

## **Press Release**

## NIIT University (NU) recognized as "Eco-Corporate of the Year – Eco Campus" at 3rd YES BANK Natural Capital Awards 2017

New Delhi, 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017: NIIT University (NU) has been conferred with the prestigious "Eco-Corporate of the Year – Eco Campus" award at the 3<sup>rd</sup> YES BANK Natural Capital Awards 2017, for its environment friendly and sustainable Green Campus at Neemrana. The glittering award ceremony organized at Shangri-La, New Delhi on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017, was graced by Dr Harsh Vardhan, Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change. Also present on the occasion were representatives from partnering country Netherlands, and a Minister from Fiji, as well as senior Government officials, CXOs from leading corporates, multilateral agencies, leading environmentalists and academicians. The award was received by Veteran Air Cmde Kamal Singh AVSM, Advisor, Campus Planning & Green Initiatives, NIIT University.

Established with a vision to bring about innovation in higher education and learning in emerging areas of the knowledge society, NU is a unique initiative where a campus is established on a comprehensive long term master plan keeping environmental considerations at the centre.

YES BANK Natural Capital Awards showcase and reward individuals, groups and corporations spearheading environmental stewardship. Natural capital is one of the key focus areas at YES BANK and through platforms such as these, the Bank aims to mainstream the adoption of natural capital imperatives in financial decision making and advocate the importance of developing regulatory frameworks, disclosure mechanisms and reporting measures for natural capital accounting.

Speaking on the recognition, **Prof. V.S. Rao**, **President**, **NIIT University**, said, "Seamlessness in higher education and establishing deep connect with one's environment have assumed greater significance to develop holistic individuals who would be able to respond to the challenges of today's ever evolving global economy, that is driven by knowledge and research. Towards this, the founders of NU have created a sustainable campus that aims to facilitate ecological resurrection and contain ecological degradation of its surroundings. I thank YES BANK for recognizing our efforts and presenting us with this award."

Mr. Rana Kapoor, CEO, Yes Bank said, "Mainstreaming Natural Capital Conservation and Sustainability is a vital pillar for sustainable global growth and development. YES Global Institute & YES BANK remain committed to promote multi-stakeholder engagement in this significant focus area. The Natural Capital Awards is a strategic platform to encourage and recognise efforts of individuals, environmentalists and industry towards natural capital conservation and environmental leadership. Going forward, it is imperative for India to play a prominent role in the global natural capital movement, towards ensuring a Green and Sustainable World for future generations."

Conceptualized as an institution of excellence, NU provides exceptional education based on the Four Core Principles that make learning Industry-linked, Technology-based, Research-driven and Seamless. NU, is well poised for meeting the emerging needs of the knowledge economy through its focus on building strong industry linkages and a research oriented approach.



## **About NU**

Established in 2009, NIIT University (NU) is a not-for-profit University covered under section 2(f) of UGC Act and notified by the Government of Rajasthan. A premier institution of higher learning and research, NU seeks to create original thinkers who will lead the knowledge society of the future. The University inherits three decades of rich expertise and global know-how of its principal sponsor, the NIIT Group.

Nurtured by some of the foremost thought leaders and corporate-practitioners of the country, the multi-disciplinary University focuses on emerging areas of technology and management. NIIT University is a part of a 100-acre campus at Neemrana, Rajasthan, 90 kms from Gurugram on NH8.

Nestled in the Aravali hills, the fully residential green campus offers an idyllic and intellectually vibrant environment for pursuing higher education and research. Set up with the vision to be the role model of learning, research, innovation and sustainability, for the knowledge society, NU is dedicated to building great careers and ensuring excellent job opportunities to all its students. It has been developed as an institute of excellence to provide exceptional education based on its Four Core Principles that make learning Industry-linked, Technology-based, Research-driven and Seamless.

NU offers the entire spectrum of academic programs. At the undergraduate level, it offers B.Tech (Computer Science & Engineering, Electronics & Communication, Biotechnology), 4-year Integrated M.Sc (Computer Science), 5-year Integrated B.Tech - M.Tech and M. Tech (Educational Technology and Geographic Information Systems). NIIT University offers a 5-year dual degree B.Tech & M.S program (In collaboration with University of Missouri, Kansas City) wherein students undertake academic work at NU for 3.5 years and then continue at UMKC for 1.5 years. In addition, NIIT University also offers MBA, Ph.D programs and several Industry Sponsored Programs.

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