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17.2 Relationships to support the goals

17.2.5 Collaboration with NGOs for SDGs

Student volunteering programme:

The students of Sri Sri University organized a cleanliness drive at various places in Cuttack. All the members participated with great enthusiasm, thoroughly cleaning the area to promote a healthier environment. Their collective effort not only improved the local surroundings but also demonstrated their commitment to community well-being and environmental responsibility (Refer Plate 01).



Plate 01: Students of SSU volunteering the cleanliness drive at Cuttack

The students of Sri Sri University volunteered to participate in the **Run for Unity** event held in Cuttack. The event aimed to promote national unity and foster a sense of community. Participants demonstrated enthusiasm and commitment to the cause (Refer Plate 02). Their involvement underscored the significance of unity and collaboration in building a stronger nation. The run was a vibrant display of solidarity and team spirit.

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Plate 02: Students of SSU participated in the Run for Unity event held in Cuttack

Research programmes:

Sri Sri University organizes various research programs to foster critical thinking and innovation among students. These programs often include workshops, internships, and research projects across disciplines, providing hands-on experience in addressing real-world challenges (Refer Plate 03). Collaborative initiatives with industries, government bodies, and international organizations enhance exposure and learning opportunities. Students are encouraged to publish their findings in journals, participate in conferences, and engage in problem-solving for societal issues. Such programs aim to build research acumen, interdisciplinary skills, and a commitment to lifelong learning.



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Plate 03: Programs organized at SSU to strengthen Research

Development of Educational resources:

To strengthen sustainability and energy efficiency, a Memorandum of Understanding(MoU) has been signed between Sri Sri University and The International Finance Corporation (IFC), in collaboration with the World Bank. It provides a training platform to faculty members in the specialized certificate course on *Design for Greater Efficiency*, aimed at promoting sustainable building practices among students (Refer Plate 04). This program focuses on energy-efficient designs, integrating green architecture, and cost-effective strategies for reducing environmental impact in construction and equips students with the knowledge and tools to develop buildings that minimize energy consumption while enhancing occupant comfort. By combining technical expertise with real-world applications, the course prepares participants to meet global sustainability standards. It also fosters innovation in sustainable development and contributes to achieving energy efficiency goals.



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Prof. Anisa Azharunnisa
Sri Sri University, Cuttack, India

Appreciation Letter for teaching the DFGE Course

Dear Prof. Anisa Azharunnisa,

I would like to express our appreciation for your involvement in delivering the 'Designing for Greater Efficiency' (DFGE) Course - An IFC EDGE Course to design resource-efficient architecture. I also want to congratulate you and your faculty team on successfully training a cohort of 21 students in the DFGE Course during the Academic Year 2023-2024 at your institution. **Your lead role as the DFGE Course Coordinator at your institution was commendable.**

Your active participation and training of students in the DFGE course are well acknowledged. It is encouraging to note that you and your institution are committed to teaching the DFGE course to your students with a keen intent to raise their level of climate literacy and motivate them to learn how to design resource-efficient architecture.

I would like to recognize your and your institution's support of the green building movement of IFC by offering the Designing for Greater Efficiency (DFGE) program to your students.

We at IFC, look forward to more engagements and student cohorts from your institution in the future building an informed community trained in the Designing for Greater Efficiency (DFGE) course equipped for climate-responsive and resource-efficient building design.

Regards,


Anif Sayyed
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Climate Business Department, IFC



Plate 04: Collaboration of SSU with IFC to educate students on Sustainable components