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## **Audit Certificate**

This is to certify that **Sree Sankara College**, Kalady, Ernakulam has successfully completed the **Green Audit** of the academic year 2021-2022 on 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> May 2022. The college had submitted all the necessary data and credentials for scrutiny and the delegates of **Athul Energy Consultants Pvt Ltd** verified the building, campus and all the facilities of the institution.

We, Athul Energy Consultants Pvt Ltd, Thrissur congratulate the Chairman, Advisor, Principal and staff members and students for the successful completion and participation in the audit report process.



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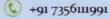
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## **GREEN AUDIT - 2022**



# SREE SANKARA COLLEGE

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#### **PREFACE**

Every institution should be imparting knowledge about the campus environment and its surroundings through activities that follows the principles of sustainability. Hence an evaluation is needed to understand where it stands in the path to be an environment friendly, talent nurturing educational institution. This Green Audit was done with the aim to assess and rate the sustainable nature of the campus. The college vision is "to enlighten and empower women in rural and suburban society and enable them to act as agents of social transformation and acquire knowledge of self and surroundings and to make the world a better place". And in the social goals, it is written as "to make the students aware of the pressing global issues and the moral responsibility to handover to the coming generation an eco-friendly life style and an earth free from pollution, filth, bigotry and corruption". It was observed by us from the students' participation during the green audit.

This report is compiled by the BEE certified energy auditor and GRIHA Certified auditor along with the project engineers who are experienced in the field of energy, environment and management. The student volunteers made a mammoth contribution with data collection and preparing an initial skeleton for the report.



#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

We express our sincere gratitude to the M/s Sree Sankara College Kaladi for giving us an opportunity to carry out the project of Green Audit. We are extremely thankful to all the staffs for their support to carry out the studies and for input data, and measurements related to the project of Green audit.

1 Dr. Suresh Principal

2 Dr. Preethi Nair IQAC Coordinator

Also congratulating our Green audit team members for successfully completing the assignment in time and making their best efforts to add value.

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Yours faithfully

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#### **GREEN AUDIT SUMMARY**

- Sree Sankara College taken considerable effort for maintaining the green and sustainable campus.
- ❖ All the varieties of living eco systems such as trees of varies varieties of gardens (Zodiac Garden, Oxygen park, Herbal Garden Birds Club area, etc.). 103 species of tree of 742 numbers are in the college.
- ❖ College is well maintaining Oxygen Park, Silent places in colleges which will reduce the academic stresses.
  - ❖ Display boards are placed in the Oxygen Park, Silent zone, Zodiac garden area,etc to be done.
- Staff and student's collaboration of NSS, Bhoomithrasena is held responsible for maintenance of greenery inculcating a sustainable culture among the student's community.
- By recognizing the importance of making youth compassionate towards students and hence maintaining open play ground in college?
- ❖ Well placed rainwater collection tanks is provided in the college

#### **Suggestions for improvement**

- ❖ Sub metering system for water consumption to be done in each areas of main usage
- ❖ Garden library can be set in the college nearer to the entrance of existing library with rain canopy. Periodicals and newspapers can be kept in this rotating type garden library.
- Vegetable garden to be created in the college



The general details of the M/s Sree Sankara College Kalady given below in table.

#### Table 1 GENERAL DETAILS

Sl. No:	Particulars	Details
1	Name of the College	Sree Sankara College, Kalady
		Sree Sankara College
2	Address	Sankar Nagar, Mattoor, Kalady P.O.,
		Ernakulam – 683 574
3	Contact Person	Dr. Mini K D, Ph: 9605055445
4	E-mail ID	info@ssc.edu.in
5	Web site	www.ssc.edu.in
6	Type of Building	Educational Institution
7	Annual Working Days	180
8	No: of Shifts	Day Shift (One) (9AM -4PM)
9	No: of students enrolled	2421
10	No : of teaching staff	133
11	No: of non-teaching staff	21
12	Total campus area	18 acres
13	Total Built Up area ( M <sup>2</sup> )	19078 Sq. m
14	No: of courses	Aided College UG 17 AND Self finanace 02, PG Aided- 07 and Self finanace -02, PHD -05
	No: of Departments	22
15	Herbal Garden	Yes
16	Vegetable garden	No
18	Birds club	Yes
19	Star Garden	Yes
20	Silent Area	Yes
21	Oxygen park	Yes
24	Play Grounds	Foot ball ground ,Basketball court,
25	Auditorium	01 numbers
26	Rain water harvesting	Yes



#### ABOUT COLLEGE

Sree Sankara College, Kalady was founded in the year 1954 by Swami Agamananda, a social reformer and a foresighted scholar of Sri Ramakrishna Advaita Ashram. The institution was established with a view to perpetuating the memory and doctrines of the great saint and philosopher, Adi Sankaracharya and to nurture his birth place as a cultural citadel. The foundation stone was laid on 28 August, 1953 by His Highness the Maharaja of Travancore in the presence of The Maharaja of Cochin and several other distinguished personalities. The Sree Sankara College Association was formed in July 1954.

The vision & mission of the organization was to establish a Centre of Higher Learning with two major objectives —dissemination of knowledge in tune with a university curriculum and fostering community development.

The institution was raised to the status of a First Grade College in 1956. It is affiliated to the Mahatma Gandhi University and is included under sec.2 (f) and 12 (B) of the UGC act, 1956.

In June 1960, the patronage of the college became vested in His Holiness the Jagadguru Sri Sri Sankaracharya Swamigal of Dakshinamnaya. Currently, Sri Sri Bharathi Theertha Mahaswamigal, of Sringeri Mutt, steers the administration through a Board of Directors with Sri. K. Anand as the Managing Director.

The college has done consistently well in Curricular and Cocurricular activities. The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), a statutory body of the UGC has accredited the college B Grade with 2.82 CGPA on a four-point scale. The Departments of Economics, Commerce, Sanskrit and Microbiology are approved Research Centres under the Mahatma Gandhi University.

#### **VISION**

To achieve excellence in higher Education, with a stress on, creativity, skill development, employability, personal values with social

#### **MISSION**

To mould good citizens with ingenuity, adaptability, social commitment and ethical values who can provide innovative leadership in all walks of life.





Figure 1 COLLEGE MAIN ENTRANCE



#### **GREEN AUDIT**

The whole world is on the road to a sustainable development, and the environment conservation is the top priority among the list as every human activity has its effect on their surroundings, which is the environment. Hence be it a house, a commercial building, an industrial building, or any other construction will disturb the balance of the environment. It is very important to do a detailed study about the effects on the environment. This is conducted under the name of *Green Audit*, which can be defined as the official examination of the effects a company or other organization has on the environment, especially the damage that it causes. The objectives of the green audit can be listed as follows:

- Including participants from every section of the organization in the auditing process.
- Understanding the environment by drawing a simple sketch of the total area.
- Identifying the activities in the premises and listing them.
- Calculating the resource consumption like the land and water.
- Assessing the waste management and disposal.
- Study the energy usage pattern.
- Identify the good practices.
- Suggest the viable solutions to improve the sustainable nature of the organization.
- Compile the report with the above-mentioned details.
- Conduct a walkthrough audit to check the suggestions implemented by the institution and suggest for further improvements
- Verify all the points with actual measurements is it is meeting the performance and gave suggestions for improvement



#### **CAMPUS ENVIRONMENT**

The environment in and around the college campus plays an important part in maintaining a healthy atmosphere in nurturing talents. Trees are the major source of the oxygen we breathe, and receiver of the carbon dioxide we exhale. The sustainability of an ecosystem depends on the number of plants and trees in and around the surroundings. The open space in the college is used for gardening and maintain a Butterfly garden , Zodiac Garden fish pond, large open garden, peace garden etc. Ultimately the campus is maintaining natural equilibrium with trees, birds and cattle's and water bodies along with human interactions.





FIGURE 2: COLLEGE CAMPUS

Scientific studies are proved that the nature can able to cure any diseases and this will reduce the stress among students during theirs studies and also increase the compassion among them and to nature. Ultimately the campus is maintaining natural equilibrium trees, birds and water bodies with human beings. Gardens and landscape are an aesthetic delight and it promotes attentiveness of students. Persons exposed to plants have higher level of positive feelings (pleasant, calm) as opposed to negative feelings (anger, fear).



#### SUSTAINABLE CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS

Energy consuming devices installed to achieve the comfort levels for the occupants of the building gives rise to heat generation which adversely affects the environment within the building and in the surrounding. Buildings are thus the major pollutants that affect the urban air quality and contribute to climate change. Buildings are the major consumers of energy during their construction, operation and maintenance.

Sree Sankara College Kaladi has developed an ecological design in their buildings and adopted minimum negative impact on ecosystem. Their approach to the constructional activities consciously is to conserve energy and ecology and avoid the adverse effects of ecological damage.

Sree Sankara College constructed the building to optimum utilisation of land and classrooms and with abundant light and natural ventilation. Maximum day light ingression and natural ventilation increases the indoor air quality and avoid the sick building syndrome.

#### **Major Courses in the College**

Programmes	Courses		
	Aided College		
UG	BA- Sanskrit, English, Hindi, Economics, History,		
	Bsc- Mathematics, Statistics, Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Zoology,		
	Bcom, -Finance, Taxation and Computer applications		
	Bvoc: Renewable energy Management ,Broad casting and Journalism, Tourism		
	and Hospitality		
PG	Sanskrit -Vadantha, Economics, English-Literature, Mcom -Taxation, Msc-		
	Microbiology, Applied Chemistry and Physics.		
PhD	Economics, Microbiology, English, Chemistry and Sanskrit.		
Self-financing			
UG	Bsc- Microbiology and Bio technology		
PG	Msc- Bio Technology, and Environmental science		

#### Departments in the college

B-Voc, Bio chemistry, Sanskrit, English, Malayalam ,Hindi, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Environmental Science, History, Economics, Botany, Zoology, Politics, Computer Science, Microbiology, Computer Science, Bio technology, and Physical Education.



#### 1. HERBAL GARDEN

The literal meaning of Ayurveda is "science of life," because ancient Indian system of health care focused on views of man and his illness. It has been pointed out that the positive health means metabolically well-balanced human beings. Ayurveda is also called the "science of longevity" because it offers a complete system to live a long healthy life. It is an interactive system that is user-friendly and educational. It teaches the patient to become responsible and self-empowered. It is a system for empowerment, a system of freedom, and long life. A significant part of knowledge and tradition is currently being eroded due to modernization, acculturation and availability of alternatives. Therefore, it is urgent to inculcate young minds to realize the fascinating knowledge and tradition associated with these resources, and help them understand the immense potentials the Kerala medicinal plants possess for the future.

The "Promoting Herbal Gardens in Schools and colleges" has been a fun-filled learning activity for the students where they got the opportunity to learn about the medicinal plants by actually planting the medicinal herbs and watching them grow in their gardens, and by exploring information about them from various sources.

The task of making the garden itself has been enriching in terms of making students realize the importance of teamwork such as detailed planning, and allocation of tasks within a team. For the teachers, herbal garden project has been useful in terms of ease with which they could integrate the concept with other subject matter activities, such as writing essays, poems and stories, making posters, drawing and painting, making herbariums, and even preparing food recipe using some of the culinary herbs students have planted in their gardens. Kerala Government is also making lot of initiatives to developing and inculcating the herbal gardens in schools and colleges.

In Sacred Heart management planted, nurtured varieties of herbs in its college campus in all possible areas without any specified location. Hence the college in total is herbal garden.

#### 2. VEGETABLE GARDEN

Gardens are a wonderful way to use the college campus as a classroom, reconnect students with the natural world and the true source of their food, and teach them valuable gardening and agriculture concepts and skills that integrate with several subjects, such as math, science, art, health and physical education, and social studies, as well as several educational goals, including personal and social responsibility. They gain self-confidence and a sense of "capableness" along with new skills and knowledge in food growing — soon-to-be-vital for the 21st century students become more fit and healthy as they spend more time active in the outdoors and start choosing healthy foods over junk food.

#### Recommendation

Sree Sankara College is to initiate a vegetable garden in its premises



#### 3. SILENT PLACE OR KUTTIVANAM

Sree Sankara College developed an untouched and protected version of forest in their premises. This is maintain in the form of old tradition such as Kavu, the small untouched forest which we can able to see in most parts Kerala. Kavu is maintained as forest areas that human beings are mostly prohibited and considered a sacred place in the Kerala.



Figure 3 KUTTIVANAM

#### 4. BUTTERFLY GARDEN

Butterflies are important because they are its own right but also quality of life indicators. Butterflies are part of Life on Earth and an important component of its rich biodiversity. The following are the main reasons for conserving butterflies. They are having an intrinsic value and it in the flag ship of the nature conservation. Have an Aesthetic value it portrays the essence of nature and beauty of peace. Butter lies have an educational value as the transformation from egg to caterpillar to chrysalis is one of the wonders of nature. This has a scientific value as the important indicator climate change. Eco system value is Butterflies have been widely used by ecologists as model organisms to study the impact of habitat loss and fragmentation. People enjoy seeing butterflies both around their homes and in the countryside which improves the mental and social health of peoples. People enjoy seeing butterflies both around their homes and in the countryside.



Care taken by the college to have Plantation of oxygen rich plants. The greenery has remained useful in developing Oxygen Park in the college. Trees release oxygen when they use energy from sunlight to make glucose from carbon dioxide and water. Like all plants, trees also use oxygen when they split glucose back down to release energy to power their metabolisms. Averaged over a 24-hour period, they produce more oxygen than they use up; otherwise there would be no net gain in growth



**Figure 4 OXYGEN PARK** 

The findings in the report shows that college perform fairly well in waste management issues and taken considerable efforts in a responsible manner. During audit and the conversations with the college team, we observed that Sree Sankara College done various approaches in the past few years to performing well to sustainable environment. Even though there is space for further improvement that mentioned in the executive summary, the college is a good example for the minimisation of environment issues in the existing conditions.

#### 6. ZODIAC FOREST (NAKSHRAVANAM)

In Vedic astrology, the zodiac is divided into 27 *nakshatras* or stars. An individual is born under a particular star, known as his or her birth star. From ancient times, particular trees have been associated with birth stars. The concept of a Nakshatra Vanam involves the planting of these trees in a grove and nurturing them, to help develop a place of sanctity. Gardening can provide students with hands-on learning opportunities while increasing environmental awareness and vital experience in problem-solving.

Sree Sankara College developed a star garden . Most of the star related trees are in developing stage in the garden. The details are given below.

Table 2 ZODIAC PLANTS



Sl	Star Name	Tree name	Botanical Name
No:			
1	Aswathy	Kanjiram	Strychnos nux-vomica)
2	Bharani	Nelli	Emblica officinalis]
3	Karthika	Aathi	Ficus racemosa
4	Rohini	Njaval	Syzygium cumini)
5	Makayiram	Karngali	Acacia catechu)
6	Thiruvathira	Karimaram	Diospyros ebenum]
7	Punartham	Mula	Bambusa bambos)
8	Pooyam	Arayal	Ficus religiosa)
9	Ayilyam	Nangu	Mesua ferrea <u>)</u>
10	Makam	Plassu	Butea monosperma)
11	Uthram	Ithi	Ficus tinctoria)
12	Atham	Ambazham	Spondias pinnata
13	Chithira	Koovalam	Aegle marmelos
14	Chothi	Nerr maruthu	Terminalia arjuna
15	Visakham	Vayam Kaitha	Flacourtia jangomas
16	Anizham	Elanji	Mimusops elengi)
17	Triketta	Vetti	Aporusa lindleyana
18	Moolam	Vella Pine	Vateria indica
19	Pooradam	Vanchi	Salix tetrasperma
20	Uthradam	Plavu	Artocarpus heterophyllus
21	Thiruvonam	Erukku	Calotropis gigantea
22	Avittam	Vanni	Prosopis juliflora
23	Chathayam	Kadambu	Anthocephalus cadamba
24	Pooruttathy	Mavu	Mangifera indica
25	Uthrattathy	Karimbana	Borassus flabellifer
26	Revathi	Elippa	Madhuca longifolia

Every students and staffs are having a birth star which is related to a tree, animal and bird in nature. Gardens are a wonderful way to use the college campus as a classroom, reconnect students with the natural world





Figure 5 ZODIAC GARDEN



#### 7. LIST OF TREES IN THE CAMPUS

Trees release oxygen when they use energy from sunlight to make glucose from carbon dioxide and water. Like all plants, trees also use oxygen when they split glucose back down to release energy to power their metabolisms. Averaged over a 24-hour period, they produce more oxygen than they use up; otherwise there would be no net gain in growth. Sree Sankara College Kaladi have 103varieties plants. The Sree Sankara College Kaladi have742 numbers of major trees are lace in this campus.

**TABLE 3: LIST OF TREES** 

#### **BIRDS CLUB**

Sl.no.	Vernacular Name of Trees	Botanical Name	
1	Vaka maram	Delonix regia	1
2	Eeta	Dchlandra travancorica	
3	Rain Tree	Samanea saman	1
3	Aanapana	Caryota urens	3
4	Vayanna	Cinnamomum verum	1
5	Mahagani	Swietenia macrophycia	1
6	Thanni	Terminlia bellirica	2
7	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	3
8	Anjili	Artocarpus hirsutus	1
9	Kurumulaku	Piper nigram	
10	Kanjiram	Strychnos nuxvomica	1
11	Theghu	Cocos nucifera	2
12	Sarpagandhi	Rauvolfia serpentina	
13	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	3
14	Aanapana	Caryota urens	3
15	Anjili	Artocarpus hirsutus	1
16	Mullan Pazham	Ziiziphus oenoplia	1
17	Parom	Ficus racemosa	1
18	Unjal valli	Oonual valli	1
19	Mula	Bambusoidea	
20	Manjadi	Adenanthera pavonina	1
21	Mavu	Mangifera indica	1
22	Mahagani	Swietenia macrophycia	50
23	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	3
24	Pappaya	Carica pappaya	1
	Total		82



## FRONT SIDE BIRD CLUB (NAKSHTHRAVANAM)

Sl.no.	Name of Trees	<b>Botanical Name</b>	No: of
1	Peeli vaka	Albizia chinensis	22
2	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	1
3	Peral	Ficus benghalensis	1
3	Neermaruthu	Terminalia arjuna	2
4	Nelli	Phyllanthus emblica	1
5	Koovalam	Aegle marmelos	1
6	Mula	Bambusoidea	1
7	Arayal	Ficus religiosa	1
8	Ambazham	Spondias mombin	1
9	Ithi	Ficus benjamina	1
10	Peral	Ficus benghalensis	1
11	Erukku	Calotropis giganta	1
12	Vella Pine	Pinus strobus	1
13	Kadambu	Neolamackia cadamba	1
14	Karimaram	Diospyros ebenum	1
15	Nelli	Phyllanthus emblica	1
16	Mavu	Mangifera indica	1
17	Seethapazham	Annona squamosa	1
18	Anachuvadi	Elephantopus scabeb	1
19	Arayal	Ficus religiosa	1
20	Plavu	Artocarpus heterophyllus	1
21	vayamkadha	Lagerstroemia speciosa	1
22	Karimaram	Diospyros ebenum	1
23	Lubi	Flacourtia jangomas	1
24	Pappaya	Carica pappaya	1
25	Manimaruthu	Terminalia arjuna	1
26	Chara konna	Peltophorus pterocarpus	1
27	Poovaka	Deconix regia	1
28	Neermaruthu	Terminalia arjuna	2
29	Mavu	Mangifera indica	2
30	Koovalam	Aegle marmelos	1
31	Karinochi	Vitex trifolia	1
32	Pera	Psidium guajava	1
33	Ithi	Ficus benjamina	1
34	Punna	Calophyllum inophyllum	2
35	Mylanchi	Lawsonia inermis	2
36	Nelli	Phyllanthus emblica	2



37	Aryaveepu	Azadirachta indica	1
38	Ughu	Pongamia pinnata	1
39	Elipla	Madhuca longifolia	1
40	Rain Tree	Samanea saman	1
41	Chamba	Syzigium samarangense	1
42	Krimpana	Borassus flabellifer	1
43	Vazha	Musa paradisiaca	
	Total		70

## INDOOR SPORTS FRONT SIDE

Sl.no.	Name of Trees	Botanical Name	No: of
			trees
1	Royal Palm	Roystonea regia	21
2	Mahagani	Swietenia macrophycia	1
3	Rambutan	Nephelium lappaceum	1
3	Tulsi	Ocimum tenuiflorum	Lumsum
4	Mula	Bambusoidea	1
5	Budha mula	Bamboosa ventricosa	1
6	Mutta Pazham	Pouteria campechisns	1
7	Kanikonna	Cassia fistula	1
8	Nelli	Phyllanthus emblica	1
9	Chara konna	Peltophorus pterocarpus	1
10	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	1
11	Nelli	Phyllanthus emblica	1
12	Madharam	Bauhinia acuminata	1
13	Madhura loobi	Flacourtia intermis	1
14	Ambazham	Spondias mombin	1
15	Royal Palm	Roystonea regia	21
16	Erukku	Swietenia macrophycia	1
	Total		35

### NAKSHATHRAVANAM FRONT SIDE

Sl.no.	Name of Trees	Botanical Name	No: of
			trees
1	Ughu	Pongamia pinnata	1
2	Plavu	Artocarpus heterophyllus	3
3	Croton	Croton	1
3	Mahagani	Swietenia macrophycia	1
4	Madharam	Bauhinia acuminata	3



5	Chara konna	Peltophorus pterocarpus	1
6	Ashokam	Saraca asoka	1
7	Mavu	Mangifera indica	2
	Total		13

## INDOOR STADIUM AREA

Sl.no.	Name of Trees	Botanical Name	No: of
			trees
1	Royal Palm	Roystonea regia	3
2	Manimaruthu	Terminalia arjuna	3
3	Ezhilam pala	Alstonia scholaris	1
3	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	1
4	Veeti	Dalbergia catifolia	1
5	Peeli vaka	Albizia chinensis	1
6	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	1
7	Manjadi	Adenanthera pavonina	1
8	Pera	Psidium guajava	1
9	Royal Palm	Roystonea regia	1
10	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	2
11	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	1
16	Veeti	Roystonea regia	3
	Total		59

## LIBRARY FRONT SIDE

Sl.no.	Name of Trees	Botanical Name	No: of trees
1	Rain Tree	Samanea saman	1
2	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	1
3	Heliconia	Heliconia	Lumsum
3	Madharam	Bauhinia acuminata	Lumsum
4	Nandyarvattam	Tabernaemontana divaricata	Lumsum
5	Manikya	Duranta erecta	Lumsum
6	Vazha	Musa paradisiaca	Lumsum
7	Mahagani	Swietenia macrophycia	15
8	Vaka maram	Delonix regia	1
9	Puli	Tamarindus indica	1
10	Croton	Croton	Lumsum
11	Manja Mula	Bamboo	1
16	Mahagani	Swietenia macrophycia	14



Nagalinkam	Couroupita guianensis	1
Aathi	Ficus benjamina	1
Poovaka	Deconix regia	2
Arana maram	Monoon longifolium	6
Aryaveepu	Azadirachta indica	1
Star apple	Chrysophyllum cainito	1
Aanapana	Caryota urens	1
Areca	Areca	1
Chembarathi	Hibiscus rosa sinensis	1
Kanikonna	Cassia fistula	1
Total		49

#### THEERTHA HALL

Sl.no.	Name of Trees	Botanical Name	No: of trees
1	Rain Tree	Samanea saman	1
2	Manjadi	Adenanthera pavonina	1
3	Star apple	Chrysophyllum cainito	1
3	Ambazham	Spondias mombin	1
4	Chara konna	Peltophorus pterocarpus	2
5	Thekku	Tectona grandis	1
6	Ezhilampala	Alstonia scholaris	1
7	Ficus	Ficus benjamina	1
8	Eeta	Dchlandra travancorica	Lumsum
	Total		10

## CANTEEN SIDE

Sl.no.	Name of Trees	Botanical Name	No: of trees
1	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	1
2	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	9
3	Aanapana	Caryota urens	6
3	Ashokam	Saraca asoka	1
4	Ficus	Ficus benjamina	1
	Total		18



#### POOCHOLA

Sl.no.	Name of Trees	Botanical Name	No: of
1	Kashumavu	Anacardium occidentale	1
2	Heliconia	Heliconia	Lumsum
3	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	2
3	Plavu	Artocarpus heterophyllus	4
4	Mrooti	Hydnocarpus layrifolia	1
5	Kanjiram	Strychnos nuxvomica	1
6	Badham	Terminalia cattappa	1
7	Aanapana	Caryota urens	2
8	Vayanna	Cinnamomum verum	1
9	Plavu	Artocarpus heterophyllus	1
10	Poovaka	Deconix regia	1
11	Thanni	Terminlia bellirica	1
12	Manjadi	Adenanthera pavonina	1
13	Kashumavu	Anacardium occidentale	1
14	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	1
15	Mahagani	Swietenia macrophycia	1
16	Rain Tree	Samanea saman	1
17	Vayanna	Cinnamomum verum	1
18	Kurumulaku	Piper nigram	Lumsum
19	Thanni	Terminlia bellirica	1
20	Aanapana	Caryota urens	3
21	Eeta	Dchlandra travancorica	Lumsum
22	Plavu	Artocarpus heterophyllus	1
23	Mula	Bambusoidea	Lumsum
	Total		28

## COLLEGE GATE

Sl.no.	Name of Trees	Botanical Name	No: of
1	Chethi	Ixora coccinia	
2	Chara konna	Peltophorus pterocarpus	1
3	Thanni	Terminlia bellirica	1
3	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	1
4	Anjili	Artocarpus heterophyllus	1
5	Puli	Tamarindus indica	1
6	Thanni	Terminlia bellirica	1
7	Poovaka	Deconix regia	2
8	Chempakam	Michelia champaca	1
9	Mahagani	Swietenia macrophycia	2



10	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	1
11	Peeli vaka	Albizia chinensis	1
12	Poovaka	Deconix regia	1
13	Chara konna	Peltophorus pterocarpus	2
14	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	1
15	Ashokam	Saraca asoka	1
16	Manimaruthu	Terminalia arjuna	1
17	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	1
18	Neermaruthu	Terminalia arjuna	1
19	Poovaka	Deconix regia	1
20	Thanni	Terminlia bellirica	1
21	Mahagani	Swietenia macrophycia	1
22	Ezhilampala	Alstonia scholaris	1
23	Badham	Terminalia cattappa	1
24	Thanni	Terminlia bellirica	1
25	Chara konna	Peltophorus pterocarpus	1
26	Mavu	Mangifera indica	1
27	Kashumavu	Anacardium occidentale	1
28	Madharam	Bauhinia acuminata	2
29	Kolambi	Allamanda cathartica	1
30	Peeli vaka	Albizia chinensis	1
31	Chethi	Ixora coccinia	1
32	Plavu	Artocarpus heterophyllus	1
33	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	2
34	Kashumavu	Anacardium occidentale	2
35	Mavu	Mangifera indica	2
36	Mrooti	Hydnocarpus layrifolia	1
37	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	5
38	Royal Palm	Roystonea regia	50
39	Eugenia	Eugenia tinifolia	80
40	Chethi	Ixora coccinia	30
41	Kashumavu	Anacardium occidentale	2
42	Thanni	Terminlia bellirica	1
43	Kanikonna	Cassia fistula	2
44	Peeli vaka	Albizia chinensis	2
45	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	2
46	Mavu	Mangifera indica	1
47			218

#### WAY TO BASKET BALL COURT



1	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	1
2	Mavu	Mangifera indica	1
3	Aanapana	Caryota urens	1
3	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	1
4	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	1
5	Kashumavu	Anacardium occidentale	1
6	Thekku	Tectona grandis	1
7	Manjadi	Adenanthera pavonina	1
8	Mula	Bambusoidea	1
9	Kanjiram	Strychnos nuxvomica	1
10	Mahagani	Swietenia macrophycia	3
11	Kashumavu	Anacardium occidentale	1
12	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	1
13	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	1
14	Aanapana	Caryota urens	15
15	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	10
16	Peeli vaka	Albizia chinensis	50
	Total		89

#### CANTEEN NEAR BASKET BALL COURT SIDE

Sl.no.	Name of Trees	Botanical Name	No: of
1	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	1
2	Aanapana	Caryota urens	1
3	Star apple	Chrysophyllum cainito	1
3	Plavu	Artocarpus heterophyllus	2
4	Vaka maram	Delonix regia	1
5	Rain Tree	Samanea saman	1
6	Aanapana	Caryota urens	10
7	Thekku	Tectona grandis	3
8	Mahagani	Swietenia macrophycia	1
9	Plavu	Artocarpus heterophyllus	1
10	Kashumavu	Anacardium occidentale	1
11	Manjadi	Adenanthera pavonina	1
12	Kurumulaku	Piper nigram	Lumsum
13	Sheemakonna	Gliricidia sepium	Lumsum
14	Anjili	Artocarpus hirsutus	1
15	Vatta	Macaranga peltata	1
16	Kashumavu	Anacardium occidentale	1
17	Eeta	Dchlandra travancorica	1
18	Thekku	Tectona grandis	2



Total		25
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#### MICROBIOLOGY

Sl.no.	Name of Trees	Botanical Name	No: of
1	Theghu	Cocos nucifera	2
2	Plavu	Artocarpus heterophyllus	1
3	Mavu	Mangifera indica	1
3	Thanni	Terminalia bellirica	1
4	Plavu	Artocarpus heterophyllus	1
5	Mavu	Mangifera indica	1
6	Vazha	Musa paradisiaca	Lumsum
7	Madharam	Bauhinia acuminata	1
8	Nelli	Phyllanthus emblica	1
9	Lakshmi taru	Ludwigia octovalvis	1
10	Kanikonna	Cassia fistula	1
11	Pappaya	Carica pappaya	1
12	Ashokam	Saraca asoka	1
13	Mavu	Mangifera indica	1
	Total		14

#### HERBAL GARDEN

Sl.no.	Name of Trees	<b>Botanical Name</b>	No: of
1	Ughu	Pongamia pinnata	1
2	Nithyakalyani	Catharanthus roseus	1
3	Heliconia	Heliconia	Lumsum
3	Njaval	Syzigium cumini	1
4	Poochaval	Acalypha wilkesiana	1
5	Kanikonna	Cassia fistula	1
6	Madharam	Bauhinia acuminata	1
7	Neermaruthu	Terminalia arjuna	1
8	Ambal	Nymphaea alba	1
9	Chethi	Ixora coccinia	1
10	Lilly	Lilium longiflorum	Lumsum
11	Snake Plant	Dracaena trifasciata	Lumsum
12	Budha mula	Bambusa ventricosa	Lumsum
13	Kolambi	Allamanda cathartica	Lumsum
14	Langhi	Cananga odorata	Lumsum
15	Pandanus(Ornamental)	Pandanus	Lumsum
16	Kavughu	Areca catechu	1
17	Veepila	Murraya koenigii	1
18	Bottle Brush Plant	Callistemon viminalis	1



19	Theghu	Cocos nucifera	1
20	Mavu	Mangifera indica	1
21	Neelayamari	Indigofera tinctoria	1
22	Manikya	Duranta erecta	Lumsum
23	Aranamaram	Monoon longifolium	2
24	Croton (Ornamental)	Croton	Lumsum
25	Musantha	Mussaenda erythrophylla	1
26	Pera	Psidium guajava	1
27	Chethi	Ixora coccinia	1
28	Nandyarvattam	Tabernaemontana divaricata	1
29	Madharam	Bauhinia acuminata	1
30	Theghu	Cocos nucifera	1
31	Dooja	Dooja(ornamental)	1
32	Red palm	Cyrtostachys renda	1
33	Vellilum	Mussaenda glabrata	1
34	Nelli	Phyllanthus emblica	1
35	Plash	Butea monosperma	1
36	Erukku	Calotropis giganta	1
37	Croton (Ornamental)	Croton	Lumsum
38	Chamba	Syzigium samarangense	1
39	Mavu	Mangifera indica	1
40	Pera	Psidium guajava	1
41	Chamba	Syzigium samarangense	1
42	Madharam	Bauhinia acuminata	1
43	Cycas	Cycas revoluta	1
44	Areca (ornamental)	Areca	Lumsum
45	Kolambi	Allamanda cathartica	1
46	Nandyarvattam	Tabernaemontana divaricata	1
47	Elanji	Mimusops elenji	1
48	Ashokam	Saraca asoka	1
49	Neermaruthu	Terminalia arjuna	1
50	Kolambi	Allamanda cathartica	1
51	Nandyarvattam	Tabernaemontana divaricata	1
52	Elanji	Mimusops elenji	1
53	Ashokam	Saraca asoka	1
54	Neermaruthu	Terminalia arjuna	1
55	Chara konna	Peltophorus pterocarpus	1
56	Koovalam	Aegle marmelos	1
57	Chamba	Syzigium samarangense	1
58	Dooja	Platycladus orientalis	5



59	Aathi	Ficus	1
60	Chethi	Ixora coccinia	1
61	Peeli vaka	Albizia chinensis	1
62	Nandyarvattam	Tabernaemontana divaricata	1
63	Tulsi	Ocimum tenuiflorum	Lumsum
64	Ughu	Pongamia pinnata	1
65	Pera	Psidium guajava	1
66	Kumizh	Gmelina arborea	1
67	Chittaratha	Alpinia calcarata	1
68	Koghini	Lantana camara	1
69	Broken heart money	Monstera adansonii	Lumsum
70	Mulla	Jasminum jasmin	Lumsum
	Total		62
	Grand Total		742



#### 8. BIRDS AREA

.Sree Sankara College started a Bird Club International (BCI) which is started November 2020 onwards. BCI is promoting global interest in birds, conservation of nature and environment through public campaign and education. .Birds play a number of roles in any ecosystem. They play a balancing role in the ecosystem and are part of cultural enhancement and part of tasks such as predation, pollination and seed dispersal. Birds serve as excellent flagships and vital environmental indicators of the climate and weather conditions of a place. By focusing on birds, and the sites and habitats on which they depend, the Birds Club in Sree Sankara College aims to improve the quality of life for birds, other wildlife (biodiversity), and for the people.



Figure 6 BIRDS CLUB AREA

#### 9. AUDITORIUM

There is one auditorium is maintained the college. This well-furnished air conditioned auditorium will giving special beauty to the college.



Figure 7 AUDITORIUM



#### 10. GREEN PLAY GROUND

Education is incomplete without sports and games. Sports and games are beneficial in teaching us punctuality, responsibility, patience, discipline, and dedication towards our goal. The importance of games and sports in student's life is immense. It has proved to be very therapeutic in nature. Sports help improve social skills, such as dispute management and sport-based interaction. Sports inculcate the feeling of fairness in a child and encourage them to be committed, taking defeat in a positive manner. It teaches us to be joyful, united, and appreciative in life. Students are the youth of our nation, and they need to be energetic, physically active, and mentally fit. By understanding the responsibility to make its students healthy Sree Sankara College Kaladi has built and maintained Football Ground and Basketball court in green surroundings.



FIGURE 8 OPEN NATURAL GROUND

#### WATER RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION

The requirement of water for the college, hostels and gardening etc are met by supply from well, bore well and from rain water storage tanks. The water is collected in in different tanks main tanks each in block buildings. The water checked in an accredited laboratory in time to ensure its pot ability.

#### 11. WATER RESOURCES

There are three wells in the college, one well is located near the chapel which is not use at present. Well located outside of campus is the main source of water for college and hostel

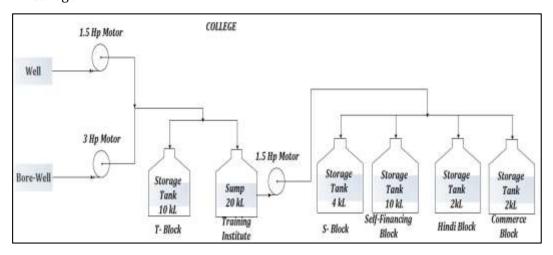
**TABLE 4: WATER SOURCES** 

**Location** Source



Well	One in College and Another one n	
	Hostel	
Bore well	College	
Rain water storage tanks	Concrete tank and Ground water	
	Recharging	

#### In College



#### In Hostel

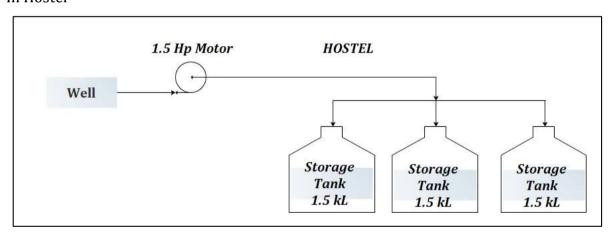


Figure 9 WATER LINE DIAGRAM

#### 12. RAIN WATER HARVESTING

Rainwater harvesting (RWH) is a technique of collection and storage of rainwater into natural reservoirs or tanks, or the infiltration of surface water into subsurface aquifers (before it is lost as surface runoff). One method of rainwater harvesting is rooftop harvesting. With rooftop harvesting, most any surface — tiles, metal sheets, plastics, but not grass or palm leaf can be used to intercept the flow of rainwater and provide a household with high-quality drinking water and year-round storage. Other uses include water for gardens, livestock, and irrigation, etc.

#### Rainwater harvesting for ground water recharge.

Aim and Objectives:



- Conservation of rainwater for future use
- > To use rainwater for gardening Activity: Conservation of rainwater in soil or in a container is known as rainwater harvesting.

The rainwater from entire college campus and roof top of building is collected through PVC pipe s and leading Rain water collection tank installed in the college campus



Figure 10RAIN WATER COLLECETION



#### **CONCLUSION:**

Green Audit is the most efficient & ecological way to solve such an environmental problem. Green Audit is one kind of professional care which is the responsibility of each individual who are the part of economic, financial, social, environmental factor. Green audits can "add value" to the management approaches being taken by the college and is a way of identifying, evaluating and managing environmental risks (known and unknown). The green audit reports assist in the process of attaining an eco-friendly approach to the development of the college.

The auditors observed during the campus visit and after the conversation with the staff and students of Sree Sankara College Kaladi that they have taken continuous and considerable effort in several years for nurturing and maintaining the green coverage over the campus which is being well appreciated by us. There is still opportunity to attain the perfection some of the identified suggestions are listed in the executive summary.



#### **ANNEXURE-1**





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### **Audit Certificate**

This is to certify that Sree Sankara College, Kalady, Ernakulam has successfully completed the Environment Audit of the academic year 2021-2022 on 18th & 19th May 2022. The college had submitted all the necessary data and credentials for scrutiny and the delegates of Athul Energy Consultants Pvt Ltd verified the building, campus and all the facilities of the institution.

We, Athul Energy Consultants Pvt Ltd, Thrissur congratulate the Chairman, Advisor, Principal and staff members and students for the successful completion and participation in the audit report process.



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Athul Energy Consultants Pvt Ltd

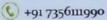
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#### **PREFACE**

Every institution should be imparting knowledge about the campus environment and its surroundings through activities that follows the principles of sustainability and waste management. Hence an evaluation is needed to understand where it stands in the path to be an environment friendly, and in talent nurturing educational institution.

This Environment Audit was done with the aim to assess mainly on waste management of the campus. The college vision is "To become a center of learning par excellence, where the best in humans is unveiled, based on human values, focused on life enhancement and constructive in adapting to the needs of the world". The mission of college is "to mold individuals into successful and vibrant professionals facilitating comprehensive and rounded formation, to function as effective and empathetic human beings, grounded with courage of conviction, personal integrity, professional ingenuity and social commitment "and it was we observed by us from the students' participation during the environmental audit.

This report is compiled by the BEE certified energy auditor and ISO 140001 (Environment Management) person who are experienced in the field of energy, environment and management. The student volunteers made a mammoth contribution with data collection and in preparing an initial skeleton for the report.



## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

We express our sincere gratitude to the M/s Sree Sankara College Kaladi for giving us an opportunity to carry out the project of Environment Audit. We are extremely thankful to all the staff for their support to carry out the studies and for input data, and measurements related to the project of Environment audit.

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Principal

**IQAC** Co-ordinator

Also congratulating our Environment audit team members for successfully completing the assignment in time and making their best efforts to add value.

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Yours faithfully

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## **ENVIRONMENT AUDIT SUMMARY**

- College segregated the waste from college, canteen, and hostels and treated in a scientific manner.
- Separate storage provisions are done for metal and plastics in college.
- ❖ Biodegradable wastes are treated in a biogas plant installed in the hostel.
- Vermi compost plant is working well in the campus.
- Laboratory waste are well treated and connected to as separate pit
- E-wastes are collected and stored separately in the college

## **Suggestions for improvement**

- ❖ Internal inspection team to be formed which comprises staff and students for internal auditing of the waste management in the campus
- ❖ Separate incinerators are to be provided in the college to avoid the open incineration of wastes.

  One for general wastes and another one for incineration medical wastes such as sanitary napkins.
- ❖ Display the weight of segregated wastes that collected from the canteen, hostels and college in prominent locations which will be an eye-opener for all and it will help in reduce the waste generation.
- ❖ Monthly Records should be kept for segregated wastes which will help the administration to pinpoint the source and take necessary steps to reduce it.



## **GENERAL DETAILS**

The general details of the M/s Sree Sankara College Kaladi are given below in table.

Table 1: **GENERAL DETAILS** 

Sl. No:	Particulars	Details
1	Name of the College	Sree Sankara College, Kaladi
2 Address	Sree Sankara College	
	Address	Sankar Nagar, Mattoor, Kalady P.O.,
	Ernakulam – 683 574048	
3	Contact Person	Dr. Mini K D, Ph: 9605055445
4	E-mail ID	info@ssc.edu.in
5	Web site	www.ssc.edu.in
6	Type of Building	Educational Institution
7	Annual Working Days	180
8	No: of Shifts	Day Shift (One) (9AM -4PM)
9	No: of students enrolled	2421
10	No : of teaching staff	133
11	No: of non-teaching staff	21
12	Total campus area	18 acres
13	Total Built Up area ( M²)	19078
14	Bio gas	Yes
15	Vermicomposting Unit	No
16	Incinerator	Yes
17	Segregation of Waste	Yes



#### ABOUT SACRED HEART COLLEGE

Sree Sankara College, Kalady was founded in the year 1954 by Swami Agamananda, a social reformer and a foresighted scholar of Sri Ramakrishna Advaita Ashram. The institution was established with a view to perpetuating the memory and doctrines of the great saint and philosopher, Adi Sankaracharya and to nurture his birth place as a cultural citadel. The foundation stone was laid on 28 August, 1953 by His Highness the Maharaja of Travancore in the presence of The Maharaja of Cochin and several other distinguished personalities. The Sree Sankara College Association was formed in July 1954.

The vision & mission of the organization was to establish a Centre of Higher Learning with two major objectives —dissemination of knowledge in tune with a university curriculum and fostering community development.

The institution was raised to the status of a First Grade College in 1956. It is affiliated to the Mahatma Gandhi University and is included under sec.2 (f) and 12 (B) of the UGC act, 1956.

In June 1960, the patronage of the college became vested in His Holiness the Jagadguru Sri Sri Sankaracharya Swamigal of Dakshinamnaya. Currently, Sri Sri Bharathi Theertha Mahaswamigal, of Sringeri Mutt, steers the administration through a Board of Directors with Sri. K. Anand as the Managing Director.

The college has done consistently well in Curricular and Cocurricular activities. The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), a statutory body of the UGC has accredited the college B Grade with 2.82 CGPA on a four-point scale. The Departments of Economics, Commerce, Sanskrit and Microbiology are approved Research Centres under the Mahatma Gandhi University.

## **VISION**

To achieve excellence in higher Education, with a stress on, creativity, skill development, employability, personal values with social

## **MISSION**

To mold good citizens with ingenuity, adaptability, social commitment and ethical values who can provide innovative leadership in all walks of life.





Figure 1 COLLEGE CAMPUS



## ABOUT ENVIRONMENT AUDIT

The ICC defines Environmental Auditing as: "A management tool comprising a systematic, documented, periodic and objective evaluation of how well environmental organization, management and equipment are performing with the aim of safeguarding the environment and natural resources in its operations/projects."

A clean and healthy environment aids effective learning and provides a conducive learning environment. There are various efforts around the world to address environmental education issues. Environmental conditions may be monitored from angles that are relevant to Indian requirements, without stress on legal issues or compliance. This innovative scheme is user friendly and totally voluntary. The environmental awareness helps the institution to set environmental examples for the community and to educate young learners.

Here we can mainly divide this report of waste management initiatives and installations of systems such as bio gas plant, vermin compost, incinerator and collection and segregation of waste in the campus etc and student's initiatives in waste management as a social cause.

#### ABOUT ENVIRONMENT POLICY OF COLLEGE

Sree Sankara College Kaladi is a quality conscious college. It protects its own environment with its green campus initiatives and keeps the premises pollution free. Environment development is in tune with the educational policies implemented on the campus.

Environmental conscious administration, the management and the students of the college look after the environment carefully. Every year, during rainy season, we do tree plantation and carefully look after it.It's our own responsibility to preserve the work done on the campus related to the

Environment. They regularly undertake plantation programme through NSS and Bhumithrasena, Birds Club International Units every year as per schedules. On World Environment Day (June 5), every year students from all departments encouraged to plant saplings in their own backyards at home to enhance environmental consciousness.

College already conducting course like environmental Science and Renewable energy management in its campus.

## **WASTE MANAGEMENT**

Waste is generally termed as 'a resource at the wrong place'. The college authorities are aware of the possible methods and have installed waste management measures like biogas systems. The waste clearance measures associated with different types of wastes are briefly given below. In this college normally three types of wastes are generated and we can divide the same as,



- 1. Bio degradable
- 2. Non bio degradable and
- 3. E-waste

## 1. BIODEGRADABLE WASTES

**Biodegradable waste** includes any organic matter in waste which can be broken down into carbon dioxide, water, methane or simple organic molecules by micro-organisms and other living things by composting, aerobic digestion, anaerobic digestion or similar processes also includes some inorganic materials which can be decomposed by bacteria. These materials are non-toxic to the environment and mainly include the natural substances like Plants and animals waste, even the dead plants and animals, fruits, paper, vegetables, etc. get convert into the simpler units, which further get into the soil and are used as manures, biogas, fertilizers, compost, etc.

The biodegradable wastes are mainly from the college canteen and pushed it to the Biogas plant. The bio-slurry is used as manure to the plantation.

#### I. BIO GAS PLANT

Biogas is the mixture of gases produced by the breakdown of organic matter in the absence of oxygen (anaerobically), primarily consisting of methane and carbon dioxide. Biogas is a renewable energy source Biogas is produced by anaerobic digestion with methanogen or anaerobic organisms, which digest material inside a closed system, or fermentation of biodegradable materials. This closed system is called an anaerobic digester, bio digester or a bioreactor.

Biogas is a renewable, as well as a clean, source of energy. Gas generated through biodigestion is non-polluting; it actually reduces greenhouse emissions. No combustion takes place in the process, meaning there is zero emission of greenhouse gasses to the atmosphere; therefore, using gas from waste as a form of energy is actually a great way to combat global warming. Another biogas advantage is that, unlike other types of renewable energies, the process is natural, not requiring energy for the generation process. In addition, the raw materials used in the production of biogas are renewable.

Bio gas plant reduces soil and water pollution. Consequently, yet another advantage of biogas is that biogas generation may improve water quality. Moreover, anaerobic digestion deactivates pathogens and parasites; thus, it's also quite effective in reducing the incidence of waterborne diseases.

Bio gas generation produces organic fertiliser. The by-product of the biogas generation process is enriched organic (digestive), which is a perfect supplement to, or substitute for, chemical fertilizers. The fertilizer discharge from the digester can accelerate plant growth and resilience to diseases, whereas commercial fertilizers contain chemicals that have toxic effects and can cause food poisoning, among other things. The biogas plant converts food wastes into methane gas and usable bio fertilizers whichwill used for plants. The methane gas from the biogas plant is used in the canteen for cooking purpose and for



heating drinking water hot water. Approximately 10 kg of LPG /month is saved by using biogas Plant. The bio manure from the biogas plant is used for gardening, agriculture and for trees. This bio waste also acts as best bio insecticide and thus the college avoided the usage of environmentally toxic precipices for environment. Here college is using fixed dome permanent structure biogas plant of size  $1M^3$  for treating bio waste. The slurry coming from the plant is collected in drums and reused after diluting with water for agriculture and for gardens. The methane gas is used in the canteen for hot water generation which is used for drinking and tea making.

Sree Sankara College installed 1M<sup>3</sup> FRP bio gas plant in its CANTEEN for catering food wastes generated from college hostel and canteen. At presently this FRP water sealed plant is not functioning which needs to be repaired.



figure 2 FRP BIO GAS PLANT



## II. VERMI-COMPOST

It is the product of the decomposition process using various species of worms, usually red wigglers, white worms, and other earthworms, to create a mixture of decomposing vegetable or food waste, bedding materials, and vermicast. Vermi compost contains water-soluble nutrients and is an excellent, nutrient-rich organic fertilizer and soil conditioner. It is used in farming and small scale sustainable, organic farming.

The major source of raw material for vermi-compost is the leaves in the college campus and also the wastes generated which are not fed into biogas such as Chicken bones etc. The vermi-compost plants installed near to the scrap yard in the college campus

## **Benefits of Vermi-compost**

#### a. For Soil

- Improves soil aeration
- Enriches soil with micro-organisms (adding enzymes such as phosphatase and cellulose)
- ❖ Microbial activity in worm castings is 10 to 20 times higher than in the soil and organic matter thatthe worm ingests
- ❖ Attracts deep-burrowing earthworms already present in the soil
- Improves water holding capacity

## b. For Plant growth

- Enhances germination, plant growth, and crop yield.
- ❖ Improves root growth, Enriches soil with micro-organisms, adding plant hormones suchas auxins and gibberellin acid.

## c. For Economic

- ❖ Bio wastes conversion reduces waste dumping in landfills.
- Elimination of bio wastes from the waste stream reduces contamination of other recyclables collected in a single bin (a common problem in communities practicing is single-stream recycling)
- Creates low-skill jobs at local level.
- Low capital investment and relatively simple technologies make vermicomposting practical for less-developed agricultural regions.

#### d. For Environmental

- ❖ Helps to close the "metabolic gap" through recycling waste on-site.
- ❖ Large systems often use temperature control and mechanized harvesting, however other equipment is relatively simple and does not wear out quickly
- ❖ Production reduces greenhouse gas emissions such as methane and nitric oxide (produced in



landfills or incinerators when not composted).

#### Recommendation

Suggested to install vermicompost plant for composting plant leafs and bio degradable wastes which are not treated in bio gas plant.

## 2. NON-BIODEGRADABLE WASTE

Materials that remain for a long time in the environment, without getting decomposed by any natural agents, also causing harm to the environment are called non-biodegradable substances. These materials are metals, plastics, bottles, glass, poly bags, chemicals, batteries, etc. But as these are readily available, convenient to use, and are of low cost, the non-biodegradable substances are more often used. But instead of returning to the environment, they become solid waste which cannot be broken down and become hazardous to the health and the environment. Hence are regarded as toxic, pollution causing and are not considered as eco-friendly.

Many measures are taken these days, concerning the use of non-biodegradable materials. The **three 'R'** concept which says **Reduce-Recycle -Reuse** is in trend, which explains the use of the non-biodegradable materials. As we already discuss that these substances do not decompose, or dissolve easily so can be recycled and reuse. And one can help in reducing this waste by instead of throwing the plastics and poly bags in the garbage; it can be put in the recycling bags to use again.

Non-recyclable wastes are collected and burned once in a month using incinerator places inside the campus itself. The recyclable wastes are sorted out into categories and supplied it to the collecting units.

#### I. INCINERATOR

The objective of waste incineration, in common with most waste treatments, is to treat waste to reduce its volume and hazard, whilst capturing (and thus concentrating) or destroying potentially harmful substances. Incineration processes can also provide a means to enable recovery of the energy, mineral and/or chemical content from waste. Basically, waste incineration is the oxidation of the combustible materials contained in the waste. Waste is generally a highly heterogeneous material, consisting essentially of organic substances, minerals, metals and water. During incineration, fluegases are created that will contain most of the available fuel energy as heat. The organic substances in the waste will burn when they have reached the necessary ignition temperature and come into contact with oxygen.

The actual combustion process takes place in the gas phase in fractions of seconds and simultaneously releases energy. Where the calorific value of the waste and oxygen supply is enough, this can lead to a thermal chain reaction and self-supporting combustion, i.e. there is no need for the addition of other fuels. The incinerator is used for incinerating non-biodegradable wastes such as paper, plastic, sanitary napkins etc. The ash generated is used as manure after mixing with cow dung



for plants. The ash generated from plastic will be treated separately. The ash generated from canteen where wood is used as a fuel is used as manure for plants. The college campus is promoting biodegradable packaging and reducing the consumption of plastic to a large extent.



Figure 3 OPEN TYPE INCINERATOR

#### Recommendation

We strongly recommend to provide one more incinerator for incinerating medical wastes such as sanitary napkins.

## 3. ELECTRONIC WASTE

Electronic waste or e-waste describes discarded electrical or electronic devices. E-waste or electronic waste is created when an electronic product is discarded after the end of its useful life. The rapid expansion of technology and the consumption driven society results in the creation of a very large amount of e-waste in every minute. Used electronics which are destined for refurbishment, reuse, resale, salvage recycling through material recovery, or disposal are also considered e-waste. Informal processing of e-waste in developing countries can lead to adverse human health effects and environment pollution. Certain components of some electronic products contain materials that render them hazardous, depending on their condition and density. All the electronic wastes such as old computers, CPU, CDs etc are stored separately in the college



#### 4. LABORATARY WASTES

It is the clear responsibility of the lab users to ensure safe and correct disposal of all wastes produced in the course of their work. Laboratory wastes can be divided into multiple ways such as wastes as of

- controlled wastes such as dirty paper, plastic, rubber, wood etc which can be collected in a bin and incinerated in an incinerator
- Special control wastes such as Brocken glass wares of lab, sharp edge items, needles etc which needs to collected in a separate bin or container and dispose in a safer way. While collecting in these materials should not have any chemicals in it.

Wastes generated from laboratory experiments which is required multiple disposable mechanisms. (Acid, alkalis, salts of inorganic compounds)

The acids alkalis are to be disposed by wash down procedure by using excess water after maintaining its PH value. The material which is in the RED LIST should not be washed down it should be collected and treated separately (Heavy metals, mineral oils, hydrocarbons, cyanides, fluorides, nitrites etc. The solvents, mineral oils are to separately incinerate in an incinerator.

In Sree Sankara college ample ventilation is given in all laboratory. The natural illumination is also good.

# Hazardous waste Management in College

**Chemical waste** that is generated in the laboratories such as acids/ bases is neutralized before disposal. Alternative protocols are followed to bypass carcinogenic, cytotoxic and heavy metal-containing chemicals, heavy metal-containing chemicals are reduced, concentrated, solidified and disposed of as solid waste. Non-hazardous liquid chemical waste is then disposed of in sinks and hazardous liquid chemical waste (very minimal) is stored

## Suggestions for waste management

- Provide waste flow chart in the laboratory
- ❖ At present all the chemicals wastes are drained off into main drain.
- ❖ Do s and Don'ts in the laboratory while conducting experiments
- Standard disposal procedure in the laboratory for all chemicals used in the lab
- Separate bins and containers for control wastes and special control wastes, reusable items etc. in laboratory



## FACILITIES PROVIDED BY COLLEGE FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT COLLECTION

- Toilets in every buildings separately for girls, boys and staff.
- There is separate toilet facility for department heads, staff rooms, administrative department and common facility.
- Certain toilets are facilitated for the disabled. The campus is disabled-friendly with suitable hand rails and supports
- Bins are provided in various areas of Campus for segregated collection of bio degradable (food,) and non-bio degradable wastes (Plastic, bottles)
- Every day cleaning and sanitisation is done at each and every toilet by cleaning personnel which is checked by housekeeping supervisor.
- Separate team is maintained by college to maintain the clean campus, removal of wastes from pets, collection wastes from bins, which is supervised by maintenance supervisor.



Figure 4 COLLECTION BINS



## **CONCLUSION**

Environment audit is the best way to analyze and solve the critical issues of waste management. Environment audit can add value to management approach being taken by college for identifying, collecting, segregating and processing of waste generated in the college campus. By analyzing the waste generation in each segment such as biodegradable, non-degradable, R waste etc. gave an indication of waste generation and thus put control for the same to reduce the environmental impacts in due course.

The findings in the report shows that college perform fairly well in waste management issues and taken considerable efforts in a responsible manner. During audit and the conversations with the college team, we observed that M/s Sree Sankara College Kaladi had done various approaches in the past few years to ensure sustainable environment. Even though there is space for further improvement as mentioned in the executive summary, the college is a good example for the minimisation of environment issues in the existing conditions.



## **ANNEXURE**

## ISO 140001 Certificate



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