



Tantia University

SRI GANGANAGAR (RAJASTHAN)

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Guidelines for Food Waste Tracking, Management and Sustainable Utilization

Tantia University has developed a food waste tracking system to monitor food waste generated during breakfast, lunch, evening snacks and dinner. The system records daily food waste, the number of persons served and food waste per person (in grams), helping the University assess food consumption patterns, identify opportunities to reduce waste and strengthen sustainable campus practices.

In University Campus, food waste audits have conducted periodically (half-yearly) to review the effectiveness of the measures taken, as well as identify further opportunities to reduce waste for disposal.

- During the food waste audit following points are considered:
- Inventory Management
- Daily Food Waste Collection
- Waste Composition Analysis
- Identification of Waste Causes
- Food Waste Management

Food waste generated in the University mess and canteen is monitored and recorded daily in a logbook (*Annexure 01*) maintained by the respective mess and canteen vendors. Good hygiene practices are maintained in the University mess and canteen to prevent food contamination and ensure food safety. These include

- Regular inspection of incoming food items,
- Proper labelling upon receipt, and
- Effective control of storage time and temperature to prevent food spoilage and maintain food quality.
- Encourages students and employees to minimize food wastage through awareness measures, including displaying signboards reminding them to avoid food wastage
- Portion plates are also provided to encourage students and employees to take appropriate quantities of food and avoid taking more than they can consume.
- Adequate staff training in the area of food handling
- Recognise staff who undertake food waste reduction initiatives

The University utilizes food waste through the following sustainable practices:

- **Human Consumption:** Safe and suitable surplus food is redirected for human consumption, wherever feasible, through support to NGOs, old-age homes, and other appropriate community organizations, thereby minimizing unnecessary food waste.
- **Animal Feeding:** Appropriate food waste is segregated and utilized as animal feed, wherever permitted and suitable.
- Organic food waste is utilized for energy recovery through processes such as biogas generation and other appropriate waste-to-energy methods.
- Suitable organic food waste is processed through composting or other appropriate methods to produce nutrient-rich organic manure, which is utilized for agricultural activities, landscaping, and campus plantation.

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Annexure 01

Name of Mess & Canteen:

Name of Vendor:

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Note:

- The above guidelines shall be applicable to all outsourced vendors engaged by the University
- Food Security and Safety Committee is responsible to conduct Food waste audits

