

Results of the MCBS Sustainability Literacy Survey AY 2024-25

The survey intended to evaluate the effectiveness of MCBS Sustainability Center - ESTIDAMA and its initiatives. The survey questions focused on understanding of concepts surrounding Sustainability, SDGs, Renewal Energy, and best practices of individuals (personal habits) sustainability practices, waste segregation, recycling etc. An inter-disciplinary team which comprised the sustainability center, together with faculty teaching environmental studies and sustainability courses were involved in developing the survey which was then rolled out by the Department of Student Affairs.

The data was analyzed using Pivots. Of the sample of 516 responses (of which 392 students and 83 academic and 40 administrative staff) a significant number of respondents had a clear understanding of sustainable concepts such as Renewal Energy, Recycling, the relevance of saving energy, SDGs, segregation of waste, and reduction of single-use plastic.

The results indicate that Sustainability Literacy rate is greater than 70%; however, rapid and systemic measures should be taken to improve the holistic awareness about MCBS's Sustainability Center and our efforts in progressing in the direction of a robust sustainability culture among campus-stakeholders.

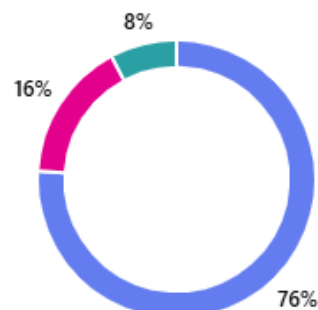
The survey results also emphasized the need to increase awareness and participation in MCBS's sustainable initiatives at grass-root level.

Survey results have set the direction for initiatives that will enable rapid progress towards achieving a robust sustainability culture. The learnings from the survey have been actioned and are being monitored for continual improvement. This action is led by the highest office, overseeing the implementation of sustainability initiatives within MCBS.

MCBS Sustainability Literacy Survey – Response Data

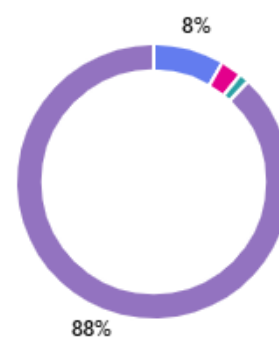
1. I am a:

● Student	392
● Faculty Member	84
● Staff Member	40



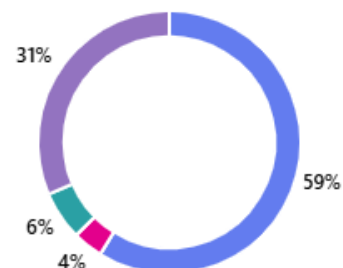
2. What is renewable energy?

● A) Solar Energy	43
● B) Wind Energy	13
● C) Coal	6
● D) Both A) and B)	454



3. Which of the following activities contributes to climate change?

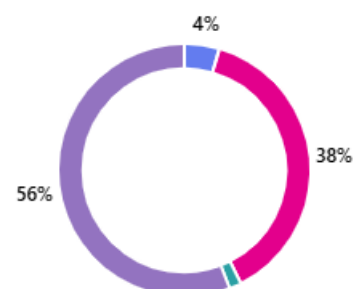
● A) Burning fossil fuels, such as petrol	303
● B) Recycling	19
● C) Planting trees	31
● D) Both B and C	162



4. What does recycling products mean?

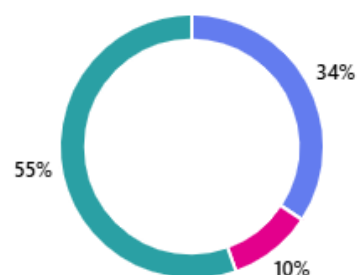
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| ● A) Reusing old clothes | 23 |
| ● B) Processing plastic water bottles into new products | 196 |
| ● C) Buying fewer consumables | 8 |
| ● D) All of the above | 287 |



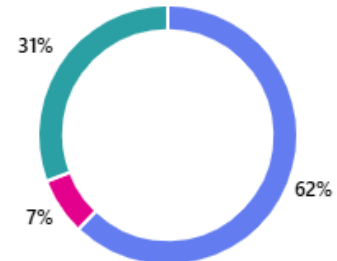
5. **Personal Habits:** Do you take any actions to reduce your use of plastic

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| ● Yes | 177 |
| ● No | 53 |
| ● Sometimes | 286 |



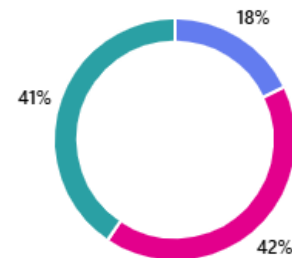
6. **Personal Habits:** Do you try to save energy?

Yes	321
No	37
Sometimes	159



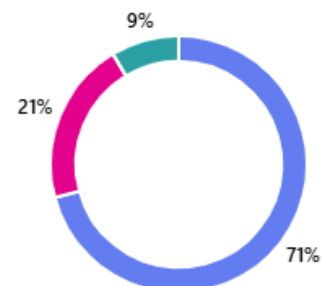
7. **Personal Habits:** Do you practice trash segregation (dividing your trash into bio-degradables, plastic, paper, glass, et c.)

Yes	92
No	214
Sometimes	209



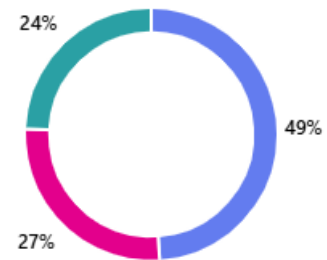
8. **Awareness:** Do you know where the MCBS Sustainability Centre (Estidima) is located?

Yes	364
No	106
Somewhat	44



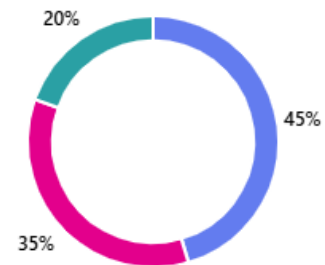
9. **Awareness:** Are you aware of MCBS' sustainability efforts?

Yes	252
No	138
Somewhat	125



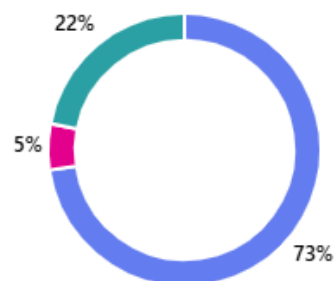
10. **Awareness:** Do you know what the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are?

Yes	235
No	181
Somewhat	101



11. **Awareness:** Do you think you can make a difference in protecting the environment?

Yes	375
No	28
Maybe	113



12. **Individual Opinion:** How important do you think it is for MCBS to be sustainable?

Very important	489
Not important	28

