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Green Audit Report (2022-23)



Greenery of Our Campus (Natural Grassland)

Key Aspect of Campus: Rich in Reptiles and Snake Diversities

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1. Introduction:

The results and conclusions and suggestions from a thorough green audit carried out at CHHATNA CHANDIDAS MAHAVIDYALAYA are presented in the report that continues. The audit's goals were to evaluate the University's environmental impact and spot areas where sustainability may be improved. The audit addressed topics like journeys, disposal of trash, water use, electricity consumption, and general environmental awareness.

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2. Need for Green Audit:

Green audits, also known as environmental audits or sustainability audits, are becoming more and more necessary in today's society for several reasons:

- (a) Environmental Impact: Green audits assist in evaluating and reducing an organization's negative environmental impact. They assess variables like energy use, waste production, water use, and emissions, identifying areas that might be improved to lessen environmental harm.
- **(b) Regulatory Compliance:**Businesses must abide by the environmental laws and standards that have been set in many nations. Green audits assist businesses in complying with regulations and avoiding fines or other legal repercussions for noncompliance.
- (c) Cost Reduction: Green audits can reveal inefficiencies and wasteful behaviours within a company, opening up chances for cost savings. Businesses can apply methods to save operational costs and boost overall efficiency by analyzing energy usage, resource consumption, and waste management.
- (d) Reputation and Stakeholder Expectations: Consumers and other stakeholders now demand more environmentally conscious company practices. Green audits offer organization transparency and prove its dedication to sustainability, strengthening its reputation and fostering trust among clients, staff, investors, and communities.
- (e) Risk Management: Environmental hazards can have serious financial and reputational ramifications for firms, including pollution events, regulatory non-compliance, and supply chain interruptions. By evaluating environmental management systems, ensuring sufficient controls are in place, and putting preventative measures in place to deal with possible problems, green audits assist in identifying and mitigating these risks.
- **(f) Continuous Improvement:**Green audits encourage a continuing commitment to sustainability rather than being one-time events. Organizations can see trends, set goals, and implement improvement initiatives by routinely evaluating and tracking environmental performance. This iterative process promotes a culture of sustainability and propels long-lasting transformation.
- (g) Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): An international framework for solving urgent environmental and social issues is provided by the Sustainable Development Goals. Organizations can better align their operations with these objectives with the aid of green audits, paving the way for a more just and sustainable future. To evaluate, enhance, and confirm environmental performance, green audits are essential. They

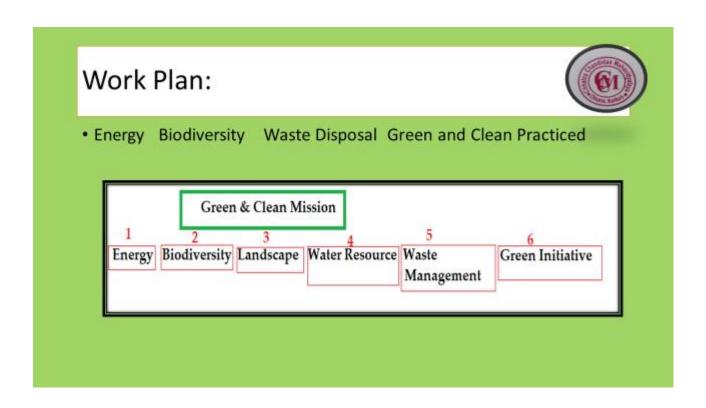
allow companies to control risks, comply with rules, cut costs, improve reputations, and support sustainable development.

3. Methodology for Green Audit:

Audits of an organization's environmental performance and practices are known as "green," "environmental," or "sustainability" audits. They entail assessing the company's influence on the environment, resource usage, waste management, and adherence to environmental legislation. Here is a procedure for carrying out a green audit:

- (a) Planning:
- (b) Identify audit team and resources:
- (c) Develop an audit plan: Create a detailed plan outlining audit activities, timelines, responsibilities, and communication channels.
- (d) Data Collection:
- (e) Gather information:
- (f) Conduct site visits and interviews:
- (g) Review documentation:
- (h) Evaluation and Analysis:
- (i) Assess environmental impacts:
- (j) Evaluate compliance:
- (k) Identify strengths and weaknesses:
- (1) Quantify results:
- (m) Reporting:
- (n) Prepare an audit report:
- (o) Communicate results:
- (p) Follow-up and Improvement:
- (q) Develop an action plan:
- (r) Monitor progress:
- (s) Continuous improvement:

The methodology adopted to conduct the Green Audit of the Institution had the following components.



3.1. On-site Visit:

The Green Audit Team carried out the five-day field trip. The tour's main goal was to evaluate the Institution's waste management procedures, energy conservation tactics, and other aspects of its green cover. The protocols for sample collection, preservation, and analysis were followed scientifically.

3.2. Focus Group Discussion :

The nature club, staff, and management members participated in focus group discussions on various facets of the green audit. Identification of attitudes and awareness towards environmental issues at the institutional and local levels was the main topic of discussion.

3.3. Energy and waste management Survey:

The audit team evaluated the University's waste generation, disposal, and treatment facilities as well as its energy usage pattern with the assistance of teachers and students. A comprehensive questionnaire survey method was used to carry out the monitoring.

4. Target Areas of Green Auditing:

A process for resource management includes a green audit. The actual usefulness of green audits lies in the fact that they are conducted at predetermined intervals and that the results might show improvement or change over time, even though they are individual events. The concept of an eco-campus primarily emphasizes the effective use of energy and water, the reduction of waste output or pollution, and economic efficiency.

These indications are evaluated during the "Green Auditing of this Educational Institute" procedure. In order to reduce emissions, obtain a reliable and affordable energy supply, promote personal responsibility, encourage and improve energy conservation, reduce the institute's energy and water use, reduce waste going to landfills, and incorporate environmental considerations into all contracts and services deemed to have significant environmental impacts, Eco-campus focuses on these goals. Water, energy, trash, and green campus are the focus topics for this green audit.

4.1. Energy Consumption:

- **4.1.1. Lighting:** The audit showed that many of the University's lighting fixtures were ineffective and outdated. It is advised to use natural light whenever possible, add occupancy sensors, and swap out conventional light bulbs for energy-efficient LED ones.
- **4.1.2. Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC):**College campus is CFCs Free
- **4.1.3. Energy Awareness:**TheUniversity should promote energy conservation practices among employees and students. Campaigns, educational activities, and financial incentives for energy-saving projects can all help achieve this.

Electrical device/items	Number	Power (watt)	Usage time (hr/day)
Normal Tubelight	50		10:00 am to 5:00 pm
LED Tubelight	0		Do
Normal Bulb	0		Do
LED Bulb	20		Do
Ceiling Fan	24		Do
Wall fan	00		Do





LED Bulb& save energy

Performing routine maintenance on electrical fans. The accumulation of dust and debris can hinder the fan's performance. Regular cleaning of the grilles, blades, and motor housing is necessary to maintain optimal operation, ensure smooth airflow& save energy.



Silent DG sets are designed to generate a very low level of background noise, just as their name suggests. Their structures are constructed to eliminate virtually all noise and vibrations due to careful design. Because of this, they are not harmful to the environment and are ideally suited for use in residential areas.

4.2. Waste Management:

- **4.2.1. Recycling:** Although there were recycling containers all across the campus, the audit showed that there was a lack of effective separation and information about recyclable products. Increased recycling rates can be achieved by upgrading signage, giving clear instructions and implementing a comprehensive recycling education programme.
- **4.2.2.** Composting: The institution can set up a composting system to handle the organic waste produced by Hostel members (Boys & Girls Hostel). Composting can help drastically reduce the quantity of garbage dumped in landfills while also producing beneficial compost for campus landscaping and gardening.

Table: Different types of waste generated in the University and their disposal

Types of waste	Particulars	Disposal method
E-Waste	Computers, electrical and electronic parts	Store these in a separate tank, and we can start selling them directly after a certain amount of time.
Plastic waste	Pen, Refill, Plastic water bottles and other plastic containers, wrappers etc	Items made of plastic that are only intended to be used once, such as bottles, jars, and bags. Encourage people to use water bottles and other containers that may be reused. Establish distinct recycling containers for plastic garbage, and after a predetermined period of time, we will be able to begin selling the collected recyclables directly.
Solid wastes	Paper waste, Damaged furniture, paper plates, food wastes	Reuse after maintenance energy conversion. Installing composting systems on aUniversity campus will allow for the conversion of discarded food into nutrient-dense

		compost that may be used in the campus landscaping or in community gardens. Another option is for institutions to form partnerships with farmers in the surrounding area to collect food waste.
Wastewater	Washing, urinals, bathrooms	Soak pits
Glass waste	Broken glass wares from the labs	Glass debris should be kept separate from other recyclable materials and disposed of in containers that are specifically intended for glass recycling. Make sure that you recycle glass in the correct manner by coordinating with the local recycling centers.
Sanitary Napkin	-	Napkin (soil filling on ground)

4.3. Water Usage:

4.3.1. Water Fixtures:Numerous locations within the University had outdated and ineffective water fixtures, which caused excessive water use. Water resources can be saved by swapping these fixtures for low-flow models and encouraging staff and students to practice water-saving habits.

Water management table:

Water Management Tasks	Frequency	Responsible Party
Routine examination of water	Monthly	Green Audit Working Team
supplies		
Testing for drinking water	Half-yearly	Do

quality		
Awareness of water	Half-yearly	Green Audit Working Team &
conservation		various department
Infrastructure for water	As needed	Caretaker
distribution that needs upkeep		
and repair		
Reporting and analysis of	Annually	Green Audit Working Team &
water use		Caretaker
Learn what causes excessive	As needed	Caretaker
water consumption.		

Tabular data detailing the subject at hand:

Sl No	Parameters	Response	
1	Source of water	:The ground's water serves as a drinking	
		water supply for around 4,500 people,	
		including students and staff members.	
2	Source of Drinking	Ground's water	
	Water		
3	Any treatment for	Nil	
	drinking water		
4	What is the total number	02 numbers	
	of motors that are used?		
5	What is the total number	12 numbers@ 1000 liters each	
	of water tanks? Capacity		
	of tank		
6	Tap water	220 numbers	
	Quantity of water	18000 liters/per day	
	pumped every day		
7	Do you waste water, and	No	
	if so, why?		
8	How much water is	600 liters/per day	
	required for gardening		
	purposes?		
9	How many water coolers	s 02	
	are there in total?		
10	Do you have access to	Yes	

	rainwater harvesting?		
11	The number of units	01 number, We have constructed a water	
	harvested and the total	canal to connect aUniversity pond that is	
	volume of water	1500 square feet and 5,000 liters of tanks	
		to store rainwater.	
12	Any leaky taps	None	
13	Daily amount of water	Not applicable	
	that is lost.		
14	Is there any kind of plan	Raise public awareness regarding the	
	for the management of	importance of water conservation, the	
	water?	prevention of pollution, and the	
		implementation of sustainable water	
		management practices. Unambiguous	
		water rights and equitable water	
		allocation regulations should be	
		established to ensure that water is	
		distributed fairly among the many	
		different users.	
15	Have any methods for	Rainwater Harvesting	
	conserving water been		
	implemented?		

4.4. Transportation:

4.4.1. Public Transport: The carbon footprint can be significantly reduced by encouraging employees and students to use public transport. Sustainable transport solutions can be promoted by offering cheap bus passes, encouraging carpooling, and supporting bicycle infrastructure.

Bicycles are being used as modes of transportation for getting to and	Students	Employee	Total
around the University by students, non-teaching staff and teaching staff.	Average numbe peak session	rs over 6 da	ys in a
	Girls- 172	28	281
	Boys-81		

4.4.2. Electric Vehicles: To aid in the switch to electric transport, the University may choose to invest in infrastructure for charging EVs. Additionally, encouraging the use of electric vehicles through awareness programs and incentives can help lower the emissions produced by on-campus transportation.



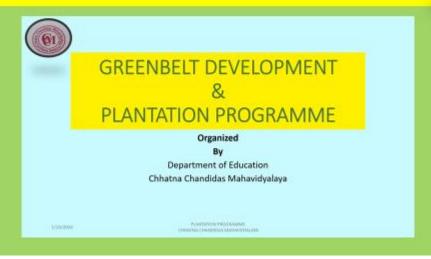
Scooter with an electric motor that is utilized by a member of the University's faculty. There are large numbers of electric motor cycles that both our pupils and our employees use.

4.5. Overall Environmental Awareness:

4.5.1. Curriculum Integration: The institution can integrate environmental awareness and sustainability into its curriculum across various subject areas. This strategy will guarantee that students receive instruction and training in environmental stewardship, encouraging sustainable thinking.

Herbal Garden (Maintain by NSS) Plantation Programme







HYDROPHYTE OF OUR CAMPUS



FLORAL DIVERSITY OF OUR CAMPUS

Environmental	Parameters	Program
awareness across		time
different subjects		
Language Arts	Discuss texts from literature that are in some way connected to topics concerning the environment, such as conservation or environmental advocacy. Compose poetry or essays that argue for the protection of the environment and use persuasion. Conduct research on a variety of environmental	Whole year

	topics, then present your findings. Through various awareness programs, they understand the environmental laws and regulations that apply on the local, national, and international levels. Discuss the roles that governments, NGOs, and people play in the effort to solve environmental problems. Investigate the environmental concerns from both a historical and cultural point of view.	
Arts	Investigate the causes of climate change and possible solutions to the problem. Analyse the impact that human activities have had on different landscapes as well as the distribution of natural resources. Studies should be done on urbanization, logging, and industry's impact on the natural environment. Investigate geographical approaches to resolving environmental issues, such as environmentally responsible land management planning.	Whole year
NSS	To enhance the amount of green cover and fight deforestation, organizing tree-planting events in local communities and educational institutions is important. To combat littering and to encourage a clean environment, it is important to organize routine clean-up efforts in public places like parks and beaches. To educate both students and members of the general public about environmental issues such as climate change, waste management, renewable energy, and conservation, workshops and seminars should be organized. It should be a priority to create opportunities for individuals to engage with the natural world and develop a sense of ownership over its preservation through participating in hikes and other outdoor activities. To raise awareness about environmental issues and motivate people to take action, you might use social media, posters, and booklets.	Whole year





Plantation Programmes

4.5.2. Student Engagement: A culture of sustainability can be promoted among students by supporting student-led projects, creating environmental groups, and holding awareness events and workshops.

5. Green Campus:

5.1.Floral Diversity:

The following are some actions to take into account when setting up a plantation programme at yourUniversity:

- -Organise a group of academics, employees, and students who are interested in managing the plantation programme. Assign roles and duties to make the execution go smoothly.
- -Consult with local forestry professionals or environmental groups to discover native or adapted tree species that are well-suited to the climate, soil, and goal of the plantation programme. Research and choose suitable tree species.
- -To obtain the necessary approvals or permits for planting trees on campus or in the neighborhood, check with the University administration or other appropriate authorities.

- Look into possible funding options, including grants, sponsorships, or collaborations with nearby companies or environmental organizations. This will aid in defraying the price of buying trees, equipment, and other required supplies.
- Establish the plantation event's date, time, and venue. Plan the delivery of the trees, tools, and equipment to the planting location. Make sure that safety precautions are in place, including appropriate instruction on planting methods and equipment use.
- -Promote the planting programme within the campus community by using various communication channels, such as posters, social media, emails, and word-of-mouth, in order to raise awareness and find volunteers. Encourage everyone to volunteer, including alumni, faculty, staff, and students.
- -Volunteers should be gathered at the planting site on the appointed planting day. Give them the equipment, instructions, and direction they need to plant trees correctly. Foster a sense of accomplishment and community pride while fostering teamwork.
- -Stress the significance of taking care of the freshly planted trees. This could entail routine weeding, mulching, watering, and pest or disease inspection. To guarantee the long-term well-being and survival of the trees, think about setting up a system for volunteers or staff members.
- -After the plantation programme, evaluate the impact and accomplishment of the effort. Keep an eye on the trees' growth and survival rate. To determine areas for improvement and to organize upcoming plantation programmes, collect participant and stakeholder input.



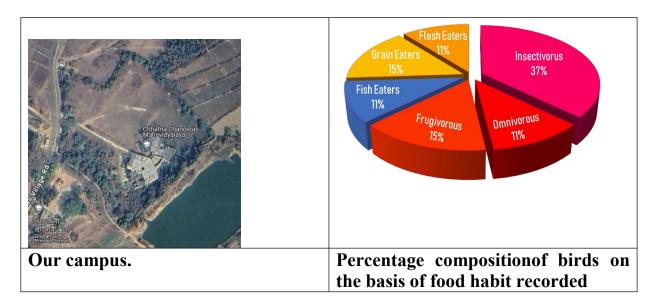
broadleaf tree.

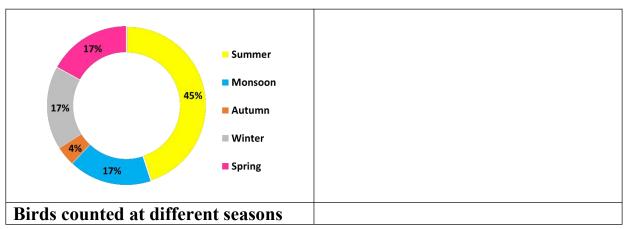
5.2. Faunal Diversity:

Studying faunal diversity can increase awareness about environmental challenges and conservation's significance. Universitys that are home to a wide variety of animal species may be more likely to adopt environmentally friendly policies and methods of operation to safeguard the campus environment and the people who live there.

Birds Diversity:

A population of birds that is rich in variety is indicative of an ecosystem that is robust and thriving. Seed dispersal, the control of insect populations, and pollination are just a few of the many important functions that different species of birds perform to help maintain ecological equilibrium. They provide a contribution to the campus's general diversity of flora and fauna.





Butterfly:

Butterflies can be divided into 6 families -

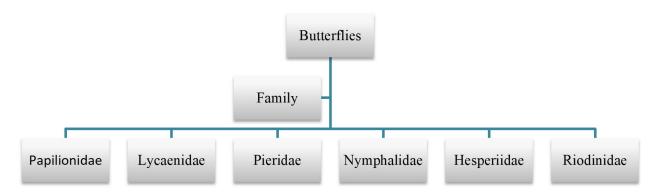




Figure 1 Papilionidae

Figure 2 Lycaenidae

Figure 3 Pieridae



Figure 4 Nymphalidae

Figure 5 Hesperiidae

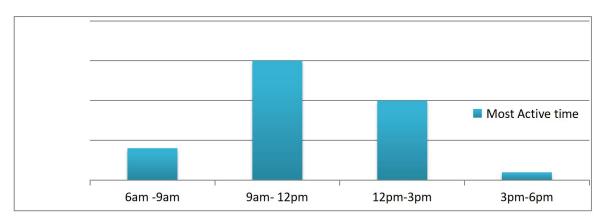
Figure 6 Riodinidae

Most observed species of butterflies in the month of December and January:

SL NO	SPECIES NAME	NUMBER
1.	Common Albatrosses	30
2.	Plain Tiger	12
3.	Tailed Jay	9
4.	Blue Tiger	5
5.	Common Grass Yellow	15
6.	Grey Pansy	4
7.	Blue Mormon	1
8.	Common Crow	3
9.	Peacock Pansy	1
10.	Common Caster	5
11.	Common Rose	1
12.	Common Mormon	6
13.	Palm Fly	1

Butterfly Activity time:

We wanted to study the time when the butterfly was most active and we observed that the time was 9 am -12pm. The sunlight is essential for their activity -





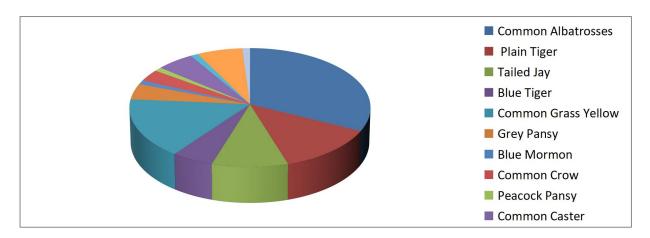


Fig. Diversity of butterfly at ourUniversity campus

Aquatic Biodiversity:

Group-wise observation during the entire period of the survey:

Chlorophyce	Bacillariophyce	Cyanophyceae
16.12%	82.15%	1.73%

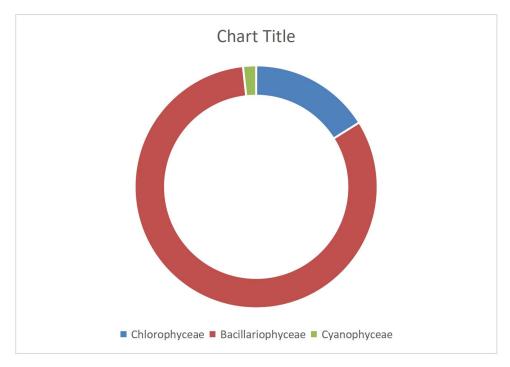
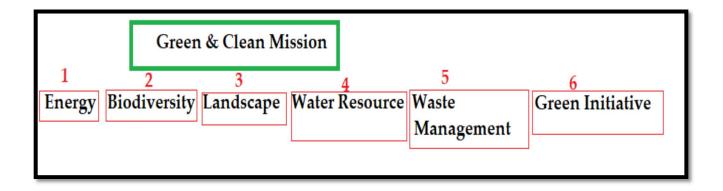




Fig. Most dominant species are *Cyclops, Nauplius, Calanus, Keratella, Brachionus, Moina* etc., at ourUniversity pond.

6. Plantation of Wild type Medicinal plants:

Two medicinal gardens were developed at ourUniversity premises. Many wild medicinal plant varieties were lost daily due to anthropogenic activities and pollution. After identifying these plants, we conserve these through propagation in our medicinal gardens. Any interested people or agencies can access it through the proper channel. Medicinal garden is a specific area inside the grounds of aUniversity that is dedicated to the cultivation and upkeep of a wide range of different sorts of medicinal plants. As an educational and research resource, it makes it possible for students, faculty members, and researchers to investigate and gain knowledge on medicinal plants' varied qualities and applications. Culturing a medicinal garden on aUniversity campus can confer major value and benefits to the surrounding academic community and society.



CARBON FOOT PRINT ASSESSMENT

ABOUT: Carbon Footprint is a measure of total quantity of green house gases being emitted by an individual or an Institution as a result of its daily activities. Carbon Footprint tells the impact on the environment due to various activities inside the campus and quantifies the same in the form of total greenhouse gases being emitted. The most common greenhouse gases are carbon dioxide, water vapor, methane, nitrous oxide and ozone. Of all the greenhouse gases, carbon dioxide is the most prominent greenhouse gas, comprising 402 ppm of the Earth's atmosphere. There lease of carbon dioxide gas into the Earth's atmosphere through human activities is commonly known as carbon emissions. The question is what should be done to reduce carbon emissions. Many colleges want to reduce their carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions but it is a difficult task, given a range of factors determine carbon emissions, including mobility, waste, and energy consumption. So, gaining insight into CO2 emissions is extremely important. An important aspect of doing a carbon foot print audit is to account the carbon foot print of the campus by determining the net amount of greenhouse gas emitted from various activities in the campus so that the can adopt better ways to reduce its carbon foot print. One aspect is to consider the d travelled and mode of travel used to commute between home and students and staffs. So the carbon foot print auditing determine the total carbon foot print of the campus and analyzes whether the campus is eco- friendly and follows environmentally sustainable practices. It is therefore essential that any environmentally responsive Institution shall examine its carbon footprint.

Key Methodologies adopted for Carbon Footprint Audit

- 1. A walk through survey was conducted in the entire campus to observe various greenhouse gas emission points.
- 2. Base Line data was collected by face to face/distributing online question through Google form. To the students and staff also by conducting interviews among staff.
- 3. Walk through survey and base line data collection was done between was done between 2022-23 secssion.
- 4. Based on the data collected, the Green House Gas Emission as CO2 Eq from the various sources was calculated.
- 5. Observation was done to see whether if the authorities have implementedany Carbon Footprint Reduction Strategy.

Carbon Footprint Auditing-Key Findings

Feasible emission inventories were selected to analyze the carbon footprint of the campus. The inventory survey was done for one academic year. The selected inventories are Human Factor, Transportation, Electricity, Solid Waste, Production and Consumption of Food, LPG & Natural Gas.

Data keepers are identified and the primary details were collected. Parameter wise and zone wisedetails were also collected. The received data were assembled and the missing gaps were recognized.

Humanfactor

Carbon dioxide emitted by a person per day is not negligible. It is equivalent to the

mission of a car in a 5 km stretch. Humans emit 26 giga tons of carbon dioxide per year while CO2 in the atmosphere is rising by only 15 giga tones per year. Just for breathing, humans emit per person each day 1140 grams of CO2, assuming that they eat normally and follow a mean diet of 2800 kcal. The population details of each zone include the total number of teaching faculty; non-teaching staff and students were collected. The carbon dioxide emissions will be larger in the Zone having highest population. As the College Campus is concerned its limit is upto mark.

Transportation

Fossil fuels are used for transportation. The carbon dioxide emitted by different fuels is indifferent amounts. The engine of the vehicle burns fuel and creates a certain amount of CO2, depending upon its fuel type, fuel consumption and the driving distances. One liter of petrol and diesel emits 2.3 kg and 2.7 kg of carbon dioxide, respectively. Travelling by car for 1000km can produce abou t200-230 kg of carbon dioxide in to the atmosphere. If a person travels by a bus for 1000 km, it can add 1075 kg of CO2 to his/her Carbon foot print. Worldwide, the fossil fuels used for transportation contribute over 13% of GHG emissions.

The approximate transportation details for the Institution campus like the type of vehicle, No. of vehicles and the fuel used were collected. The carbon dioxide emitted from petrol is less compared to that of diesel. The Carbon footprint by the emission inventory transportation will be quite high.

It was noted that the there was no direct transportation under the control of institution but institution encourage Staffs and others to use Electronic Vehicle.

<u>Electricity</u>

Electricity is one emission inventory which contributesmuch to the Carbon footprint of the Institution. On an average, electricity sources emit 1.297 lbs CO2 per kwh i.e. 0.0005883 metrictons of CO2 perk Wh. The emission factor given by GRID 2010 version 1.1 for hydro electricity is 6.8956x 10-4 metrictons CO2/k Wh. 50 grams of CO2 is emitted from 1 unit of solar power.

The details of the consumption of electricity and the use of generators in different zones were surveyed. If the number of classrooms and labs are more in a zone, consumption of electricity in that zone is more.

It was noted that the Institution uses a lot of Renewable power especially Solar Model as a supplement to convenational power there by reducing emission of GHG to the atmosphere also contributing to the INDC `commitment pledged by Government of India.

Solid waste

Generally,1kg of solid waste is generated percapita per day. For high income countries, the solid waste generation is 1.1 - 5 kg percapita per day. For middle income countries, it is 0.52-1 kg and for low income countries the value is 0.450.89 kg/ capita/ day. One kilogram of solid waste can emit about 0.125 kg of carbon. The details regarding the solid waste generated in each zone is collected including the waste produced in canteen and hostels.

The solid waste generated in the canteen and hostel which is taken out of the campus comes under other indirect emissions. Solid Waste emits less amount of carbon dioxide compared toother emission inventories considered. Their Solid waste disposal process found ok, so exposure is less.

<u>CarbonFootprintAnalysis</u>

Carbon footprint analysis can be done by suitably combining data collected with

respective emission factor of the selected emission inventories. Table represents emission factors of the selected inventories.



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