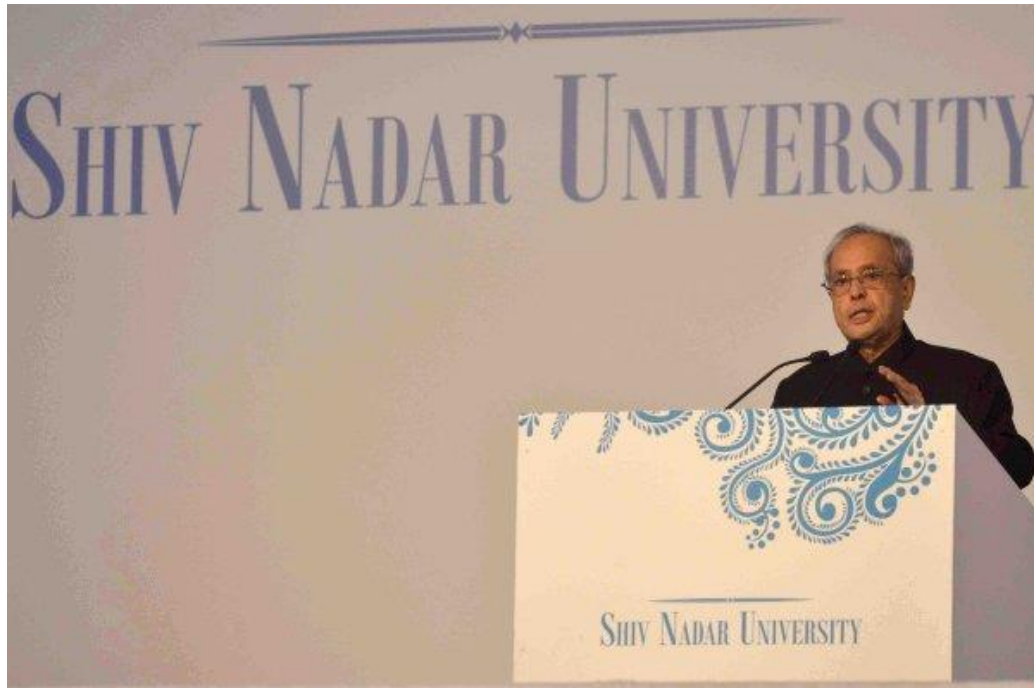


A visit by President of India

It is a matter of boundless pride, for any institution to host the President of the greatest Democracy in the world. Shiv Nadar University, experienced the same pride, when it hosted Pranab Mukherjee, Hon'ble President of India. I was one of the members of the few selected members, to be a part of the audience. Every one of us was keen to get a glimpse of him. Due to extreme fog, his flight was delayed by about an hour. But, the sheer enthusiasm in us, kept us on the edges, and Mr. President did arrive soon. It was a thrilling experience, to witness him, and listen to him.



Of course, he was as calm as ever, and was happy to greet the audience. He laid the foundation for the Faculty residence at SNU, and also awarded the HCL prospect “Go to school”, as the best NGO idea proposed, out of about 50 ideas. The event was also graced by the presence of Mr. Shiv Nadar, founder and owner of Shiv Nadar Group of Institutions. Shri Ram Nayak (Hon’ble Governor of UP) and Shri Shahid Manzoor also graced the occasion with their presence.



The high of the event for me, was the moment when Mr. President, addressed the audience. His talk was based on, how students should do something for the nation, and more importantly why they should do it. He also dedicated SNU to the Nation’s growth, and showed his full confidence, in the University to become one of the leading ones in the future.

I was astonished to see, the level of security employed for Shri Mukherjee. He has a chopper, that carried him to and from the destination. You could see snipers placed on all the buildings. There were about 800 men guarding the President.

I feel privileged to have attended this event, and look forward to attend more such events in the future.

- Ashutosh Agarwal