

## **ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY**

At Barberyn Ayurveda Resorts we acknowledge and understand that tourism often puts pressure on natural resources through over-consumption, often in places where resources are already scarce. Tourism puts enormous stress on local land use, and can lead to soil erosion, increased pollution and habitat loss.

Guided and trained by experts we have enacted this policy to ensure we commit to operating in an environmentally conscious and sensitive way, minimizing the negative impact on the environment across all our operations including energy (reducing carbon emissions), waste, water, pollution, and wildlife conservation.

We understand the importance of establishing measurable environmental management goals and taking the required steps in order to meet the targets we set. We also believe it is essential for all of our stakeholders to understand the importance of protecting the environment.

In order to uphold this policy we commit to the following:

- Considering the environment in all aspects of our operations, from planning to implementation.
- Regularly training our employees and educating our suppliers and partners to encourage them to help support our environmental policy and contribute to our progress.
- Ensuring that statutory laws, and environmental guidelines and best practices are followed.
- Regularly monitoring and evaluating our performance, setting targets and implementing measures to continuously improve our sustainability practices.
- Implementing energy-efficient practices to reduce our consumption of electricity and fossil fuels as well as using renewable energy where possible.
- Monitoring and optimizing water usage, minimizing wastage through conservation measures and water-saving technologies.
- Promoting the principles of reduce, reuse, and recycle to minimize waste generation to maximize resource efficiency.
- Minimizing the usage and responsibly disposing of our hazardous waste.
- Collaborating with local waste management facilities to ensure proper treatment and disposal of waste generated.
- Prioritizing the procurement of environmentally friendly and sustainable products and services.
- Source locally produced goods, promoting local businesses and reducing transportationrelated emissions.
- Protecting and preserving local biodiversity within our premises and surrounding areas.
- Promoting the use of native plants, support habitat restoration efforts, and minimize disruption to natural ecosystems.
- Purchasing used or renewed electrical or electronic items whenever possible.
- Actively collaborating with local organizations, government agencies, and NGOs working in the field of environmental sustainability.
- Encouraging long-stay tourism to reduce the infrastructure and transport related carbon footprint.

All employees are responsible for upholding this policy under the supervision of the Heads of Department (Barberyn team leaders).

This policy will be reviewed and updated as a result of changes in legislation or international best practices.

Our Environmental Policy is aligned with the following Sustainable Development Goals:











