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Amity School of Architecture and Planning (ASAP), Noida, under Amity University Uttar Pradesh (AUUP), is a nationally and internationally recognized institution dedicated to excellence in architectural and planning education since 2005.

ASAP's mission is to advance rational and sensitive thinking in the built environment, equipping students with cutting-edge knowledge to address industry challenges. The school fosters experiential learning through vertical studios, industry collaborations, and competition-driven projects.

We welcome aspiring architects and planners to join us in shaping the future environment.

BEGINNINGS: VALUES AND VISION

The year 2026 was welcomed with optimism and purpose, extending warm wishes to students, faculty, alumni, and collaborators.

The occasion encouraged a year shaped by creativity, learning, and meaningful architectural practice.

As the new year begins, the vision remains clear, designs with intent, spaces that inspire, and projects that respond thoughtfully to society, culture, and climate.

Because great years, like great buildings, begin with strong foundations.

DESIGNING FOR THE NATION

On 26th January, Republic Day was commemorated by reaffirming a commitment to the values of the Indian Constitution.

The occasion highlighted the importance of responsible planning, inclusive design, and the role of future architects in nation-building.

It served as a reminder of the responsibility to create spaces that reflect equity, dignity, and collective progress.



HIGHLIGHTS:

Messages and Milestones

Events at University

Events at Department

Design Juries

Student Achievements

Guest Lectures

Exhibitions and Screenings

Site Visits

Industry Collaboration

Global Collaboration

AMITY YOUTH FESTIVAL 2026



The Amity Youth Festival (AYF) 2026, held on 27th and 28th February, brought together one of India's largest multi-disciplinary student gatherings.

With participation from over 40 universities and 40,000+ students, the festival celebrated creativity, collaboration, and competitive excellence.

The event concluded with a grand **Star Night** featuring a live performance by **Harry Sandhu**, marking an energetic finale.

RECOGNIZING STUDENT EXCELLENCE

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



Amity School of Architecture and Planning, Noida proudly congratulated its alumnus, **Anshumaan Gupta**, on receiving the **"Pride of Madhya Pradesh - 2025"** award in Bhopal, presented by the **Hon'ble Chief Minister, Dr. Mohan Yadav**.

This milestone reflects his dedication and perseverance, as he continues to grow into a confident professional and make a meaningful impact.

The institution wishes him continued success, growth, and new opportunities ahead.



Students were congratulated for their outstanding achievements at the **ITPI National Best Thesis Awards 2025**, conferred by the **Institute of Town Planners India**.

Aditya Bharadwaj secured Second Position, with work reflecting the broader goals of UN-Habitat and advancing sustainable, inclusive planning.

Charu Middha secured Third Position in the Planning Students Female category, marking a significant academic accomplishment.

The achievements reflect a strong commitment to excellence, with best wishes for continued success ahead.

FROM ABSTRACTION TO ENCLOSURE



Learning begins with thinking, observing, and understanding space. The exhibition, titled **From Abstraction to Enclosure: Where People Pause**, showcased the foundational design journey of first-year students.

It traced their progression from abstract explorations to spatial enclosures rooted in human scale and public use, marking their initial steps toward unicellular design.

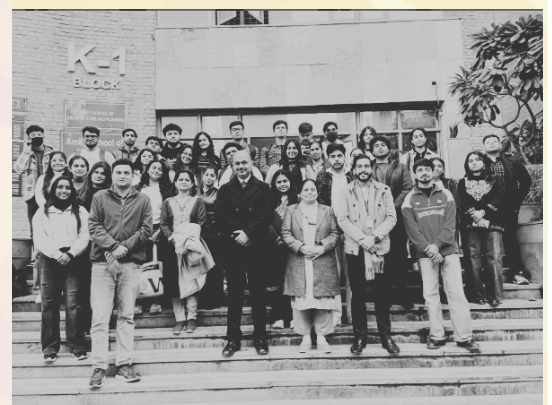
Through drawings, models, and narratives, the work reflected explorations of form, space, order, and experience, culminating in thoughtful interventions.

BUILDING ACADEMIC CONNECTIONS

Amity School of Architecture and Planning, Noida welcomed students from the **Faculty of Architecture, DIT University, Dehradun** for an academic visit.

The interaction encouraged dialogue, learning, and shared growth, reflecting the spirit of **"Bond the Architecture"** and strengthening connections within the architecture fraternity.

The visit was joined by **Ar. Vartica Saxena** and **Ar. Upendra Vinay Joshi**, and coordinated by **Ar. Preeti Mishra** and **Ar. Luvditya Khurana**.



LEARNING THROUGH LEGACY: GUJRAL 100



On 26th February 2026, B.Arch students visited **Gujral 100: Architecture at Gujral House, New Delhi**, curated by the Gujral Foundation.

The exhibition presented the works of Satish Gujral through drawings, models, and archival material, highlighting the integration of art and architecture, alongside experiencing the space conceived by **Raj Rewal and Satish Gujral**.

For first-year students, the visit aligned with their Residential Design Studio, offering insights into spatial composition, materiality, and experiential qualities through direct observation.



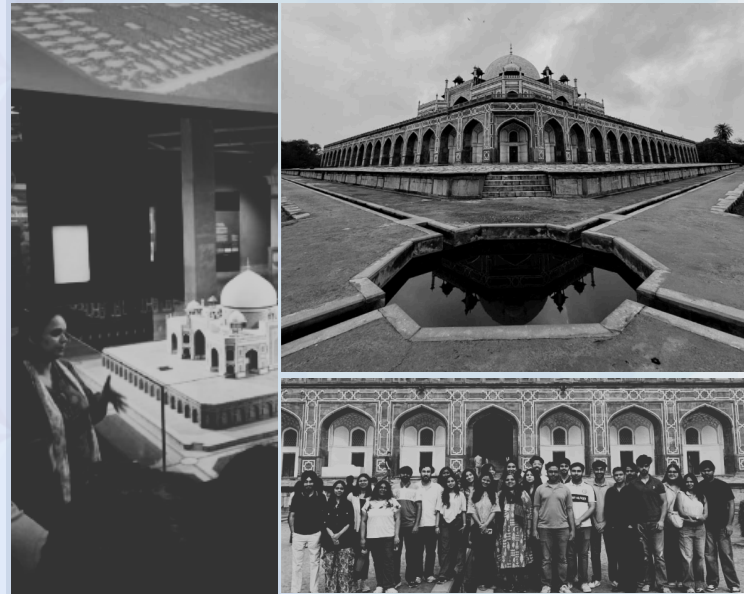
LEARNING FROM HERITAGE: HUMAYUN'S TOMB

On 29th March 2026, students visited **Humayun's Tomb and the Site Interpretation Centre**, New Delhi as part of a heritage walk organized by the **Heritage Exploration Club**.

The visit offered first hand insights into charbagh planning, axial symmetry, and monumental scale, key principles of Mughal architecture.

A guided tour by the **Aga Khan Trust for Culture** introduced students to conservation practices and heritage management, while the Interpretation Centre presented curated historical narratives.

The experience reinforced that meaningful learning extends beyond the classroom.



NAGARI: CONVERSATIONS ON URBAN SUSTAINABILITY



On **National Youth Day**, the **Sustainability Impact Club** at Amity School of Architecture and Planning, Noida, in collaboration with the **Charles Correa Foundation**, organized the **Nagari Film Screening followed by an Urban Sustainability Dialogue**.

The session sparked engaging discussions on key urban challenges such as water, waste, and public spaces, encouraging students and faculty to view sustainability as a lived reality rather than just a theoretical concept.

The dialogue reinforced the vital role of youth in shaping more responsible, resilient, and sustainable cities

FEARLESS: BUILDING STRENGTH AND CONFIDENCE



On 19th February 2026, the department conducted a Practical Self-Defence Workshop titled **"Fearless: Karate Session"** under the **Mission Shakti Initiative**.

The session focused on personal safety, self-defence techniques, and mental preparedness, emphasizing the importance of awareness and confidence alongside technical skills.

The workshop was led by accomplished martial arts professionals, including **Mr. Bharat Rohilla**, Black Belt 1st Dan, All India University Medalist, Certified Personal Trainer, and Chief Representative, Faridabad (ISKF);

Mr. Vikhyat Thakur, Black Belt 3rd Dan (NF), National Level Croach, and Chief Representative, Haryana (Wado-Ryu);

Mr. Aakarsh Thakur, Black Belt 3rd Dan (NF), All India University Gold Medalist, and National Level Referee and Judge.

Through practical demonstrations and hands-on training, the session created an empowering environment that encouraged alertness, resilience, and self-belief among students.



HEALTHY HER: NURTURING WELL-BEING

An awareness lecture on **women's health, hygiene, and holistic well-being** brought focus to informed and mindful living.

Led by **Dr. Shagun Bhasin**, the session brought together **Ayurvedic wisdom and modern preventive healthcare**, presenting a balanced approach to well-being.

The discussion encouraged viewing health as a harmony of physical vitality, mental strength, and emotional balance, with active student participation throughout.

The session fostered an open and supportive environment, reinforcing the importance of awareness, dialogue, and informed spaces in empowering individuals.



SITE ANALYSIS IN THE AGE OF AI



Ar. Vinayak Tiwari

Alumni: Batch 2019-24
Architect | Computational Designer
Founder, UrbanEyes

 **FEBRUARY 13, 2026**
12:30 PM, ONLINE (GOOGLE MEET)

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Faculty Coordinator:
Ar. Varish Panchal,
(Associate Professor, ASAP)




An alumni lecture offered insights into the evolving nature of architectural practice and emerging design processes.

Led by **Ar. Vinayak Tiwari**, Founder of **UrbanEyes**, the session explored the **transformation of the pre-design phase and the role of automation in shaping it**.

Through demonstrations, the discussion highlighted how technology enables faster site analysis while supporting a balance between analytical precision and creative exploration.

The session encouraged students to engage with innovative, technology-driven approaches in their work.

BRIDGING EDUCATION AND PRACTICE



A guest lecture addressed the growing disconnect between architectural education and the evolving demands of the profession.

Led by **Sheen Pandita and Atul Garg**, the session explored the **need to design for climate resilience, large-scale sustainability, emerging technologies, and performance-driven buildings**.

The discussion highlighted digital twins as tools for monitoring and improving building performance over time, reinforcing that design extends beyond construction.

The session encouraged students to adopt a tech-enabled, sustainability-aware approach, bridging the gap between academic learning and contemporary practice.

UNDERSTANDING URBAN WATER INFRASTRUCTURE

On 20th March 2026, a workshop on **Sewage and Water Treatment Plants** provided Bachelor of Planning students with hands-on exposure to water management systems.

Led by **Snigdha Choudhary**, with inputs from **Brahm Chaudhary and Rajan Kumar Gupta**, the session covered key treatment processes and site-based learning.

The visit strengthened understanding of sustainable practices, treatment efficiency, and their role in urban planning.



STRENGTHENING GLOBAL INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT



Amity School of Architecture and Planning, Noida participated in an interaction with delegates from **Japan's Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT)**, organized by the **Amity Technical Placement Centre**.

The delegation included **Yoshihiro Tabata, Kento Ito, Maki Sato, Shinsaku Tanaka, and Masato Wada**, who shared insights on global opportunities in the civil and infrastructure sector.

Prof. (Dr.) Balvinder Shukla, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Amity University Uttar Pradesh, along with **Prof. (Dr.) Devendra Pratap Singh**, highlighted Amity's academic ties with Japan and emphasized creating structured pathways for student engagement and employment.

The discussion also focused on skill development, international collaboration, and expanding career prospects across architecture, planning, engineering, and allied fields, strengthening global exposure for students.



SHAPING FUTURE CITIES

On 26th February 2026, Amity School of Architecture and Planning, Noida, in collaboration with the **Delhi Regional Chapter of the Institute of Town Planners India**, organized a panel discussion on **Future Prospects of Planning**.

The session brought together experts from government, industry, and academia to discuss resilient and future-ready cities.

Panelists included **Alka Arya, Dr. Sandeep Kumar Raut, Ar. Sharad Mohindru, and Ar. Ripu Jain**, who highlighted the expanding scope of planning beyond land use to integrated infrastructure, environment, and socio-economic systems.

The discussion emphasized interdisciplinary approaches, emerging career pathways, and the importance of academic-industry dialogue in shaping sustainable development.

