

A.V.College of Arts, Science & Commerce Institutional Distinctiveness

Our college's institutional distinctiveness is SESE-Sustainable education with sustainable environment. Sustainability is a socioecological process which is achieved by balance of species and resources in the environment. The college maintains a sustainable environment by implementation of few green ideas.

- 1.Use of one side printed papers- One sided paper from the trash of counselling centre, etc. for office works are used instead of fresh papers for internal communication. It helps to reduce paper usage.
- 2.Plastic-free campus: Plastic Spiral binding for the records are replaced by paper, cardboard,tags.single use plastic usage is reduced
- 3. Composting-The biodegradable waste is dumped in the compost pit and used as manure in the gardening area.
- 4. Vermicomposting- vermicompost process is also taken up in the college to convert biodegradable waste to humus.
- 5. Waste recycling-Ro waste water is used for watering plants in the garden area.
- 6.Reneweble energy-Installation of solar panels in the campus for energy and also Use of LED lights.
- 7. Ecofriendly festival celebrations Eco Friendly lord ganesha idols and herbal holi colours sale is conducted regularly to the nearby society to make a sustainable society.
- 8.Rain water harvesting Water conservation by rainwater harvesting pits. These rainwater harvesting are maintained by GHMC in our college campus.

This green and sustainable practices of the college also promotes sustainable education by initiating and promoting self sustaining scaleable student projects to inculcate social and environmental responsibility in the students. The main intention of us is to educate and inculcate our future generations the importance of sustainability in present society. We promote student projects like

Urban farming(terrace garden)- urban farming makes everyone get fresh vegetables in the limited area of open space on the terrace. Students took up this project from the funds raised by prerna(Sale of ecofriendly lord Ganesh and patri sets of ganesh chaturthi) on the terrace of life sciences block and contribute to the green living. Established botanical garden contains all 21 medicinal plants of patri which are essential for the celebration of ganesh chathurthi and other plants which provide fresh breeze in the campus.

A.V Nursery of medicinal plants is established by the funds raised by the sale of herbal holi colors by the students. The students are able to widen their knowledge on the natural resources and their importance in making the green and healthy living of the society.

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