11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

Indicator 11.2.1 SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities

Public Access to Buildings

THE question: Does the University as a body provide public access to buildings, monuments or natural heritage landscapes of cultural significance?

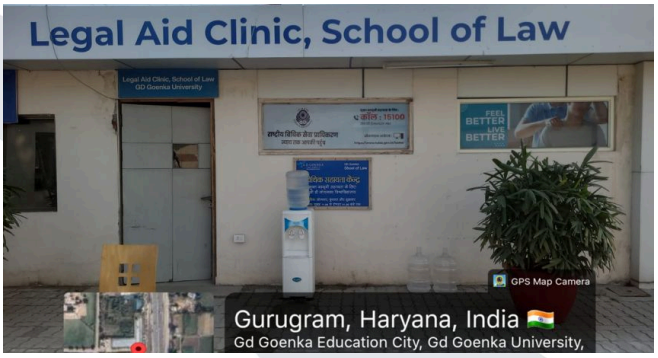
Yes. Entry to the campus and to its significant buildings (the auditorium, seminar halls, the Library and Information Resource Centre, laboratories, the Legal Aid Clinic and the GD Goenka Memorial Health & Wellness Centre) is free for visitors coming for educational, cultural or community purposes. No fee is charged for an educational visit.



District Level Krishi Mela on campus with the Block Development Office, Sohna



Government-school students in the University auditorium



Legal Aid Clinic, School of Law, near Gate No. 3



Community learners at a Skill Hub programme with industry partners

How access works

Under clause 5 of the University's *Guidelines for Access of University Resources*, buildings are open free of charge to alumni, students and staff of other institutions, associations, clubs, NGOs, schools and members of the public. Visitors give their details (name, contact, purpose of visit and a government photo ID) to the University in advance or at the security gate, and are issued a visitor ID card. They visit during working hours and, for laboratories and similar spaces, are accompanied by a member of staff. Clause 5.5 states that the University does not charge any user whose visit is for an educational purpose.

Who used our buildings in 2025

Programme	External users	Facilities used
District Level Krishi Mela, with Block Development Office, Sohna (8 March 2025)	About 50 farmers and farm women from nearby villages; IFFCO, IIL, Chambal Fertilizers, Bayer, Nunhems Seeds, NABARD and Government departments	Exhibition and demonstration spaces, School of Agricultural Sciences
VARTAH 5.0 National School Counsellors' Summit, with Fortis Mental Health Programme (25–26 July 2025)	School counsellors, teachers and mental-health professionals	Auditorium and seminar halls
Emergency Preparedness training, Centre of Excellence in Occupational Health, Safety, Fire & Environment	Employees of Donaldson India Filter Systems, Manesar	Classrooms and Fire Drill Ground (helicopter rescue model, confined space, smoke house)
School outreach visits, School of Engineering & Sciences	GD Goenka World School and government-school students	Auditorium, Aerospace and Physics labs, Centre of Excellence for Industry 4.0

Skill Hub programmes with Havells, JSP (Jindal Panther), JSW and Crompton; JSPL reskilling pilot for masons and contractors	Electricians, fabricators, masons and contractors from the wider community	Training rooms and workshops
Kaushal Samwad programme and Skill Centre Convocation	Learners from the local community and their families	Auditorium and classrooms
Inter-university competitions (fashion, photography, drama, music)	Students of NorthCap, KR Mangalam, Manav Rachna, Galgotias and other universities	Auditorium, studios and open spaces
Legal Aid Clinic near Gate No. 3; Physiotherapy OPD with Park Hospital	Residents of Sohna and surrounding villages	Clinic and OPD rooms
Convocation ceremonies	Parents, families and invited guests	Auditorium and campus grounds

Why it matters

The campus works as a shared civic space for the Sohna–Gurugram belt. Farmers see new seed and soil technology, school children use laboratories their own schools do not have, local workers earn industry certificates, and residents get free legal advice a short walk from home.

Public links

- Guidelines for Access of University Resources (published with this document on the SDG 11 page)
- www.gdgoenkauniversity.com/happenings/news/one-day-training-program-on-emergency-preparedness-1
- www.gdgoenkauniversity.com/facilities/campus/handicap-access

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