

Shiv Nadar Institution of Eminence

Collaboration for shared landscape

Shiv Nadar IoE has collaborated with the local community and local administration to maintain and beautify shared landscape. Some of these measures are **adoption of green areas and biodiversity documentation of the areas** in the vicinity of the campus.

Adoption of Green Area

We signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Greater Noida Industrial Development Authority (GNIDA) on June 2, 2019. Under this MoU, the University has agreed to adopt the green area on behalf of GNIDA. This area is called Veer Savarkar Chowk. Since then, we have developed and maintained the green area, cultivating flower beds, trees, shrubs, and community gardens. Besides, we have regularly maintained the area by raking leaves, picking up litter, removing graffiti, pulling weeds, and bearing the total cost of this maintenance. To date, we have planted 160 trees, 1107 shrubs, and 5175.63 sqm of grass with a survival rate of 95%

Biodiversity documentation project

The biodiversity documentation resulted in identifying and documenting 272 plant species under 203 genera belonging to 69 plant families in Chithara Village Panchayat, the local village around the Shiv Nadar IoE campus. Two more books on: 'Traditional Knowledge: Folk Songs of Chithara Village in Upper Doab region of Uttar Pradesh, India' (2020) (English and Hindi) have also been published. All these publications have resulted in creating awareness about the landscape. The involvement of local communities has also resulted in a pledge commitment for maintenance and preservation of the shared landscape.