Sustainability study

AUDIT REPORT

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1. Introduction

1.1 About the Institution

Established in June 2009 by Ashoka Education Foundation with various courses of Higher Education. Nation's sustainable and inclusive economic growth depends upon its capacity to generate and advance the information technology knowledge.

The higher education system in the country has an important role to play in this area. Ashoka Center for Business and Computer Studies has come forward to share this responsibility by providing qualified Professionals to the existing industries.

ACBCS offers high-quality programs in different areas Computer Science, Computer Applications and Business Administration.

1.2 Statements of the Institution

1.2.1 Vision

The Institute proposes <u>"To embed need based knowledge through holistic approach to</u> <u>create responsible future generation with deep rooted ethos of Indian culture and</u> <u>tradition."</u>

1.2.2 Mission

The Institute adheres and focuses <u>"To make the students thinker for self-exploration</u> with technical and skill specific knowledge to create young professionals."

1.3 Assessment of the Institute

1.3.1 Affiliations

The College has all its courses approved and affiliated to the **Savitribai Phule Pune University**, formerly the University of Poona, is a collegiate public state university located in the city of Pune, India.



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1.3.2 Recognitions

The College has been recognized under section <u>2 (f) of the UGC Act, 1956</u> by University Grants Commission, New Delhi.

1.3.3 Certification

The institute has received the following Certifications

- ⇒ AISHE The code is C-42104
- Solution States Sta



2. Overview

2.1 Summarised Populace analysis for 2022-2023

2.1.1 Students data

The data (shared by the Institute) shows there were **860 students.**

2.1.2 Staff data

S. No.	Туре	Male	Female	Total
1	Admin staff	07	02	09
2	Teaching staff	28	09	37
3	Non-Teaching staff	05	12	17
Total St	aff Members	40	23	63

Table 1: Staff data of the Institution for 2022-2023

The staff data shows the Institute premises had 63 Staff Members.

2.2 Summarised Populace analysis for 2021-2022

2.2.1 Students data

The data (shared by the Institute) shows there were **766 students.**

2.2.2 Staff data

S. No.	Туре	Male	Female	Total
1	Admin staff	05	02	07
2	Teaching staff	28	07	35
3	Non-Teaching staff	03	12	15
Total Sta	aff Members	36	21	57

Table 2: Staff data of the Institution for 2021-2022

The staff data shows the Institute premises had **57 Staff Members.**



3. Research

3.1 Site Area

The site area is 1.44 acres with a built-up area of 27,876 sq. ft.

3.2 About the Green Building Study Audit

It is a systematic study of the aspects which make the Institution sustainable and healthy premises for its inhabitants.

3.3 Analysis of the Green Building Study Audit

The procedure included detailed verification as follows:

- Investigation
- Technical
- Observations
- Inferences

3.4 Strategy adopted for Green Building Study Audit

The strategies included data collection from the admin department, actual inventory, investigation to check the operation and maintenance, analysis of the data collection, and preparation of the Report.



4. Investigation



Plate 1: Discussion with the team



Plate 2: Investigation of the fire & life safety practices and internal spaces of campus



Plate 3: Discussion with the internal team



5. Documentation

5.1 Primary sources of energy consumption

- **Electrical (Metered)** Light, Fans, Equipments, Pumps comprise these sources.
- Renewable energy There are 154 nos. of SOLAR PANELS' as sources of renewable energy available.

5.2 Secondary sources of energy consumption

The premise uses batteries, UPS as backup for administrative purposes. The details of the existing sources are documented below:

S. No.	Name	Nos.
1	UPS	2
2	Inverters/Generators	1
3	Batteries	60
4	Gas cylinders	3
5	Induction stove	1

Table 3: Details of secondary sources of energy consumption

5.3 Actual electrical consumption as per bills

The information was shared for the meters:

S. No.	Month	Year	Amount	(A) Total units consumed	(B) Solar units generated	(C = A-B) Gross units consumed after deduction
	Academic year 1					
1	June	2021	22,372	4,535	1,819	2,716
2	July	2021	26,467	4,333	1,102	3,231
3	August	2021	47,410	3,777	891	2,886
4	September	2021	40,053	4,091	859	3,232
5	October	2021	29,199	4,299	1,487	2,812
6	November	2021	44,140	3,236	507	2,729
7	December	2021	45,431	3,537	381	3,156



8	January	2022	31,338	3,912	1,173	2,739
9	February	2022	34,020	2,829	1,064	1,765
10	March	2022	57,330	4,710	878	3,832
11	April	2022	62,590	5,362	789	4,573
12	Мау	2022	70,388	6,950	1,124	5,826
			Ac	ademic year	2	
13	June	2022	73,143	5,633	550	5,083
14	July	2022	62,928	4,903	546	4,357
15	August	2022	64,863	5,368	691	4,677
16	September	2022	89,507	6,860	514	6,346
17	October	2022	59,543	6,239	1,327	4,912
18	November	2022	76,813	5,274	237	5,037
19	December	2022	65,749	4,471	275	4,196
20	January	2023	51,160	3,529	731	2,798
21	February	2023	50,740	3,600	807	2,793
22	March	2023	71,290	4,741	334	4,407
23	April	2023	83,360	6,322	279	6,043
24	Мау	2023	89,280	6,873	378	6,495

Table A:	Dotaile	of the	alactrical	consumption
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The observation related to above information states:

- ⇒ The total units consumed in past two years ~1,15,382 units (Electrical + solar)
- The average units consumed every month are ~ 4,808 units (Electrical + solar)
- The total units consumed in past two years is ~ 18,743 units (Only solar)
- The average units consumed every month are ~ 781 units (Only solar)
- **Character Source of energy is available in form of solar panels on the rooftop.**
- The percentage of energy met by alternate (solar (renewable)) source is very less and comes to around 16%





Plate 4: Solar panels in the premises



Plate 5: Solar inverter in the premises



5.4 Calculated Electrical Consumption as per inventory

The electricity bills provide actual consumption data. The following is the calculated consumption. It is done to understand the percentage of energy usage in the premises by various applications. It is based on the inventory collected and interviews with the staff.

The additional data such as wattage is taken from market research. In terms of electrical consumption, the main sources are lights, fans, air conditioner, and equipment. The inventory and data collection for sources of energy consumed in the premise in summarised in the following sections.

The following documentation is based on the consumption practice of the premises on a regular working day.

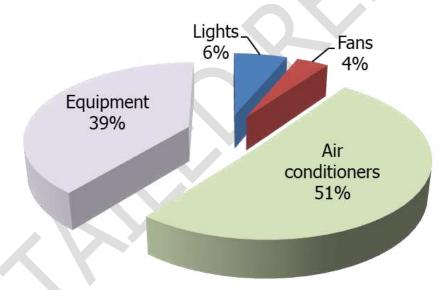


Figure 1: Summary of the calculated electrical consumption as per inventory

The above graph shows that air conditioners consume 51% whereas the equipment consume 39% while the lights consume 6% and the fans consume 4% of the total calculated electrical energy.



5.5 Lights

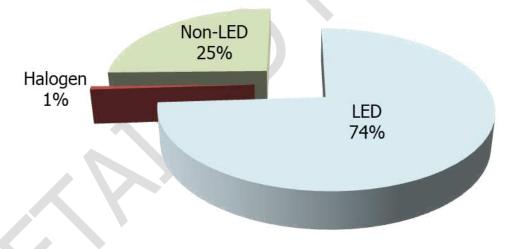
5.5.1 Types of lights based on the numbers

There are **939 lights on the premises;** the following table shows the various types of lights on the premises.

S. No.	Туре	Nos.	
1	LED lights (Energy efficient appliance)	814	
2	Halogen lights (Non-Energy efficient appliance)	1	
3	Non-LED lights (Non-Energy efficient appliance)	124	

Table 5: Summary of the types of lights on-premise

5.5.2 Types of lights based on the power consumption



The energy consumption of lights is **30,052 kWh** of energy.

Figure 2: Energy consumed by types of lights in the premise based on the usage study

The analysis of the types of Lights on-premises shows **LED lights consume 74%** whereas the **Non-LED lights consume 25%** while the **Halogen lights consume 1%** of the total power consumed by lights.



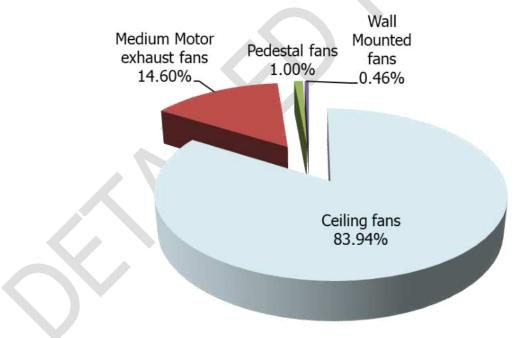
5.6 Fans

5.6.1 Types of fans based on the numbers

There are **353 fans** on the premises as follows:

S. No.	Туре	Nos.
1	Ceiling fans	283
2	Medium Motor exhaust fans	64
3	Pedestal fans	4
4	Wall Mounted fans	2
-	Table 6: Summary of the types of fans in the n	remises

5.6.2 Types of fans based on the power consumption



The energy consumption of fans is **18,025 kWh** of the energy.

Figure 3: Types of fans based on power consumption

The above analysis shows that the **Ceiling fans consume 83.94%** whereas the **medium motor exhaust fans** consume 14.60% while the **pedestal fans consume 1%** and the **wall mounted fans consume 0.46%** of total power consumed by fans.



5.7 Air conditioners

5.7.1 Types of air conditioners based on the numbers

There are **25 air conditioners** on the entire premises.

5.7.2 Building-wise consumption analysis

The energy consumption of air conditioners is **2,45,551 kWh** of energy.

5.7.3 About the replacement of current air conditioners

- The current air conditioners are well maintained
- Though there is not an immediate requirement for replacement, whenever the Institute undergoes redevelopment there can be provisions for replacement with energyefficient appliances or new air conditioners that require less power consumption.



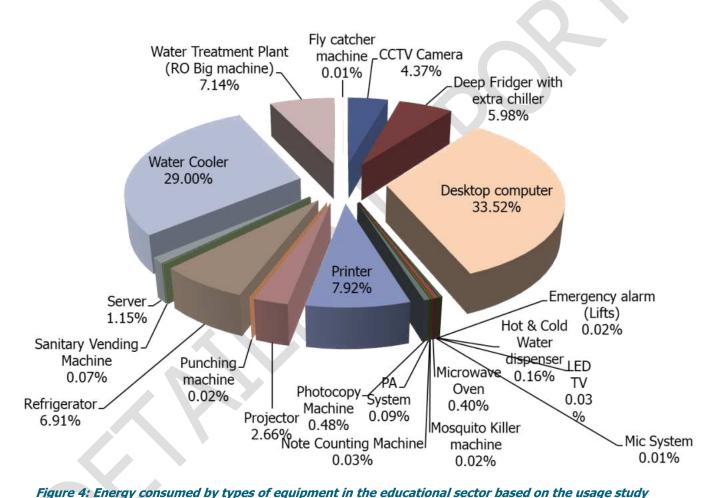
5.8 Equipment

5.8.1 Types of Equipment

There are **503 nos. of equipment** in the Educational sector.

5.8.2 Types of equipment as per their energy contribution

The energy consumption of equipment is **1,90,276 kWh** of energy.



The above summary shows that the **desktop computer consumes more energy at 33.52%** while the **water cooler consumes 29.00%** whereas the **printer consumes 7.92%** and the **water treatment plant (RO big machine) consumes 7.14%** these are the maximum consumers as compared to other equipment.



6. Observations

6.1 Investigative suggestions

The following suggestions can be implemented *in next one year*. The Institute can execute a plan after discussion with Project Head.

Certain aspects noted below in red font should be upgraded as per the convenience of the Institute; these are common to the site and can be considered for entire premises wherever there are similar areas.

DG and Transformer area

- Add safety *signages* such as 'Danger-do not touch' etc.
- Add <u>signboards</u> about the usage such as 'Transformer areas' and 'Diesel Generator area' etc.
- Every user in this space should compulsorily jacket, helmet, gloves, boots while working and being a part of this space.
- Code the earthing pits in the courtyard.
- o Add additional fire extinguishers

General safety aspects

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- Rubber flooring in the laboratories to avoid an electric shock.
- Introduce <u>'PASS' information board</u> about how to use Fire extinguisher and <u>'FIRE ZONE' display board</u> where safety equipments are kept.



7. Inferences

7.1 Section-wise suggestions

The following suggestions are to be considered as a *first priority* to be executed within the next 1.5 to 2.5 years from the date of the Report submission.

7.1.1 Electromechanical systems – Ceiling fans

The current Fans are in proper working conditions and maintained well. The ceiling fans are in more quantity and consume at least 45W when in use. These should be replaced with energy efficient fans consuming 14W when in use. Our technical research shows that there would be a reduction of an average of **69% reduction** in energy consumption if replaced with energy efficient appliance. It will be suggested to either replace these now if the Institute can have certain plans else the replacement can be done when fans get damaged or are not in working condition.

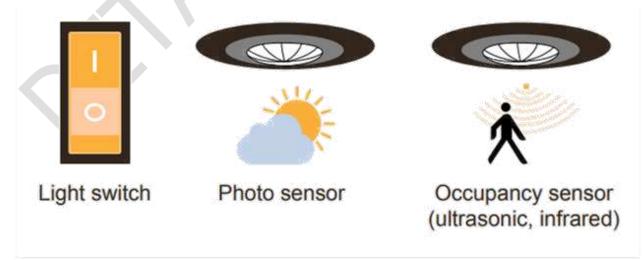
7.2 General suggestions

The following are consolidated study related to 'entire Institute' should be considered as <u>second priority</u> once section wise recommendations are implemented.

7.2.1 Alternatives towards Smart premises mechanisms

7.2.1.1 Facility management systems, controls

(Includes electromechanical systems - Electrical, Water)



Reference suggestions 1: Understanding the lighting concepts

Source: https://seors.unfccc.int/applications/seors/attachments/get_attachment?code=NG125PFE4WHMWSYAK8TCAKIHMWX0F4QD



The above diagram provides a detailed study of how the system controls should be incorporated in the premises as fare as lighting systems are considered. The suggestions for this sub-section are listed below.

- **Install PIR control of the lighting in the toilet areas.**
- Install low flow taps with automatic shut off in the toilets.
- Install push button timer control in all rooms lighting and ceiling fans.
- Install Power Electronics control of the Foyer notice board lighting.
- Installation of intelligent lighting controller will help in controlling the lighting energy.
- Use of photo sensor switch for street light controlling helps in conserving the lighting energy.

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7.2.2.2Smart gardening

The Institute can undertake a Smart Gardening system using IoT Technology. This will result in saving time by scheduling time for watering; saving money through automated water schedules tracking dampness of soil to know when, how much water garden needs.



Reference suggestions 2: Solar farm concept for the Institute (For reference purpose only) Image source: <u>https://housing.com/news/smart-gardening/</u> Data source: <u>https://www.happysprout.com/inspiration/what-is-smart-gardening/</u>



8. Compilation

The study is based on the data collected, analyzed, rechecked, and confirmed through multiple modes. For the quality study, some standards/ notes have been referred to. These are listed and noted below. However, no direct references have been used anywhere. These are used as a base to analyze and study the data collected.

Specific references for study related to energy

- https://www.energy.gov/eere/buildings/zero-energy-buildings
- https://www.dsaarch.com/zero-net-positive-energy
- U.S. Energy Information Administration
- https://www.happysprout.com/inspiration/what-is-smart-gardening/
- https://housing.com/news/smart-gardening/



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