

UNIVERSITY OF MYSORE



YUVARAJA'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)

(A constituent Autonomous college of the University of Mysore)

Re-Accredited A Grade by NAAC with CGPA of 3.34 and College with Potential for Excellence

Mysore-570 005

Best Practices

Best Practices:1

Title of the Project: Rainwater Harvesting

Objective of the Project: Rainwater is acknowledged as a sustainable source of water that has less impact on the environment and rainwater harvesting is one of the methods that can be used for water conservation. The aim of rainwater harvesting is to collect rainwater and store it in the tank for later use.

The Context: Fresh water has become a scarce commodity and over the past few years, there has been an increase of fresh water shortages in several parts of the world. India is no exception to drought in several parts. It is vital that ideal measures are put in place to help to reduce the high rate of fresh water loss.

The Practice: Yuvaraja's College built a rainwater harvesting structure including a tank measuring 20'X10'X20' during 2015-16 by spending an amount of Rs. 7,79,440/- out of the grant allocated by University Grants Commission under the head Colleges with Potential for Excellence.

Evidence of Success: The stored water is being used for toilets and watering plants.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required: Nil

Best Practices:2

Title of the Project: Sanitary Napkin Incinerator Machine

Objective of the Project: In an urban area, it is natural that all the girls use sanitary napkin. Being given to understand that the sanitary pads are made up of combination of plastic, and used napkins are hazardous, to save the environment of the college, installation of the incinerator machines was made.

The Context: The College runs both undergraduate and post-graduate programs. The highest number of students is enrolled for undergraduate program. The total strength of the students in the college is 3,300. Out of 3,300 students nearing 45% are girls. In an urban area, it is natural that all the girls use sanitary napkin.

The Practice: The College was pleased to receive two sanitary napkin incinerator machines from its parent organization i.e., the University of Mysore. These two machines have

been installed in the college one in Ladies rest room in the old building and another one in the Ladies wash room in the new building.

Evidence of Success: Used sanitary napkins thrown into the bin kept in the ladies room is a thing of past after the installation of the incinerators. In addition to saving the nature and college environment, the college adheres to the Menstrual Hygiene Management National Guidelines (December 2015) which is an integral part of the Swachh Bharat Mission Guidelines (SBM-G).

Problems Encountered and Resources Required: More number of incinerators is to be installed.