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Recycle Right!

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Introduction

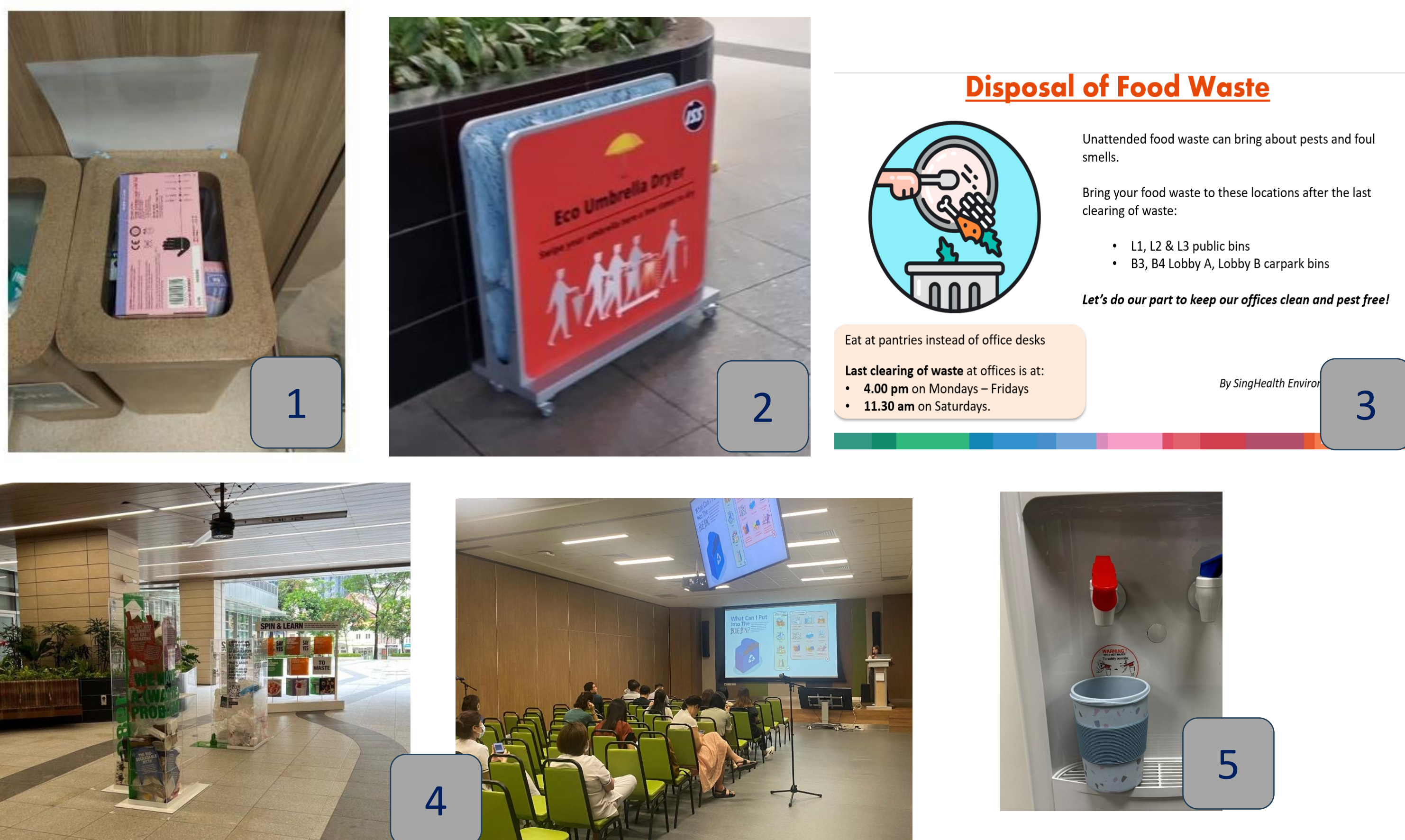
With the launch of GreenGov.SG movement in 2021, SingHealth Tower has stepped up recycling measures. In 2023, this was intensified in order to promote a message to 'Recycle Right!'



Aim & Methodology

After successful recycling efforts in 2021 and 2022, SingHealth ES is looking to further enhance recycling rates. The focus in 2023 was to explore new avenues to reduce 'one-time use' waste.

This was done through several channels:



1 Working with nursing, identified small carton boxes for masks, medication and clean supplies to recycle instead of disposing as general waste. Hence introducing **carton box recycling** in wards.

2 Worked with our outsourced service partner to bring in '**Eco umbrella dryer**', replacing current one-time use plastic sleeves.

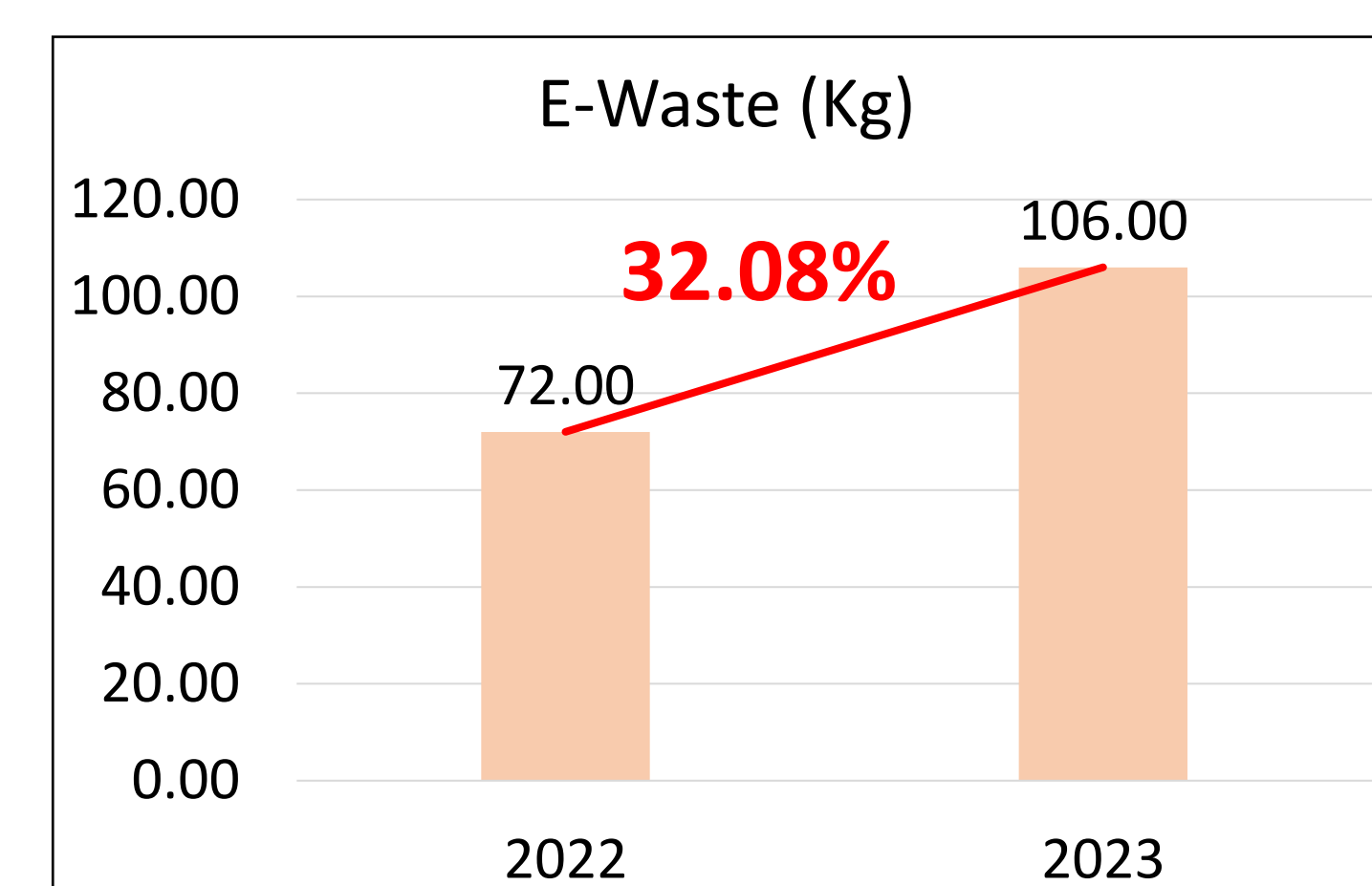
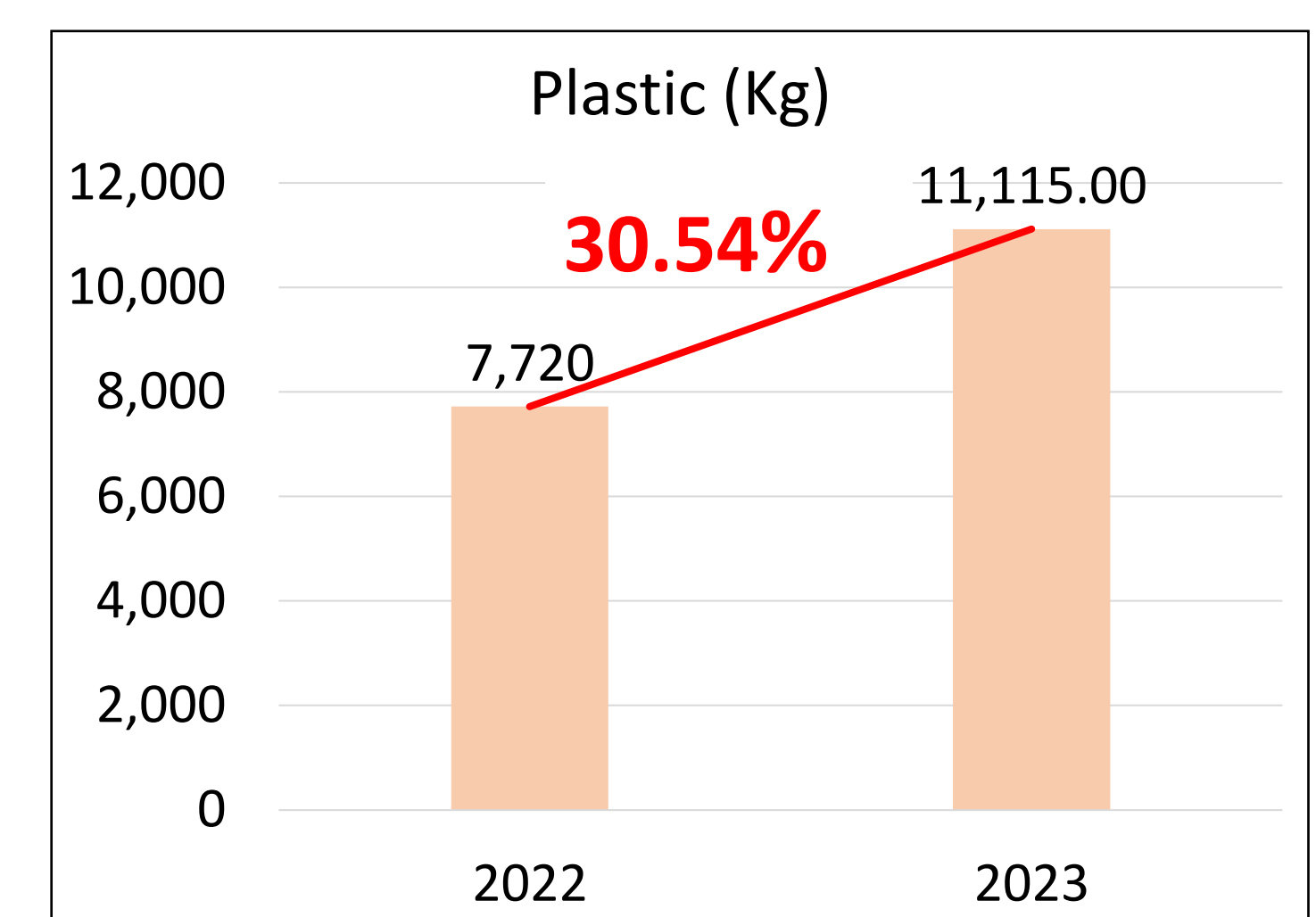
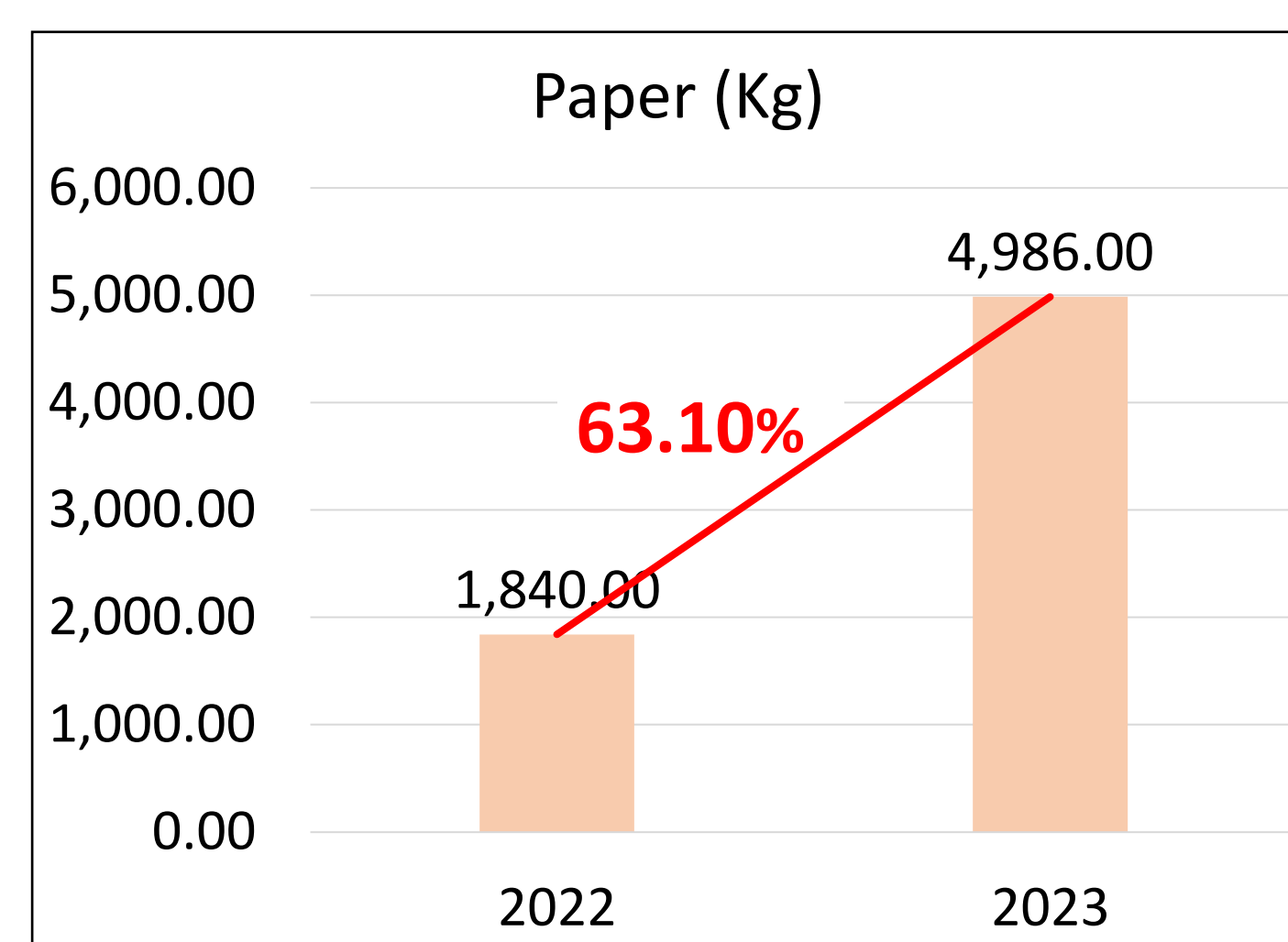
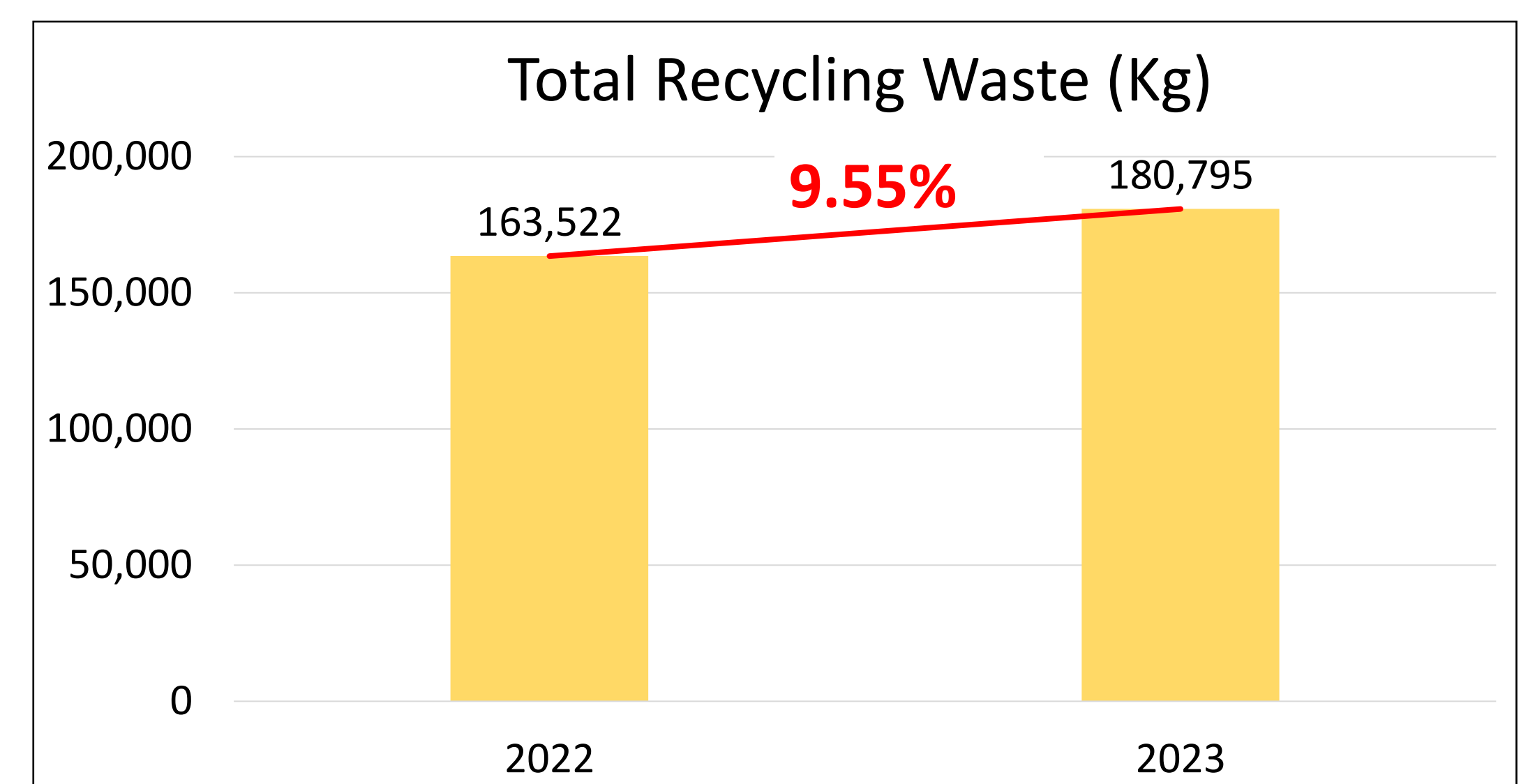
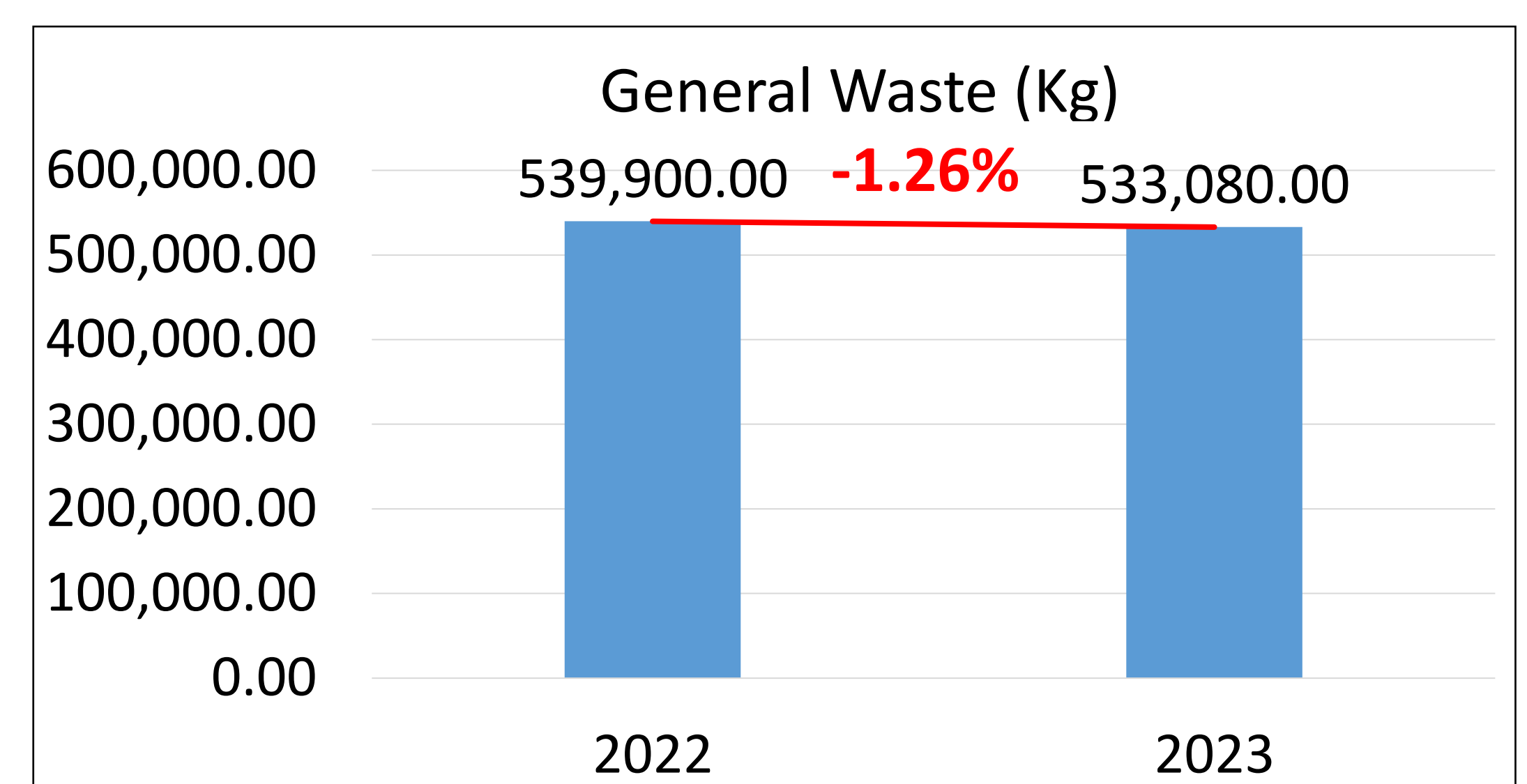
3 Posters were put up to remind and encourage staff to bring food waste to **common bins** for disposal at the end of the day.

4 Educating staff on the importance of recycling through **informative talks and exhibits**. "Say NO to Plastics" event was organized to promote a culture of sustainability and BYO. We also worked with NEA to bring in a roving 'Wasteless Café' exhibit; educating staff to 'waste less'.

5 Bottled water was not provided anymore at Board meetings. Beverages were served in **re-usable cups or glasses** instead.

Result

Comparing to 2022 recycling data, we are seeing a slight drop overall in General Waste (by 1.26%). Recycling Waste has increased by 9.55% overall - with the biggest increase from paper by 63.10%, plastic by 30.54% and E-Waste by 32.08%.



Conclusion

There are many other methods to reduce waste. Building operators can also explore systems in the market that can help further bring down waste numbers. Ultimately it is through every user's cooperation that will contribute to 'wasting less', so everyone needs to come together and play a part to achieve the Nation's common goal.

We hope everyone can learn to 'Recycle Right!'