When the AKTC began work at Sunder Nursery, the Garden Pavilion was found in ruinous condition, threatened with demolition by the proposed construction of an extension of National Highway 24 through Sunder Nursery to Lodhi Road. Conservation works aimed at enhancing the cultural significance, ensuring structural stability and integrity of this unique building in Delhi.

A detailed documentation of the structure including architectural drawings, condition assessment and photo documentation was carried out as a first step followed by careful consolidation of plasterwork, re-installation of stone brackets on a design worked out in consultation with stone craftsmen on the basis of the lone surviving bracket, of which only 70% had remained intact. Landscaping around the garden was done to suit the modest scale of the structure and setting. Subsequent conservation works aim to restore the building’s dignity.