

**BON SECOURS COLLEGE FOR
WOMEN, THANJAVUR**

**POLICY DOCUMENT ON
THE GREEN CAMPUS**

**BON-HE-RE
[HEAL THE EARTH-REWIND THE EARTH]**



3R: Reduce ; Reuse ; Recycle

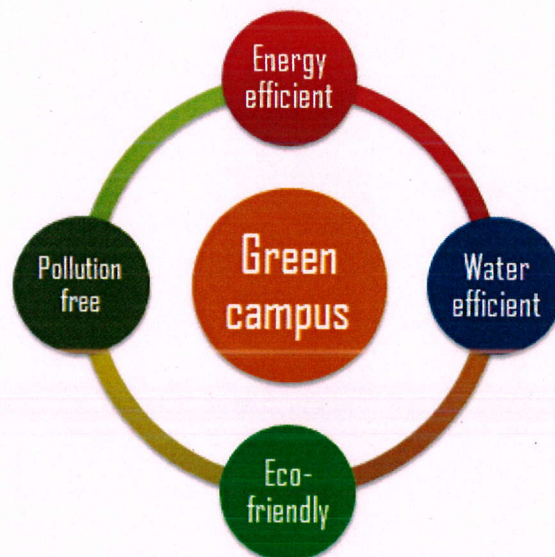


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Green Campus is a place where environment friendly practices and education combine to promote sustainable and ecofriendly practices in the campus. The green campus concept offers the opportunity to take lead in reinvent its environment culture and develop new pattern by creating sustainable solutions to environmental, social and economic needs of mankind.

Green campus = Energy efficient + Water efficient + Eco friendly + Pollution free



Objectives:

- To encourage students to keep environment clean and green.
- To educate students to create awareness among public.
- To motivate students to adopt eco-friendly practices which include paper bags, save electricity etc.

- To sensitize students to minimize the use of polluting product/items.
- To take necessary steps to protect the environment.

Committees: The following committees/clubs are responsible under the guidance of the Principal – Chairperson:

1. Environmental Studies.
2. ExNoRa.
3. Eco audit committee.
4. Part V Committees.
5. College Student Council: Environment Secretary.

Responsibilities:

The momentum for a successful Green Campus must begin at the top and radiate throughout the campus. The college trusts that a strong memorandum of commitment and involvement from both the Chairperson and members of the Committee and well-intentioned initiatives may allow Institute-wide participation. Hence, the committee will plan and execute to:

- Seek views of all the Stakeholders to make the “Bon HE-RE” initiative functional throughout the year.
- Conduct the Campus environmental impacts to identify the targets for improvements.
- Establish a Green Campus Environmental Awareness programme to all the stakeholders.
- Connect Bon HE-RE activities to academics in the Institution.
- Organise awareness programmes to students, faculty and society.

- Unplug appliances not plugged into power strips (like Refrigerators, ACs, printers, faxes etc.)
- Save Water, Put your food waste here.

Water efficiency: water management/Rainwater harvesting:

The college has to work in the direction of waste water management particularly in hostel. The college will take all necessary measures to implement waste water/rain water harvesting.

Major Green Campus initiatives:

- Installation of Solar Power Station
- Waste water Management/Rainwater harvesting
- Development of Grey water recycling plant
- Sensor based energy conversation
- Displayed poster on E-waste Management
- Maintenance of water bodies and distribution system in the campus
- MIS to make paperless administration
- Plastic free campus
- Tree Plantation drive
- Cleanliness drive
- Landscaping and gardens
- Use of LEDs only
- Digital library/E-learning Centre

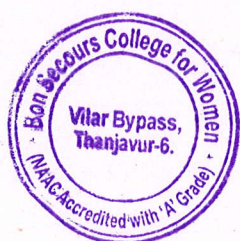
- Develop a strategic plan and create student teams to carry out specific tasks of the strategic plan.
- Phase out the CFL and conventional light sources and get them replaced by the LEDs.
- Conduct Annual Green, Environment and Energy Audit.
- Establish public/private partnership to extent environmental studies and activities.
- Evaluate daily operations in terms of pollution prevention, waste stream management and energy efficiency, reducing, reusing, recycling and repairing wherever possible.

Promotion of “Save Energy Tips” in and outside the campus:

- Active power management features on your computer and monitor; put low power Sleep mode when you are not working on it.
- Turnoff your monitor when you leave your table
- Activate power management features on your laser printer
- Whenever possible shut down rather than logging off.
- Turn off unnecessary lights and use day light instead
- Use LED or compact fluorescent bulbs
- Keep lights off in auditorium, seminar halls, classrooms, laboratories when they are not in use.
- Use the fans only when they are needed.

- Organisation of sensitization programmes for the stakeholders
- Conduct of Green, Energy and Environment Audit
- Restricted entry of automobiles
- Observation of National/International days related to green practices.

The college makes all the necessary efforts to involve the students, faculty and staff in “**Bon HE-RE**” initiatives by motivating the volunteers of Part V committees/clubs like NSS, YRC, ExNoRa, Environmental studies etc., to distribute green chocolates(saplings) to the stakeholders during the celebrations, research and extension activities.



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