



J.J. College of Arts and Science (Autonomous)

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The growing realization that we have been over taxing Nature and her resources has led to the call for going green. We hear of “Green Chemistry, Green Marketing etc.” Everywhere there is a greater concern for harmonizing development with care for biodiversity and habitat-conservation. HEI’s have a great role to play in promoting this concern for the environment and ecology. Campuses have to go green in keeping with Tagore’s Viswabharathi. Reverse and water bodies have a historical association with seats of learning. We are on the banks of Vellar. The College is proud of its green ambience and has a clear cut policy for its preservation and enhancement.

Objectives:

- ♣ To retain and further develop the green ambience of the Campus
- ♣ To preserve the rich variety of flora around the area by providing a favourable habitat
- ♣ To conserve and wisely use water/natural resources
- ♣ To instil in employees and students a green culture that would cascade into society
- ♣ To use landscaping selectively to ensure natural growth of greenery
- ♣ To encourage wealth from waste initiatives
- ♣ To undertake extension work in neighbouring Villages to spread the message of ecological conservation through popularizing kitchen gardens, waste water recycling and to create an awareness on the need to grow more trees and keep Campuses clean.

Implementation

1. Generous staffing of the gardening and conservancy departments
2. Spaced buildings, well laid roads with trees and flowering bushes on either side
3. Tree planting as an on-going conservation and greening exercise
4. Conservation of rare and endangered plants in the arboretum and seed bank
5. Close association with the State Department of Agriculture and voluntary agencies like the local chapter of the Dr.Swaminathan Foundation to promote green initiatives and organic farming
6. The establishment of the nursery, the compost yard, the vermicompost pit and the mushroom cultivation unit

7. Extensive extension work among villagers/farmers around the Campus to promote ecological awareness
8. Proper wastage disposal practices
9. The infrastructure for drip and sprinkler irrigation
10. Annual green audit to evaluate the environmental status of the Campus, its soil, Water bodies and air
11. Frequent visits to sacred groves, gardens, hill stations to gather rare endangered saplings and rear them in the Campus
12. The plan for a bird-house, butterfly park and mini-orchard

Outcomes

1. The green ambience of the Campus has been praised by visiting peer teams
2. Ecological/Environmental awareness among employees and students and its propagation among the villagers
3. Greater social good will earned through free supply/sale of plant-saplings
4. Preservation of rare and endangered plant species
5. Meaningful involvement of students in gardening that promotes agripreneurial ventures like nurseries/biofertilizer units
6. Better sanitation hygiene and health in Campus life
7. A better learning environment
8. Received Clean and Green campus award
