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INTERNATIONAL SUMMIT 2026 ON

SDG KNOWLEDGE & EDUCATION

“Sustainable Development Goals for People, Planet and Prosperity”

(An IQAC & NAZARETH SDG TRANSFORMATION CENTRE Initiative)

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Date: 20th & 21st February 2026 | Duration: 2 Days



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ABOUT NAZARETH

Nazareth College of Arts & Science was established during the year 2000 at the outskirts of Chennai, Avadi with nine undergraduate programmes and four post graduate programmes job-oriented courses, compelled by the social urge, driven by the vision to inspire student community. In true spirit this mission has been pursued for over two decades, reaching a student at a time to transform him / her to a true citizen and a purposeful man / woman through its various ecosystems like Nazareth's SDG Transformation Centre, Nazareth Research Park, Nazareth Community Tool Box, Nazareth Centre For Administrative Excellence, Nazareth Centre For Development Of Teaching and Learning, Nazareth Sports Excellence programme, Nazareth Centre for Faculty Excellence, Nazareth Centre Skill Development Cell & Nazareth Business Learning Centre, Institutional Innovation Cell and Nazareth Sports Excellence Programme.

BACKGROUND

The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) provide a universal framework for addressing pressing global challenges—poverty, inequality, climate change, environmental degradation, and peace and justice. Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) play a critical role in localizing SDGs through research, innovation, policy engagement, and community outreach. Nazareth College of Arts & Science, committed to education with social responsibility, proposes to organize a two-day SDG Summit 2026 to create a platform for academics, researchers, policymakers, and students to explore the relevance of SDGs in higher education, and to identify actionable strategies for People, Planet, and Prosperity.

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE — SDG SUMMIT 2026 (BOTH OFFLINE/HYBRID)

The SDG Summit 2026, jointly organized by Nazareth College of Arts & Science and the International Network for Christian Higher Education, and powered by www.mapsdg.com, will take place on February 20–21, 2026. The two-day international conference is themed “Sustainable Development Goals for People, Planet, and Prosperity” and seeks to bring together educators, researchers, policymakers, and community leaders to explore how higher education institutions can advance the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through research, innovation, and community engagement.

This conference will follow a hybrid format, enabling international delegates to participate online, while Indian participants will attend in person.

OBJECTIVES OF THE SDG SUMMIT 2026

1. To deepen understanding of the SDGs and their application in higher education institutions.
2. To deliberate on People, Planet, and Prosperity as core drivers of sustainable development.
3. To encourage research and policy dialogues on SDG localisation at institutional, community, and regional levels.
4. To facilitate engagement with communities through immersion programs that highlight grassroots challenges.
5. To propose actionable solutions and strategies that HEIs can adopt for advancing SDG impact.
6. To promote global exchange and collaboration among international students and faculty for cross-cultural learning, comparative research, and joint action toward the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

1. Enhanced awareness and understanding of SDGs within higher education and communities.
2. Research-based and community-informed insights on challenges related to People, Planet, and Prosperity.
3. A repository of policy recommendations and institutional strategies for SDG localisation.
4. Strengthened collaborations among HEIs, NGOs, government, and industry partners.
5. Funding of actionable solution-based projects for advancing of localized solutions for SDG impact.
6. To release a Compendium of Best Practices in SDG Implementation
7. To publish Conference proceedings with ISBN
8. A roadmap for Nazareth College and partnering institutions to advance SDG practices and measure their long-term impact.

Day 1 – 20/02/2026

“SDGs and Higher Education: Relevance for People, Planet & Prosperity”

Forenoon Session – 09.30 am

1. Inauguration session
2. Keynote & Special Address & Release of Publication
3. Official Launch TNSDGTALKS



Afternoon: Immersion Program | Activity: Village Visits / Community Engagement

Participants will be organized into interdisciplinary groups to discuss insights gained from the morning’s immersion visits. Each group will identify key community challenges aligned with specific SDGs and collaboratively work toward developing practical solutions. The session will guide participants through problem identification, solution brainstorming, and idea generation for designing a sustainable project proposal. This activity encourages teamwork, critical thinking, and innovation aimed at creating real-world social and environmental impact.

Evening: Cultural Events & SHG – Stalls

Day 2 – 21/02/2026 | 09.00 am

People, Planet, and Prosperity: Collective Pathways for a Sustainable Future

Events:

- 1. Plenary sessions
- 2. Panel Discussion
- 3. Paper Presentation
- 4. Poster Presentation
- 5. Valediction
- 6. SHG- Stall

Themes:

- 1. SDGs and Higher Education: Relevance and Responsibility
- 2. SDGs for People: Human Well-being, Equity, and Inclusion
- 3. SDGs for Planet: Environmental Sustainability and Climate Action
- 4. SDGs for Prosperity: Innovation, Growth, and Partnerships
- 5. Localising SDGs: Higher Education as a Change Agent in Communities
- 6. SDGs Beyond Borders: Global Innovations & SDG Based Learning

Sub-Themes

For People

- SDG 1 & 2: Eradicating poverty and hunger through community partnerships
- SDG 3: Health and well-being in higher education ecosystems
- SDG 4: Quality education and inclusive learning
- SDG 5 & 10: Gender equality and reducing inequalities

For Planet

- SDG 6: Water conservation and sanitation practices
- SDG 7: Affordable and clean energy in campuses
- SDG 11–15: Sustainable cities, responsible consumption, biodiversity conservation, and climate action

For Prosperity

- SDG 8: Decent work and skill development for youth
- SDG 9: Innovation, research, and resilient infrastructure
- SDG 12: Sustainable consumption and production systems
- SDG 16–17: Partnership, Peace and Justice for advancing prosperity and strengthening Institutions

Localisation of SDGs

- Institutional strategies for embedding SDGs in curriculum and governance
- Measuring impact of HEIs on SDGs through research and community engagement
- Policy linkages for scaling local initiatives to regional/ national levels

SDGs Beyond Borders: Global Innovations & SDG Based Learning

- Comparative perspectives on SDG implementation in higher education worldwide.
- Global best practices in sustainability leadership and innovation.
- Integrating intercultural competence and ethics into SDG-based learning.
- Global classroom collaborations and student-led sustainability projects.

REGISTRATION DETAILS

(Inclusive of Refreshments, Lunch – 2 Days & Conference Kit)

CATEGORY	Indian Participants		Overseas Participants	
	EARLY BIRD (08 th December 2025)	REGULAR REGISTRATION (10 th January 2026)	EARLY BIRD (08 th December 2025)	REGULAR REGISTRATION (10 th January 2026)
Student	₹ 500	₹700	50 USD	60 USD
Faculty	₹ 1000	₹1200	100 USD	120 USD
Research Scholars	₹ 800	₹1000	120 USD	140 USD
Practitioners from NGOs	₹ 1000	₹1200	120 USD	140 USD
Professionals from Industries	₹ 1500	₹2000	120 USD	140 USD

ON SPOT REGISTRATION: ₹ 2000, PUBLICATION IN CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS (ISBN) – ₹ 1000 + 18% GST
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