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Y20 Brainstorming Session and G20 University Connect Lecture Series at BITS Pilani Goa Campus.

Faculty and students from the Departments of Geography, Geology, History, and English attended the Y20 Brainstorming Session and G20 University Connect Lecture Series on "Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction: Making Sustainability a Way of Life" with a special focus on Goa on August 1, 2023 organized by RIS (Research and Information System for Developing Countries) and BITS Pilani, KK Birla Goa Campus. The brainstorming session specifically sought to discuss climate change and its impacts on Goa and ways to better adapt to these impacts – including discussions on technical and financial mechanisms. A Quiz competition was conducted based on the theme 'Climate Change' and a total of thirty students were adjudged winners of this competition and were felicitated by the dignitaries with a memento and a certificate. From these thirty students, five students are from Parvatibai Chowgule College of Arts and Science (Autonomous). Three of these winners are from the Department of Geography and Research Center: Radhika Dhuri and Sukhada Prabhugaonkar, both M.A. Part II Post Graduate students (Department of Geography), and Krithik Virdikar (also from the Department of History). Dr. Adrian Ferro (Assistant Professor, Department of Geography) participated in this session.



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Chicalim, Goa, India

9VRM+W22, Pilani, Chicalim, Goa 403710, India

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Students and Faculty at BITS Pilani, Goa Campus for the Y20 Brainstorming Session and G20 University Connect Lecture Series on "Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction. Also students felicitated by the dignitaries with a memento and a certificate for the Quiz Competition.

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National Students Paryavaran Competition (NSPC)

The Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change had organized National students Paryavaran competition (NSPC) under the aegis of Paryavaran Sanrakshan Gatividhi, which was scheduled from 01st July, 2023 to 21st August, 2023. The objective of this program is to succeed in creating awareness amongst students to comprehend in depth the complexity of the looming dangers of uncontrolled climate devastation. Miss Valerie Temudo, Miss Shifa Sayyad, Miss Derissa Ann Sequeira, Miss Ankita Nilu Dessai, Miss Tirtha Karmali, Miss Vishaka Parker, Miss Cybil Victoria Antao and Miss Dhruti Bhandodkar are the eight students from M.A. Part I and II Geography that participated in the quiz competition and the planting 10 seeds initiative conducted by the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change.

Faculty Participation in Conference / Seminar

Dr. Adrian Ferro, Assistant Professor in Geography has attended a National Webinar on “Academic Writing Skills and Publishing” organized by Balani Infotech Private Limited Noida in collaboration with St. Joseph Vaz College, Cortalim-Goa held on July 25th, 2023. The session on the theme was delivered by Dr. Nikita Wanjari, Relationship Manager and Science Communicator from Balani Infotech Private Limited Noida. The webinar covered topics such as identifying cloned journals, numerous web-based tools for scientific writing, vital research tools, AI assisted technologies in scientific writing, and the peer review process.

Field Visit : Hotel Familiarization Tour at ITC Grand Goa Resort and Spa, Arossim

A hotel familiarization tour was arranged for the students at ITC Grand Goa Resort and Spa, Arossim by the Department of Hospitality and Tourism, Department of Geography and Research Center of Parvatibai Chowgule College of Arts and Science (Autonomous) and ITC Grand Goa Resort and Spa on the 11th of August, 2023 between 2.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. The visit was organized as part of the respective curriculum of the students, allowing for an interaction and exposure into the hotel industry. The primary outcome of the visit to the resort was that the students gained knowledge more about the hospitality and tourism sector, including the opportunities it offers and the qualifications needed to work there. Ms. Rochelle Colaco, Mr. Ashutosh Yadav and Mr. Balbir Furtado (Faculty members) accompanied the students at the resort.



Faculty and Students of M.A. Part II Geography at ITC Grand Resort and Spa, Arossim-Goa

Workshop on Research Design for T.Y.B.A. and M.A. Geography Part II students

The Department of Geography and Research Centre in collaboration with Research and Development Cell (RDC) of this college conducted a workshop for the students on "Research Design". The objective of the workshop was to orient students and provide hands-on-experience to design research tools for their respective research topics. The workshop was inaugurated at the hands of Dr. Ganpat K. Naik (Convener, RDC) where in the role of RDC was elaborated and the action plan for the year 2023-24 was highlighted. Dr. Ganpat Naik, also expressed his happiness that the Department of Geography and Research Center has initiated the first activity of Research and Development Cell (RDC). The resource persons were Prof. Nandkumar Sawant and Dr. Sanjay Gaikwad. Prof. Nandkumar Sawant led the first session, during which students learned about research methodology and the value of databases in developing effective methodologies. He stressed that conducting a thorough examination of the literature aids in developing a reliable research approach. Dr. Sanjay Gaikwad focused on how to find reputable research articles online using search engines, and he also showed them how to create reference lists using online tools. Five faculty members and 22 students of third year B.A. and M.A. Geography attended the workshop.



A token of appreciation offered to Dr. G.K. Naik (Convener of RDC).



1. The students are given a presentation on good research approach by Prof. Nandkumar Sawant (left)
2. Dr. Sanjay Gaikwad explains to the students the significance of credible web research papers (right)

Community Outreach Programme Tree Plantation Drive at Camorlim, Goa

A Plantation Drive was organized by Parvatibai Chowgule College of Arts & Science (Autonomous) in association with Nossa Senhora De Rosa Mystica Association-Goa Rainbow Warriors and Camp Souza, as a humble move towards glorifying nature on 15th August, 2023. Veerendra Souza, President of Camp Souza graced the occasion along with the Head of the Department of Geography of Chowgule College, Prof. Nandkumar Sawant. The Chief Guest for the event was Mr. Abhijit Prabhudessai, Secretary of Rainbow Warriors who spoke about the youth's obligation towards nature. He said that "A lot of damage has been done by the present generation and therefore onus lies on us to restore and revive before we hand it over to the next generation". While Prof. Nandkumar Sawant, under the AGEIS Geographer for Sustainability has been taking initiatives towards environmental conservation and awareness. To commemorate Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, a total of 75 saplings were planted by the students of Geography, Botany and Geology at Camp Souza, Multi Sports Facility Centre, Camorlim. Dr. Adrian Ferro, Assistant Professor in Geography coordinated the entire event. One of the students, Radhika Dhuri said that, "this is in true sense of a service to our Mother Earth".



Distribution of plant saplings to faculty and students by the Chief Guest Mr. Abijit Prabhudessai (Secretary, Rainbow Warriors).



Distribution of certificates by the Chief Guest Mr. Abijit Prabhudessai (Secretary, Rainbow Warriors) to the students for actively participating in the tree plantation drive.