



SOURASHTRA COLLEGE (Autonomous), MADURAI – 4

(A Linguistic Minority Co-educational Institution)

(Affiliated to Madurai Kamaraj University & Re-Accredited with 'B+' Grade by NAAC)

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7.1.5. Policy Document on Green Campus

Sourashtra College is situated on the foothills of a hillock Kalamalai. The campus is very spacious covering 28.12 acres. Of which, only 1/4th used for class rooms, laboratories, staff rooms, administrative buildings, etc. The remaining 3/4th is an open area with lot of trees and gardens. This institute practices garden principles through growing various kinds of plants in different gardens, namely, Landscape gardening; Medicinal Garden; and Fruit orchard. The green campus consists of more than 250 Neem Trees and 50 Punga trees. Further, trees and plants like Mango, Pomegranate, Lemon, Nelly, Papaya, Guava, Banana, and Sapota are also grown in the campus. These plants are considered as best sources for maintaining environment and ecosystem and adds aesthetic value to the institution. Landscaping is done with the help of Gardener and Drip Irrigation system adopted in the garden. This green environment creates an atmosphere to get rid of the modern-day stress and brings peace of mind which is the utmost necessity of learning process.

In our green campus, students can find it as a place where environment-friendly practices and education combine to promote sustainable and eco-friendly campus. The Green campus offers an opportunity to take the lead in redefining its environmental culture and developing new paradigms by creating sustainable solutions to environmental needs of our college.

Ban on the use of Plastics: Student volunteers of NSS regularly conduct clean and green program in the college campus in order to generate awareness about green and peaceful environment. The college restricts the usage of plastic bags in the campus. Sufficient dustbins are placed in the appropriate places and Swachh Bharath programs are usually conducted inside and outside the campus. Drinking water purifiers are provided on campus to reduce the use of plastic bottles. Usage of plastic bags is minimized in the campus canteens and encouraged to use



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disposable eco-friendly paper plates and cups. Our college has adopted the 3 R's Reduce/Reuse/Recycle to maintain the green and plastic-free campus.

Measures taken on Green Campus

- Periodical Planting of saplings
- Ban on single use plastics
- Encouraging Paperless environment
- Organizing Awareness programs on eco-friendly environment
- Promoting awareness on reusable products
- Insisting on eco-friendly vehicles like bicycle and battery vehicles
- Facilitating conservation of water (Rain Water Harvesting) and renewable energy (using Solar Energy and LED bulbs)
- Observing important environmental days
- Sustainable landscaping
- Pedestrian friendly pathways and restricted entry of automobiles
- Periodical Green, Energy and Environmental audit for the sustenance of green campus




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