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EHS Policy

The mission of IRSHA is to conduct research and development, to provide maximum health benefit to people with safe and environmentally friendly approach. IRSHA attaches greatest value to its employees, research students, trainees and stakeholders, contractors, patients and communities. IRSHA further believes that safety and health of its personnel and public are a matter of paramount concern and accords it the same importance and priority as for research and development. IRSHA strives to prevent all possible accidents, incidents, injuries and occupational illnesses and shall make continuous and dedicated efforts to protect the environment.

IRSHA is obligated to:

Promote the research work in a manner that protects the safety and health of its personnel and the public; give priority to EHS in the planning and execution of the research work and related activities of the institute, and maintain compliance with all relevant and applicable state/central regulations.

In support of this policy, IRSHA commits to:

- 1. Work continuously to improve the efficiency and effective performance of the EHS management system of the institute.
- 2. Conduct the research activities and process development to prevent or minimize the impact on the environment, health and safety of all personnel and public.
- 3. Create awareness, skill and competence to develop the required level of knowledge and skills in all personnel through training and internal communication.
- 4. Maintain good housekeeping practices in the institute premises.
- 5. Eliminate, minimize and/or control adverse environmental impacts by adopting appropriate technologies and best EHS management practices at all levels of functions.
- 6. Prevent workplace injuries and illnesses, environmental incidents, and property losses or damage.
- 7. Arrange for the safe use, handling, storage and transport of materials and hazardous substances;
- 8. Make appropriate arrangements to assess and control the risks associated with work activities undertaken at the institute; and
- 9. Maintain EHS policy, guidance and procedures consistent with current best practice for health and safety management through monitoring and regular review.

While the ultimate responsibility for the safety and environmental health rests with the Director, IRSHA, responsibility is devolved to all the scientists, Project Leaders, technical and administrative staff to ensure adequate implementation of the institute EHS policy in their respective areas of responsibilities and activities.

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