

Ashoka University Sustainable Procurement Policy

Ashoka University recognizes that the products and services the University purchases have inherent social, human health, environmental, and economic impacts which occur throughout their life cycle and throughout the associated supply chains.

The University can leverage its purchasing to reduce adverse impacts throughout product or service life cycles and influence positive change within markets and communities; and by understanding and taking responsibility for the full, life cycle impacts and costs of goods and services associated. This reduces adverse social and environmental impacts, and contributes to sustainable development in general.

To facilitate continuous improvement and process efficiencies, the University shall invest in sustainable procurement spend and impact data, life cycle costing, cost-benefit, and/or supplier evaluation tracking and reporting tools as best practices in sustainable procurement metrics and data capabilities development.

The policy & procurement plans are discussed regularly in the Finance Audit Projects Committee; the Committee normally meets ten times a year and reports through the Governing Board of the University.