

ST. DOMINIC'S COLLEGE, KANJIRAPALLY

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1. Alternate sources of energy and Energy conservation measures

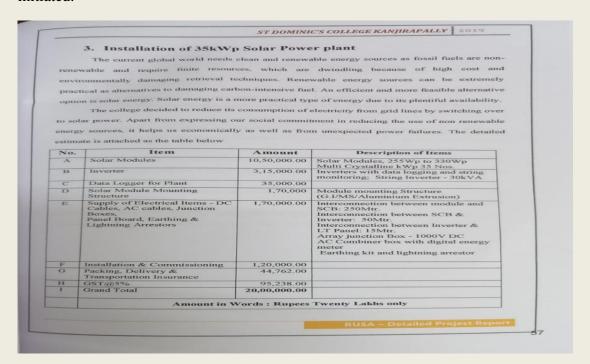
• Solar plant

For the purpose of conserving energy, the institution has adopted the solar power system which produces an average solar energy of 5 KW.



Sanction under RUSA scheme

With the view of conserving more energy in the future, a 20 KW solar power system has been sanctioned for installation under the RUSA scheme. The tender process for the same has been initiated.





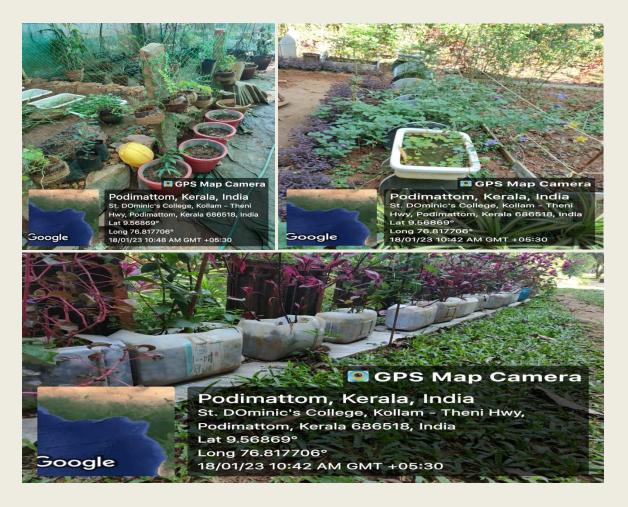
2. Management of the various types of degradable and non-degradable wastes

As part of going all about a plastic-free eco-friendly campus, the college has made strict rules regarding the disposal of degradable and non-degradable wastes.

• We are not producing any hazards chemical wastes from our laboratories.

• Reuse of non- degradable waste

The non-degradable waste products are recycled and used as alternatives of pots in the campus garden.





• Color coded bin for waste collection

The color coded bins are used extensively for the collection of dry, wet and plastic wastes separately.



• Portable Vermi –Compost

A portable Vermi compost system has been introduced by the institution for the purpose of breaking down organic wastes into high quality fertile manure to be used in our own gardens





Oil turbo for burning used oil in cooking

To recycle waste oil from the kitchen, the institution has implemented an oil burner system.



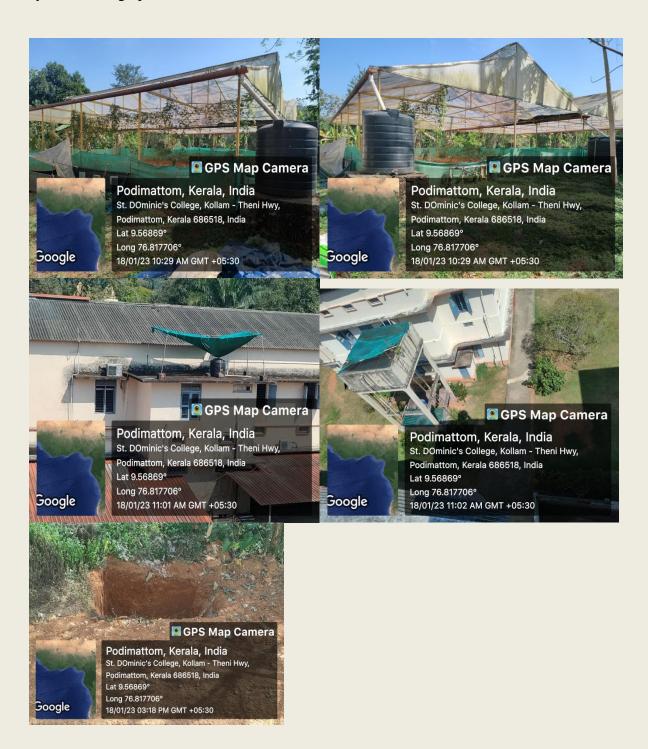
• The e-waste and other non – degradable waste produced in the campus were handed over to authorized local vendors and Haritha Karma Sena, the authorized agency of Government of Kerala for waste management.



3. Water conservation

Rain water harvesting & Ground water recharging

In order to conserve the water and to ensure the sustainable usage of water resources, the institution has adopted techniques like rainwater harvesting system and ground water recharge systems through pits.





• Precision farming

The B.Voc department of our institution had implemented precision farming which in turn helps in reducing the overuse of water.







4. Green campus initiatives

Several green initiative programs were put into practice in view of maintaining a green campus. The flora and fauna of the campus are enriched with trees, shrubs, herbs, climbers and varied species of butterflies. The institution maintains green landscapes by constructing Vertical garden, Butterfly garden, Herbal garden, Botanical garden and Aquatic garden.

• Clean and Green campus, Tree labeling





• Herbal and Botanical Garden:

"Fiddle Heads", the fernery of the institution holds an abundant collection of more than 75 plant species and the community is made aware of these through labelling of trees and plants. The Herbal Garden nurtures a wide variety of medicinal plants and helps the students to gather information about the traditional medicinal practices that are common in the past. The botanical garden is the home to a variety of plant species which not familiar in the area, along with natural plants.

Herbal Graden





Botanical garden



Butterfly garden

The campus also treasures a butterfly garden at its heart which has become a hub for different varieties of butterflies.

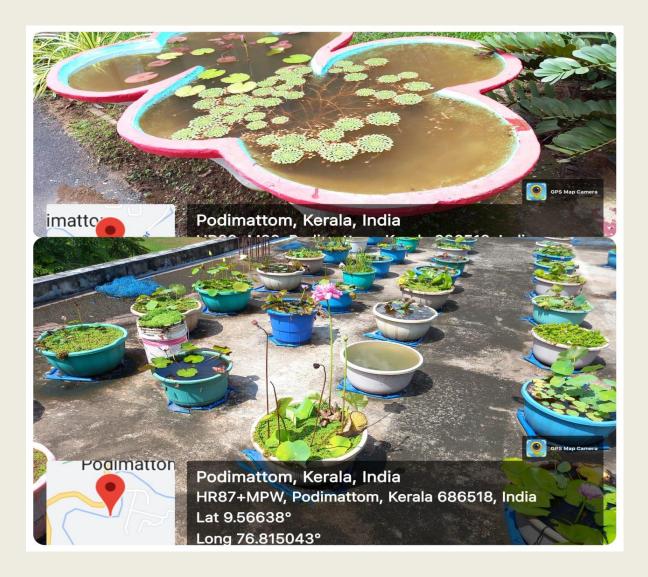


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• Lotus Garden

The botany department of the institution maintains a beautiful Lotus garden.





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• Social forestry

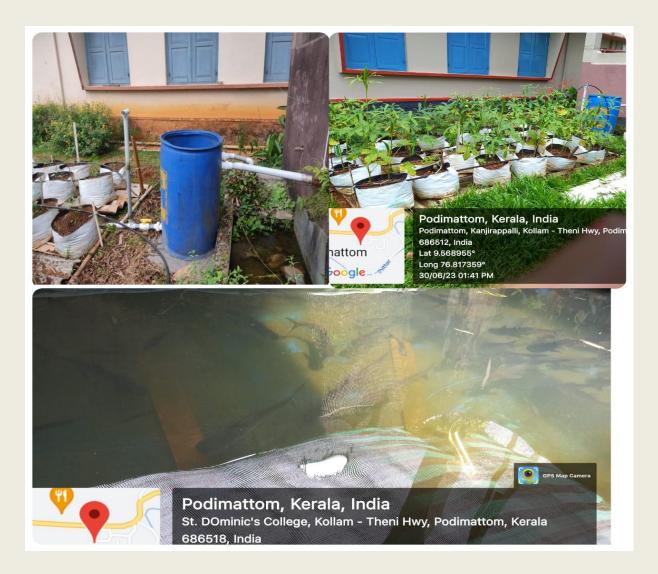
The campus adopted the scheme of social forestry, wherein we have raised 'Nagarvanam', a man-made forest for going all green.





• Overflow of water from water tank used in fish breeding and output used for herbal gardening

The institution has also introduced aquaponic gardening with the ultimate aim of reducing the wastage of water by 90%. The overflowed water from the tanks is used for fish cultivation and the residual waste from the fish tanks are pumped out and released into the Herbal Garden.



The college also generates intrest among its student community about horticulture and apiculture through well maintaned gardens and bee hives in the campus.



5. Disabled – friendly and Barrier free environment

The institution provides a barrier-free environment for the differently abled people through the aid of wheel chairs, special restrooms and bathrooms, anti-slippery floors and grabs bars, and a special parking area. The e- repository and the digital library facilities provided by the college helps the disabled students to access the necessary academic resources.

