Shoolini University

RELATIONSHIPS WITH REGIONAL NGOs AND GOVERNMENT FOR SDG POLICY

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17.2.1 Relationships with regional NGOs and government for SDG policy

In alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Shoolini University has established **strong partnerships with regional NGOs, government agencies, and national institutions** to codevelop, implement, and monitor policy-relevant initiatives. These collaborations enable the University to contribute directly to policy development, sustainability modelling, and adaptive management, while fostering community-driven impact. The University has a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Yuvraj Singh's Cancer Foundation – **YouWeCan,** reflecting its strong commitment to **SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being)**. Under this collaboration, Shoolini organized extensive community health awareness and early detection programmes for breast, cervical, and oral cancer, along with free medical camps and counselling. Key activities organized in 2025 included an online session with where he shared his personal journey and insights on cancer survivorship; **student-led breast cancer awareness drives** across campus and nearby communities; and Pink October outreach campaigns promoting preventive action and early diagnosis. These initiatives collectively advance SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being) by fostering preventive healthcare, health education, and community participation.



Yuvraj Singh and Prof. P.K Khosla Signed MOU Between YouWeCan Foundation and Shoolini University

Shoolini University's collaboration with the YouWeCan Foundation through active MoUs supports student-led initiatives focused on health awareness, community engagement, and social impact.

Shoolini University has signed a concessionaire agreement with the **Himachal Pradesh Council for Science, Technology, and Environment (HIMCOSTE)** to manage and curate the upcoming State Science Museum and Planetarium in Shimla, while also collaborating on water treatment and environmental sustainability initiatives. The partnership, signed in the presence of Chief Secretary Mr. Prabodh Saxena, aims to promote science education and practical learning through the establishment of the **Centre for Science, Learning, and Creativity (CSLC)** at Shoghi. Under this collaboration, both institutions will work jointly on wastewater treatment, water recycling, and sustainable innovation projects, aligning with national goals for clean water and climate resilience. This marks a major step toward integrating scientific education with environmental conservation in Himachal Pradesh. This partnership enhances science communication, promotes STEM learning, and contributes to SDG 4 (Quality Education) SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation) and SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure) by fostering innovation, sustainability awareness, research engagement, and community participation in scientific advancement.



HIMCOSTE and Shoolini University Partner to Curate State Science Museum and Planetarium in Shimla

Shoolini University has won the **2026 International Coaching Federation (ICF)** Coaching Impact Award for **Project Pragati,** an initiative supporting rural women through coaching and entrepreneurship. It received the Distinguished Coaching Catalyst award in the Social Impact category. The award recognised the university's work in helping women build confidence, make informed decisions and develop locally rooted micro-enterprises. Project Pragati brought together professional coaches, student mentors and 27 rural women to identify livelihood options and work towards greater economic independence. Practical training in areas such as mushroom cultivation, food processing and other small-scale enterprise activities helps women explore locally relevant business opportunities. The programme has also provided equipment support to help participants apply their skills.



Shoolini Wins Global ICF Award 2026 for Project Pragati

In alignment with **SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation)**, the University has signed an MoU with the **National Mission for Clean Ganga, Ministry of Jal Shakti**, to support policy-relevant research and interventions in sustainable water management. Similarly, collaboration with the **Himalayan Forest Research Institute advances SDG 13 (Climate Action)** through joint research on forest conservation, ecosystem restoration, and climate resilience initiatives. Shoolini University's commitment to social equity, gender justice, and institutional integrity is reflected in its partnerships with the **Ladli Foundation Trust**, the **All-India Council of Human Rights**, Liberties, and Social Justice, and **People Vigilance on Human Rights**. These

collaborations promote gender sensitization, inclusive governance, and community participation in human rights education and advocacy.

PARTNERSHIPS WITH REGIONAL NGOS AND GOVERNMENT FOR SDG POLICY DEVELOPMENT

Sr. No.	Name of NGO/Government Organisation with Signed MoU	Relevant SDG	SDG Evidence
1	National Mission for Clean Ganga, Ministry of Jal Shakti	SDG 6 – Clean Water and Sanitation	Link
2	Himalayan Forest Research Institute	SDG 13 – Climate Action	Link
3	Ladli Foundation Trust	SDG 5 – Gender Equality	Link
4	All India Council of Human Rights, Liberties, and Social Justice	SDG 16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions	Link
5	People Vigilance on Human Rights	SDG 16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions	Link
6	National Biodiversity Authority	SDG 15 – Life on Land	Link
7	WICCI National Coaching Council	SDG 4 – Quality Education	Link
8	Government of Himachal Pradesh	SDG 3 – Good Health and Well-being	Link
9	YouWeCan	SDG 3 – Good Health and Well-being	Link
10	iHub DivyaSampark	SDG 9 – Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure	Link
11	International Skill Development Corporation	SDG 8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth; SDG 9 – Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure	Link
12	Agro Environmental Education & Farmers Welfare Society	SDG 2 – Zero Hunger	Link

13	International Coaching Federation (ICF)	SDG 4 – Quality Education	Link
14	FICCI Ladies Organization	SDG 5 – Gender Equality; SDG 8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth	Link
15	Public Relations Council of India	SDG 8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth; SDG 17 – Partnerships for the Goals	Link
16	Himalayan University Consortium (HUC) – ICIMOD	SDG 13 – Climate Action	Link
17	Association of Indian Universities (AIU)	SDG 4 – Quality Education	Link

Conclusion

Shoolini University has established partnerships with regional NGOs, government agencies, and national institutions to advance the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). These collaborations support initiatives in healthcare, water management, climate action, biodiversity conservation, gender equality, human rights, and quality education. Key partnerships, including those with YouWeCan, HIMCOSTE, the National Mission for Clean Ganga, and the Himalayan Forest Research Institute, strengthen community engagement and sustainability-related activities. Through Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) and collaborative initiatives, the University promotes knowledge sharing, research engagement, and coordinated action on societal and environmental challenges. Collectively, these partnerships contribute to SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals and reinforce the University's commitment to sustainable and inclusive development.