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13.4. Commitment to Carbon Neutral University

13.4.1 Commitment to carbon neutral university:



Plate 1. Solar light



Plate 2. Solar panels



Plate 3. Solar Water Heater at rooftop



Plate 4. PNG station in the campus



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Plate 5. E. vehicle in the campus at no cost



Plate 6. Use of fly ash bricks in the Construction



Plate 7. Electric bikes and car used by the students and staff in the university campus



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Plate 8. Charging station of e-vehicles



Plate 9. Energy conservation pledge

Description:

Actions:

Sri Sri University has made an energy conservation pledge to commit to developing a carbon-neutral campus in a phased manner. The development of a carbon-neutral campus is a gradual, multidirectional process that includes the development of renewable energy sources on campus, the use of zero-carbon energy and construction materials, energy-efficient appliances, and the promotion of electric vehicles. These actions contribute to achieving a carbon-neutral university. Here are the details of these actions:

1. Installation of Solar Street Lights and Pumps (**Plate 1**).



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2. Installation of solar panels (Total units per annum produced from an 8 kW solar PV system = 13,000 kW) (**Plate 2**).
3. Implementation of IoT-based washing machines and tumble dryers for student and staff laundry.
4. Installation of solar water heaters on the rooftops of buildings (**Plate 3**).
5. Adoption of low-carbon fuel (PNG) in the kitchen. A PNG station has been established on campus (**Plate 4**).
6. Promotion of e-vehicles within the campus to discourage the use of private vehicles at no cost, contributing to carbon credits (**Plate 5**).
7. Incorporation of building designs that enhance natural lighting and ventilation, along with the use of natural stone and fly ash bricks in construction (**Plate 6**).
8. Encouragement of students and university staff to use e-vehicles on campus. Various facilities, such as free charging and discounted parking charges, are provided to them. There has been a significant increase in the number of e-vehicles on campus (**Plate 7**).
9. Establishment of a charging station for e-vehicles at no cost (**Plate 8**).

Policies and Good Practices:

In addition to the actions, Sri Sri University has implemented policies and good practices:

1. Sri Sri University is committed to developing a carbon-neutral campus and has a well-defined zero-emission policy aimed at achieving this goal (**Copy attached**).
2. The university has an energy conservation pledge in place, and the issues related to zero emissions are addressed in this pledge (**Plate 9**).
3. Sri Sri University has conducted Energy Audits, Green Audits, and Environmental Audits, and it is committed to following the recommendations provided in these audit reports



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