

Yelahanka High School

A Promising Start Towards Zero Waste

The Zero Waste journey at Yelahanka High School began with enthusiasm.

After seeing the infrastructure set up at Yelahanka PU College, the Headmistress, Mrs. Kannamma, expressed her desire to bring the same transformation to her school. With support, infrastructure was provided, and implementation began in June 2024.

The school team first visited Cambridge Institute to understand how a Zero Waste Campus truly functions. Soon after, awareness sessions were conducted for students, and housekeeping staff were trained to collect and store dry waste systematically using trolleys and separate bags.

On 23 July 2024, the Dry Waste Aggregation Centre was inaugurated.



The early signs were encouraging. By August, the school conducted its first dry waste sale — carefully segregating waste into 12 different categories. It was a strong beginning, showing discipline and commitment.

However, as months passed, consistency became a challenge. During follow-up visits, some mixing of waste was observed. By January 2025, the school had slipped back to older practices, selling only two categories of waste and handing the rest over mixed.



Yelahanka High School's journey reminds us of an important truth:

Zero Waste is not just about infrastructure.

It is about daily practice.

The school showed that transformation is possible. With renewed focus and consistent monitoring, it has the potential to regain momentum and become the model it once began to be.

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