



17.2.2 – Cross-Sectoral Dialogue on the SDGs

Chhatrapati Shahu Ji Maharaj University (CSJMU), Kanpur actively initiates and participates in cross-sectoral dialogues aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The university consistently organizes international and national conferences, symposia, and collaborative platforms that bring together academia, industry, government agencies, NGOs, and international institutions to foster dialogue and partnership on sustainable development themes.

Description and Evidence

The following initiatives demonstrate CSJMU's strong engagement in fostering cross-sectoral dialogue and partnerships toward the SDGs:

1. National Conference on Innovative AI Solutions for Sustainable Cities

Jointly organized by Kotak School of Sustainability, IIT Kanpur; Association of Indian Universities (AIU); and CSJMU, this conference focused on AI-driven innovations for sustainable urban governance and resilience. It directly contributed to SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation & Infrastructure), SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), and SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals).

2. International Conference on Sustainable Management Practices

Organized by the School of Business Management, CSJMU, ICSMP-2024 created a collaborative platform for academicians, policymakers, and corporate professionals to share sustainable strategies. The event promoted SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth), SDG 12 (Responsible Consumption and Production), and SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals).

3. International Conference on Indian & Russian Knowledge System

Jointly organized by CSJMU, India and Penza State University, Russia, this hybrid international event fostered bilateral collaboration on education, culture, management, and sustainability. It strengthened academic diplomacy and contributed to SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDG 17 (Global Partnerships).



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4. International Conference on Advances in Life Sciences (ICALS-2025, January 9–11, 2025)

Hosted by the School of Life Sciences and Biotechnology, CSJMU, this conference brought together scientists, educators, and professionals to discuss renewable energy, health innovation, and biotechnology. It promoted SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-Being), SDG 7 (Clean Energy), SDG 13 (Climate Action), and SDG 15 (Life on Land).

Summary of Major SDG-Oriented Conferences

Year	Event	Partners/Collaborators	SDG Themes	Mode	
2024-25	National Conference on Innovative AI Solutions for Sustainable Cities	IIT Kanpur, AIU, NITI Aayog, AICTE, Kotak Mahindra Bank	SDG 9, 11, 13, 17	Hybrid	Click to View
2024-25	International Conference on Sustainable Management Practices (ICSMP-2024)	CSJMU, IIMs, IITs, Penza State Univ.	SDG 8, 12, 17	Hybrid	Click to View
2024-25	Indian–Russian Knowledge System Conference	CSJMU & Penza State University (Russia)	SDG 4, 16, 17	Hybrid	Click to View
2024-25	International Conference on Advances in Life Sciences (ICALS-2025)	CSJMU & International Research Institutions	SDG 3, 7, 13, 15	Hybrid	Click to View

CSJMU demonstrates a strong institutional commitment to the SDGs by organizing and co-hosting interdisciplinary and international events that bring together stakeholders from academia, government, industry, and civil society. These initiatives foster meaningful dialogue, promote sustainable solutions, and strengthen cross-sectoral partnerships at national and global levels.