

**IEST Shibpur and Eden Realty Group Inaugurate
Nature Study Park
An Environmental & Social Responsibility Initiative
Transforming a Historic Campus into a Living Space for
Nature, Learning and Community**

Kolkata, 31 July 2026: Reinforcing its commitment to creating a more sustainable future beyond the built environment, Eden Realty Group, in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology (IIST), Shibpur, today inaugurated the Nature Study Park within the institute campus. The Nature Study Park was inaugurated by Shri Umesh Rai, Minister of State, Department of Urban Development & Municipal Affairs and Department of Parliamentary Affairs Government of West Bengal, in the presence of Shri Sachchidanand Rai, Chairman, Eden Realty Group. Developed as an Environmental & Social Responsibility (ESR) initiative of The Group, the project reflects a shared vision of restoring natural ecosystems while creating an enriching space for education, wellness and community engagement.

Set within one of India's oldest and most distinguished engineering institutions, the Nature Study Park transforms a previously neglected landscape into a vibrant ecological destination centred around the restoration of the lake and its surrounding ecosystem. Designed as a living classroom, the park encourages students, faculty members, researchers and visitors to reconnect with nature while fostering greater environmental awareness.

Spread across close to **4.4 acres of restored landscape**, the Nature Study Park features thoughtfully curated nature trails, biodiversity zones, a butterfly garden, herb garden, plant interpretation signages, meditation spaces, an open-air gym, an amphitheatre and community gathering spaces, creating an environment where learning extends far beyond conventional classrooms.

The project is the culmination of months of meticulous planning and execution. More than **5500 man days of dedicated effort, over 19,000 sq. ft. of landscaped development**, and the **plantation of more than 4,000+ plants** have contributed to restoring the site's ecological balance while significantly enhancing the quality of life for the campus community.

Speaking on the occasion, **Mr. Sachchidanand Rai, Chairman, Eden Realty Group** said: *"At Eden Realty Group, we believe that true development extends beyond buildings. It is equally about creating sustainable environments that enrich lives and leave a lasting positive impact on communities. The Nature Study Park embodies our vision of building a greener future while preserving the natural and cultural heritage that makes institutions like IEST Shibpur truly exceptional. We are honoured to have partnered with IEST in bringing this vision to life."*

Smt. Tejaswini AnanthKumar, Chairperson, Board of Governors, IEST, Shibpur added: *"The facility will further ignite love for nature and enhance awareness about the conservation of nature. It will be a place which will be very interesting for the students to relax, enjoy, meditate and also have some physical exercises".*



Prof. V.M.S.R Murthy, Director, IEST Shibpur said:

"The Nature Study Park is a meaningful addition to our campus and reflects the power of collaborative partnerships driven by a shared commitment to sustainability. We appreciate Eden Realty Group's dedication in transforming this vision into a vibrant ecological asset that will serve generations of students, researchers and the wider community."

Commenting on sustainability, restoration and technical execution behind the project, **Mr Shubharanjan Banerjee, AVP – Engineering, Eden Realty Group**, said:

"Our approach was guided by one simple principle—to work with nature rather than around it. Every intervention was carefully planned to restore the ecosystem, encourage biodiversity and create spaces that inspire learning, reflection and environmental stewardship."

The initiative is aligned with Eden Realty Group's larger vision of creating inspiring and sustainable spaces that leave a lasting legacy. While the Group has built its reputation over more than two decades through thoughtfully planned residential developments, its Environmental & Social Responsibility initiatives seek to contribute meaningfully to the communities and ecosystems in which it operates.

The Nature Study Park stands as an enduring example of how responsible partnerships between educational institutions and private enterprise can create tangible environmental impact while enhancing public spaces for future generations.

About Eden Realty Group

For over two decades, Eden Realty Group has been committed to creating thoughtfully designed spaces that enhance the quality of life for communities across Eastern India. Guided by its vision of creating inspiring and sustainable spaces that leave a lasting legacy, the Group integrates responsible environmental practices and community-centric initiatives alongside its real estate developments. With over 7.1 million sq. ft. delivered, 6.5 million sq. ft. under construction, and more than 7,900 happy families, Eden Realty Group continues to build vibrant communities driven by its belief that happiness is the true measure of success.

QUICK FACTS

Project: The Nature Study Park, 4.4 Acres of Development

Initiative: Environmental & Social Responsibility (ESR)

Institution: Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology (IEST), Shibpur

Developed by: Eden Realty Group

Purpose: Ecological restoration, biodiversity enhancement and community wellness

Beneficiaries: Students, faculty, researchers, staff and visitors

TRANSFORMATION AT A GLANCE

4,000+ Plants Added

19,000+ sq. ft. Landscaped **5500+** Man days

Restored Lake Ecosystem

Amenities: Nature Trails and Walkways | Butterfly Garden | Herb Garden | Amphitheatre | Meditation Zone | Open-Air Gym | Musical Fountain | Ghat | Seating and Community Spaces



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