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CRESCENT Ranked "Top 200" Universities of the World in "Affordable and Clean Energy (SDG 7)" by THE Impact Rankings 2020

A major shift to Renewable Energy by the Crescent University, through a 650 KWp Roof Top Solar Power Plant, energy efficient measures like Solar Water Heater, Solar Light, LED Bulbs, Publication of Quality Research articles in renewable energy area in high impact factor journals earning more than 100 Scopus citations are some of the contributions, which have made "Crescent" to get into the "Top 200" Universities of the world, in the recently published THE Impact Rankings 2020. Only 09 Indian Universities including Crescent and IITM, Chennai have shared the honours.

The practice of Outcome Based Education as early as 2014, when India has become a full signatory member of the Washington Accord leading to lifelong learning, Accreditation by NBA for 20 programmes, inclusive learning opportunities for the under-privileged people were some of the major parameters, by which Crescent has become a "Top 300" University in the world, in the category "SDG 4 : Quality Education" of the Times Higher Education Global Rankings. Apart from Crescent, IIT Kharagpur and Manipal University are the two other Indian Universities who have made into the band of 201 – 300.

Similarly, Crescent could get into "Top 300" university category, in one another category of SDGs viz., "Clean Water and Sanitation" by several reforms including Rainwater Harvesting in all buildings, Waste water treatment through 2 STPs, Efficient Liquid Waste Management and Zero Discharge thereby less polluting the environment. A total of 19 Indian Universities including Crescent have made into Top 300 Universities in the SDG 7 : Clean Water and Sanitation category.

The Times Higher Education Impact Rankings 2020 is one of the first kind of rankings to practice Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), proposed by the United Nations, as major criteria for evaluating the performance of Global Universities in terms of System, Education, Practice, Research etc.,

It may be recollected that Crescent, a 36 year old institute has been earlier Accredited and Awarded by various National and International agencies of repute like NAAC, NBA, NIRF, QS Star, QS IGauge, QS India Ranking, QS Asia Ranking, Swachhata Ranking etc., This institute is an active participant in several government initiatives like Swachh Bharat, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, Jal Shakthi Abhiyan, One Student - One Tree Campaign, Rain water harvesting, Green Energy etc., and won several awards and recognitions.