Shoolini University

CROSS SECTORAL DIALOGUE ABOUT SDGs

2025

MULTI-STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT | KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE | COLLABORATIVE SOLUTIONS | SDG IMPLEMENTATION | PARTNERSHIPS FOR IMPACT



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17.2.2 Cross sectoral dialogue about SDGs

Shoolini University actively initiates and participates in **cross-sectoral dialogues dedicated to advancing the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**. In 2025, the university **hosted 11 impactful events addressing multiple SDGs** through a range of formats, including international workshops, national seminars, and professional development programmes. These initiatives provided vibrant platforms for collaboration among **academia, government agencies, industry experts, and civil society organisations**. By encouraging open dialogue, sharing innovative practices, and promoting collective action, Shoolini University reinforces its position as a hub of thought leadership and collaboration for sustainable development effectively bridging knowledge and practice across sectors to accelerate progress toward the UN 2030 Agenda.

1. International conference on Applied Artificial Intelligence and Innovation (AAIIC)

Conference Themes

- AI-Driven Innovations in Education Energy, Ethics, and Intelligent Systems
- AI Transformations in Healthcare and
- Medicine
- AI Solutions for Smart and Sustainable Agriculture

Innovation and industry-academia collaboration were strengthened through AAIIC 2025, organized with Jawaharlal Nehru University and TCS, supporting SDGs 4 and 9. The CEDSA Conclave 4.0, in collaboration with Indian Direct Selling Association (IDSA), promoted entrepreneurship and partnerships, contributing to SDGs 8, 9 and 17. International Coaching Week 2025, conducted with the International Coaching Federation, supported well-being, learning, and professional development under SDGs 3, 4 and 8.



AAIIC 2025, Group Photograph of Academia and Industry Experts

2. International Conference on Capacity Building and Youth's Perception of Agriculture Entrepreneurship

Conference Themes

- Capacity Building for Agriculture
- Entrepreneurship
- Youth's Perception of Agriculture
- Entrepreneurship
- Rural Economic Development

During 2025, the University organized several initiatives addressing diverse sustainable development priorities. The ICSSR International Conference on Capacity Building and Youth's Perception of Agriculture Entrepreneurship in Himachal Pradesh, held in collaboration with ICSSR, promoted youth capacity building and agricultural entrepreneurship, supporting SDGs 2, 4 and 8. The Ideation Conclave, organized with EYUVA and iHUB Shoolini, encouraged innovation and entrepreneurship, contributing to SDGs 4, 8 and 9.



Principal Anurita Saxena Ceremonial Lamp Lighting at APJ Hall

3. Three-Day Workshop on 'Criminal Justice System in Practice'

Conference Themes

- Access to Justice and Criminal Justice
- Reforms
- Law and Inequality: Caste, Class, and
- Marginalised Communities
- Human Rights and Constitutional
- Safeguards in Criminal Law

The University also promoted legal education and responsible institutions through Law Fest 4.0 with the Centre for Clinical Legal Education (CCLE) and the Three-Day Workshop on 'Criminal Justice System in Practice' with Royal Holloway, University of London, supporting SDGs 4 and 16.



Mr. Shailesh Kumar, criminologist explored criminal justice, research, and social realities

Community development and women empowerment remained important areas of engagement. **Project Pragati**, implemented with the **Shoolini Pehal Foundation** and Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, supported rural women through infrastructure and equipment, contributing to SDGs 5, 8 and 10. A workshop on enhancing livelihoods, self-reliance, and skills among rural communities further advanced SDGs 4, 8 and 10.

The **HCICC-25 International Conference, supported by ANRF (SERB)**, Government of India, NIELIT Shimla, iCreate Gujarat, and Science Museum Shimla, promoted research, technology, and innovation, contributing to SDGs 4 and 9. Together, these initiatives reflect Shoolini University's commitment to inclusive education, innovation, entrepreneurship, rural empowerment, gender equality, and strong partnerships, reinforcing its contribution to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

LIST OF EVENTS AND INITIATIVES SUPPORTING CROSS-SECTORAL SDG ENGAGEMENT – 2025

Sr. No.	Name of the Event	Date of Event	Relevant SDGs	Collaborating Organization	Evidence
1	ICSSR International Conference on Capacity Building and Youth's Perception of Agriculture Entrepreneurship in Himachal Pradesh	March 24, 2026	SDG 2, SDG 4, SDG 8	Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)	Link
2	Ideation Conclave	December 4, 2025	SDG 4, SDG 8, SDG 9	EYUVA, iHUB Shoolini	Link
3	Law Fest 4.0	November 26, 2025	SDG 4, SDG 16	Centre for Clinical Legal Education (CCLE)	Link
4	Infrastructure and Equipment Support for Rural Women (Project Pragati)	September 16, 2025	SDG 5, SDG 8, SDG 10	Shoolini Pehal Foundation, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan	Link
5	Three-Day Workshop on 'Criminal Justice System in Practice'	August 9–11, 2025	SDG 4, SDG 16	Royal Holloway, University of London	Link
6	A Workshop for Enhancing Livelihoods, Promoting Self-Reliance, and Building Skills among Rural Communities	July 14, 2025	SDG 4, SDG 8, SDG 10	Shoolini Pehal Foundation, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan	Link
7	International Conference on Applied Artificial Intelligence and Innovation (AAIIC 2025)	July 11–12, 2025	SDG 4, SDG 9	Jawaharlal Nehru University, TCS	Link

8	CEDSA Conclave 4.0	June 16, 2025	SDG 8, SDG 9, SDG 17	Indian Direct Selling Association (IDSA)	Link
9	International Coaching Week (ICW) 2025	May 12–14, 2025	SDG 3, SDG 4, SDG 8	International Coaching Federation	Link
10	International Conference on Human Computer Interaction and Cognitive Computing (HCICC-25)	January 8–9, 2025	SDG 4, SDG 9	ANRF (SERB), National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology, iCreate Gujarat	Link

Conclusion

Shoolini University promotes cross-sectoral dialogue on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through conferences, workshops, conclaves, and community engagement initiatives. In 2025, these activities brought together academic institutions, government agencies, industry partners, and civil society organisations to address key challenges in education, innovation, entrepreneurship, justice, and rural development. Collaborations with organisations such as ICSSR, Jawaharlal Nehru University, TCS, Royal Holloway University of London, and the International Coaching Federation strengthened knowledge sharing and inter-sectoral cooperation. These initiatives encourage collaborative problem-solving, capacity building, and the exchange of sustainable practices across different sectors. Collectively, they demonstrate the University's commitment to advancing the UN Sustainable Development Goals and the 2030 Agenda, particularly through effective partnerships and shared responsibility.