

University of Hyderabad Sustainable Investment Policy (UHSIP)

1. Introduction

The University of Hyderabad Sustainable Investment Policy (UHSIP) incorporates the environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors into its existing Investment Policy. The university has a robust investment policy formulated by the university's investment committee and coordinated by the Finance Officer. The existing investment policy is appended in Annexure-I. The UHSIP will ensure the incorporation of essential ESG considerations into its existing investment policy within the investment guidelines issued by the Government of India and amendments from time to time.

2. Objective and Scope

UHSIP aims to integrate ESG factors and sustainability principles into its investment decisions.

The policy applies to all the stakeholders involved in the investment decisions to achieve financial sustainability with positive social and environmental impact, contributing to the university's commitment to sustainability.

3. Key Principles

All investment decisions and the investment procedure will be guided by the principles outlined in the investment policy approved in the 55th Investment Committee meeting.

All investment decisions from the date of adoption of UHSIP will consider the ESG factors while investing its corpus, endowment fund(s), provident fund, and any other available surplus resources, keeping the financial principles outlined in its investment policy intact.

The investment committee will make informed decisions on the investments permissible under the random cash flow segment, such as equities, mutual funds, and fixed-income instruments, such as deposits, bonds issued by the Sovereign, RBI, banks, and other financial institutions, and also green bonds by considering the ESG factors of those instruments.

The committee will prefer those banks and financial institutions performing better in their sustainability practices and ESG disclosures by utilising ESG indices available in the public domain.

4. Implementation

The investment committee shall take the suggestions made by the SDG committee and its feasibility for adoption in achieving the SDG goals. The Investment Committee shall seek help from sustainable finance and investment experts as and when required to implement this policy.

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5. Review

SDG committee will periodically review the policy to assess the ESG and sustainability effectiveness of all its investment decisions and suggest incorporating changing regulations and investment areas, if any, to achieve the university's long-term sustainability goals.


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