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Managing Invasive Alien Species and Promoting Biodiversity at KIIT University

KIIT University has established comprehensive guidelines to address Invasive Alien Species (IAS) on campus. These guidelines set clear criteria for identifying IAS and outline effective measures to control and reduce their impact. The University supports these efforts through Sustainable Land Management, Restoration of Native Plant Species, and active participation of the campus community in Conservation Activities. By engaging Students, Faculty, Staff, Service Providers, Vendors, and Visitors, KIIT fosters a culture of collective responsibility for Biodiversity Protection. Through its green initiatives and integration of sustainable practices into campus operations, the University demonstrates a strong commitment to minimizing environmental impacts and maintaining ecological balance.

KIIT's Efforts to Control Invasive Alien Species:

- Restoration of Native Habitats: Strengthening native plant communities to build resilient ecosystems resistant to invasive species.
- Minimizing Habitat Disturbance: Promoting sustainable land management and conservation to limit opportunities for invasive species.
- Education & Awareness: Engaging students, staff, and stakeholders through citizen science and conservation programs to identify, report, and manage invasive species.

Guideline Observance:

- 1. Develop a methodology to identify invasive alien species (IAS) on campus.
- 2. An annual IAS listing will be maintained, supported by a dedicated research committee to study their impacts.
- The committee will recommend strategies for impact reduction and will include schools with relevant expertise.
- 4. Student clubs and associations will be formed to raise awareness on IAS identification and impacts.

KIIT University is committed to implementing long-term strategies to manage Invasive Alien Species (IAS), minimizing their impact on campus biodiversity. This guideline will be reviewed annually by appointed University Members, incorporating feedback from Stakeholders, Students, and Faculty. Updates will be made as needed to align with Government Regulations, Technological Advancements, and Institutional Requirements.