

Carbon Reduction program

Our University has set a goal to reduce carbon emissions by 70% by the year 2050. To reach this goal, Various greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction programs are followed by KARE to mitigate the environmental impact and promote sustainability to reduce Greenhouse gas emission. The institution has established a system for the management of various wastes produced in the campus, to provide a clean environment through the concept of Reduce, Recycle, Reuse which in turn creates wealth and also supports wellbeing of students, faculty and staff and to enhance the quality of life within the campus and to the society. Wherever possible, the institution is committed to recycling those materials.

Here are some common programs and initiatives followed by KARE:

- 1. KARE is cutting down greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions within Scope 1 by using biogas for heating. They are also reducing the need for electricity in cooling by using common ventilation systems. To lower emissions from transportation, the university operates common bus facility for faculty and staffs along with public transportation. Additionally, vehicle traffic within the campus is carefully controlled. These efforts help to minimize transportation-related greenhouse gas emissions, contributing to a cleaner and more sustainable campus environment. Additionally, solar panels on campus provide some of the energy needed.
- 2. KARE is situated in an area where a large **solar power plant** supplies electricity. This means that while KARE benefits from solar energy in the region, the electricity it uses isn't entirely purchased, the renewable is still involved in generating a portion of it. (**Scope 2**)
- 3. As part of the university's **zero waste program**, KARE aims to reduce emissions from solid waste. Through STP plan, the sewage water is utilized for garden irrigation and flushing the toilets. Through these initiatives, KARE is actively working to reduce its environmental impact and promote sustainability across various areas, including waste management, water usage, and transportation. (**Scope 3**)

Description:

Scope 1

1. KARE has established a public **transport policy** to facilitate the travel of students, staff using university operated vehicles. Two wheelers and 4 wheelers are prohibited from entering the campus except EV's to promote the use of bicycles or on foot at a short distance within the University to reduce fuel consumption and reduce carbon dioxide emissions.

https://kalasalingam.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Transportation-Policy.pdf



Circular for Restricted Entry of Vehicles inside the campus (Scope 1)



Vehicle Entry Restricted Barricade

2. Explicit policy on energy management.

KARE sees the importance of energy, which the university has a **policy on energy management**, as well as providing training to educate people about energy management to personnel, including students, to be aware and to comply correctly according to the principles. As a result, the University started use renewable energies through **solar plant**, **solar street lights**, **biogas**.

3. A plan to set up solar energy generation and battery storage charging stations for electric vehicles on campus.

Scope 2:

1. Utilization of Solar Energy in KARE (Energy Conservation)

To conserve electrical energy and to utilize it effectively, KARE has installed solar PV panels to the tune of 1124 kW in building rooftops. Power from solar PV panels shares about 45% of the total power consumption of KARE. As of now solar PV Panels generates about 39,10,216 kWh of energy. 4357 tons of CO₂ emissions are stopped, because of the installation of solar PV panels.

In addition, the setting up of 32 solar street lights of 25 watts and 120 solar street lights of 74 watts are also provides an environmentally friendly atmosphere. The details of the energy consumption of these solar installations in the KARE campus are given as follows:



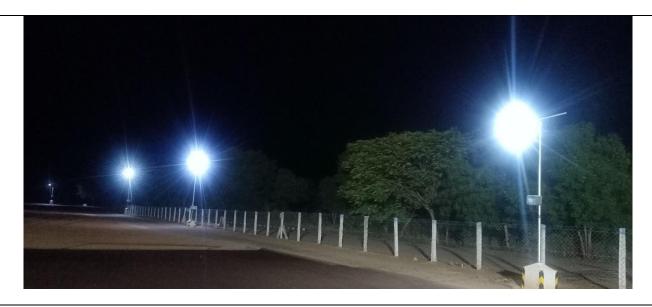




Rooftop Solar plant







Solar street lighting arrangement in KARE

Scope 3:

Solid Waste Recycling System

Solid waste generated in the campus, is collected at various points as degradable and non-degradable waste using separate bins for collection. Sufficient number of collection bins is present throughout the campus. They are collected and brought to a central location by designated workers using trucks.

Food and Agricultural Waste Management

- **Vermicomposting:** Degradable agricultural residues and food wastes are converted into fertilizer using vermicomposting technology and it is being used for agriculture purposes. On an average 1.1 tons of waste per day is being recycled resulting in about 12 tons of compost. The institution uses this compost in the agriculture farm and also sells to the farmers at a nominal cost.
- **Door Panel from Waste Materials:** Coconut sheath fibers are used in preparing composite materials that can be moulded to prepare door panels which can be a replacement for plywood.
- **Biogas Plant:** Part of the hostel kitchens waste are used to feed the biogas plants and the biogas produced is used in cooking conserving the use of LPG.

Wood Waste Management

Waste Wood Ash generated is being used as a carrier for microbial inoculants that are used as bio fertilizers. This work is supported by a project sanctioned by DST through DST-SEED-STI Hub.

Construction Waste Management

Fly ash, marble dust, granite dust, Ground Granulated Blast-furnace Slag (GGBS), paper burnt ash and sugarcane bagasse ash are used as source materials for the manufacture of eco-friendly construction products such as concrete bricks and paver blocks.

Paper Waste Management

KARE is also partnering in WoW (Well-being Out of Waste), a National Recycling Initiative, by the ITC Ltd, by contributing 21,110 kg of paper waste for the recycling project, amounting to saving of 464 trees in a year.

Sanitary Napkin Incinerators

Sanitary Napkin Incinerators are provided in girls' common rooms and hostel rest rooms. They help in disposing the used napkins in an eco-friendly manner.





Side Door Panel Made from Waste Materials



Side Door Panel Made from Waste Materials Fixed in Door



Fermenter used to Produce Microbial Inoculants



Solid Biofertilizer



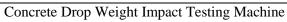
Geopolymer Intervention

Concrete Mixer





Concrete Paver Block Machine







Compression Testing Machine

Concrete Bricks in Different Models







WOW Enrolment / MOU

oving expressed willingness to join WOW – Well Being out of waste, A National Recycling Initiative by ITC die (Paperboards & Specially Papers Oktion), whereas M/s Hish Elgha Technologies Private Ltd., renders porational / Agistics support to team WOW. It is our parkiege to associate with you on this recycling roject from this Lst day of Sop 2018, initially for a period of one year, and extendable thereafter with

Whereas, M/s Kalasalingam University agreed to give away the "paper waste" generated from its offices in

Name of the WOW Participant	M/s Kalasalingam University
Facility & Address	Anand Nagar , krishnankoil-626 126, Tamil Nadu, India,
Contact Person details	Dr.Pallikonda Rajasekaran - COE (94430 65795) Email - m.g.raja⊕kdu.ac.in
Contact person for waste pick up	Mr.K.Kalidoss (94435 44860)
Desired Pick up frequency	Monthly or as and when
Expected Quantity / month	- Auto-Contract of the contract of
Agreed Value Payable	Rs. 8,000 PMT for Old Examination papers & Documents; (Condition: All Wastepaper must be a Dry fiber& Uncontaminated)
Desired Mode of Value payment(please choose)	Cheque
Contact person from WOW team	Contact Mr. R. Saravanan (98409 22432 / 044-2278 0899) for fixing collection schedules.

Team WOW Guarantees / Assures:

1. Our associate team from M/s Nish Elgha Technologies Private Ltd shall do periodical Pick up of

- wastepaper from your premises, duly weighing using electronic weighing scale.
 Handing over collection challan mentioning quantity collected a basis document for Payments a
- above.
 3. Collections & Payments shall be ensured by ITC's WOW associate M/s Nish Eigha Technologies Pvt
- Shall provide "Destruction Certificate" issued by ITC Ltd as a proof of destruction for all sensitive documents/papers given strictly on case to case & as and when sought basis.
- TTC Ltd (PSPD) shall issue annual "Recycling" certificate for the quantum of waste paper you have
 supplied up to paperly mentioning frustrangent benefit you cupported.
- M/s Kalasalingam University to ensure that 'wastepaper' is given on scheduled collection day & not delay the



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MoU copy on Paper waste management



Appreciation certificate for Recycling of Paper waste





Sanitary Napkin Incinerators