

GHG Baseline Study Report

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A comprehensive analysis of the greenhouse gas emission generated by the internal operations of the Parul University. Annual data is prepared for the 12 months of F.Y. 2024-25.

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Executive Summary

Parul University, located in Vadodara, Gujarat, is a distinguished multidisciplinary institution committed to fostering excellence in higher education. This report provides a comprehensive analysis of the GHG emission generated by the internal operations of the Parul University campus. Annual data is prepared for the 12-months period of F.Y. 2024-25. It identifies the sources of greenhouse gases (GHG).

- The study identifies total of **2587.35 t CO2 eq Scope 1 GHG emissions** which is dominated by contribution of emissions due to fuel combustion (majorly Diesel and LPG).
- The organization is emitting around **18123.76 t CO2 eq Scope 2 emissions (Purchased electricity from MGVCL and purchased LPG gas cylinders)**.
- However, Parul University is **avoiding 1344.67 t CO2 eq** scope 2 emissions by employing renewable energy (Solar Energy – Roof Top Solar).
- Total **Carbon sequestered by the Green Cover** is approximately **0.78 t CO2 eq**.
- Thus, cutting down total emission of **20711.12 t CO2 eq** to **19365.67 t CO2 eq** Net GHG emission.

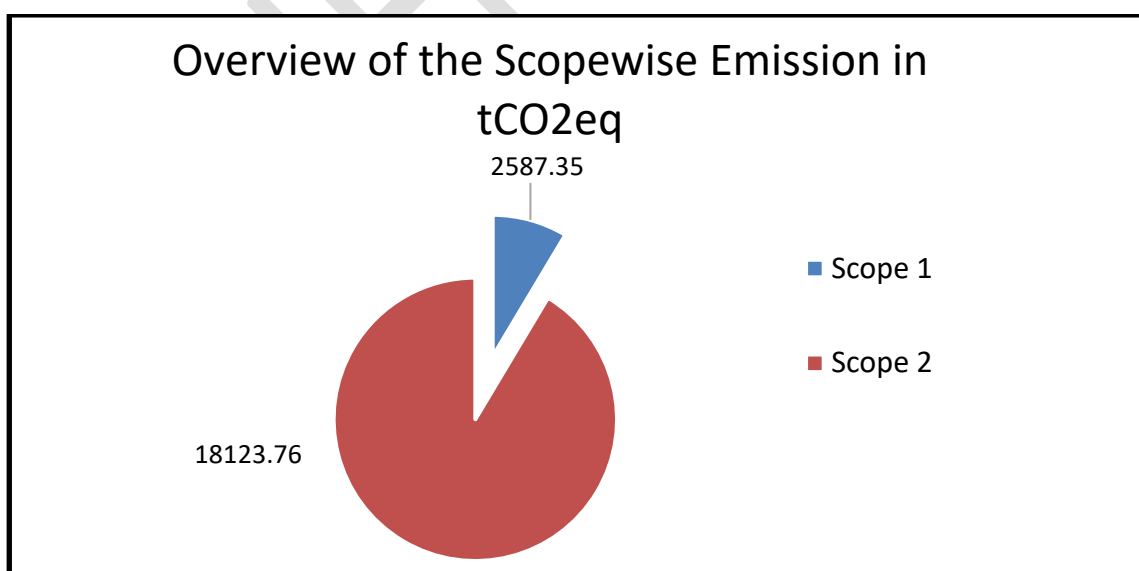


Table 1 Consolidated Summary of scope-wise emission of Parul University in F.Y.2024-25

Scope	Activities	Emission (t CO2 eq)	Total Emission (Scope-Wise)	Avoided Emission (t CO2 eq)
1	Fire Extinguisher	1.38	2587.35	1345.45
	Operation of AC/Refrigerators/ Chillers (Fugitive Emission), Insulating gas	460.92		
	Mobile Sources (University owned Vehicles)	262.44		
	SF ₆ Gas	72.90		
	Wood Combustion (Water heating Boiler, Cooking activity in mess, canteen.)	904.70		
	Diesel combustion (DG set Inclusive)	4.06		
	Emissions from food waste handling	69.66		
	Emission from Biogas usage at canteen	0.57		
	Purchased LPG (Cylinder in Kg)	810.69		
	Emission from onsite Wastewater management system (STP)	0.03		
2	Purchased electricity from MGVCL	18123.76	18123.76	
Total Emission			20711.12	t CO2 eq
Net Total Emission (Total Emission – Avoided Emission)			19365.67	

Introduction

Reporting Organisation

Parul University, located in Vadodara, Gujarat, is a distinguished multidisciplinary institution committed to fostering excellence in higher education. It holds the distinction of being India's youngest private university to receive NAAC A++ accreditation in its first cycle. The University seamlessly integrates the nation's rich cultural heritage with modern innovations and academic advancements, offering a dynamic environment for student enrichment while contributing to both national and global development.

Comprising a diverse array of faculties and institutes, Parul University offers an extensive range of diploma, undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral programs across multiple disciplines. Its industry-aligned and field-oriented programs are designed to equip students with the necessary skills and knowledge to excel in their careers. The University has a proven track record of facilitating career success through start-up incubation initiatives and exceptional placement opportunities.

The 150+ acre eco-friendly campus is home to over 50,000 students from across India and more than 3,500 international students from 75+ countries, establishing it as a truly global academic destination. In addition to its NAAC A++ accreditation, the University holds prestigious global memberships, including the Association of Commonwealth Universities.

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Reporting Organisation

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Greenify Integrators Private Limited is a forward-thinking environmental solutions provider committed to integrating sustainability into the core of modern business practices. With a team of dedicated experts, Greenify delivers innovative and customized services aimed at helping organizations transition towards a net-zero future. From carbon credit consulting and ESG frameworks to renewable energy solutions and water management, Greenify offers a holistic approach to environmental responsibility. The company's mission is to empower clients to adopt eco-friendly strategies that not only minimize environmental impact but also drive long-term success. Guided by a clear vision

of harmonizing business growth with ecological well-being, Greenify is leading the charge in building a resilient and regenerative future.

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Reporting Period and Frequency of Reporting

The GHG emissions covered by this inventory are based on calendar year April 1st, 2024 to March 31st, 2025 (F.Y. 2024-25). Parul University reports GHG emissions under the operational control approach criteria described in “GHG Protocol: A Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard (Revised Edition)”, published by the World Resources Institute (WRI)/ World Business Council for Sustainable Development standard. The frequency of reporting is based annually.

Reporting Standards

The ISO 14064-1 standard (Second Edition – 2018-19), which provides organization-level- guidance for quantifying and reporting greenhouse gas emissions and removals, serves as the main basis for this report. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) guideline publications and the India GHG program guidance documents are the sources of information used to estimate emissions for different categories. Aside from these citations, the document incorporates the GHG protocol for the identification, measurement, and classification of greenhouse gas emissions.

Assessment of GHG Inventory

Team conducted On-site field visit for identifying and quantifying GHG sources and sinks within the premise. Indirect and direct measurements of GHG emissions were evaluated and examined. Critical examination of data collection and measurement methodologies was conducted. Scrutiny of environmental policies and other relevant policies was carried out. Following listed aspects were explored and understood in order to categorise GHG emissions:

1. Electricity Bills of MGVCL
2. Wood Consumption for Boiler/ Conventional Water Heater
3. LPG & Diesel Consumption
4. Solar Power Generation Records
5. Owned Vehicle Records
6. AC/ Chillers/ Extinguishers inventory and refilling records

7. SF6 Inventory Data for Electrical System
8. Biogas Generation from Food Waste
9. Waste segregation and bailing process for Plastic Waste
10. Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) records of treatment
11. Inventory of various chemicals in different labs
12. Green cover details and records of species

Principles followed in Reporting

Applying principles is essential to ensuring that data on greenhouse gas emissions is accurate and impartial. The principles are the basis for, and will guide the application of, the requirements in this document.

A. Relevance

Choose the GHG sources, sinks, reservoirs, data, and procedures that best suit the intended user's needs.

B. Completeness

Includes all relevant GHG emissions and removals

C. Consistency

Allow relevant comparisons to be established between GHG-related data

D. Accuracy

As far as is practical, lessen bias and uncertainty.

E. Transparency

Deliver intended users with enough accurate and relevant GHG-related information, to enable them to make decisions with a fair level of confidence.

GHG Inventory Boundaries

Organisational Boundary

Parul University has established its prominence both nationally and internationally in the field of higher education. Nationally, it is recognized as one of Gujarat’s leading private universities with a wide range of academic, research, and innovation initiatives. It comprises a state-of-the-art educational campus located in Vadodara, Gujarat, spread over 150+ acres, it hosts over 50,000 students, including 3,500+ international students from 75+ countries. It houses 20+ faculties and offers 200+ programs across diverse disciplines, including engineering, management, law, medicine, pharmacy, design, arts, and several others at undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral levels. Parul University maintains global partnerships with 75+ universities worldwide, enhancing academic exchange and international learning opportunities. The organizational boundary for the purpose of this exercise is considered as campus buildings and activities carried out in it.

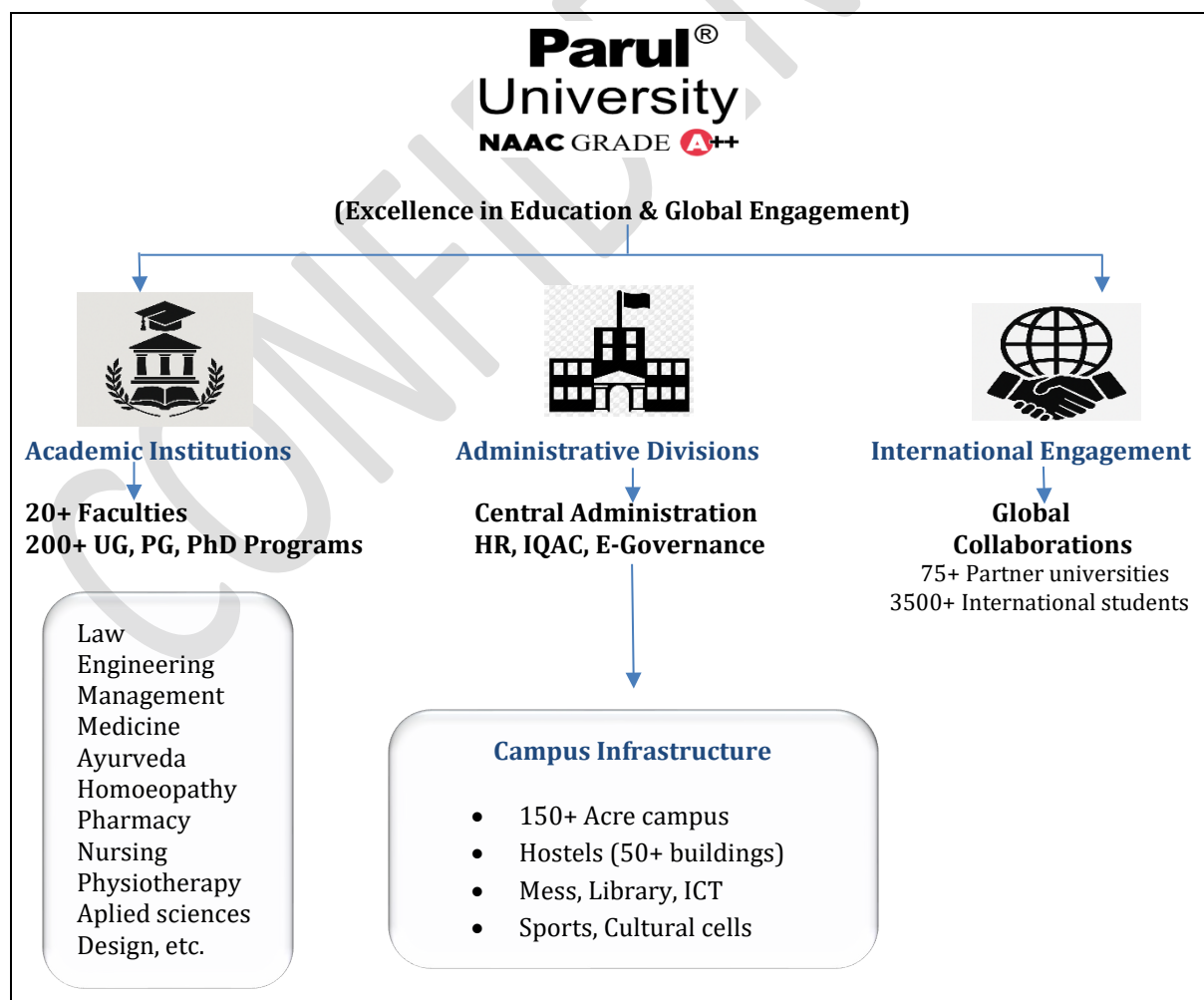


Figure 1 Organisational Boundary

Reporting Boundary

The present exercise of GHG Emission is reported for Parul University (India). Parul University's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reporting, in line with the GHG Protocol, encompasses both Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions. Scope 1 includes Direct emissions and Fugitive emissions from sources owned or controlled by the Parul University. Scope 2 emissions arise from various indirect energy sources procured from any service provider.

Emission Categories and Classification

The **ISO 14064-1 standard** (Second Edition, 2018–19) lists the following emission categories:

1. **Category-1:** Direct GHG emissions and removal
2. **Category-2:** Indirect GHG emissions from imported energy
3. **Category-3:** Indirect GHG emission from transportation
4. **Category-4:** Indirect GHG emission from products used by an organisation
 - a. Indirect emissions from goods purchased by an organisation
 - b. Indirect emissions from services used by an organisation
5. **Category-5:** Indirect GHG emissions Associated with the use of products from the organisation
6. **Category-6:** Indirect GHG emissions from other sources.

On the other hand, **using GHG protocol (A Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard guidance)** document the above-mentioned categories can be simplified into 2 major emission scopes:

A. Scope 1 Emission: Direct GHG Emission

Greenhouse gas emissions that are under the Parul University are considered as direct GHG emissions. Emissions from combustion through owned or controlled vehicles, Operation of AC / Refrigerators / Water Chillers, Solid waste handling system, onsite Wastewater management system (STP) and DG set, Fire extinguishers, SF6, LPG (Cylinder in Kg) etc.

B. Scope 2 Emissions: Indirect GHG emissions from purchased electricity

Includes emissions from the generation of purchased electricity that is consumed in its owned or controlled equipment or operations.

Table 2 shows inclusion of **ISO 14064-1 standard** (Second Edition, 2018–19) emission categories into 2 major emission scopes of GHG protocol (A Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard guidance) standard.

Table 2 Inclusion of ISO 14064-1 categories of emissions into GHG protocol Emission Scopes

ISO 14064-1 standard (Second Edition, 2018–19)		GHG Protocol Emission Scope (A Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard guidance)
Category	Title	
1	Direct GHG Emissions and removal	Scope 1 (Direct GHG Emission)
2	Indirect GHG emissions from imported energy	Scope 2 (Indirect GHG emissions from purchased energy)

Emission Sources (Inclusion and Exclusion)

The sources of GHG emissions are identified and classified according to the standards and listed in *Table 3*. All the relevant GHG sources within the premise according to boundary set by provided university layout has been considered.

At this stage, Scope 3 emissions have not been considered for this study.

Table 3 GHG Emission Sources included in carbon accounting calculation exercise

Scope	Activities	Remarks
1	Fire Extinguisher Emission	CO ₂ emission during refilling
	Fugitive Emission	Emission due to AC/Refrigeration/ Water Chillers units due to refilling
	Emissions due to owned Vehicles	Vehicular GHG emission (Diesel/ Petrol)
	Emission from onsite Wastewater management system	Emissions due to the operation of the inhouse Sewage Treatment Plant (STP)
	Fuel consumption in DG Sets	Emissions due to combustion of fuel (Diesel)
	Purchased LPG	Emissions from cooking activity in messes and canteens
	Emission from onsite waste management system	Emissions from degradation of organic waste generated
2	Purchased Electricity	Emissions from generation of electricity procure from MGVCL

Quantified GHG Inventory of Emission

Consolidated Statement of GHG Emission

Table 4 discloses consolidated GHG emissions according to respective categories and scope emissions.

Table 4 Consolidated Statement of GHG Emissions

Scope	Activities	Emission (t CO2 eq)	Total Emission (Scope-Wise)
1	Fire Extinguishers	1.38	2587.35
	Operation of AC/Refrigerators/ Chillers (Fugitive Emission)	460.92	
	Mobile Sources (Owned Vehicles)	262.44	
	SF ₆ Gas	72.90	
	Wood Combustion in boiler (Cooking and water heating activity)	904.70	
	Diesel combustion (DG set)	4.06	
	Emissions from food waste handling	69.66	
	CO2 emission from Biogas	0.57	
	Purchased LPG (Cylinder in Kg)	810.69	
	Emission from onsite Wastewater management system (STP)	0.034	
2	Purchased electricity from MGVCL	18123.76	18123.76

Methodologies of collection and quantification of data

The methodologies of quantification of data are part of FAS's (Facilities and Administration Services) personnel's everyday operations. The overview of emissions sources and their respective data sources is provided in *Table 5*. The best available data and computation methods are utilized when estimation is necessary.

Table 5 Overview of Emission Sources

Scope	Emission Sources	Data Source
1	Fire Extinguisher	Reports of inventory and refilling data
	Fugitive Emission	AC/ Refrigeration Servicing & Refilling reports
	Mobile Sources (Owned Vehicles)	Assumed data provided by Parul University's transport manager
	Fuel consumption	Annual Fuel Consumption Reports
	Emissions from food waste handling	Assumed data provided by Parul University's Coordinator of Waste Management Site
	Purchased LPG (Cylinder in Kg)	Purchased invoice of LPG gas cylinders
	Emission from onsite Wastewater management system	Monthly STP Reports
2	Purchased electricity from MGVL	Electricity Bills

Calculation of GHG Emission

Scope 1 Emission Calculation: Direct Emissions

- A. Stationary emission:** IPCC 2006 Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories has been employed for emission calculations from fuel consumption.

Equation 1 Emission from Fuel Consumption

$$\text{Emission} : \text{Fuel Consumption} \times \text{Emission Factor of fuel}$$

Only Diesel and LPG were used as fuel for F.Y. 2024-25.

Following table indicates emission factors of fuel based on consumption.

Table 6 Emission Factor of fuel

Fuel Type	Kg GHG/litre		
	CO ₂ Emission Factor	CH ₄ Emission Factor	N ₂ O Emission Factor
Diesel	2.6764	0.00036	0.0000216
LPG	1.6117	0.000127	2.55 X 10 ⁻⁶
		GWP = 27.9	GWP = 273

- B. Fugitive Emission:** Screening Method by India GHG Program was used for HFC and HCFC Emissions from Refrigeration/Water Chillers/AC Equipment (Emission Factor Based Approach)

Equation 2 Emission from AC/Water Chillers/Refrigeration (Operational Emission)

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Emission during operation of AC/Refrigeration} \\ & = \text{No. of units} \times (\text{GWP}) \times \text{Refrigerant Charge (kg)} \times \text{Annual Leakage rate(\%)} \\ & \quad \times \text{Conversion Factor} \end{aligned}$$

Default annual leakage rate and GWP from IPCC guidelines have been assumed here.

C. Mobile Emissions: Here Vehicles owned by Parul University will account for scope1 mobile emission source. Parul University owns various vehicles such as, buses, cars, fire tender, ambulance, tankers, tractors, two wheelers whose fuel consumption will be accountable here. The source of methodology and emission factor is India GHG Program tool (Refer Table 7 and Equation 1)

Table 7 Emission factor of Fuel for mobile emission source

Fuel Type	Emission Factor (Kg CO ₂ /lit)
Petrol	2.27193
Diesel	2.6764

D. Emissions from on-site Sewage Treatment Plant (STP):

The general equation to estimate CH₄ emissions from domestic wastewater is as follows:

Equation 3 total CH₄ emissions from domestic wastewater

$$\text{TOTAL CH}_4 \text{ EMISSIONS FROM DOMESTIC WASTEWATER}$$

$$CH_4 \text{ Emissions} = \left[\sum_{i,j} (U_i \cdot T_{i,j} \cdot EF_j) \right] (TOW - S) - R$$

Where,

CH₄ Emissions = CH₄ emissions in inventory year, kg CH₄/yr

TOW = total organics in wastewater in inventory year, kg BOD/yr

S = organic component removed as sludge in inventory year, kg BOD/yr

U_i = fraction of population in income group i in inventory year.

T_{i,j} = degree of utilisation of treatment/discharge pathway or system, j, for each income group

i = income group: rural, urban high income and urban low income

j = each treatment/discharge pathway or system

EF_j = emission factor, kg CH₄ / kg BOD

R = amount of CH₄ recovered in inventory year, kg CH₄/yr

The emission factor for a wastewater treatment and discharge pathway and system (terminal blocks with bold frames in equation 3) is a function of the maximum CH₄ producing potential (B_o) and the methane correction factor (MCF) for the wastewater treatment and discharge system, as shown in equation 4. The B_o is the maximum amount of CH₄ that can be produced from a given quantity of organics (as expressed in BOD or COD) in the wastewater. The MCF indicates the extent to which the CH₄ producing capacity (B_o) is realised in each type of treatment and discharge pathway and system. Thus, it is an indication of the degree to which the system is anaerobic.

Equation 4 CH₄ emission factor for each domestic W.W treatment pathway or system

<p>CH₄ EMISSION FACTOR FOR EACH DOMESTIC WASTEWATER TREATMENT/DISCHARGE PATHWAY OR SYSTEM</p> $EF_j = B_o \cdot MCF_j$
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Where,

EF_j = emission factor, kg CH₄/kg BOD

J = each treatment/discharge pathway or system

B_o = maximum CH₄ producing capacity, kg CH₄/kg BOD

MCF_j = methane correction factor (fraction), See Table 8.

Good practice is to use country-specific data for B_o, where available, expressed in terms of kg CH₄/kg BOD removed to be consistent with the activity data. If country-specific data are not available, a default value, 0.6 kg CH₄/kg BOD can be used. Table 8 includes default maximum CH₄ producing capacity (B_o) for domestic wastewater.

Table: 8 Default maximum CH₄ producing capacity for domestic wastewater

DEFAULT MAXIMUM CH₄ PRODUCING CAPACITY (B_o) FOR DOMESTIC WASTEWATER
0.6 kg CH₄/kg BOD

The activity data for this source category is the total amount of organically degradable material in the wastewater (TOW). This parameter is a function of human population and BOD generation per person. It is expressed in terms of biochemical oxygen demand (kg BOD/year). The equation for TOW is,

Equation 5 total organically degradable material in domestic wastewater

TOTAL ORGANICALLY DEGRADABLE MATERIAL IN DOMESTIC WASTEWATER

$$TOW = P \cdot BOD \cdot 0.001 \cdot I \cdot 365$$

- E. Emissions from Fire Extinguisher:** CO₂ gas refilling activity represents the amount of CO₂ gas released into atmosphere. Source of methodology is IPCC 2006 guidelines.

Equation 6 Emission from fire Extinguisher

$$\text{Emission (t CO}_2\text{e)} = \text{Quantity of CO}_2\text{ gas refilled in 2021 (kg) /1000}$$

- F. LPG cylinder:** Emission due to combustion of LPG for various cooking and heating purposes accounts in scope 1 emission.

Equation 7 Emission due to combustion of LPG

$$\text{Emissions}_{GHG, fuel} = \text{Fuel Consumption}_{fuel} \cdot \text{Emission Factor}_{GHG, fuel}$$

- G. Waste Management:** Parul University is controlling collection and disposal of solid waste generated from canteen and Hostels mess. Hence, considered in scope 1 emission. 'Biological Treatment of Solid Waste' emission guidelines by 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories formulates basis for the calculation for composting methodology of waste treatment. Tier 1 approaches where IPCC default values are used for GHG emission calculation is employed.

Equation 8 CH₄ Emission from biological treatment

CH₄ EMISSIONS FROM BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT

$$CH_4 \text{ Emissions} = \sum_i (M_i \cdot EF_i) \cdot 10^{-3} - R$$

Where,

M = Mass of organic waste treated by biological treatment

EF = Emission factor for treatment (g CH₄/kg Waste)

R = Total amount of CH₄ recovered in inventory year

Equation 9 N₂O Emission from Biological Treatment

<p>N₂O EMISSIONS FROM BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT</p> $N_2O \text{ Emissions} = \sum_i (M_i \cdot EF_i) \cdot 10^{-3}$

Where,

M = Mass of organic waste treated by biological treatment

EF = Emission factor for treatment (g N₂O/kg Waste)

TABLE 4.1					
DEFAULT EMISSION FACTORS FOR CH₄ AND N₂O EMISSIONS FROM BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT OF WASTE					
Type of biological treatment	CH ₄ Emission Factors (g CH ₄ /kg waste treated)		N ₂ O Emission Factors (g N ₂ O/kg waste treated)		Remarks
	on a dry weight basis	on a wet weight basis	on a dry weight basis	on a wet weight basis	
Composting	10 (0.08 - 20)	4 (0.03 - 8)	0.6 (0.2 - 1.6)	0.24 (0.06 - 0.6)	Assumptions on the waste treated: 25-50% DOC in dry matter, 2% N in dry matter, moisture content 60%. The emission factors for dry waste are estimated from those for wet waste assuming a moisture content of 60% in wet waste.
Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities	2 (0 - 20)	0.8 (0 - 8)	Assumed negligible	Assumed negligible	
Sources: Arnold, M.(2005) Personal communication; Beck-Friis (2002); Detzel <i>et al.</i> (2003); Petersen <i>et al.</i> 1998; Hellebrand 1998; Hogg, D. (2002); Vesterinen (1996). Note: Default emission factors for CH ₄ for anaerobic digestion already account for CH ₄ recovery.					

Figure 2 Default emission factor for CH₄ and N₂O emission from biological treatment of waste

Scope 2 Emissions: Indirect Emissions from purchased Electricity

- A. Purchased Electricity:** Emissions due to generation of electricity procured from MGVL grid accounts in scope 2 emission. Here, weighted average emission factor (Renewable energy inclusive) for Indian grid published by Central Electricity Authority (CO₂ Baseline Database for the Indian Power Sector - User Guide Version 19, December 2023) is considered.

Equation 10 Indirect Emissions due to generation of purchased electricity

$$\text{Emission (t CO}_2 \text{ eq)} = \text{Electrical Consumption (Mwh)} \times \text{Emission Factor}$$

Weighted average emission factor for Indian grid is 0.716 t CO₂ eq/MWh. Which is average emission of all stations in the grid, weighted by net power generation.

GWP Calculation and sources

According to the requirement of ISO 14064-1:2018, seven GHGs include CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, HFCs, PFCs, SF₆, and NF₃. Here quantities of GHG emissions are given in tones of CO₂eq using the GWP from the IPCC Sixth Assessment Report (AR6). **The scope of time is 100 years.**

Table 9 Global Warming Potential (IPCC Sixth Assessment Report)

Species	Lifetime (Years)	GWP-20	GWP-100	GWP-500
CO ₂	Multiple	1	1	1
CH ₄ fossil	11.8	82.5	29.8	10
CH ₄ non-fossil	11.8	79.7	27	7.2
N ₂ O	109	273	273	130
HFC-32	5.4	2693	771	220
HFC-134a	14	4144	1526	436
CFC-11	52	8321	6226	2093
PFC-14	50000	5301	7380	10587

Review, Internal audit and Improvement

As the first thorough representation of the emissions from the Parul University, this study looks at the facts and information that are currently accessible. Primary data gathering has been attempted for all significant emission sources. Conservative estimating techniques have been used in cases when data is lacking or incomparable, which encourages ongoing improvements in the ratio of source data to estimation techniques. The Parul University intends to use this part going forward to emphasize improvements

to its approach and structure for gathering and analysing emissions data and removing uncertainty.

Removals or Reduction Emission

Parul University is also active in emission reduction and removal voluntary activities. Parul University is developing good amount of green cover within its institutional boundary. Moreover, it has employed solar power generation to decrease scope 2 emissions. Furthermore, the institution promotes sustainable transportation through the use of electric vehicles and deployment of bicycles under MYBYK scheme. It also supports a comprehensive waste management system to ensure responsible disposal and recycling practices. Parul University sets a strong example of institutional leadership in sustainability.

Carbon Sequestration Approach

Parul University has developed green cover within its premises including 20 species of trees with 4636 individuals. This cover gives Parul University about 0.78 t CO₂ eq Sequestration annually. Detailed Species-specific sequestration data is provided in *Annexure II*.

Methodology: Data collection and requirement demonstrated in Table 10.

Table 10 Data collection and Requirement for Carbon Sequestration by trees

Sr.no.	Data	Remarks
1	Species Specification	Species Specific sequestration capacity
2	Diameter of Trunk	For calculation of AGB (Above Ground Biomass) and BGB (Below
3	Height of tree	Ground Biomass)
4	Age of Tree Species	For Annual carbon sequestration Rate

Calculation Basis:

- A. Calculating 'Above Ground Biomass' (AGB) using diameter and height of tree using. Green weight is estimated to be 120% of AGB.
- B. Calculating Total Biomass (TB) which is summation of AGB and BGB (Below Ground Biomass) that is root system. Since 20% of AGB is BGB

Equation 11 Total Biomass Calculation

$$\text{Total Biomass (TB)} = 1.2 \times \text{AGB}$$

- C. Identifying 'Total Dry Weight' (TDW) using 'Total Biomass' data (*Equation 12*). Where Carbon occupies 50% of TB ($\text{TC} = \text{TDW} \times 0.5$)

Equation 12 Total Dry Weight Calculation

$$\text{Total Dry Weight (TDW)} = \text{TB} \times 0.725$$

- D. Calculating Total CO₂ sequestered by tree in its entire lifetime using *Equation 13*

Equation 13 Calculating Total CO₂ Sequestered by tree

$$\text{Total CO}_2 \text{ Sequestered} = \text{TC} \times 3.67$$

Renewable Energy and Clean Energy Approach

- A. **Solar Power Generation Unit:** Parul University has employed on-grid solar power generation unit of total capacity 36 KW and 1 MW with 60-70% of generation. Total power consumption by solar power generation unit is consolidated into *Table 11*. Approximately 7.4% of scope 2 emission is avoided by the solar power generation unit.

Table 11 Solar Energy power consumption and Avoided Emission

Production	1344.66	MWh
Emission Factor	0.716	t CO ₂ / MWh
Total Emission Avoided	1344.66	t CO₂ eq

Recommendations and Mitigation Actions

Data Collection and GHG Inventorisation

- A. Organisation may define formats and logbooks specific to departments for systematic data collection and management (Refer Table 12 recommended format and departments responsible).

Table 12 Recommended departments and data collection formats

Department	Data Collection formats
Transport	1.1 Logbook maintenance of Vehicle transit data (Fuel type, Vehicle model, distance travelled, etc.)
Maintenance	1.2 Logbook use for maintaining data of LPG cylinders, AC, refrigerator and coolants installations, refiling.
Gardening	1.3 Logbook maintenance of Trees data (Number of different species, total green cover area, and carbon sequestration data)
Admin	1.4 Generation of Waste record (Type of waste, quantity, etc.) 1.5 Record of waste disposal (Disposal method, Quantity disposed, Amount of GHG emitted, etc.)

	1.6 GHG emitted from STP record book (Total organic carbon of Sludge and Effluent, Sludge generation quantity, CH ₄ emission, N ₂ O Emission, etc.)
Electrical	1.7 Logbook maintenance of electricity and solar data (This logbook helps keep track of consumption, maintenance, inspection, and performance of both conventional electricity systems and solar systems.)

- B.** Allocating proper roles and responsibilities for the data collection and inventorisation will improve data management and data insights to set ambitious targets aligned to Parul University's climate action policy.
- C.** There should be proper communication in terms of SOPs about collection methods to enhance and encourage awareness data insights.
- D.** Both qualitative and quantitative approach should be considered in data collection process. Organisation may follow IPCC guideline document for data inventorisation.

Operations

- A.** Parul University can significantly advance its sustainability agenda by optimizing its primary activities and infrastructure to reduce fuel consumption and overall energy demand. A strategic shift towards electric mobility by replacing diesel and petrol based institutional vehicles with electric alternatives will not only lower Scope 1 emissions but also reduce fuel dependency and long-term operational costs. Expanding the electric vehicle fleet and enhancing on-campus EV charging infrastructure will further support this transition. Institute can significantly reduce their energy demand by adopting green building norms set by IGBC
- B.** Scaling up the existing biogas plant will allow for more efficient processing of organic waste from hostel mess and canteens, generating clean energy for cooking and thereby reducing reliance on LPG cylinders.
- C.** On the electricity front, increasing the capacity of solar PV installations across academic blocks, administrative offices, and hostels will reduce dependence on grid electricity, contributing to a reduction in Scope 2 emissions. Institute can also

plan to go for PPA for additional capacity of cleaner energy (e.g. solar and wind or hybrid)

- D. The university operates a sewage treatment plant (STP) that can be upscaled to treat and recycle wastewater for non-potable purposes such as toilet flushing, campus cleaning, and landscape irrigation, thereby conserving freshwater resources

Monitoring

As per the GHG Protocol clause 9, The organization shall establish and maintain GHG information management procedures that –

- Ensure conformance with the principles, ensure consistency with the intended use of the GHG inventory,
- Provide routine and consistent checks to ensure accuracy and completeness of the GHG inventory,
- Identify and address errors and emissions, and document and archive relevant GHG inventory records, including information management activities.

During developing GHG inventory, a Core Team should be formed. Training on the GHG protocol specification including introduction of climate change, impacts of GHG emission on environment, role of organization in GHG emission reduction should be conducted for the core team members where other locations participated through intranet video and where GHG activity data collection and archiving procedures should be discussed with core team.

Strategic Mitigation

Parul University can implement a comprehensive and formal strategic Climate Action Plan addressing key environmental concerns:

1. Optimization of electrical (EV) vehicle system
 - Enhance the existing EV network by expanding EV fleet coverage across the campus. Installing smart EV charging stations powered by solar energy to ensure zero-emission transport. Implementing a centralized EV scheduling and monitoring system for efficiency.

2. Maximization of Solar Energy Utilization

- Scale up solar panel installations on rooftops and parking structures. Introduce real-time solar performance tracking and integration with the campus power grid to increase solar share in total energy consumption. Use solar energy to power EV stations and campus lighting systems.

3. Strengthening the Biogas Plant Operations

- Expand feedstock input by systematically collecting biodegradable food and garden waste. Increase capacity of biogas for cooking in canteens or convert it into electricity for use in hostels or laboratories. Integrate biogas slurry for organic fertilizer production to support campus landscaping.

4. Advanced Waste Management

- Scale up waste segregation system by expanding the number of color-coded bins across hostels, academic blocks, and public areas. Regular training sessions for housekeeping staff and awareness programs for students are essential to promote proper waste disposal practices and to ensure the system functions effectively at all levels.

5. Greening and Carbon Sequestration Projects

- Expand the green cover and implement Miyawaki forest model on underutilized land and monitor its carbon sequestration potential annually. Maintain a digital inventory of green cover and calculate annual CO₂ offset. Involve students and staff in tree plantation drives with a focus on native and climate-resilient species.

Awareness

- A. Parul University should set ambitious scientific targets to reduce GHG emissions and communicate with faculty, staff, and students. This will encourage target-based active participation and innovative solutions to achieve.
- B. Responsible waste handling, awareness posters and digital bulletins on proper waste segregation should be strategically placed in mess and canteen areas, supported by student-led initiatives in composting and recycling.

- C. Regular training programs and seminars on GHG Inventorisation and mitigation will further build awareness and technical knowledge, empowering individuals to contribute meaningfully to the university's environmental goals. This comprehensive awareness approach will help embed a culture of sustainability across all levels of the institution.

Way Forward to Net Zero Emissions

Parul University has a strong potential to transition towards a **Net Zero Campus** through strategic planning, innovation, and sustainable practices.

- To further mitigate Scope 1 emission arising from institutional fuel usage, diesel generators, wood combustion, and on-site waste treatment plant, etc;
- The university should fully electrifying its campus fleet, integrate additional EV charging stations, and expand its biogas plant capacity to replace LPG in hostel mess and canteens. Promoting non-motorized and electric intra-campus mobility will further reduce direct emissions.
- In addressing Scope2 emissions, primarily from purchased electricity, the university must scale up rooftop and ground-mounted solar PV installations, coupled with battery storage solutions to enhance renewable energy utilization and reduce grid dependency.
- Aligning with ISO 14064 and ISO 50001 standards, setting science-based targets, and establishing a robust ESG monitoring framework will ensure transparent and measurable progress.
- Integrating nature-based solutions like Miyawaki afforestation and wastewater reuse will complement technological interventions.
- Through strategic investments, institutional innovation, and stakeholder engagement, Parul University can position itself as a model of sustainability in higher education and achieve its long-term vision of becoming a carbon-neutral campus.
- Institute need to register and follow the guidelines of SBTi (Science Based Target Initiative) and need to plan for Scope 3 emission baseline study along with action plan.

Annexure - I

Assumptions Sheet

Assumptions considered into GHG Inventorization and Calculations

Scope	Category	Assumption	Remark / Methodology
1	Fuel Consumption	1.1 Total operating days to be considered as 200	1.1 Communication with Parul University Managerial personnel
	STP	1.2 Methane Correction Factor (MCF) assume to be 0 and BO (Maximum methane producing potential) is considered 0.25 kg CH ₄ /kg COD according to IPCC default value	1.2 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories
	University owned transportation	1.3 100% carbon present in fuel is oxidized during or immediately following the combustion process (for all fuel types in all vehicles) irrespective of whether the CO ₂ has emitted other gases such as CO, CH ₄ or NMVOC.	1.3 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories
	Waste Management	1.4 Quantity of solid waste is assumed quantity of Solid waste generated by canteen and hostel mess. 1.5 25-50% DOC in dry matter, 2% N in dry matter, moisture content 60% 1.6 Emission factor for CH ₄ =8 and N ₂ O = 0.6	1.4 Communication with Parul University Managerial personnel 1.5 'Biological Treatment of Solid Waste' emission guidelines by 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories

2	Purchased Electricity	<p>2.1 Weighted average emission factor (including RES & Captive power injection into grid) = 0.716 t CO₂/MWh</p> <p>2.2 Calculation is based on location-based approach methodology</p>	<p>2.1 CO₂ Baseline Database for the Indian Power Sector (Version 19.0 December 2023) published by GOI (Ministry of Power, CEA)</p>
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Annexure II

Detailed Species-Specific Carbon Dioxide Sequestration

Sr. no.	Tree species	No. of Units	Total Carbon (TC)	Total CO ₂ weight (lbs.)	Average Age	Annual CO ₂ Sequestration (lbs.)
1	Neem (<i>Azadirachta indica</i>)	395	501.12	1839.11	13	141.47
2	Royal palm (<i>Roystonea regia</i>)	1032	563.76	2068.99	11	188.09
3	Coconut (<i>Cocos nucifera</i>)	204	101.79	373.56	9	41.50
4	Foxtail Palm (<i>Wodyetia bifurcate</i>)	232	117.45	431.04	10	43.10
5	Bismarckia Palm (<i>Bismarckia nobilis</i>)	32	313.2	1149.44	12	95.78
6	Gulmahor (<i>Delnixon ewgia</i>)	1119	438.48	1609.22	12	134.10
7	Tecoma (<i>Tecoma stans</i>)	80	101.79	373.56	10	37.35
8	Spathodea (<i>Spathodea campanulata</i>)	120	54.81	201.15	6	33.52
9	Terminalia (<i>Terminalia arjuna</i>)	53	46.98	172.41	12	14.36
10	Banyan (<i>Ficus benghalensis</i>)	15	1057.05	3879.37	15	258.62
11	Peepal (<i>Ficus religiosa</i>)	8	1409.4	5172.49	17	304.26
12	(<i>Accacia plantaform</i>)	137	86.13	316.09	12	26.34
13	Ashoka (<i>Polyalthia longifolia</i>)	260	70.47	258.62	9	28.73
14	Champa (<i>Michelia champaca</i>)	250	62.64	229.88	7	32.84
15	Cordia (<i>Cordia sebestena</i>)	25	9.78	35.92	9	3.99

16	Mango (<i>Mangifera indica</i>)	150	375.84	1379.33	13	106.10
17	Jamun (<i>Syzygium cumini</i>)	149	469.8	1724.16	12	143.68
18	Kadam (<i>Neolamarckia cadamba</i>)	25	62.64	229.88	11	20.89
19	Borsalli (<i>Mimusops elengi</i>)	25	54.81	201.15	10	20.11
20	Conocarpus (<i>Conocarpus erectus</i>)	325	78.3	287.36	6	47.89

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Annexure III

List of Abbreviations

1. AC : Air Conditioner
2. AGB : Above Ground Biomass
3. BGB : Below Ground Biomass
4. BOD : Biological Oxygen Demand
5. CCUS : Carbon Capture utilisation and Storage
6. CH₄ : Methane
7. DG : Diesel Generator
8. EHSF : Environment, Health, Safety and Fire
9. EnMS: Energy Management System
10. EV : Electrical Vehicle
11. FAS : Facilities and Administration Services
12. GHG : Greenhouse Gases
13. GSEB: Gujarat State Electricity Board
14. GWP : Global Warming Potential
15. HCFC: Hydrochlorofluorocarbon
16. HFC : Hydrofluorocarbon
17. IPCC : Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
18. LPG : Liquefied Petroleum Gas
19. MGVCL : Madhya Gujarat Vij Company Limited
20. N₂O : Nitrous Oxide
21. NMVOC : Non-Methane Volatile Organic Compounds
22. PFC : Perfluorocarbon
23. SF₆ : Sulphur Hexafluoride
24. SOPs : Standard Operating Procedures
25. STP : Sewage Treatment Plant
26. T CO₂ eq : Tonnes CO₂ Equivalent
27. TB : Total Biomass
28. TC : Total Carbon
29. TDW : Total Dry Weight
30. WRI : World Resources Institute

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Scope 3: Greenhouse Gas Emissions Accounting Report

F.Y.
2024-25

A comprehensive analysis of the greenhouse gas emission generated by the internal operations of the Parul University. Annual data is prepared for the 12 months of F.Y. 2024-25.

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Assessment team

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Greenify Integrators Private Limited is a forward-thinking environmental solutions provider committed to integrating sustainability into the core of modern business practices. With a team of dedicated experts, Greenify delivers innovative and customized services aimed at helping organizations transition towards a net-zero future. From carbon credit consulting and ESG frameworks to renewable energy solutions and water management, Greenify offers a holistic approach to environmental responsibility. The company’s mission is to empower clients to adopt eco-friendly strategies that not only minimize environmental impact but also drive long-term success. Guided by a clear vision of harmonizing business growth with ecological well-being, Greenify is leading the charge in building a resilient and regenerative future.

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Organisation: Parul University, Vadodara, Gujarat

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Principles followed in Reporting

Applying principles is essential to ensuring that data on greenhouse gas emissions is accurate and impartial. The principles are the basis for, and will guide the application of, the requirements in this document.

A. Relevance

Choose the GHG sources, sinks, reservoirs, data, and procedures that best suit the intended user's needs.

B. Completeness

Includes all relevant GHG emissions and removals

C. Consistency

Allow relevant comparisons to be established between GHG-related data

D. Accuracy

As far as is practical, lessen bias and uncertainty.

E. Transparency

Deliver intended users with enough accurate and relevant GHG-related information, to enable them to make decisions with a fair level of confidence

1. Executive Summary

Parul University, located in Vadodara, Gujarat, is a distinguished multidisciplinary institution committed to fostering excellence in higher education. This report provides a comprehensive analysis of the GHG emission generated by the internal operations of the Parul University campus. Annual data is prepared for the 12-month period of F.Y. 2024-25. It identifies the sources of greenhouse gases (GHG).

The study estimates total Scope 3 GHG emissions at **63,35,256.31 t CO₂eq**, arising from indirect activities across the value chain that are not included under Scope 1 or Scope 2. These emissions are primarily associated with upstream and downstream activities.

Analysis of individual categories, Category 7 (Employee Commuting) is the largest contributor to Scope 3 emissions, driven by a high number of employees and commuting distances across multiple transport modes. Category 2 (Capital Goods) and Category 6 (Business Travel) also contribute significantly due to emissions from construction materials, equipment procurement, and travel distances. Other categories, including Categories 3, 4, and 5, contribute comparatively moderate shares to overall Scope 3 emissions.

Figure 1: Overview of the categories Emissions

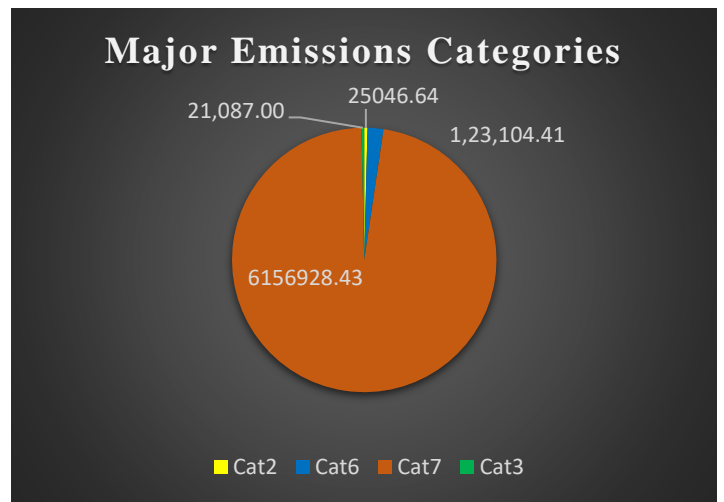
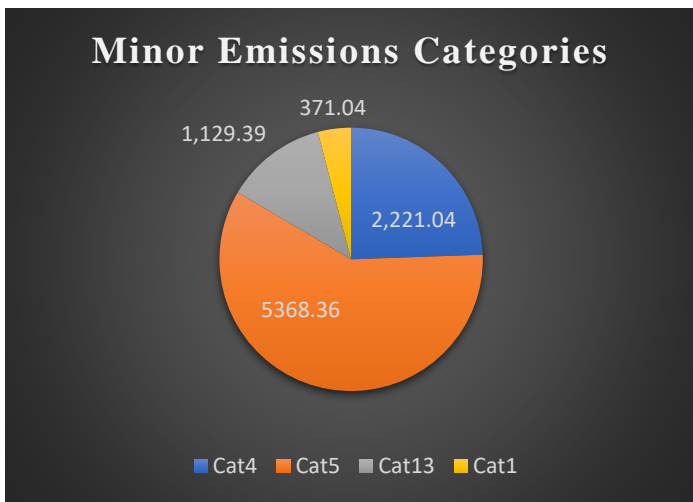


Table 1: Consolidated Summary of category-wise emission of Parul University in F.Y.2024-25

Category	Category Description	Emissions in tCO₂eq	Emissions in Percentage (%)
Category 1	Purchased Goods and Services	371.04	0.0059%
Category 2	Capital Goods	25,046.64	0.395%
Category 3	Fuel and energy-related activities	21,087	0.033%
Category 4	Upstream transportation and distribution	2221.03	0.0035%
Category 5	Waste generated in Operations	5368.36	0.0085%
Category 6	Business travel	1,23,104.41	1.94%
Category 7	Employee commuting	61,56,928.43	97.21%
Category	Upstream leased assets	Not Applicable	
Category 9	Downstream transportation and distribution	Not Applicable	
Category 10	Processing of sold products	Not Applicable	
Category 11	Use of sold products	Not Applicable	
Category 12	End-of-life treatment of sold products	Not Applicable	
Category 13	Downstream Leased Assets	1,129.39	0.018%
Category 14	Franchises	Not Applicable	
Category 15	Investments	Not Applicable	
Total Emissions		63,35,256.31	

2. Organizational Profile

2.1. Reporting Organisation

Parul University, located in Vadodara, Gujarat, is a distinguished multidisciplinary institution committed to fostering excellence in higher education. It holds the distinction of being India's youngest private university to receive NAAC A++ accreditation in its first cycle. The University seamlessly integrates the nation's rich cultural heritage with modern innovations and academic advancements, offering a dynamic environment for student enrichment while contributing to both national and global development.

Comprising a diverse array of faculties and institutes, Parul University offers an extensive range of diploma, undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral programs across multiple disciplines. Its industry-aligned and field-oriented programs are designed to equip students with the necessary skills and knowledge to excel in their careers. The University has a proven track record of facilitating career success through start-up incubation initiatives and exceptional placement opportunities.

The 150+ acre eco-friendly campus is home to over 50,000 students from across India and more than 3,500 international students from 75+ countries, establishing it as a truly global academic destination. In addition to its NAAC A++ accreditation, the University holds prestigious global memberships, including the Association of Commonwealth Universities.

2.2. Organisational Boundary

Parul University has established its prominence both nationally and internationally in the field of higher education. Nationally, it is recognized as one of Gujarat's leading private universities with a wide range of academic, research, and innovation initiatives. It comprises a state-of-the-art educational campus located in Vadodara, Gujarat, spread over 150+ acres, it hosts over 50,000 students, including 3,500+ international students from 75+ countries. It houses 20+ faculties and offers 200+ programs across diverse disciplines, including engineering, management, law, medicine, pharmacy, design, arts, and several others at undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral levels. Parul University maintains global partnerships with 75+ universities worldwide, enhancing academic exchange and international learning opportunities.

3. Reporting Boundary & Standards

3.1. Reporting Period and Frequency of Reporting

The GHG emissions covered by this inventory are based on calendar year April 1st, 2024 to March 31st, 2025 (F.Y. 2024-25). Parul University reports GHG emissions under the operational control approach criteria described in “GHG Protocol: A Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard (Revised Edition)”, published by the World Resources Institute (WRI)/ World Business Council for Sustainable Development standard. The frequency of reporting is based annually.

3.2. Reporting Standards

The ISO 14064-1 standard (Second Edition – 2018-19), which provides organization-level-guidance for quantifying and reporting greenhouse gas emissions and removals, serves as the main basis for this report. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) guideline publications and the India GHG program guidance documents are the sources of information used to estimate emissions for different categories. Aside from these citations, the document incorporates the GHG protocol for the identification, measurement, and classification of greenhouse gas emissions.

3.3. Reporting Boundary

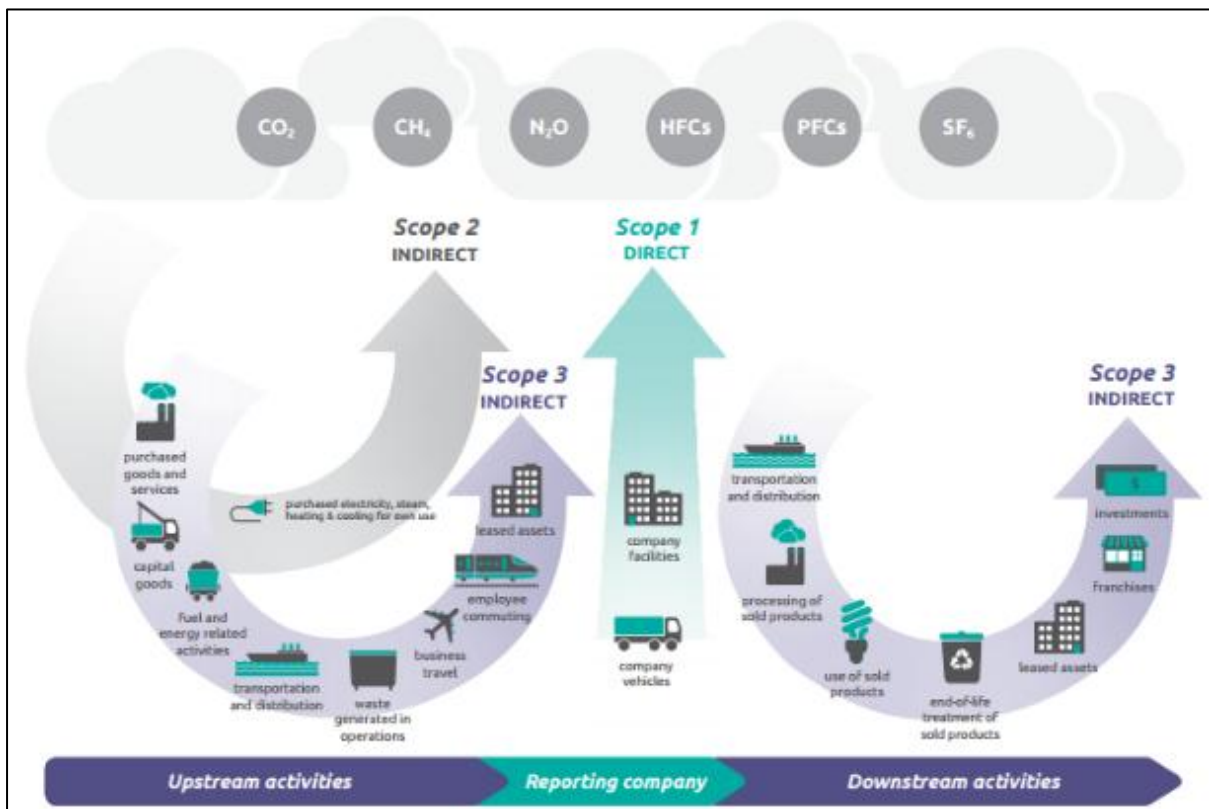
The present exercise of GHG Emission is reported for Parul University (India). Parul University’s greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reporting, in line with the GHG Protocol, encompasses scope 3 indirect emissions. Scope 3 emissions considered in this assessment cover both upstream and downstream activities associated with the University’s operations. The inclusion of upstream and downstream emissions ensures a comprehensive representation of Parul University’s value-chain-related GHG impacts and supports transparent and consistent reporting in line with internationally accepted GHG accounting principles.

4. Scope 3 Categories Overview

Scope 3 greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions are defined as all other indirect emissions (not included in Scope 2) that are generated throughout a company's value chain. These indirect activities, highlighted in Figure 2 below, are the largest source of GHG emissions for companies operating in many sectors.

In accordance with the GHG Protocol Corporate Value Chain (Scope 3) Standard, Scope 3 emissions are categorized into **15 distinct categories**, covering **upstream and downstream activities** across the company's value chain. Upstream emissions include the impacts that arise from everything required to produce your service or product, while downstream emissions include the impacts that arise from everything related to consuming your service or product. These categories capture all indirect emissions not included in Scope 1 and Scope 2.

Figure 2: Overview of GHG Protocol Scopes and Emissions



Source: Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Protocol (2025) (<https://ghgprotocol.org/>)

4.1. Upstream Scope 3 Categories (Categories 1–8)

Upstream emissions include indirect emissions related to goods and services purchased, transportation, waste, and employee-related activities occurring before the company's own operations.

1. Category 1 – Purchased Goods and Services

Emissions from the extraction, production, and transportation of goods and services purchased or acquired by the company in the reporting year, excluding capital goods.

2. Category 2 – Capital Goods

Emissions from the cradle-to-gate production of capital goods purchased or acquired by the company, such as buildings, machinery, equipment, and vehicles.

3. Category 3 – Fuel- and Energy-Related Activities (Not Included in Scope 1 or Scope 2)

Emissions related to the upstream extraction, production, and transportation of fuels and energy consumed by the company, not already accounted for in Scope 1 or Scope 2.

4. Category 4 – Upstream Transportation and Distribution

Emissions from the transportation and distribution of products purchased by the company, between suppliers and the company's facilities, in vehicles not owned or controlled by the company.

5. Category 5 – Waste Generated in Operations

Emissions from the treatment and disposal of waste generated from the company's operations, including landfill, incineration, recycling, composting, and wastewater treatment.

6. Category 6 – Business Travel

Emissions from the transportation of employees for business-related activities in vehicles not owned or controlled by the company, including air, rail, road, and accommodation-related emissions.

7. Category 7 – Employee Commuting

Emissions from the transportation of employees between their homes and worksites, including remote and hybrid working impacts where applicable.

8. Category 8– Upstream Leased Assets

Emissions from the operation of assets leased by the company (as lessee) that are not included in Scope 1 or Scope 2.

4.2. Downstream Scope 3 Categories (Categories 9–15)

Downstream emissions include indirect emissions associated with the distribution, use, and end-of-life treatment of sold products and services.

9. Category 9 – Downstream Transportation and Distribution

Emissions from transportation and distribution of sold products between the company's operations and the end consumer, in vehicles and facilities not owned or controlled by the company.

10. Category 10 – Processing of Sold Products

Emissions from the processing of intermediate products sold by the company by third parties.

11. Category 11 – Use of Sold Products

Emissions from the use of goods and services sold by the company over their expected lifetime.

12. Category 12 – End-of-Life Treatment of Sold Products

Emissions from waste disposal and treatment of products sold by the company at the end of their useful life.

13. Category 13 – Downstream Leased Assets

Emissions from the operation of assets owned by the company and leased to other entities, where such emissions are not included in Scope 1 or Scope 2.

14. Category 14 – Franchises

Emissions from the operation of franchises not included in Scope 1 or Scope 2, where the company is the franchisor.

15. Category 15 – Investments

Emissions associated with the company's investments, including equity investments, debt investments, project finance, and managed assets.

4.3. Scope 3 Category Identification and Applicability Assessment

An on-site assessment was undertaken to evaluate and quantify Scope 3 (indirect) GHG emissions associated with the facility's operations. Activities observed during the site visit were assessed against the relevant Scope 3 categories in accordance with the GHG Protocol. Based on the assessment, Scope 3 Categories 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, and 15 were identified as not applicable to the facility.

5. Methodology and GHG Emission Calculation

5.1. Data Collection

The methodologies of quantification of Scope 3 emissions are based on available records from third-party service providers, procurement data, and internal estimates where primary data is unavailable. The best available data and calculation methods are applied to ensure accurate estimation of indirect emissions.

Table 2: Overview of Scope 3 Emission Sources

Scope	Category	Emission Sources	Data Source
3	1	Purchased Goods and Services	Procurement records, purchase invoices, supplier-provided emission data
	2	Capital Goods	Procurement records, supplier emission reports
	3	Fuel- and Energy-related Activities (upstream)	Fuel suppliers' emission factors, purchase invoices
	4	Upstream Transportation and Distribution	Transport invoices, logistics reports, estimated distances
	5	Waste Generated in Operations	Third-party waste management service reports, invoices, and treatment facility data, emission factors from Defra/Climatiq
	6	Business Travel	Travel booking records, invoices, travel distance estimates, mode-specific emission factors
	7	Employee Commuting	Survey data of staff and students, estimated travel distances, mode-specific emission factors
	13	Downstream Leased Assets	Leased asset-specific energy bills, fuel consumption records, and tenant-provided activity data

5.2. Calculation of GHG Emission

Category 1: Purchased Goods & Services

This category accounts for upstream (cradle-to-gate) greenhouse gas emissions arising from the production of goods and services purchased by Parul University during the reporting year (2024-25) and used for its operational activities. These emissions occur outside the organizational boundary but are attributable to the University's value chain.

The assessment includes emissions associated with the procurement of goods and materials such as laboratory chemicals, consumables, stationery, furniture, medical supplies, and other operational materials, as well as services procured from external vendors.

The data on purchased goods and services was provided solely by Parul University, based on their procurement records, purchase invoices, and ERP system data. All calculations in this category are derived from the information supplied by the University. Where supplier-specific data was not available, secondary emission factors from recognized databases were applied in accordance with the GHG Protocol Scope 3 guidance.

GHG emissions under this category were estimated using the weight-based and spent-based method, where purchase quantities or monetary values were multiplied by appropriate secondary emission factors sourced from recognized databases such as Defra, Environmentally Extended Input-Output (EEIO) factors, and other internationally accepted life-cycle inventory sources, in accordance with the GHG Protocol Scope 3 guidance.

Table 3: Calculation of category 1

Category 1 – Purchased Goods and Services		
Sr No.	Purchased goods items	tCo₂eq
1	Plastic folder	2.82
2	Papers	307.23
3	Stationary items	4.36
4	Cartridges	1.08
5	Cell	0.32
6	Housekeeping sanitation items	24.17
7	Electrical items - IT	9.93
8	Glassware	21.13
Total emission of category 1		371.04

Category 2: Capital Goods

This category covers upstream (cradle-to-gate) greenhouse gas emissions associated with the manufacture of capital goods purchased by Parul University during the reporting year (2024 – 25). Capital goods include long-term assets such as buildings, infrastructure, laboratory and

medical equipment, furniture, IT equipment, and other long-term assets used for institutional operations. These emissions occur outside the organizational boundary but form part of the University’s value chain.

GHG emissions under this category were estimated using procurement and financial data provided by Parul University, including records related to capital asset purchases. Where detailed physical data was not available, a spend-based estimation approach was applied using appropriate secondary emission factors, including Environmentally Extended Input-Output (EEIO) factors, in line with the GHG Protocol Scope 3 guidance.

Table 4: Calculation of category 2

Category 2 – Capital Goods		
Sr No.	Types of materials	tCO₂eq
1	Construction Aggregates	828.96
2	TMT (MS Rod)	14264.29
3	AAC Blocks	423.44
4	Readymade Mixture Concrete	1913.04
5	Kota Stone & Granite	28.3
6	Clay Bricks/Expose Bricks	2506.96
7	Cement Bags	3951.07
8	Aluminium Frame & Bars	53.92
9	Plywood Sheets	97.13
10	Sunmica Sheets	6.93
11	Wood strips/frames	19.32
12	Electric fittings/materials	83.59
13	Hardware materials	107.84
14	Plumbing Materials	72.74
15	HDPE/STP Materials	32.19
16	Curtains/cloth materials/fittings	73.62
17	Air Conditioners and its associated	46.39
18	Setting materials (By Contractor)	6.05

19	Solar Materials	45.75
20	Glass & its associated materials	22.16
21	Fire Wood	331.49
22	Paver Blocks/Slabs/Pipes	7.17
23	Lift and its materials	47.42
24	Furniture	3.23
25	Lab Instrument	73.09
26	Laboratory equipment	0.55
	Total emission of category 2	25,046.64

Category 3: Fuel- and Energy-Related Activities (Not Included in Scope 1 or Scope 2)

This category includes upstream (cradle-to-gate) greenhouse gas emissions associated with the extraction, production, and transportation of fuels and energy purchased and consumed by Parul University during the reporting year 2024–25, which are not already accounted for under Scope 1 or Scope 2. These emissions occur outside the organizational boundary but are attributable to the University’s value chain.

The assessment covers well-to-tank emissions related to fuels consumed in on-site stationary and mobile sources, as well as upstream emissions from purchased electricity, including generation and transmission and distribution (T&D) losses, to the extent not included in Scope 2.

GHG emissions under this category were estimated using fuel and electricity consumption data provided by Parul University. Appropriate upstream (well-to-tank) emission factors and transmission and distribution loss factors were applied, sourced from recognized databases such as DEFRA and UK electricity upstream emission factors for electricity generation and T&D losses, in accordance with the GHG Protocol Scope 3 Standard.

GHG emissions under Scope 3 Category 3 were calculated by quantifying the upstream (well-to-tank) emissions associated with fuels and purchased electricity consumed by Parul University during the reporting year, excluding emissions already reported under Scope 1 and Scope 2.

Fuel-related emissions (Well-to-Tank)

For fuels consumed in on-site stationary and mobile sources (e.g., diesel used in DG sets and wood logs used in water heater), emissions were estimated using the fuel-based method. Reported fuel consumption data (in litres or kilograms) were multiplied by relevant well-to-tank emission factors sourced from recognized databases such as DEFRA, in line with the GHG Protocol Scope 3 guidance.

Table 5: Calculation of category 3

Category 3 – Fuel and energy related activities		
Sr No.	Fuel & Energy used	tCO₂eq
1	Diesel	0.94
2	Wood logs	30.24
3	LPG Gas Cylinder	93.41
4	Electricity	20,962.41
Total emission of category 3		21,087

Category 4: Upstream Transportation & Distribution

This category accounts for greenhouse gas emissions associated with the transportation and distribution of goods purchased by Parul University during the reporting year 2024–25, from suppliers to the University’s facilities. These emissions occur outside the organizational boundary but are attributable to the University’s value chain.

The assessment includes emissions from all relevant upstream logistics activities, covering goods transported by road, rail, air, or sea using vehicles or transport modes not owned or controlled by the University. This category captures the fuel combustion and associated GHG emissions resulting from the movement of purchased goods prior to their arrival at the University.

GHG emissions under this category were estimated using fuel consumption data provided by Parul University for upstream transportation activities, including diesel and petrol fuels used for the movement of goods. An activity-based, fuel-consumption methodology was applied, whereby the quantity of fuel consumed was multiplied by appropriate emission factors to calculate associated GHG emissions. Average biofuel blend emission factors were applied for

diesel and petrol. Emission factors from recognized databases such as DEFRA, EPA, and other internationally accepted sources, were applied in accordance with the GHG Protocol Scope 3 guidance.

Table 6: Calculation of category 4

Category 4 – Upstream Transportation and Distribution		
Sr No.	Fuel Type	tCO₂eq
1	Diesel	2160.84
2	Petrol	60.19
Total emission of category 4		2221.03

Category 5: Waste Generated in Operations

This category accounts for greenhouse gas emissions associated with the treatment and disposal of waste generated by Parul University during the reporting year 2024–25. These emissions occur outside the University’s organizational boundary but are attributable to the University’s value chain.

The assessment includes emissions from all waste streams generated in University operations, including hazardous and non-hazardous solid waste, biomedical waste, e-waste, and general municipal waste. Emissions from waste treatment and disposal processes such as landfilling, incineration, recycling, composting, and wastewater treatment were considered, depending on the disposal method.

GHG emissions under this category were estimated using waste generation data provided by Parul University, including records of quantities of waste sent to different treatment or disposal facilities. An activity-based methodology was applied, using waste-type and treatment-specific emission factors sourced from recognized databases such as DEFRA, EPA, ClimaTiq, and other internationally accepted life-cycle inventory sources, in accordance with the GHG Protocol Scope 3 guidance.

Table 7: Calculation of category 5

Category 5 – Waste Generated in Operation		
Sr No.	Waste	tCO₂eq
1	Plastic	0.26
2	Paper	0.26
3	Scraps	0.01
4	Food waste	0.32
5	E waste	0
6	Biomedical waste (Yellow category)	5367.51
Total emission of category 5		5,368.36

Category 6: Business Travel

This category accounts for greenhouse gas emissions associated with the treatment and disposal of waste generated by Parul University during the reporting year 2024–25. These emissions occur outside the University’s organizational boundary but are attributable to the University’s value chain.

The assessment includes GHG emissions arising from business travel undertaken as part of university operations. This covers travel by university employees and representatives using company-arranged or reimbursed transportation modes. Emissions from road-based business travel were considered, including vehicles operating on diesel and compressed natural gas (CNG), depending on the fuel type and vehicle category used for official travel purposes.

GHG emissions under this category were estimated using business travel activity data provided by Parul University, including records of fuel consumption or distance travelled for different vehicle types used for official travel. An activity-based methodology was applied, using distance - and vehicle-specific emission factors sourced from recognized India GHG program and internationally accepted databases such as DEFRA, IPCC, EPA, and other standard life-cycle inventory sources, in accordance with the GHG Protocol Scope 3 guidance.

Table 8: Calculation of category 6

Category 6 – Business Travel		
Sr No.	Vehicle type	tCO₂eq
1	Diesel (MUV Car)	508.16
2	CNG (Medium sized Car)	5654.52
3	Petrol (Small sized Car)	7670.46
4	Air travel (short haul)	1698.65
5	Air travel (long haul) + Taxi travel	1,07,558.94
6	Rail travel	13.64
Total emission of category 6		1,23,104.40

Category 7: Employee Commuting

This category accounts for greenhouse gas emissions associated with the treatment and disposal of waste generated by Parul University during the reporting year 2024–25. These emissions occur outside the University’s organizational boundary but are attributable to the University’s value chain.

The assessment includes GHG emissions arising from employee commuting to and from the University campus as part of routine operations. This covers daily travel by employees using various modes of transportation. Emissions from road-based commuting were considered, including cars, two-wheelers, and buses, depending on the mode of transport used by employees for commuting purposes.

GHG emissions under this category were estimated using employee commuting activity data provided by Parul University, including information on commuting distance, frequency, and mode of transport. An activity-based methodology was applied, using distance- and vehicle-mode-specific emission factors sourced from DEFRA, in accordance with the GHG Protocol Scope 3 guidance.

Table 9: Calculation of category 7

Category 7 – Employee Commuting		
Sr No.	Items	tCO₂eq
1	Cars	8,44,356.29
2	Two-wheeler	24,30,070.46
3	Bus	28,82,501.68
Total emission of category 7		61,56,928.43

Category 13: Downstream Leased Assets

This category accounts for greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions arising from the operation of assets owned by Parul University and leased to third-party entities during the reporting year 2024–25. These emissions occur outside the University’s organizational boundary but are attributable to its value chain, in accordance with the GHG Protocol Scope 3 guidance.

The assessment includes GHG emissions associated with leased facilities operated by tenants on the University campus, such as food outlets, retail units, and service providers. As Parul University acts as a lessor and does not operate these assets directly, emissions from fuel and energy use, mobile combustion, and refrigerant-related sources within leased premises were considered under this category.

This category covers emissions associated with fuel and energy use, mobile combustion, and refrigerant-related sources within leased assets operated by third-party tenants on Parul University premises. Emissions from road-based transportation related to leased activities were considered, including cars (petrol), rickshaws (petrol and diesel), and two-wheelers, along with emissions from fire extinguishers, and LPG gas cylinders used within leased premises.

GHG emissions under this category were estimated using Scope 1 and Scope 2 activity data provided by lessees, as compiled by Parul University. A leased-asset-specific methodology, in line with the GHG Protocol Scope 3 guidance (Category 13: Downstream Leased Assets), was applied. Emissions were calculated using reported fuel consumption, LPG consumption data, and vehicle transport for goods multiplied by relevant emission factors. Emission factors were sourced from recognized databases such as CEA, GHG IPCC, GHG protocol, Defra and other

internationally accepted life-cycle inventory sources to estimate the associated GHG emissions.

Table 10: Calculation of category 13

Category 13 – Downstream Leased Assets		
Sr No.	Items	tCO₂eq
1	Car, Tempo & EECO (Petrol)	1,012.63
2	Tempo & EECO (CNG)	3.98
3	Rikshaw (Diesel)	0.26
4	Rikshaw (Petrol)	3.57
5	Two wheelers (Petrol)	7.23
6	Fire Extinguisher Cylinders (CO ₂) Refilled	0.01
7	Purchased cooking gas (LPG)	101.71
	Total emission of category 13	1,129.38

6. Result and Discussion

The total Scope 3 greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions for Parul University for the reporting year 2024–25 are estimated at **63,35,256.31 tCO₂eq**, encompassing emissions across the University’s value chain. These emissions include upstream activities such as procurement of goods and services, capital goods, fuel and energy use, and transportation, as well as downstream emissions associated with leased assets. In Table 9, category-wise emissions are presented.

Table 11: Category-wise emission

Scope 3 Category	Category Description	Emission (tCO ₂ eq)
Category 1	Purchased Goods & Services	371.04
Category 2	Capital Goods	25,046.64
Category 3	Fuel & Energy-Related Activities	21,087.00
Category 4	Upstream Transportation & Distribution	2,221.04
Category 5	Waste Generated in Operations	5,368.36
Category 6	Business Travel	1,23,104.41
Category 7	Employee Commuting	61,56,928.43
Category 13	Downstream Leased Assets	1,129.39
Total Emission		63,35,256.31

Analysis of Scope 3 emissions shows that **Category 7 – Employee Commuting** is the largest contributing category, with total emissions of **61,56,928.43 tCO₂e**. This is mainly due to the large number of employees and regular commuting over considerable distances using different transport modes. Among the commuting options, bus travel accounts for the highest emissions (28,82,501.68 tCO₂e), followed by two-wheelers (24,30,070.46 tCO₂e) and cars (8,44,356.29 tCO₂e). The results highlight employee mobility as a key driver of Scope 3 emissions and indicate a significant opportunity for emission reduction through improved commuting practices and sustainable transport initiatives.

Category 2 – Capital Goods and **Category 6 – Business travel** are also substantial contributors, primarily due to emissions associated with the production of construction materials, IT and laboratory equipment, and the distance travelled. Other categories, including

Fuel & Energy related activities (Category 3), upstream transportation and distribution (Category 4), and Waste Generated in Operations (Category 5), contribute moderate shares to the total emissions.

These results provide insights into key emission sources across the University's value chain. While upstream activities such as procurement and energy consumption account for a significant portion, travel-related emissions dominate the overall footprint, indicating clear areas for potential mitigation. Downstream leased assets (Category 13) account for a relatively small portion of emissions but are included to ensure a comprehensive assessment.

All emissions were calculated using activity data, including fuel and electricity consumption, waste quantities, transport distances, and leased asset operations, multiplied by recognized emission factors from sources such as DEFRA, India GHG Programme, GHG Protocol, ClimaTiq, IPCC, and EPA. The methodology follows the GHG Protocol Scope 3 calculation guidelines, ensuring consistency and transparency in reporting. These results serve as a baseline for identifying priority areas for emissions reduction, energy efficiency improvements, and sustainable procurement initiatives across the University.

7. Recommendation and Mitigation Actions

Category 1 – Purchased Goods and Services

Prioritize procurement from Green Pro-certified and other low-carbon suppliers, with a strong preference for localized vendors to minimize transport distances and associated emissions. Bulk purchasing will further reduce logistics-related emissions. Supplier GHG emissions will be tracked annually, with year-on-year reduction targets of 5–10% to drive continuous improvement.

Category 2 – Capital Goods

Choose recycled steel, fly ash concrete, and local materials to minimize embodied carbon. Prioritize prefabricated construction and suppliers with verified low-carbon processes.

Category 3- Fuel & Energy-Related Activities

Switch to LED lighting, energy-efficient equipment, and renewables. Maintain systems regularly and target 5% annual energy reduction through monitoring.

Category 4 – Upstream Transportation

Use CNG/electric vehicles, consolidate shipments, and partner with fuel-efficient logistics providers. Track transport emissions monthly for optimization.

Category 5 – Waste Generated in Operations

Eliminate single-use plastics. Reduce waste generation at source. Target zero waste to landfill through recycling and composting.

Category 6 – Business Travel

Replace flights with video calls, use trains/public transport, and carpool for local trips. Promote fuel-efficient and cleaner vehicles such as CNG, electric, or hybrid vehicles.

Category 7 – Employee Commuting

Employees should be encouraged to use cleaner mobility options such as electric vehicles, CNG vehicles, biofuel-powered vehicles, or fuel-efficient two-wheelers. At the organizational level, conventional diesel buses can be phased out and replaced with electric or biofuel/CNG buses. Additionally, promoting carpooling and shared transport among employees will further reduce fuel consumption and associated greenhouse gas emissions.

Category 13 – Downstream Leased Assets

To reduce emissions from downstream leased assets, energy-efficient lighting, equipment, and appliances should be used, and the capacity of existing solar energy systems can be increased to maximize renewable energy use.

7.1. Way Forward to Net zero emission

Parul University can advance towards net zero emissions by strategically addressing Scope 3 emissions arising from indirect sources across its value chain, including business travel, employee commuting, procurement of goods and services, upstream energy supply chains, and waste management by third parties. Implementing a comprehensive supplier engagement program that prioritizes low-carbon vendors, requires sustainable supply chain certifications (such as Green Pro, ISO 14001, or equivalent), and embeds sustainability criteria within procurement contracts will significantly reduce emissions associated with purchased goods and services.

To mitigate transportation-related impacts, the University can expand the use of virtual collaboration tools, subsidize public and electric transport for staff and students, and partner with low-emission logistics providers for events and supplies. Additionally, systematic primary data collection on employee commuting patterns—through surveys, access records, and mobility assessments—will improve data accuracy, enable targeted interventions, and support measurable emission reduction strategies aligned with net zero goals.

7.2. Measurement and Targets

- Establish a Scope 3 GHG inventory in alignment with GHG Protocol standards to accurately track emissions across the value chain.
- Set science-based targets (SBTi) to define measurable and time-bound emission reduction pathways.
- Conduct annual audits, including green building assessments and green audits, and ESG disclosures to strengthen accountability and support continuous improvement.
- Align sustainability initiatives with ISO 14064 and ISO 50001 standards to ensure transparent, consistent, and measurable progress.
- Integrate technological interventions with nature-based solutions, including Miyawaki afforestation and wastewater reuse, to enhance overall sustainability outcomes.

- Promote strategic investments, institutional innovation, and proactive stakeholder engagement to support long-term climate goals.
- Position Parul University as a model for sustainable higher education, progressing toward its vision of a carbon-neutral campus.

7.3. Innovation and Partnerships

Building on existing initiatives, Parul University can further enhance sustainability through strategic collaborations. The University already operates internal electric vehicles for campus transport, partners with the Kachhre Se Azadi Foundation for effective waste management, and has established GHG monitoring with completed Scope 1 and 2 assessments. Leveraging these successes, similar partnerships can be pursued across other value chain activities to promote circular economy practices, reduce emissions, and drive innovation, reinforcing the University's role as a leader in sustainable higher education.

8. Annexure

8.1. Assumption Sheet

Assumptions considered into GHG inventorization and calculations

Category	Category Description	Materials/Items	Emission Factor Source/Assumption
1	Capital Goods	Xerox Paper A4, A3, A5, Printed Journals, Printed Stationary	Paper (except Newsprint) Mills; Kg Co ₂ eq /2022 USD, purchased price, EEIO factors converted to INR
		Stationary items (chalk/sutli/duster/pen/pencil/stamp pad/stamp pad ink/highlighter/CD/white board marker/cello tape/glue stick/u-pin/cutter/binder clips/scissor etc.)	Stationery product manufacturing, used EEIO factors
		Cell (Duracell AA+/AAA+/9V Duracell/Eveready C-type/Gluco meter cell)	EEIO Factor used of Primary Battery
		Plastic folders	EEIO factor used of laminated plastics plate, sheet (except packaging), and shape manufacturing
		Cartridges (Canon/Kyocera/Riso/Konica Minolta)	EEIO factor used of printing machinery and equipment manufacturing
		Housekeeping Sanitation Items (Floor Cleaner/Dettol hand-wash/Broom/Garbage Bag/room freshener/cotton duster/dustbin/Colin etc.)	EEIO factor used of polish and other sanitation good manufacturing
		Laboratory machine	EEIO factor used of analytical laboratory instrument manufacturing
		For laboratory glassware	EEIO factor used of other pressed and blown glass and glassware manufacturing
2	Capital goods	Construction Aggregates	Emission factor used of construction aggregates primary material production
		TMT (MS Rod)	Emission factor used of metals primary material production
		AAC Blocks	Emission factor used of concrete primary material production

	Readymade Mixture Concrete	Emission factor used of Concrete Primary material production
	Kota Stone & Granite	Emission factor used of aggregates Primary material production
	Clay Bricks/Expose Bricks	Emission factor used of bricks primary material production
	Cement Bags	Emission factor used of concrete primary material production
	Aluminium Frame & Bars	Emission factor used of metals primary material production
	Plywood Sheets	Emission factor used of wood primary material production
	Sunmica Sheets	Emission factor used of wood primary material production
	Wood strips/frames	Emission factor used of wood primary material production
	Electric fittings/materials	Emission factor used of electric items - small primary material production
	Hardware materials	Emission factor used of metals primary material production
	Plumbing Materials	Emission factor used of plastics: PVC (incl. forming) primary material production
	HDPE/STP Materials	Emission factor used of plastics: HDPE (incl. forming) primary material production
	Curtains/cloth materials/fittings	Emission factor used of clothing primary material production
	Air Conditioners and its associated	Emission factor used of electric items - large primary material production
	Setting materials (By Contractor)	Emission factor used of average construction primary material production
	Solar Materials	Emission factor used of electric items - small primary material production
	Glass & its associated materials	Emission factor used of glass primary material production
	Fire Wood	Emission factor used of wood primary material production
	Paver Blocks/Slabs/Pipes	Emission factor used of average construction primary material production

		Lift and its materials	Emission factor used of metals primary material production
		Furnitures	Emission factor used of wood primary material production
5	Waste generated in operations	Plastic	Emission factor used of Plastics: average plastics closed-loop
		Paper	Emission factor used of Paper and board: mixed closed-loop
		Scrap	Emission factor used of Metal: scrap metals closed-loop
		Food Waste	Emission factor used of organic: food and drink waste composting
		Biomedical Waste	Emission factor used of Incineration
6	Business Travel	Tempo traveller/Tavera/Toofan	Uplift emission factor taken of MUV car
		Sedan	Emission factor for medium hybrid car taken
7	Employee Commuting	Trips Per Week	Trips Per Week considered 6 days, Weeks worked per year considered 36 for cars, one-way distance 227km, for two-wheelers one-way distance consider 25km, for bus one-way distance 40km and weeks worked per year 38 were taken

8.2. List of Abbreviations

GHG: Greenhouse gas

ESG: Environment, social, and governance

tCO₂eq: Tonnes carbon dioxide equivalent

tCO₂eq/t: Tonnes carbon dioxide equivalent per tonne

kg CO₂eq: kilogram carbon dioxide equivalent

kg CO₂eq/kg: kilogram carbon dioxide equivalent per kilogram

IPCC: Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

EEIO: Environmentally Extended Input-Output

T&D: transmission and distribution

DEFRA: Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

DG sets: Diesel Generator sets

WTT: Well-to-tank

EPA: Environment protection act

CNG: Compressed natural gas

LPG: Liquefied petroleum gas

GWP: Global Warming Potential

CEA: Central Electricity Authority

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