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Report on Criterion 7: Institutional Values and Best Practices

Key Indicator - 7.1 Institutional Values and Social Responsibilities

Academic sessions: 2018-19 to 2022-23

7.1.2. Policy document on the green campus/plastic free campus

From 2018 to 2023, various meetings held by the IQAC in collaboration with other committees, viz. the Golden Jubilee Committee, the NAAC Steering committee (now dissolved), the Teachers' Council and the NSS, have resolved the following and the measures have been adopted, in association with the Finance and Purchase committee, to maintain a clean and green campus:

1. **Solar lights** shall be installed throughout the campus as an alternate source of energy. The college aims to set up many more solar lights to supplement electricity consumption.
2. As Energy conservation measure, **LED lights** have been installed in all the rooms of the two buildings of the college.
3. The NSS unit has conducted **Student sensitization campaigns** within the college campus to save energy and save water.
4. **Signs and posters** have been put up in classrooms and messages are put up across the college campus to motivate students to save energy and save water.
5. According to the Government of India mandate regarding segregation of waste at source, **green bins and blue bins** are strategically placed across the campus for collection of waste. Biodegradable waste is decomposed in compost pits within the campus.
6. Biomedical waste which meet the definition of biohazard waste are collected, fumigated and disposed off in accordance with the proper procedures of correct safety regulations.
7. Kanchrapara College works in collaboration with Hulladek Recycling Private Limited for **management of different solid E-waste.**

The college has a huge box just at the entrance to the main college building to collect E-waste. Discarded electrical and electronic devices are handed over to certified and authorised e-waste recycler for refurbishment and recycling.

8. The institution has a regular, efficient and organised system of cleaning the College. Besides the Government appointed sweepers, there are non-government part-time workers who regularly clean the garbage and clear the drainage. All kinds of solid waste is taken outside the campus and disposed off in the Kanchrapara Municipality Garbage Disposal Van.

9. Kanchrapara College is specially careful of the quality of water supplied to students and staff. To this end, **seven water purifiers and two water coolers** are installed throughout the campus. More coolers are planned to be installed in the future.

10. All toilets and water dispensers to carry signs reading cautionary messages for **water conservation**.

11. **Rain water harvesting system** has been installed at the rooftop for water conservation. A waterbody behind the college main building is also maintained by the college as a natural water reservoir.

12. The entire campus is **landscaped with trees and gardens** to maintain an ecologically conducive environment within the college. The college has an employed **gardener to maintain the gardened landscape** of the college and cares for the trees in the campus.

13. Each year a good number of saplings are planted within and outside the college, throughout the town, to celebrate World Environment Day on 5th June.

14. The college campus has been declared as '**Plastic Free Zones**'. This has effectively reduced the use of plastic containers, bags and packets.

15. Entry of automobiles is restricted within the campus to keep it **free of pollution**. Students and staff are encouraged to come to college on **bicycles and e-vehicles instead of on motor vehicles**. The college provides adequate parking facilities for bicycles of students and staff.

16. **Pedestrian friendly pathways** run throughout the college campus to ensure safe locomotion.

17. **Green Audit** is conducted regularly.



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