

KALASALINGAM ACADEMY OF RESEARCH AND EDUCATION (KARE)

Sustainable Investment Policy

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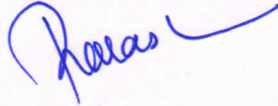



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Sustainable Investment Policy

1. Purpose

This policy establishes a framework for making sustainable, ethical, and responsible investment decisions that align with the institution's commitment to environmental stewardship, social responsibility, and sound governance (ESG).

2. Scope

This policy applies to all forms of institutional investments, including but not limited to:

- Endowment funds
- Pension and retirement funds
- Research and grant surplus allocations
- Treasury reserves and other strategic investments

3. Objectives

- Promote ethical, long-term value creation.
- Align investments with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs).
- Mitigate environmental and reputational risks.
- Integrate ESG principles into financial decision-making processes.

4. Guiding Principles

4.1 Environmental Sustainability

- Prioritize clean energy, biodiversity, and sustainable infrastructure.
- Avoid investments in fossil fuels, deforestation, and high-emission industries.

4.2 Social Responsibility

- Promote gender equity, diversity, community welfare, and education.
- Exclude investments linked to labor exploitation, human rights violations, or social harm.

4.3 Good Governance

- Invest in entities with transparency, ethical leadership, and regulatory compliance.
- Avoid companies with poor governance history or repeated legal breaches.

5. Investment Criteria

All investment opportunities must be assessed based on:

- Compatibility with SDGs and national ESG mandates
- Financial performance and sustainability disclosures
- Risk and return profiles over long-term horizons

6. Exclusion List

Investments will be avoided in the following sectors:

- Fossil fuels (coal, oil, and gas production)
- Tobacco, alcohol, weapons, and gambling industries
- Companies with continuous environmental or human rights violations

7. Preferred Investment Areas

- Renewable energy, sustainable agriculture, and clean technology
- Education, healthcare, and social infrastructure
- Climate innovation and carbon-neutral enterprises

8. Monitoring and Governance

- A Sustainable Investment Committee (SIC) will be constituted to monitor all investment activities.
- Quarterly ESG compliance reports will be generated.
- An Annual Sustainability Investment Report will be published and shared with all stakeholders.

9. Engagement & Advocacy

- Actively engage with companies to promote better ESG practices.
- Participate in national and international sustainable finance coalitions.

10. Review and Revision

- This policy shall be reviewed every three (3) years or sooner as required.
- Revisions must be discussed and approved by the Board of Management.