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CRITERION: 7 - Institutional Values and Best Practices

Key Indicator: 7.3: Institutional Distinctiveness

Metric 7.3.1- Portray the performance of the Institution in one area distinctive to its priority and thrust



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Response:

Reservation of native bio - diversity and saving the environment for sustainable development.

Environmental degradation, loss of bio-diversity and climate crisis are looming at large like ‘Sword of Damocles’ on humanity in general. A higher learning centre can not shy away from these great danger at any cost. Sarat Centenary College, despite it’s limited capacity has joined the rest of the society to combat the dangers of climate crisis through various initiatives taken over last five years.

Green Audit:

The College has done regular internal green audit so that the preservation of bio diversity in the surroundings be maintained. With the collaboration of West Bengal State University, the College took initiative for Edaphic and Water criterion (Physical and Bio-Chemical) Evaluation of Sarat Centenary College. It was done with data generated by environmental Bio-technological laboratory, West Bengal State University. Green audit conducted by the Botanical Survey of Indian (BSI) recently has expressed their satisfaction with our green initiatives.

Energy Audit: All the stake holders of the Institution are very much conscious about energy saving. Erstwhile tube lights, bulbs are replaced with LED lights and thus saved power consumption to a considerable extent. AC is now almost necessary but the college encourages the stakeholders to use AC rationally. The College on it’s own initiative conducts energy audit every year. Recently a team from Jadavpur University conducted energy audit of the College. The results are satisfactory and vindicates the college’s energy saving initiatives.

NSS Activities: The three units of the NSS take initiatives to protect the native environment and inculcate a strong ecological sense in their volunteers. Organising seminars, webinars on environmental degradation, sapling plantation in the campus and in the adopted villages, making the local people aware of the dangers of using Single Use Plastics etc. are the normal activities of the NSS. These activities are related to the preservation of native environment.

Departmental Activities:

The department of Geography conducted field works on disaster management in nearby location. Though the field work falls within the curricula, still the field work itself as it was done on primary data, involvement of local populace extends the field works beyond academic paraphernalia. This field works creates awareness among the local people concerning natural disaster like flood etc. which causes severe loss in biodiversity.

Protecting Native Environment:

The College campus itself rich with bio-diversity. A pond inside the campus is an example of niche environment. The College took initiative to renovate the pond recently so that the niche environment may be protected. There is an age old tamarind (*tamarinda indica*) beside the pond. The college takes care to maintain the tree and its surroundings. The local people have a special sentiment for the tree which the college appreciates. It has become a part of local heritage of which the college is proud of. Plenty of trees inside the college campus not only add to the beautification of the college, it also serves the purpose of environmental richness and example of healthy bio-diversity. Nature adorns variety and Sarat Centenary College with its rich environmental niche adheres to the task of protecting the varieties of Nature.

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