Project Green Challenge — Day 19 (GREENEST)

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LINK TO MY INSTAGRAM POST:

⊕ Greenhouse on Instagram: "From corners to change. Our Campus Roots Team at the U...

GLOBAL LINK Inspiration

- 1. Our "Green Corners" idea echoes the **Earthshot Prize theme** "Revive Our Natural World" connecting grassroots restoration in Buea to the global movement for biodiversity and green innovation.
 - Like the **2025 Earthshot Nominees**, we aim to scale small ideas into systems change: one garden, one story, one student at a time.
- 1. The story of **Telangana's teen "Green Teacher"** reminds me that real change doesn't need authority it begins with action, joy, and creativity. By teaching children to care for the environment through play, she transformed climate education into something tangible and human. Likewise, the **Earthshot Prize finalists** prove that solutions to our greatest challenges are already within reach from regenerating coral reefs to reinventing food systems and recycling CO₂ into useful materials.

Both examples remind me that small, local actions can ripple into global impact when rooted in purpose, teamwork, and persistence

Action Plan

ROLES



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DATE

May 25, 2024

| ACT | ION SNAP | SHOT |
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| ISSUE | Plastic pollution & lack of greenery on campus | |
| GOAL | Reclaim five neglected campus spots with student-led greenery by November 25, 2025 | |
| NEXT STEP | Submit planting plan to university facilities office | |
| ROLES | Asongu (Lead) – oversees planning & reporting Esther (Comms) – creates awareness materials Joseph (Ops) – sources tools & plants Mirabel (Monitoring) – tracks progress Brian (Outreach) – recruits volunteers | |
| START- END | October 25 + Novem PARTNERS / SUPPORT Turning Green Friends of the Earth ACURE Beauty | ber 25, 2025 UB Environmental Club @foe_us Friends of tEarth @acurebeauty |
| HASHTAG/TAGS #PGC2025, @TurningGreenOrg @foe_us, @acurebeauty | | |

TODAY 20TH AFTER HAVING OUR FIRST MEETING IN SCHOOL



3 Minutes — Each Person Shares One Local Climate Issue

Our group of five (Asongu, Esther, Joseph, Mirabel, and Brian) met for a 20-minute "Campus Roots" huddle under the University of Buea Environmental Club Garden.

Each person shared an issue they care deeply about:

| Name | Local Climate Issue Shared |
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| Asongu | Plastic litter around the campus and lack of recycling bins. |
| Esther | Increasing food waste from canteens and hostel kitchens. |
| Joseph | Minimal tree cover on campus causing heat and erosion. |
| Mirabel | Flooding and poor drainage after rainfall. |
| Brian | Low student participation in sustainability initiatives. |

10 Minutes — Pick One Issue + Brainstorm Three Possible Actions

After discussion, the team voted on the most immediate issue:

Plastic pollution and lack of greenery on campus.

We brainstormed three possible 30-day actions:

A) Plastic-Free Campus Drive:

- Organize waste segregation bins in five key student areas.
- Host mini awareness talks during lunch breaks.

B) "Adopt-a-Spot" Tree & Garden Program:

- Students adopt one neglected corner and plant native trees or flowers.
- Add simple signage: "This corner cares for the planet."

C) Campus Upcycling Challenge:

- Encourage creative reuse of plastic bottles into planters and decor.
- Exhibit winning designs on campus.

▼ 7 Minutes — Choose One Action + Assign Roles + Set Date

Chosen Action:

"Adopt-a-Spot" Tree & Garden Program — A 30-day mission to reclaim small neglected spaces around the University of Buea and turn them into mini eco-gardens.

Goal:

Transform five unused corners of the university into living, student-managed green areas by **November 25, 2025**.

Roles Assigned:

| Member | Responsibility |
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| Asongu (Lead) | Liaise with campus administration, oversee planting & reporting |
| Esther (Communications) | Create posters & social media updates |
| Joseph (Operations) | Source tools, seeds, and compost |
| Mirabel (Monitoring) | Track weekly progress and collect photos |
| Brian (Community Mobilizer) | Recruit volunteers and coordinate planting days |

Kickoff Date: October 25, 2025

Mid-Review: November 10, 2025

Completion: November 25, 2025

| Issue | Plastic pollution + lack of greenery on campus |
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| Action | "Adopt-a-Spot" — Student-led tree and garden planting drive |
| Goal | Reclaim 5 neglected campus spaces with native greenery |
| Roles | Asongu (Lead), Esther (Comms), Joseph (Ops), Mirabel (Monitoring), Brian (Outreach) |
| Start-End | Oct 25 → Nov 25, 2025 |
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Next Steps

- Submit planting plan to university facilities office.
- Collect soil and seedlings from Ekona Agricultural Station.
- Launch the first "Adopt-a-Spot" event on **Oct 30** with volunteers.
- Share weekly photo updates on Instagram using #PGC2025.

