respond to emergencies. The Institution will activate, mobilize, and coordinate all necessary resources and activities to manage the emergency's immediate consequences.

## Fire safety

- The basic design and structure has been planned in a way so that there is minimum risk of spreading fire.
- The Institution provides students with an orientation program every year for fire safety and prevention, teaching them how to respond in case of fire.
- Regularly inspects rooms and buildings for fire hazards.
- Inspects fire exit doors and passages.
- Creates and updates and displays detailed floor plans of buildings, and makes them available to emergency personnel, advisors and students.
- Conducts fire drills and practices escape routes and evacuation plans.

## Torrential rain and flooding

• Torrential rain and flooding rains can cause extensive damage to property, equipments and records besides the safety of students and staff. The Institution follows the



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instructions issued by the State Government and the Affiliating University. The College will be evacuated well in advance of torrential rain and flooding.

- Location-wise the campus situated on Ambala road is in potential flood zone as
   Ambala road does not have adequate drainage facilities. Keeping this in mind, we
   have an effective storm water management based on the following strategy.
  - o The huge volume of storm water from the Ambala road is allowed to transfer to the college playground through two strategically laid channels.
  - o The level of playground being lower than general level of the campus, has a capacity to store water for a short while, till it moves to earth through artificial recharge system
  - o Since 2020 the system has been successfully reducing flooding of campus as well as Ambala Road.
- In addition, the College has an MoU with Shah Hospital, Kaithal in case of unexpected incidents, laboratory accidents, etc.

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