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Web Address : [www.srisriuniversity.edu.in](http://www.srisriuniversity.edu.in)

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##### Building on brownfield sites

A decade ago, the Sri Sri University was a rocky, desolate area; today, it is a verdant haven. With 188 acres of quarry land, it is a spectacular, expansive campus with both residential and non-residential amenities. The university, which occupies a former quarry, is designed as a collection of simple buildings surrounded by bushes, trees, and perfectly manicured lawns that provide a calm atmosphere. In keeping with the university's theme, "an ecologically sensitive green campus," every building structure has been thoughtfully placed in the low-lying quarry area to prevent additional site damage.



Figure 01: Vast quarry land before the beginning of construction work

As the buildings are situated in the quarry, the main academic block is at a level of two storied below the road level. As the site is located in Odisha which is situated at a cyclone prone coastal area, this sunken building helps in cutting down the devastating cyclonic winds and keeping the structure safe.



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Figure 02: Academic Blocks 'Shruti' and "Kirti"





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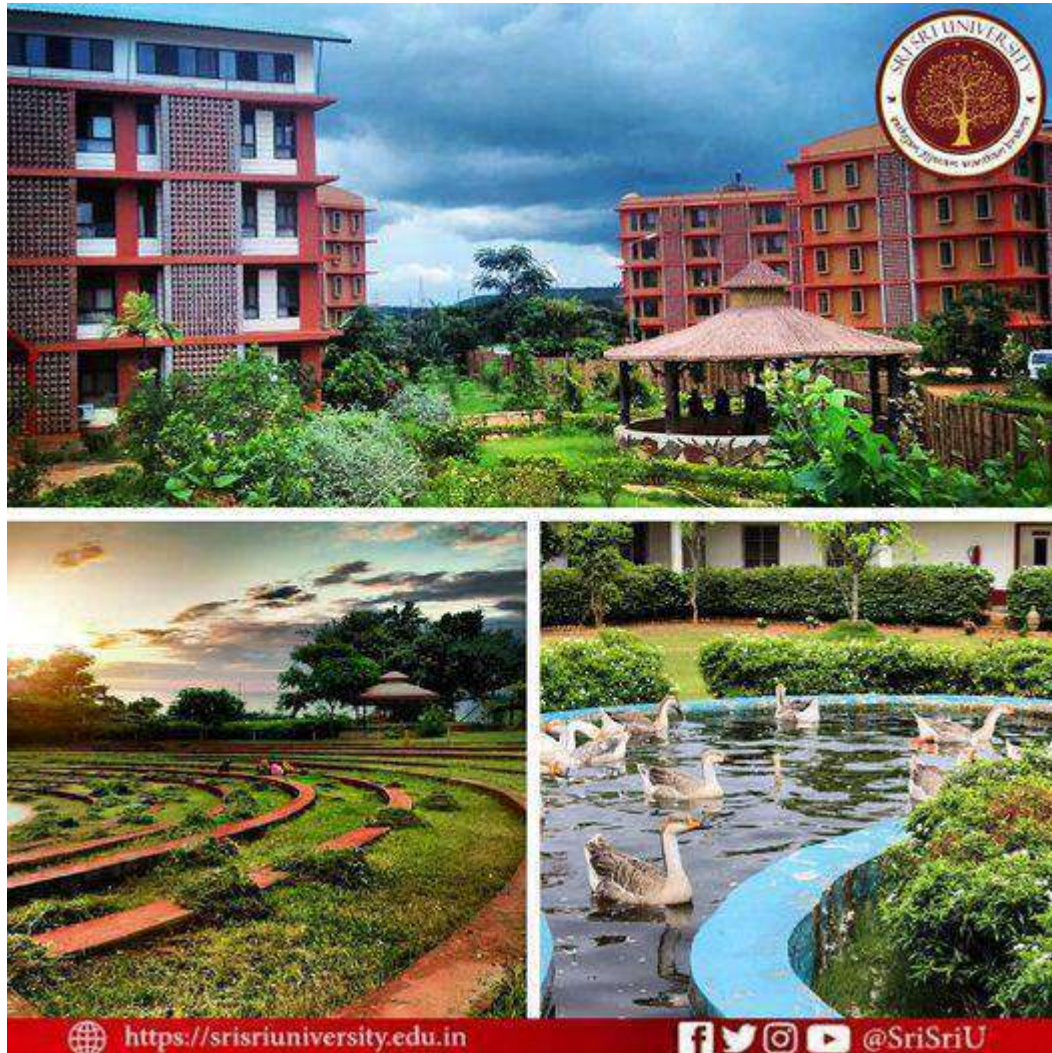


Figure 03: The barren quarry land turned into lush green campus

#### Description:

Founded in 2009 as a hub for top-notch education in India, Sri Sri University (SSU) was inspired by Sri Sri Ravi Shankar Ji. The University provides a variety of important, distinctive, and state-of-the-art undergraduate and graduate degree programs, as well as short-term, diploma, certificate, and doctorate studies that aim to offer the best of western innovation and maintain the age-old wisdom of the east. The campus is situated between latitudes 20°27'00" and 20°28'04" N and longitudes 85°47'31" and 85°48'00" E. Situated on a hilltop at the bank of a tributary of the Mahanadi river in the outskirts of Cuttack, the expansive campus spans 188 acres. The stunning



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campus is reminiscent of the historic Indian universities of Nalanda and Takshila. It was created by well-known architects who specialize in educational architecture. The university's surroundings, which include a number of modern buildings surrounded by bushes, trees, and well-kept lawns, have a calm atmosphere.

Additional Evidence: <https://srisriuniversity.edu.in/campus-360-degree/>  
<https://ssuaych.org/>

Video Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wn7e25k51ZQ>

### SITE PLAN

