# Procedures and Policies for Maintaining and Utilizing Physical, Academic, and Support Facilities

Effective management of physical, academic, and support facilities such as laboratories, libraries, sports complexes, computer centers, and classrooms is crucial for ensuring a conducive learning environment. The following outlines the general procedures and policies governing these facilities:

#### 1. Laboratories:

#### • Maintenance:

- Laboratories must undergo periodic inspections to ensure equipment is functional and safe.
- A lab technician or maintenance team should be assigned to handle day-to-day upkeep, report issues, and repair faulty equipment promptly.
- Safety protocols, including fire and chemical hazard guidelines, must be displayed prominently and followed strictly.

## • Utilization:

- Only authorized personnel (faculty, lab staff, and registered students) are allowed access.
- o Proper sign-in and sign-out procedures must be implemented to track usage.
- Users must wear appropriate safety gear and adhere to laboratory rules to minimize accidents.

## 2. Library:

## • Maintenance:

- Regular cleaning, cataloging, and updating of resources (books, journals, digital materials) should be conducted.
- Library software systems must be kept up to date to ensure smooth management of borrowed and returned materials.
- Furniture and infrastructure should be routinely checked for repairs or replacement.

## • Utilization:

- Students and staff should have access to both physical and digital resources during designated library hours.
- o A fair borrowing policy must be maintained, with limits on the number of materials a user can borrow at one time.
- Quiet zones should be maintained, and users are expected to respect the library's peaceful environment.
- Plagiarism and misuse of resources, including unauthorized duplication, are strictly prohibited.

# 3. Sports Complex:

#### • Maintenance:

- o Grounds, courts, and equipment should be inspected and maintained regularly to ensure safety and functionality.
- Designated staff should oversee equipment inventory, repairs, and general upkeep.
- First aid facilities must be available on-site.

#### • Utilization:

- The sports complex should operate on a booking system to avoid conflicts in usage.
- Users are expected to wear appropriate attire and use equipment responsibly to prevent damage or injury.
- Safety protocols, including warm-up routines and proper use of gym machines, should be followed.
- o Proper supervision should be in place for students using the facility.

# 4. Computer Centers:

#### • Maintenance:

- o IT staff should conduct regular system updates, virus scans, and hardware checks to ensure computers function smoothly.
- Adequate cooling, backup power, and internet connectivity must be maintained to prevent system failures.

## • Utilization:

- Only registered users should have access to the computer center, with designated times for usage.
- Users must follow cybersecurity guidelines, including not downloading unauthorized software or accessing inappropriate content.
- Personal data and work should be saved on external devices, and systems should be properly logged out after use.

## 5. Classrooms:

## • Maintenance:

- Classrooms should be cleaned daily and inspected for functional lights, fans, furniture, and AV equipment.
- o Any broken items should be reported and repaired promptly.

## • Utilization:

- Classrooms must be used during scheduled hours, and students and faculty should leave the space tidy after use.
- Digital classrooms should follow similar maintenance protocols, ensuring AV systems and internet connections are functional.
- Desks, projectors, and other resources should not be moved without permission from facility management.

# **General Policy:**

- **Sustainability:** Energy-saving practices, including turning off lights and air conditioning when not in use, should be encouraged across all facilities.
- **Security:** Access control systems (such as ID cards or keypads) should be installed to secure sensitive areas like labs and computer centers.
- **Feedback Mechanism:** A system should be in place for users to report maintenance issues or suggest improvements for facility management.

These procedures and policies are designed to maximize the usability and safety of all academic and support facilities while promoting a responsible and sustainable campus environment.