

1. Title of the practice: **Green Campus**

2. The context that required the initiation of the practice (100 – 120 words)

The place where the college is located is a massive industrial area surrounded by lot of knitwear manufacturing and dyeing companies. Air and water pollution is found to be a great threat not only for the local residents but also for the students and staff of the college. The College has a vast area with greater scope for turning green amidst the polluted town.

3. Objectives of the practice (50 – 60 words)

- To offer a conducive learning atmosphere.
- To increase shade area, decrease temperature and to improve air quality.
- To increase the ground water.
- To inculcate green values among students.

4. The Practice (250 – 300 words)

Green campus initiative was promoted through National Service Scheme and Eco Club of the Campus. It was also decided to explore all possibilities and to implement the feasible activities to make the campus green. The following feasible activities were identified and were implemented.

- Plantation and taking care of trees.
- Restricting vehicles beyond the entrance to provide clean air in the work areas.
- Increase rainwater harvesting.
- Conduct awareness and training programs on green values among students.

5. Obstacles faced if any and strategies adopted to overcome them (150 – 200 words)

- Identification of ideal locations to plant trees and safe guarding and nurturing them.
- Since the college is growing path with more courses and students, need for construction of building / infra-structure was unavoidable. A strategy was adopted in such a way that there was minimum disturbance to the trees planted. More than 2000 trees were planted and nurtured ensuring its survivability.
- Fund scarcity to construct vehicle sheds at the entrance of the campus
- Manpower scarcity to construct rainwater harvesting ponds.

6. Impact of the practice (100 – 120 words)

- The campus now has more than 2500 trees.
- Vehicle sheds with more than 3000 Sq.ft has been constructed at the entrance.
- Students and Teachers became aware and realized the importance of having a green campus.
- A very good green ambience was created in the campus.
- More birds and animals were observed.

7. Resources required

Manpower, Money, Saplings

These resources were managed through donations from philanthropists like Majestic Dr. K. Kandasamy, Exporter of Textiles in Tirupur.

Watering trees and de-weeding was done by volunteers and since the plantation was large. Watering was managed through drip irrigation which was done with the help of walker's club.

8. About the Institution:

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