

Criterion VII: Institutional Values and Best Practices

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

Organic Kerala charitable trust

As part of promotion of organic farming, college collaborates with Organic Kerala charitable trust and takes active participation in various activities of the trust. Organic Kerala charitable trust was constituted in December 2006 comprising the representatives of a group of concerned citizens who have been active in the social, educational, health and other public spheres of activities in Kerala at different points of time over several decades with the main objective of promotion of organic farming and the conservation of biodiversity. In collaboration with the trust, of which the Principal (Rev.Dr. Prasant Palackapillil CMI) is the Chairman and college is a partner, the following activities have been held:

Annual Organic fair: - College is associated with the fair from 2011 to 2019. It is a four-day long festival under the leadership of the Principal. The objectives of the fair include to increase the need for safe food production and consumption among the general public of Kochi and also to bring together actual and potential producers on one platform. The fair also helps to recognize achievements and achievers in this domain. The fair also provides on the spot consultation to people interested or engaged in the process of organic farming. The students and staff of the college are also participating in the event.

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Organic Fair 2015 in association with organic Kerala Charitable Trust



Organic Fair 2015 in association with organic Kerala Charitable Trust Fruits and vegetable stalls



Organic Fair 2016 in association with organic Kerala Charitable Trust



Organic Fair 2016 in association with organic Kerala Charitable Trust- Mango Exhibition



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Organic Fair 2017 in association with organic Kerala Charitable Trust



Organic Fair 2017 in association with organic Kerala Charitable Trust- Fruits and Vegetable stall



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Organic Fair 2018 in association with organic Kerala Charitable Trust Fruits and vegetable stalls



Organic Fair 2018 in association with organic Kerala Charitable Trust-Seminar



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Organic Fair 2019 in association with organic Kerala Charitable Trust-Seminar



Various seminars on issues related to soil and agriculture (Pulses, Gadgil Committee Report, climate Resilient agriculture etc.) have been conducted and it provides a learning platform for all. In the year 2016(International Year of Soils) a seminar on soil conservation was held at the college for college students.

(iii)With the support of the college the trust had held 35 markets for supporting organic farmers of Kanthalloor and Ettumanoor regions. The products were also brought to the campus and the students and staff members of the college bought the organic products.



(iv) Survey has been conducting every year with the active support of students on the areas like survey of ponds, survey of organic farming etc. These surveys help to acquire information related to the natural water resources and vegetation in an area.

(v) The trust also arranges hands-on training on organic farming which is very useful for those interested in this area. The students and faculty members also participate in these sessions.





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