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#### 7.1.5 GREEN CAMPUS INITIATIVES

Mar Ivanios College appraise it momentous in implementing green concepts in the campus. Our college believes in education combined with environmentally friendly practices to promote imperishable development. The infrastructure and capability available on campus are the very best. The campus extents over 25.64 acres in a spacious, noise free, clean, green zone and serene atmosphere perfectly suited for higher education within urban Thiruvananthapuram. It is a absolutely self-contained campus comprising everything that students on campus would ever require. Though implementing green initiatives are challenging and require determination and a long-term commitment, our college is taking initiatives for a sustainable and ecofriendly environment. The following practices are undertaken by the college.

#### 1. Restricted entry of automobiles

Entry of vehicles are restricted within the college campus. A specific parking area is allotted for students besides the college campus. Visitors parking is also assigned besides the campus. Faculty members are also assigned a parking area adjacent to the college main campus.

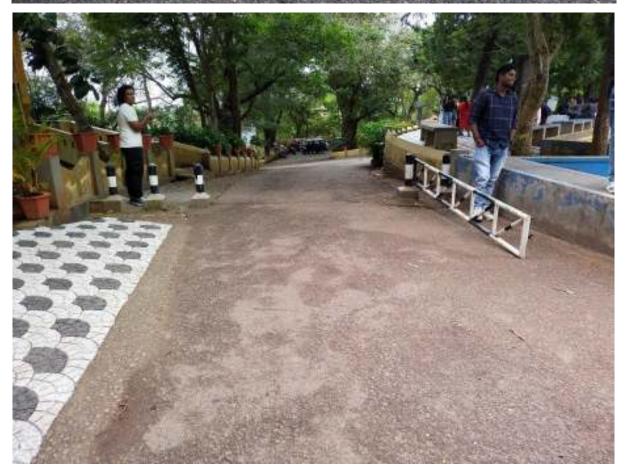


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#### 2. Battery powered vehicles

Mar Ivanios College implemented a green culture and is encouraging greener ecosystem along with providing a pollution-free atmosphere by introducing the battery powered automobile service all over the campus. Battery powered vehicles are operated within this campus.



#### 3. Pedestrian friendly pathways

Campus has sufficient space for parking vehicles. Roads inside the campus are well maintained. Pedestrians can walk safely through the campus through walk friendly pathways. Entry of vehicles inside the campus is restricted. Security people are assigned duties on every turn and crossing to the campus. The campus has improved pedestrian visibility, additional area for pedestrian queuing, and a location for sidewalk amenities and landscaping.





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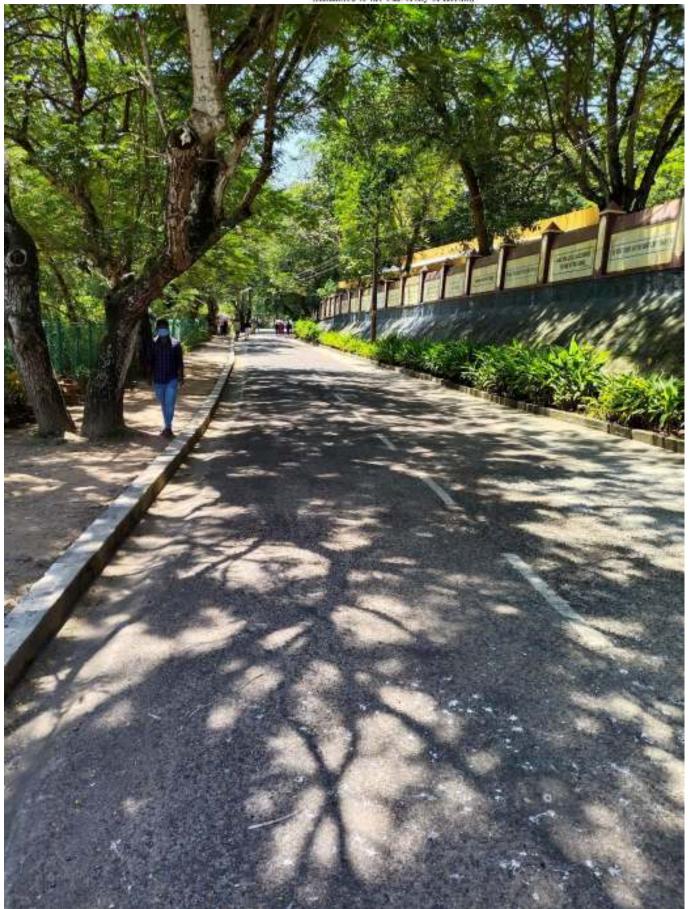
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#### 4. Ban on the use of plastics

Single use and throw plastics are totally banned within our campus. Disposable paper cups, plastic plates and spoons are avoided, instead steel glasses, plates and steel spoons are used inside the campus. We have "Plastic free zone" in the campus locality, initiated to create awareness among the community as a whole to prevent excessive usage of single use and throw plastic carry bags thereby leaving behind a green and pollution free place for our future generations. Green army has been constituted from among the students who monitor the whole processes.





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#### 5. Landscaping with Trees and Plants

Within the campus, the institution maintains a clean and green environment. By establishing a distinct campus maintenance wing, the college ensures the preservation of the environment. It maintains the lawn and plantations by employing gardeners and sweepers. Our institution is extremely concerned with keeping a green campus and being environmentally friendly, which ensures that pure oxygen is available throughout the whole campus. The campus has been made greener by adequate trees, providing a pleasant environment for students to learn and understand the values for a green environment. The "Madhuravanam" project that has been initiated within the college campus encompasses more than 30 fruit bearing tress. We also have the custom of plant trees on World Environment Day (5<sup>th</sup> June).



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