CIRCULAR REGARDING INSTALLATION OF AIR CONDITIONERS IN THE CAMPUS

Air conditioners (ACs) have become a modern-day necessity. The AC offers better working environment and enhanced productivity. However, the AC is a high energy-consuming device, and there are environmental issues also.

The university is facing a big challenge with respect to air conditioners. Owing to the distributed nature of the campus and a large number of old-style buildings, the financial implication in terms of both capital cost and running cost is immense. Therefore, we need to move forward in a gradual manner.

In recent years, the university has pursued aggressively the installation of renewable energy, energy efficiency, and awareness towards energy conservation. Because of these initiatives, the electricity expenditure has been restricted from going out of hand despite the addition of major new installations and frequent increases in the tariff.

Therefore, in the last three years, new ACs have been permitted for many installations, and the university is still considering requests for such installations. The Heads of the faculties/departments/schools/offices etc. are requested to keep the following in mind when forwarding a request for air conditioners:

- AC to be installed for the Principal Investigator of a research project provided purchase of AC is permitted in the grant.
- Common essential facilities like library, reading room, instrumentation lab, conference hall etc.
- Replacement of old high power consuming ACs out of the head of account of the user department with energy consuming 5 star or Inverter AC’s.
- The optimal utilization and pooling of available resources should be encouraged.
- The wasteful use of ACs should be minimized by taking lead and with the help of the Energy Monitors of the concerned Departments/Offices.
- The above is issued with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor and in consultation with the Member-in-Charge, (Electricity).

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