

GREEN AUDIT REPORT (2023-2024)

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3.0 CONCEPT

Green Audit is defined as systematic identification, quantification, recording, reporting and analysis of components of environmental diversity. The 'Green Audit' aims to analyse environmental practices within and outside the college campus, which will have an impact on the eco-friendly ambience. It was initiated with the motive of inspecting the work conducted within the organizations whose exercises can cause risk to the health of inhabitants and the environment. Through Green Audit, one gets a direction as how to improve the condition of environment and there are various factors that have determined the growth of carrying out Green Audit. Green audit is assigned to the criteria 7 of NAAC, (National Assessment and Accreditation Council) which is a self-governing organization of India which declares the institutions as Grade A, B or C according to the scores assigned during the accreditation.

4.0 INTRODUCTION

A Nation's growth starts from its educational institutions, where the ecology is thought as a prime factor of development associated with environment. Educational institutions now days are becoming more sensitive to environmental factors and more concepts are being introduced to make them eco-friendly. To preserve the environment within the campus, various viewpoints are applied by the several educational institutes to solve their environmental problems such as promotion of the energy savings, recycle of waste, water reduction, water harvesting etc. The activities pursued by colleges can also create a variety of adverse environmental impacts.

Environmental auditing is a process whereby an organization's environmental performance is tested against its environmental policies and objectives. Green audit is defined as an official examination of the effects a college has on the environment. As a part of such practice, internal environmental audit (Green Audit) is conducted to evaluate the actual scenario at the campus.

Green audit is a useful tool for a college to determine how and where they are using the most energy or water or resources; the college can then consider how to implement changes and make savings. It can also be used to determine the type and volume of waste, which can be used for a recycling project or to improve waste minimization plan. Green auditing and the implementation of mitigation measures is a win-win situation for all the college, the learners and the planet. It can also create health consciousness and promote environmental awareness, values and ethics. It provides staff and students better understanding of Green impact on campus.

Green auditing promote financial savings through reduction of resource use. It gives an opportunity for the development of ownership, personal and social responsibility for the students and teachers. Thus it is imperative that the college evaluate its own contributions toward a sustainable future. As environmental sustainability is becoming an increasingly important issue for the nation, the role of higher educational institutions in relation to environmental sustainability is more prevalent.

A clean and healthy environment aids effective learning and provides a conducive learning environment. There are various efforts around the world to address environmental education issues.

Environmental Management Systems (EMS) is very popular in the industrial sector, but the general belief is that EMS is something pertaining to industries only. Other parts of the



world have started adopting compatible environmental management systems either voluntarily or for promoting standards by external certification. International environmental standards do not suit the existing Indian educational system. Hence Sahyagiri Enterprises has developed a compatible system by developing locally-applicable techniques.

A very simple indigenized system has been devised to monitor the environmental performance of educational institutions. It comes with a series of questions to be answered on a regular basis. Environmental conditions may be monitored from angles that are relevant to Indian requirements, without stress on legal issues or compliance.

This innovative scheme is user-friendly and totally voluntary. The environmental monitoring system helps the institution to set environmental examples for the community and to educate young learners. It can be adapted to urban and / or rural situations.

5.0 OVERVIEW OF INSTITUTE

Trust is the outcome of the hard efforts of an eminent social worker of Sangli, Late Shri. Appasaheb Birnale (Ex. MLA and EX. President ZP Sangli) in the year 1971, in the memory of the Shankar Maharshi the Ex. Chief Minister of Maharashtra, Late Padmabhushan Dr. Vasantdada Patil for his contribution as a great freedom fighter and his revolutionary policies of uplifting and widening the field of education and above all for their matchless services to humanity and mankind. The main idea behind his trust was to impart professional, advanced and technical education to the deserving and needy students of rural areas. These Institutes are an important milestone in the progress of their dreams. The trust is highly indebted to sanguine efforts and constant inspiration of Shri. Babanrao Birnale Chairman of The trust to make these dreams come true.

The management started Appasaheb Birnale College of Architecture Sangli in 1993. Institute is approved by AICTE, New Delhi, Government of Maharashtra and affiliated to Shivaji University, Kolhapur. College has 2 Acre campus Area.

College provides instructions to the students for five year degree course Bachelor of Architecture (B. Arch.), 2 year masters course M. Arch. Master of Architecture . The college, right from its inception has shown academic excellence and students have won meritorious awards and have maintained top ranks in the University examinations as well as in extra-curricular activities. Total Student strength of college is 195. College has total 23 teaching staff and 16 non-teaching staff. College has highly qualified staff.

The infrastructure of a college plays a vital role in the development of the college as the students are now focusing on class rooms, studios etc. while selecting a college. It is important that the college has very good infrastructure with spacious Classrooms, studios, seminar Halls, Library, Computer Center & all basic amenities. Various indoor and outdoor games are conducted by college.

The college has also adopted the 'Green Campus' system for environmental conservation and sustainability. The goal is to reduce CO₂ emission, water use while creating an atmosphere where students can learn and be healthy.



6.0 AUDIT OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE

The main objective of the green audit is to promote the Environment Management and Conservation in the College Campus. The purpose of the audit is to identify, quantify, describe and prioritize framework of Environment Sustainability in compliance with the applicable regulations, policies and standards. The main objectives of carrying out Green Audit are:

- To introduce and aware students to real concerns of environment and its sustainability.
- To secure the environment and cut down the threats posed to human health by analysing the pattern and extent of resource use on the campus.
- To establish a baseline data to assess future sustainability by avoiding the interruptions in environment that are more difficult to handle and their corrections requires high cost.
- Developing an environmental ethic and value systems in young people.
- Improving environmental standards.
- Benchmarking for environmental protection initiatives.
- Enhancement of College profile.

7.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The rapid urbanization and economic development at local, regional and global level has led to several environmental and ecological crises. On this background it becomes essential to adopt the system of the Green Campus for the institute which will lead for sustainable development.

An environmental audit is a snapshot in time, in which one assesses campus performance in complying with applicable environmental laws and regulations. Though a helpful benchmark, the audit almost immediately becomes out-dated unless there is some mechanism in place to continue the effort of monitoring environmental compliance.

Appasaheb Birnale College of Architecture done internal green assessment and annual reports published for continual improvements; QS Programme and doing their bid towards environmental protection and environmental awareness at local and global front.

The methodology include: preparation and filling up of questionnaire, physical inspection of the campus, observation and review of the documentation, interviewing key persons and data analysis, measurements and recommendations. It works on the several facets of 'Green Campus' including Water Conservation, Tree Plantation, Waste Management, Paperless Work, Alternative Energy and Mapping of Biodiversity.

This audit report contains observations, appreciations and recommendations for improvement of environmental consciousness.

8.0 METHODOLOGY

In order to perform green audit, the methodology included different tools such as preparation of questionnaire, physical inspection of the campus, observation and review of the documentation, interviewing key persons and data analysis, measurements and recommendations. The study covered the following areas to summarize the present status of environment management in the campus:

- Waste Management
- Energy Conservation
- Water Conservation
- Green area management/biodiversity survey
- Best Practices for Environment

9.0 OBSERVATIONS, APPRECIATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 WASTE MANAGEMENT

This indicator addresses waste production and disposal of different wastes like paper, food, plastic, biodegradable, construction, glass, dust etc. and recycling. Furthermore, solid waste often includes wasted material resources that could otherwise be channeled into better service through recycling, repair and reuse. Solid waste generation and management is a burning issue. Unscientific handling of solid waste can create threats to everyone. The survey focused on volume, type and current management practice of solid waste generated in the campus. The different solid wastes collected as mentioned above.

A) Observations:

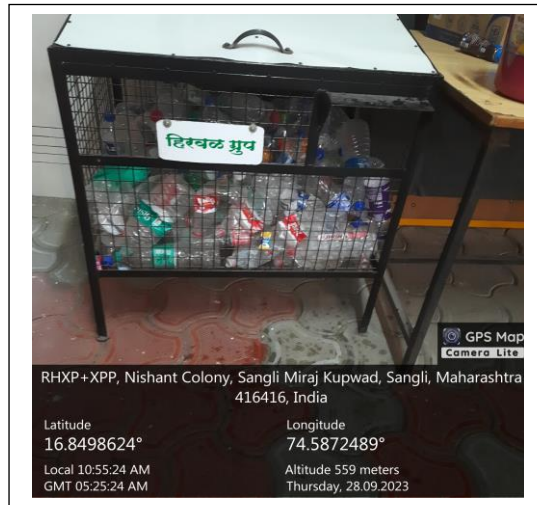
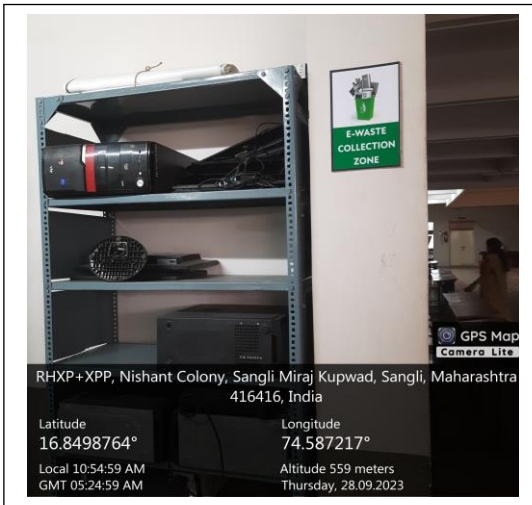
The total organic waste collected in the campus is 40 kg/month. Waste generated from trees is a major solid waste in the campus. Near about 3 kg/month of non-biodegradable waste is generated in the campus. The waste is segregated at source by providing separate dustbins for Bio-degradable, Non-Bio-degradable. Single sided used papers reused for writing and printing in all departments. Very negligible plastic waste is generated by departments, office, garden etc. but it is neither categorized at point source nor sent for recycling. College has E-waste collection centre. The institute has adopted one composting unit in campus having capacity of 200 kg and size 5.5”x2.5”x1.5”. The main purpose of this is to breakdown & decomposes all kind of organic waste by using microorganisms that require oxygen. called compost. After complete process of composting, it is used as manure for trees in the campus.



Composting Unit



Dustbins are provided throughout the college premises for waste collection



E-waste collection centre

Plastic waste collection centre



Sanitary Napkin Incinerator

B) Appreciations:

- Each and every place of campus is provided with dustbin.
- For E-waste and plastic waste management college signed MOU with Pruthvi Zero Waste.
- E-waste is collected and supplied to E-waste management and disposal facility in order to dispose E-waste in scientific manner.
- Plastic Waste is collected and supplied to recycling unit.
- Paper waste generated from office and departments are transported to the vendors for recycling.
- Every department and office tries to reduce consumption of paper.
- College reuses empty side of printed paper.
- Ash from sanitary napkin incinerator is properly disposed off.

C) Recommendations:

- Make full use of all recycling facilities provided by City Municipality and private suppliers, including plastic bottles, batteries, print cartridges, cardboard and furniture.
- Provide sufficient, accessible and well-publicized collection points for recyclable waste with responsibility for recycling clearly allocated.

9.2 WATER CONSERVATION

This indicator addresses water consumption, water sources, irrigation, storm water appliances and fixtures. A water audit is an on-site survey and assessment to determine the water use and hence improving the efficiency of its use.

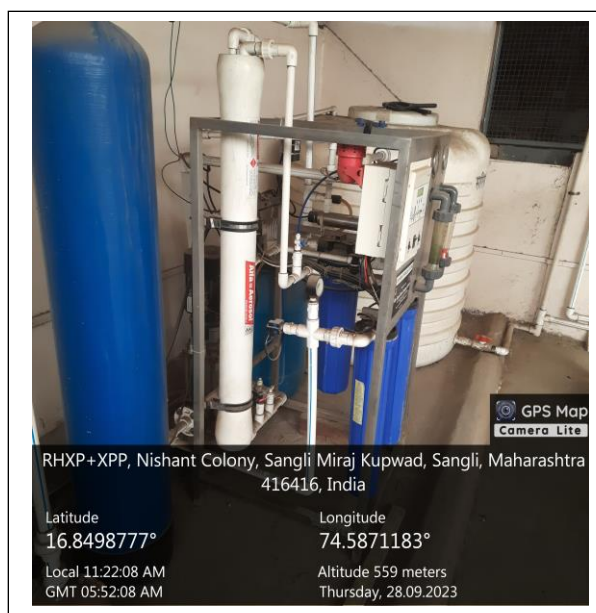
A) Observations:

The study observed that bore well water is main sources of water in the campus. Water is used for drinking, toilets and gardening purpose. During the survey, no loss of water is observed, through leakages and no over flow of water from overhead tanks. The data collected from all the departments is examined and verified. On an average the total use of water in the college is 10,750 L/day, which include 8,750 L/day for domestic purposes, 1000 L/day for gardening. College has R.O system having capacity 200 LPH. The college has rain water harvesting facility in a campus. Water from rooftop of the college is collected and it is used for ground water recharge and it helps to increase water table. Water used for drinking purpose analyzed as per IS 10500:2012 drinking water specification and observed it was potable.

Daily Water Consumption

Parameter	Quantity	Total water consumption
Total overhead water tanks	5	
Toilets water consumption	3.75 m ³	

RO water consumption	0.5 m ³	10.75 m ³
Hand washing	1.5 m ³	
Cleaning	3 m ³	
Gardening	1 m ³	
Miscellaneous	1 m ³	



R.O. System



Rainwater Harvesting System



Rainwater Collection Pit

water Sample Analysis Report

Sr. No.	Parameters	Results	Acceptable Limit as per IS 10500: 2012	Units
1.	Colour	< 1	Max. 5	Hazen Units
2.	Odour	Agreeable	Agreeable	-

3.	pH	7.07	6.5-8.5	-
4.	Turbidity	0.5	Max. 1	N.T.U.
5.	Total Dissolved Solids	85	Max.500	mg/L
6.	Calcium (as Ca)	18	Max.75	mg/L
7.	Chloride (as Cl)	15	Max.250	mg/L
8.	Fluoride (as F)	< 0.06	Max.1	mg/L
9.	Iron (as Fe)	<0.07	Max.0.3	mg/L
10.	Magnesium (as Mg)	6	Max. 30	mg/L
11.	Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃)	28	Max.200	mg/L
12.	Nitrate (as NO ₃)	5.23	Max. 45	mg/L
13.	Sulphate (as SO ₄)	2.95	Max.200	mg/L
14.	Total Hardness (as CaCO ₃)	62	Max.200	mg/L
15.	E. coli	Absent	Not Detectable	/100 ml
16.	Total Coliforms	Absent	Not Detectable	/100 ml

B) Appreciations:

- Water is properly used in the campus and water reusing strategy is followed by the college.
- Rain water is collected and used for ground water recharge.
- Waste water generated from campus is connected to sewer system.

C) Recommendations:

- Year wise water consumption report.
- Reuse of wastewater from R.O. (each lobby) should be used for gardening purpose.

9.3 ENERGY CONSERVATION:**A) Observations:**

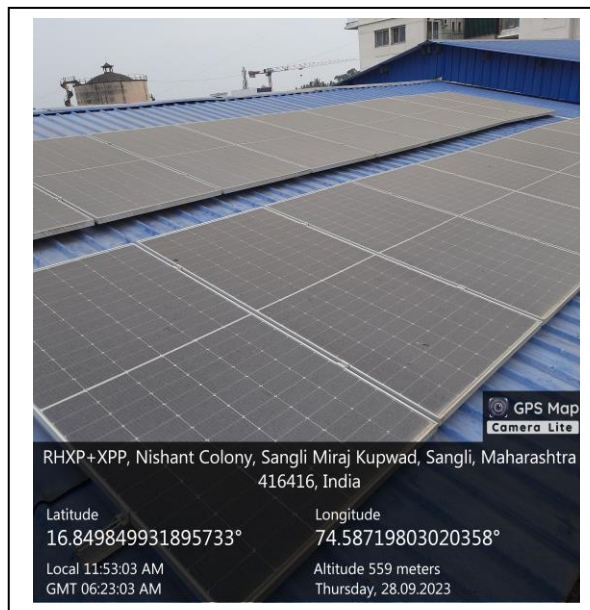
This indicator addresses energy consumption, energy sources, energy monitoring, lighting, appliance, natural gas and vehicles. Energy use is clearly an important aspect of campus sustainability and thus requires no explanation for its inclusion in the assessment.

Energy source utilized by all the departments and common facility center is electricity only. Maximum energy consumption is by major energy consuming equipment. College has 10 kW on grid solar power plant.

All the departments and common facility centers are equipped with LED lamps. Approximately 44 computers, 7 Xerox machines & printers, LED 3-W bulbs-33, 119 ceiling fans, 23 wall fans, LED 40-W tubes-178, 16 projectors, 8 invertors, 2 A.C with 3 star rating. Equipment like Computers is used with power saving mode. Also, campus administration runs switch-off drill on regular basis. In various labs after completion of work, electricity was shut down; it is one of the practices for energy conservation.

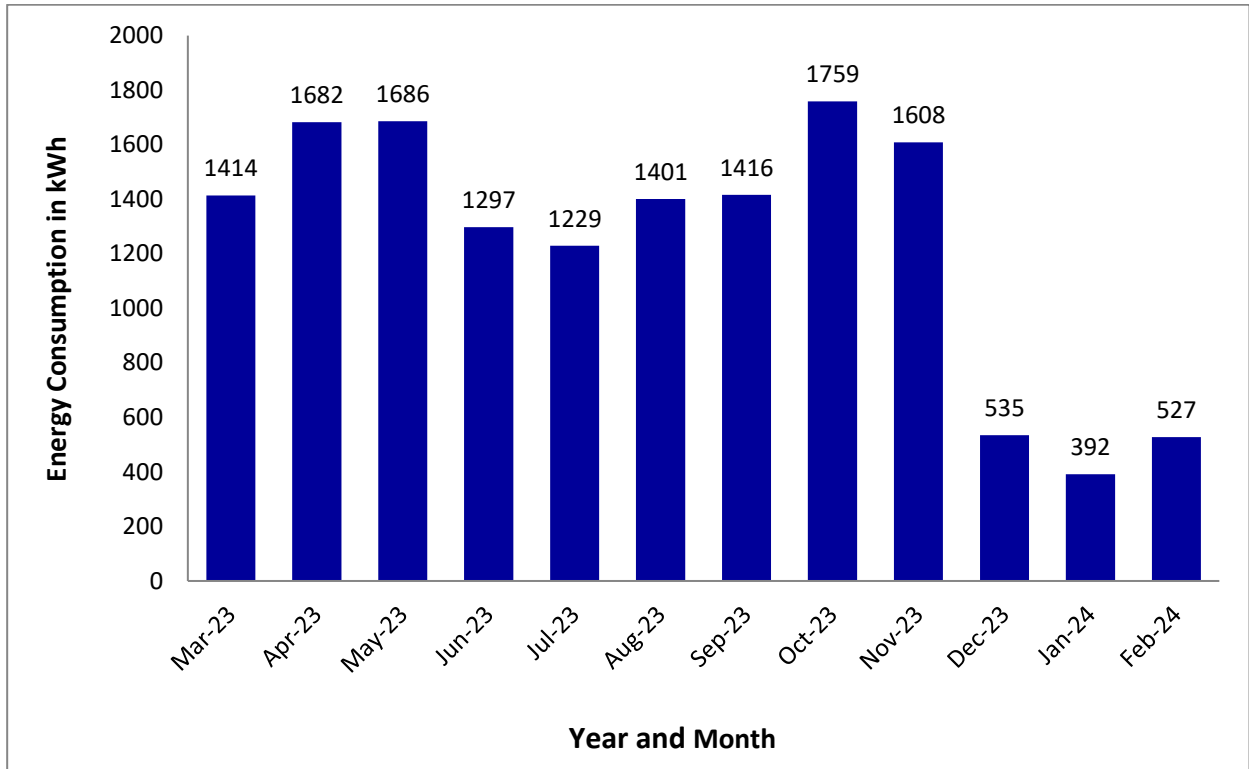
The campus imports electricity from Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd. The total

electricity that was imported by the college during the year 2023-2024 is as shown below. Total 12 month's energy consumption of the campus is presented below for the year 2023-2024. The graph shows that institute requires more electricity and it costs too much. If instate install solar panels then it will saves electricity charges.



10 kW solar power plant

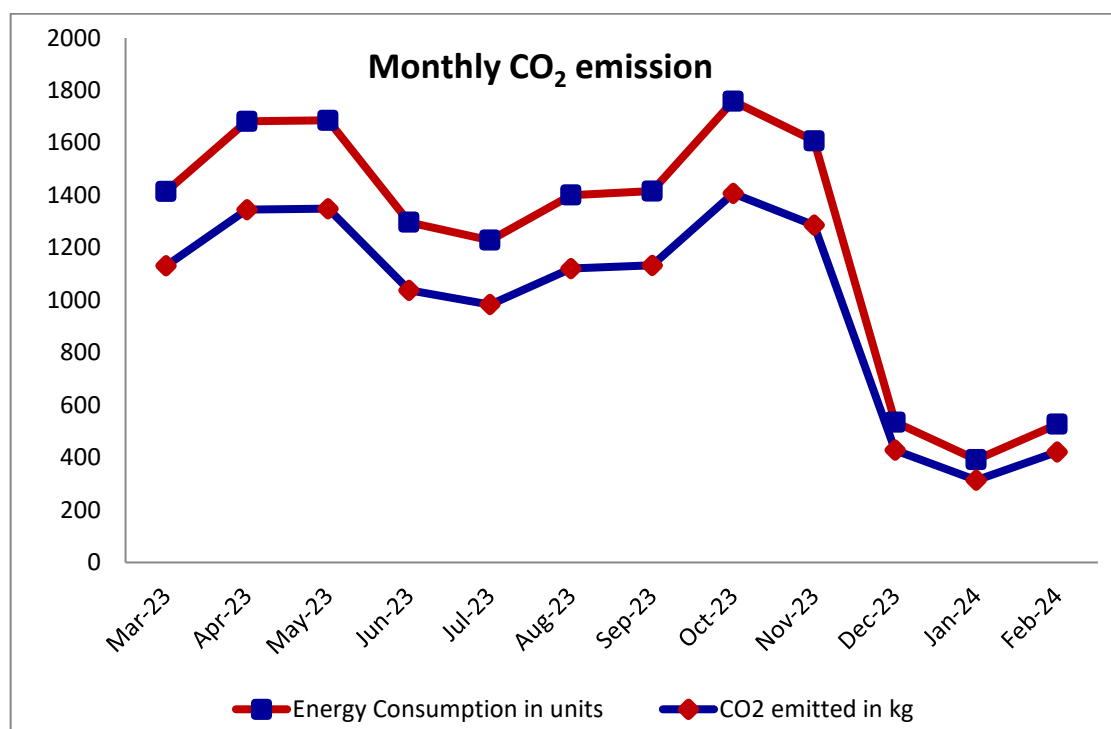
Month	Energy Consumption in units
March -2023	1414
April -2023	1682
May -2023	1686
June -2023	1297
July -2023	1229
August -2023	1401
September -2023	1416
October -2023	1759
November -2023	1608
December -2023	535
January -2024	392
February -2024	527
Avg.	1245.5



CARBON- DIOXIDE EMISSION

For consumption of 1 Unit (1 kWh) of Electricity, the CO₂ emitted is 0.8 Kg. OR the Emission is 0.8 Kg/kWh. In the following Table we present the total units consumed and CO₂ emitted as under:

Sr.No.	Month	Energy consumption (kWh)	CO ₂ emitted in kg
1	March -2023	1414	1131.2
2	April -2023	1682	1345.6
3	May -2023	1686	1348.8
4	June -2023	1297	1037.6
5	July -2023	1229	983.2
6	August -2023	1401	1120.8
7	September -2023	1416	1132.8
8	October -2023	1759	1407.2
9	November -2023	1608	1286.4
10	December -2023	535	428
11	January -2024	392	313.6
12	February -2024	527	421.6
13.	Avg.	1245.5	996.4



B) Appreciations:

- Appreciate that college has 3 star electrical appliances like A.C.
- Campus is well equipped with LED lamps.
- Appreciate that college has 10 kW solar power plant. It mitigates 374.13 tones of CO₂.
- This installation is equivalent to 599 Teak trees over the life time.

C) Recommendations:

- Try to install solar street light throughout the campus.

9.4 GREEN AREA MANAGEMENT/BIODIVERSITY SURVEY

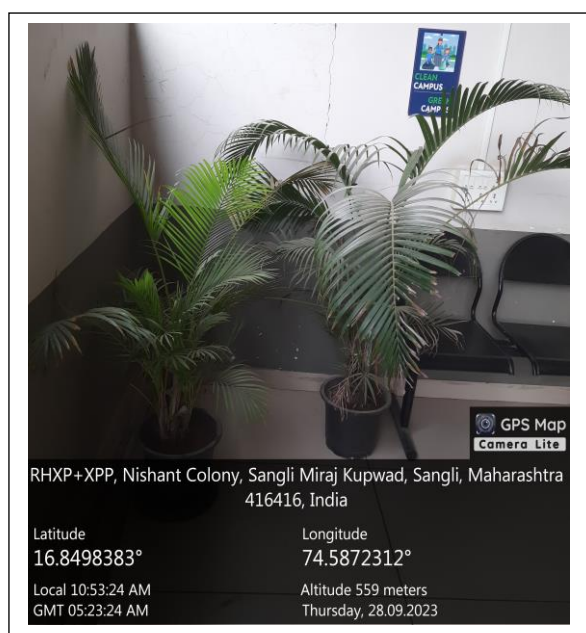
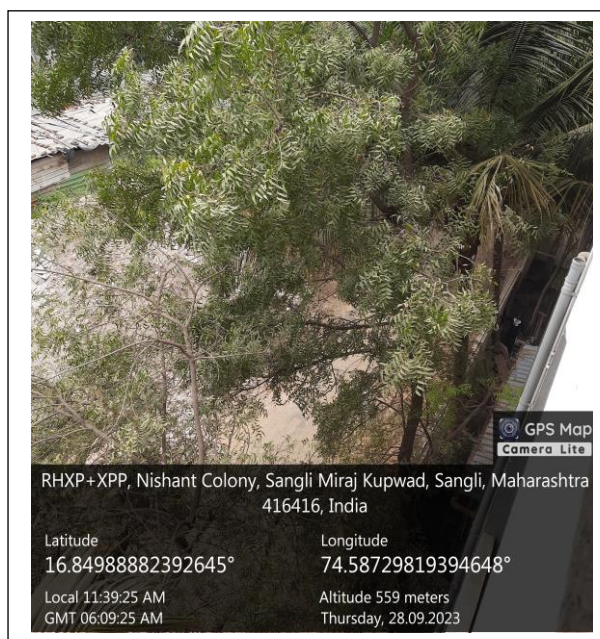
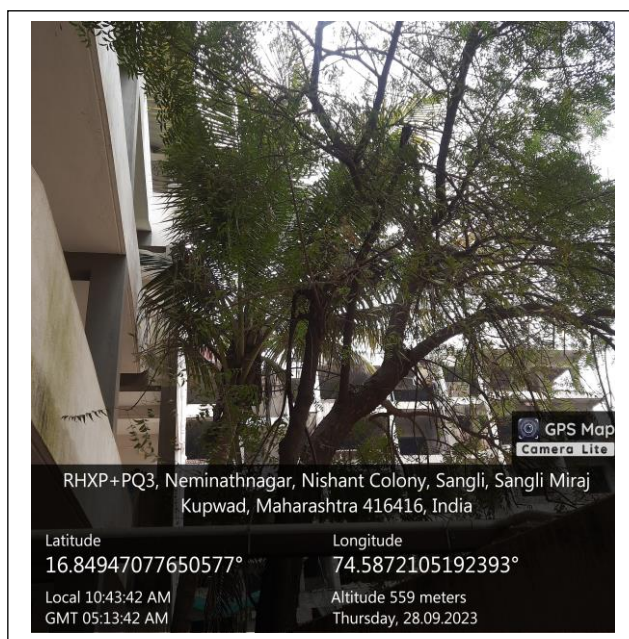
This includes the plants, greenery and sustainability of the campus to ensure that the buildings conform to green standards. This also helps in ensuring that the Environmental Policy is enacted, enforced and reviewed using various environmental awareness programs.

A) Observations:

To create- green cover, eco-friendly atmosphere, pure oxygen at the college campus, plantation program is organized every year with involving all students, principal and all departments' faculty members.

Campus is located in the vicinity of approximately 5 (species) of trees total no. 10, 10(species) of shrubs total no.20. Approximately 6 species of birds, 5 species of mammals and 4 species of reptiles are found in the campus. Various tree plantation programs are being organized during the month of July and August at college campus and outside the college campus. This program helps in encouraging eco-friendly environment which provides pure oxygen within the institute and awareness among students and staff members. The plantation program includes plantation of various type of indigenous species of ornamental and medicinal as well as wild plant species under the biodiversity

and ecological survey. The Institute has a policy of gift a plant to guests in any program. It is a good thing for environment.



Green Campus

B) Appreciations:

- College has Nature club and various activities are taken under this club for conservation of Environment.
- Appreciate that the college has variety of trees, bushes & shrubs.
- Appreciate that college celebrates 5th June as 'Environment Day', every year and plant trees on this day to make the campus Greener.

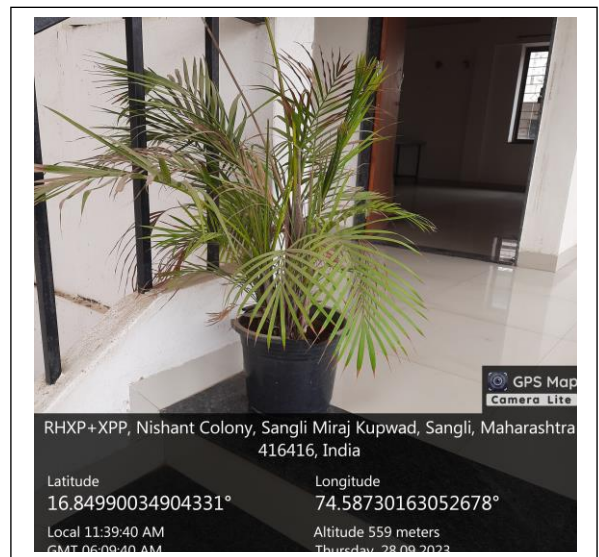
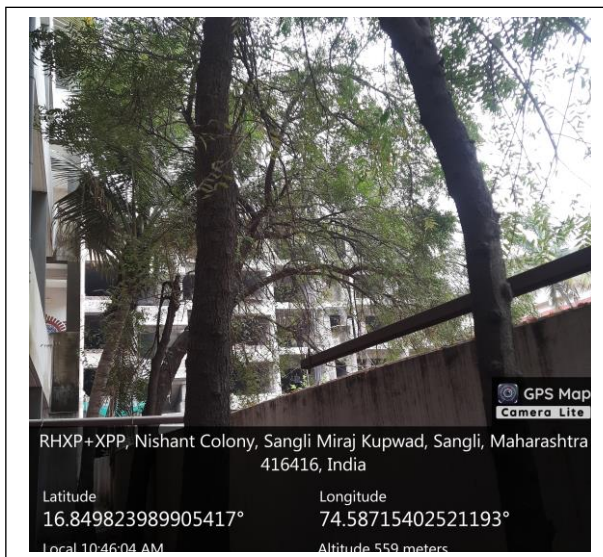
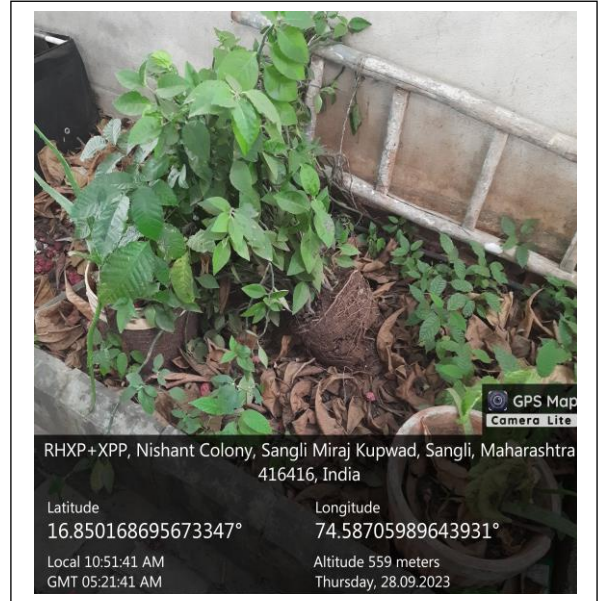
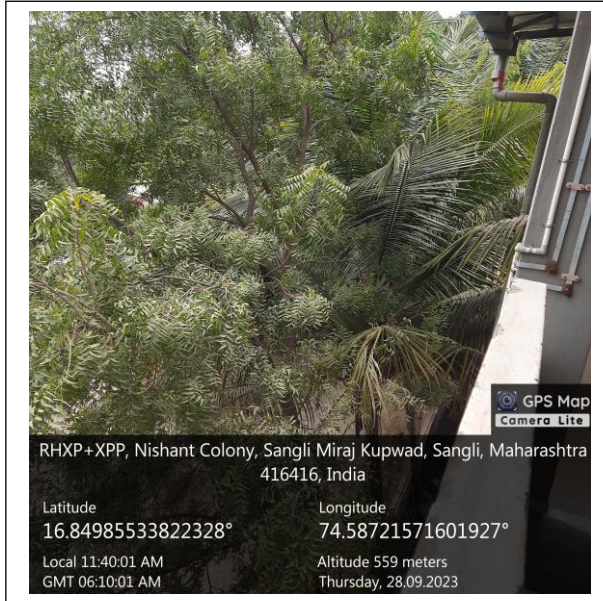
C) Recommendations:

- Review periodically the list of trees planted in the campus, allot numbers and names to the trees and keep records.
- Try to plant more trees in the campus.
- Promote environmental awareness as a part of course work in various curricular areas, independent research projects and community services.
- Ensure that an audit is conducted annually. And action is taken on the basis of audit report and recommendation and findings.

10. BEST PRACTICES FOR ENVIRONMENT

1. Biodiversity Conservation:

- ♣ They have green campus which provides habitat to various species.
- ♣ They maintain flora and fauna in the campus.



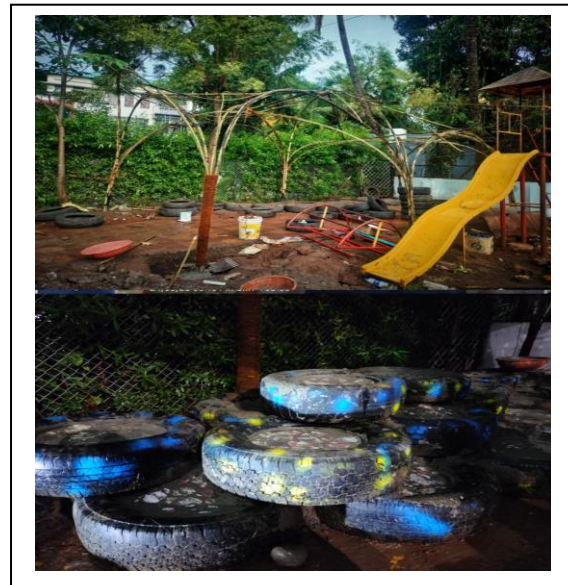
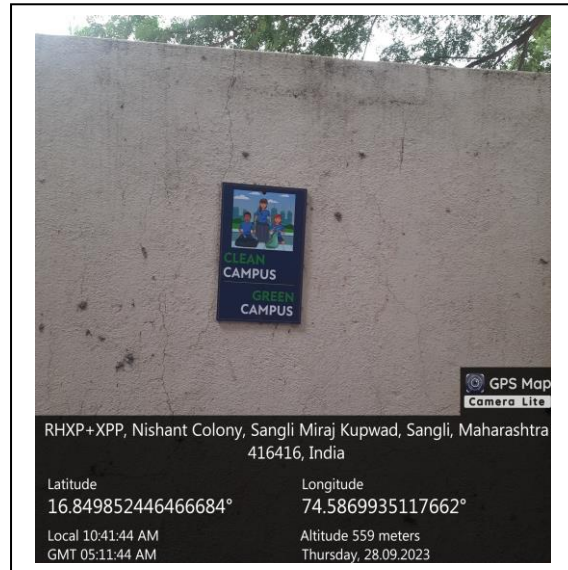
2. Tree Plantation Drives and Days Celebrations

- ♣ Periodically the plantation drives conducted by students and staff of campus.
- ♣ Every Guest is honored by tree at campus.
- ♣ World Environment Day celebrated by students and staff every year.
- ♣ College has Eco Club.
- ♣ To create awareness among the society they conducted so many programs like awareness rally for Environment.



3. Solid Waste Management

- ♣ Different mechanisms for proper disposal of biodegradable, non-biodegradable and MSW are implemented in campus.
- ♣ Cleanliness drives and awareness programs are arranged by college.
- ♣ Drafting tables used in college are made from bagasse.
- ♣ Empty paint buckets are used for tree plantation.
- ♣ Sign boards for awareness of environment are there in the campus.
- ♣ Students developed Sustainable Open Space Using Recycled and Waste Materials at Anandan Baloudyan, 100ft road, Vishrambag Sangli.



4. Water Conservation

- ♣ Water saving push taps fitted in the drinking water zone and the toilets to avoid the wastage of water.
- ♣ Drip irrigation system is applied through the campus for watering plants, and it saves water.
- ♣ Students conducted Rainwater Harvesting Awareness and Demonstration through Model Construction.



11. OVERALL RECOMMENDATIONS

- Formation of Environment Policy and communicated to all faculties and other staff members.
- Environmental Monitoring i.e. (Ambient Air Quality monitoring, D.G set monitoring, Water monitoring) need to be conducted by approved laboratory with frequency of six month.
- Reduction in use of paper work by go digital system.
- Increase in Environmental promotional activities for spreading awareness at campus.
- As practically feasible avoid use of personal vehicles inside the campus.



12. CONCLUSION

This audit involved extensive consultation with all the campus team, interactions with key personnel on wide range of issues related to Environmental aspects. The Appasaheb Birnale College of Architecture has Environmental Committee for sustainable use of resources. The audit has identified several observations for making the campus premise more environmental friendly. The recommendations are also mentioned with observations for campus team to initiate actions.

The audit team opines that the overall site is maintained well from environmental perspective. The paperless work system, green campus management, solid waste management, solar power plant, rain water harvesting system, composting method, drip system and water conservation practices are noteworthy.

As part of green audit of campus, we carried out the environmental monitoring of campus which includes Water Testing which is used for drinking purpose in the campus. Drinking water also analyzed and found it was potable.

There are few minor things are important to initiate urgently are waste management records by monthly inventory, water balance cycle and periodic inspection of buildings housekeeping and environment policy.





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This is to certify that the Sahyagiri Enterprises has conducted detailed Environmental audit report of **Appasaheb Birnale College of Architecture, Sangli** during academic year 2023-2024 to assess the green initiative planning, efforts, activities implemented in college campus like plantation, waste management, rain water harvesting, energy conservation, biodiversity conservation and various environmental activities. This green audit is also aimed to assess impact of green initiative for maintenance of the campus.

The college has submitted necessary data and credentials for scrutiny. The efforts taken by the management, faculty and students towards environment and sustainability are highly appreciated.

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