

Sufa Educational and Welfare Society's
DSR College of Education (B.Ed. & M.Ed.), Aurangabad

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**Report on Disabled-Friendly &
Barrier-Free (Plastic-Free) Environment**

A truly inclusive and sustainable educational institution ensures accessibility for all students, including those with disabilities, and promotes environmental responsibility. Our college has taken major initiatives towards building a disabled-friendly, barrier-free environment and simultaneously promoting a plastic-free campus. These efforts support equality, sustainability, and a healthy learning environment.

Objectives of the Initiative:

- To provide a safe and accessible environment for students with physical, sensory, or learning disabilities.
- To eliminate the use of single-use plastics and reduce environmental harm.
- To promote awareness about inclusion and environmental responsibility among teacher trainees.
- To ensure compliance with government norms on inclusivity and environmental safety in educational institutions.

Disabled-Friendly and Barrier-Free Facilities:

- **Wheelchair Ramps:** Ramps with handrails have been built at all major entry and exit points of classrooms, library, and administration offices.
- **Accessible Toilets:** Specially designed toilets with support bars and wide doors for wheelchair access have been constructed.
- **Tactile Paths:** Tactile ground surface indicators have been laid in key areas to guide visually impaired students.
- **Wide Corridors and Doorways:** Structural changes have been made to allow smooth wheelchair movement.



- Special Needs Resource Room: A dedicated space with learning materials and counselling is available for differently-abled students.
- Orientation programs are held for faculty and students on inclusive education.
- Guest lectures and workshops are conducted on teaching strategies for children with special needs.
- Rallies, poster exhibitions, and street plays have been conducted to spread awareness about the dangers of plastic pollution.
- "Say No to Plastic" pledge campaigns are organized during Environment Day and Earth Day celebrations.
- Cloth and jute bags are distributed and promoted.

Creating a disabled-friendly and barrier-free plastic-free environment is not only a reflection of institutional responsibility but also a moral and social commitment. Our DSR College of Education is proud to lead these changes and contribute to the development of an inclusive and sustainable academic culture. These efforts are helping prepare teacher trainees to become advocates of equity and environmental care in the schools they will serve.


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