



QUOTE OF THE EDITION:

"The single biggest threat to our planet is the destruction of habitat and along the way loss of precious wildlife. We need to reach a balance where people, habitat, and wildlife can co-exist – if we don't everyone loses ... one day."

—Steve Irwin

Inside SCI

Sustainable Campus Initiative Newsletter
Ensuring Sustainable Footprint!

Opening note:

Resetting our relationship with planet Earth

Every year on June 5th, people around the world recognise World Environment Day and the time to reimagine, recreate, and restore. Although we cannot turn back time and the damages sustained by our planet, this year youth are joining forces under the theme #GenerationRestoration to make peace with nature and uptake green practices for a healthier ecosystem.

Zero waste, GHG emissions reduction, and restored forests are all ambitious goals that countries have set, and although they may seem out of reach, small steps lead to incredible change. To kick-start your own change today, here are 3 ideas to help restore nature:

1. Grow your own vegetables and herbs in your balcony or backyard to reduce up to 20% of your food purchases and reduce 30.8kg of Co2 emission a year.
2. Reuse food waste and convert it into compost.
3. Plant ghaf trees, a single ghaf tree can reduce up to 34.65 Kg of Co2 emissions per year.

Have a happy and green World Environment Day and let us appreciate nature by protecting our ecosystem!

To learn more about World Environment Day: <https://www.un.org/en/observances/environment-day>

SCI Team



Sponsors Welcome:

Borouge, a joint venture between Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) and Austria-based Borealis, is a leading contributor to innovative plastic solutions for various industries. Borouge endorses the protection of human wellbeing, resource optimisation, and knowledge building to support new opportunities among community members.

As a provider of plastic and chemical products, Borouge commits to sustainability principles and proactively addresses environmental issues, such as water sanitation and the safe management of chemicals. In alignment with the vision of Borouge to positively impact society today and tomorrow, we have partnered with SCI for over five years to build leadership capacity among the youth.

“At Borouge we are proud of our commitment to sustainability in everything we do. Through our long-standing engagement with Sustainable Campus Initiative (SCI) we inspire today’s youth to understand and adopt sustainability principles to protect our precious environment and empower our community,” said Maitha Al Marashi, VP Sustainability, Borouge.



Eco Pedestal

HCT Develops a 2030 carbon neutral plan

We are giving a round of applause for this month's Eco Pedestal, Higher Colleges of Technology (HCT), for developing a Carbon Neutral Plan Project which will fulfill the pledge of the Global Universities and Colleges' Climate Commitment, as announced by the UAE's leadership. HCT's campuses have not only earned the ISO14000 certification to reduce waste but they have also expanded their environmental efforts in a new carbon neutral plan that will cover 16 campuses. HCT has constructed this plan to highlight the needed modifications to reach carbon neutrality, including the elimination of emissions, research and development, and outreach plans.

To learn more about the university's plan: https://hct.ac.ae/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/HCT_carbon_neutral_plan_Oct28.pdf



**HCT CARBON
NEUTRAL PLAN**
IMPLEMENTED BY 2030

SCI in Action

Bag of Gratitude School Session

Last month Green Youth Majlis Members Nithila Adlin Thangaraj and Khawla Mohamed AlMarzooqi attended an interactive virtual session with over 280 students from Liwa International School across grades 2-5. Nithila reflected on the Ramadan Campaign, Bag of Gratitude, an activity held with students from Zayed Higher Organization to learn how to sew and demonstrate performing such initiatives for the sake of nature conservation.

Khawla and her colleagues sparked a conversation about waste reduction and ways to avoid litter, Khawla actively interacted with students, sharing best litter management practices indicating the importance of keeping land and marine environment clean in Q&A session. Students who answered the right answers will get books and handmade reusable shopping bags made during "Bag of gratitude" workshop.



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Eco Watch



What do we demand from nature?

June 7th, 2021, at 6:00 – 7:00 pm on [Zoom](#)

Language: Arabic

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Live with SCI – Earth is our only home

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Green Space

Welcoming June!

Did you have the chance to celebrate International Migratory Bird Day, Endangered Species Day, and International Day for Biological Diversity? Share your experiences with us through social media and be on the lookout for the days below:

- 05 June – World Environment Day
- 16 June -World Sea Turtle Day

We are looking forward to seeing your images, articles, sketches, and writings on social media

@Sustainablecampusae !

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