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SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities

Summary Report | Amity University Rajasthan, Jaipur | Submission 2026–27 (THE Impact Rankings 2027) | Reporting period: Academic Year 2025–26 (July 2025 – June 2026)

1. Institutional Commitment

Amity University Rajasthan (AUR) has developed its 152-acre campus on NH-11C, Jaipur, in the foothills of the Aravalli range, as an environmentally responsible, inclusive and walkable community. About 70% of its students and staff live on campus, in hostels and residences within walking distance of academic blocks, the library, dining and sports facilities. The campus therefore functions as a self-contained settlement, and its planning, housing, mobility and public spaces are managed with the same principles that underpin sustainable cities.

The University is guided by the UN 2030 Agenda, the National Mission on Sustainable Habitat and the National Education Policy 2020. It conserves about 70% of its land in its natural state and maintains a green belt on about 80% of the campus. Its buildings are certified LEED Gold, it generates solar energy on site, and it treats and reuses all of its wastewater. Movement within the campus favours walking, electric carts and shared transport over private vehicles.

Equally, the University sees a sustainable community as one that preserves its heritage and remains open to the public. It provides access to its natural landscape, library, green spaces, exhibitions and cultural events. Through its Schools of Architecture and Planning, Fine Arts, Fashion Design and Technology, and Liberal Arts, it records and promotes the tangible and intangible heritage of Rajasthan. It also works with local authorities and village bodies on development around the campus. This report summaries these contributions for the academic year 2025–26.

2. Green, Inclusive and Accessible Campus

- Green belt on about 80% of campus land, with about 70% of the land kept in its natural state, including a Neem Forest, a water-harvesting lake and an amphitheater.
- Campus certified LEED Gold by the U.S. Green Building Council (July 2017); new buildings required to follow ECSBC and NBC 2016.
- 1 MW on-site solar power plant reducing the campus carbon footprint.
- Entire wastewater treated in STP and ETP (7.5 lakh litres per day) and reused for horticulture through automatic irrigation, hostel flushing and chiller cooling.
- Segregation, composting and recycling of waste.
- On-campus housing for about 70% of students and staff.

3. Sustainable Mobility and Pedestrian Priority

Measure	Details
Walkable campus	Hostels, residences and academic blocks within walking distance; walking tracks around the lake and through the Neem Forest
Low-emission mobility	Battery-operated golf carts and autos for movement within the campus
Shared transport	University buses for day scholars from points across Jaipur at nominal charges
Vehicle restriction	Entry only with a gate pass; parking in two designated zones; speed limit of 20 km/h
Measurement	Commuting tracked through residence allotment, transport registration and the vehicle gate-pass register

4. Affordable Housing

- **Employees:** on-campus residences for faculty and staff within walking distance of the workplace, with water, power back-up, security and maintenance.
- **Students:** separate hostels for boys and girls with mess, free laundry, round-the-clock security and power back-up; scholarships for students from economically weaker backgrounds.

5. Public Access to Heritage, Knowledge, Green Space and Culture

Area	Access provided
Natural heritage and buildings	Aravalli foothill landscape, Neem Forest, lake and LEED Gold buildings accessible to visitors, community groups and event participants
Library	About 40,000 books and 97 journals; reference access for the public with permission; Web OPAC; DELNET resource sharing
Green spaces	Free access to the green belt, walking tracks, lake and lawns; greenery maintained along 6 km of the NH-11C median
Exhibitions and art	Work of the Schools of Fine Arts, Fashion Design and Technology, and Architecture and Planning exhibited on campus and at public events
Performances	Annual techno-cultural festival Odyssey 2026 (25–27 March 2026), open to participants and audiences from institutions across the region

6. Cultural Heritage and the Arts

Through its Schools of Architecture and Planning (ASAP), Fine Arts (ASFA), Fashion Design and Technology (ASFT) and Liberal Arts (ASLA), the University records and promotes the tangible and intangible heritage of Rajasthan:

- ASFT collection "BANJARA – The Nomadic Spirit", inspired by the textile and craft traditions of the nomadic Banjara community, presented at Jaipur Times Fashion Week 2026;
- documentation study of the Mughal Gate at Virat Nagar, a protected 16th-century monument;
- International Mother Language Day (21 February 2026), promoting Rajasthani and other mother tongues.

7. Experiential Learning and Fieldwork

Activity	Learning focus
Sustainable urban housing visit, Surya Residency, Jaipur	Building codes, natural lighting and ventilation, structural and disaster-resilient design, urban green space and water- and space-efficient residential design
Traditional craft visit, Khajane Walon Ka Rasta, Jaipur	Makrana marble sculpting, eco-friendly clay idol making, natural pigments and environment-safe disposal practices in heritage craft clusters
Index Plus Architecture and Interior Design Conference and Exhibition	Sustainable architecture, green materials, contemporary interior solutions and emerging design technology

8. Planning, Sustainable Building and Land Use

- Greenery maintained along the NH-11C highway median under an MoU, and development work with Gram Panchayats of adopted villages through Unnat Bharat Abhiyan.
- Planning and heritage expertise of ASAP faculty made available to local bodies.
- Space needs met within the developed campus footprint through renovation and adaptation of existing buildings, protecting undeveloped land.

9. Key Metrics

Parameter	Status
Campus area	152 acres
Green cover	About 80% of campus land
Students and staff living on campus	About 70%
Campus speed limit	20 km/h
Library holdings	About 40,000 books; 97 journals
Green building certification	LEED Gold (2017)

10. Evidence Submitted

Indicator	Evidence document
11.2.1	Public Access to Buildings, Monuments and Natural Heritage Landscapes
11.2.2	Public Access to Libraries, Books and Publications
11.2.3	Public Access to Exhibition Spaces and Works of Art
11.2.4	Free Public Access to Open Spaces and Green Spaces
11.2.5	Contribution to Local Arts: Public Performances
11.2.6	Projects to Record and Preserve Intangible Cultural Heritage
11.4.1	Measurement and Targets for Sustainable Commuting
11.4.2	Actions to Promote Sustainable Commuting
11.4.4	Affordable Housing for Employees
11.4.5	Affordable Housing for Students
11.4.6	Prioritising Pedestrian Access on Campus
11.4.7	Working with Local Authorities on Planning and Development
11.4.8	Building New Buildings to Sustainable Standards
11.4.9	Building on Brownfield (Previously Developed) Sites

Conclusion

With a walkable, largely residential campus, low-emission mobility, affordable housing, public access to its landscape, library and cultural life, and active engagement with the heritage of Rajasthan, Amity University Rajasthan has functioned during 2025–26 as a model sustainable community and a regional center for sustainable design and heritage awareness.