

Code of Conduct for Candidates

1. No candidate shall indulge in, nor abet, any activity, which may aggravate existing differences or create mutual hatred or cause tension between different castes and communities, religious or linguistic, or between any group(s) of students.
2. Candidates shall refrain from criticism of all aspects of private life, not connected with the public activities of the other candidates or supporters of such other candidates. Criticism of other candidates or their supporters based on unverified allegations or distortion shall be avoided.
3. There shall be no appeal to caste or communal feelings for securing votes. Places of worship, within or without the campus shall not be used for election propaganda.
4. All candidates shall be prohibited from indulging or abetting, all activities which are considered to be 'corrupt practices' and offenses, such as bribing of voters, intimidation of voters, impersonation of voters, holding public meetings during the period of 24 hours ending with the hour fixed for the close of the poll.
5. Candidates may only utilize **eco-friendly/ hand-made** posters for the purpose of canvassing. **Plastic and other non-degradable materials should be avoided.**
6. Candidates may only present their posters at places within the campus permitted by the college authorities. Candidates can use online or social media platforms for campaigning provided all other codes of conduct mentioned are followed.
7. No candidate shall be permitted to carry out processions or public meetings, or in any way canvass or distribute propaganda outside the college campus. No candidate shall seek the help from individuals outside the campus for canvassing and campaigning.
8. No candidate shall, nor shall her supporters, deface or cause any destruction to any property of the college campus, for any purpose whatsoever, without the prior written permission of the college authorities. All candidates shall be held jointly and severally liable for any destruction/defacing of any college property.

9. During the election period the candidates may hold processions and /or public meetings, provided that such processions and/or public meetings do not, in any manner, disturb the classes and other academic and co-curricular activities of the college. Further, such procession/ public meeting may not be held without the prior written permission of the college.
10. The use of loudspeakers, vehicles and animals for the purpose of canvassing shall be prohibited.
11. On the day of polling, student organizations and candidates shall -
 - (i) Co-operate with the officers on election duty to ensure peaceful and orderly polling and complete freedom to the voters to exercise their franchise without being subjected to any annoyance or obstruction;
 - (ii) Not serve or distribute any eatables, or other solid and liquid consumables, except water on polling day;
 - (iii) Not hand out any propaganda on the polling day.
12. All candidates shall be jointly responsible for ensuring the cleaning up of the campus within 48 hours of the conclusion of polling.
13. Any contravention of any of the above recommendations may make the candidate liable to be stripped of his candidature, or his elected post, as the case may be. The election college university authorities may also take appropriate disciplinary action against such a violator.