

## 7.1.5 Green Campus Initiatives

### 7.1.5.1 The institutional initiatives:

Government First Grade College, Yalahanka, is one of the reputed colleges in Karnataka in terms of academia. The college is located in the heart of Yalahanka near Taluke Administrative missionary 'Mini-Vidhana Soudha' and is well connected with every minute road transportation system, with a well established Railway Junction and is just 20kms away from **International Airport**. As an institutional initiative to make the campus as 'Green' under the umbrella 'Eco-Club, NSS, Scouts and Guides', many eco friendly initiatives are taken up by the Committees to declare it as '**Clean Campus Green Campus**'. In this regard, the college has planted variety of saplings that have become fruit born trees across the campus paving way to become an abode for **flora and fauna**. All these initiatives are taken up with the co-ordination of different committees. One such committee is **Eco-Club** that has farmed a garden '**Sanjeevini**' with medicinal plants like Amalaka, Tulasi, Amruthaballi, Doddapathre, Jinger and many more to name having more than 15 flower plants enhanced the beauty of the garden. The Department of Botany has taken the initiative to name the trees botanically. The Eco Club has been actively conducting environmental awareness programmes to the students. To sensitise the students, '**Environment Day**' is marked by arranging Lectures and planting the sapling in the campus on June 5<sup>th</sup> of every year with the active participation of staff and students. In fact, the garden is maintained by NSS, Ranger and Rover units under the supervision of the Conveners. Moreover, a number of Jatas and talks are organised about environmental issues in the locality of the college to promote 'Going Green' among the people. The future initiative is planned to develop pits for earthworm cultivation to convert soil into fertile and make use of the same soil for plants in the garden by making use of dry leaves and other biodegradable waste available in the campus. To cater to the water needs of the plants and the trees, a Rainwater harvesting system is planned to collect rainwater.

## Photographs/videos of the facilities

Planting and watering by the faculty and the students



Planting and watering by Principal, Dr. Geetha N with faculty and students



## Green initiative outside the campus by our faculty

Planting a sapling at University of Allahabad, Prayagraj UP by our Faculty



Planting and watering by Prof. Kambaiah along with the faculty and the students

