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# **HIGHLIGHTS - MARCH 2024**



Visit by College Leadership Team to Goa Institute of Management (GIM)

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## Activities and remarkable achievements for the month of March 2024

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## From the Principal's Desk

Dear All,

## Greetings!

I hope this message finds you well. We are happy to share some of the activities organized by various Departments and College Committees for the month of March 2024. Also are highlighted faculty participation, presentations and achievements of staff and students.

Congratulations to all the students and staff members for their academic achievements and contributions.

Best wishes for future endeavours.

Prof. (Dr.) Sangeeta G. Sankhalkar Principal

## Highlights of the Month

#### Shaikshik Shodh Meemaansa, 2023-24

An event was organized wherein Third Year students presented their projects in form of Poster / PowerPoint Presentations on 4th March, 2024 for Science Projects and 5th March, 2024 for Arts Projects. This was an opportunity for the Third years to display their work and gain experience to present before the audience. Furthermore it was also an opportunity for the First and Second Year students to understand the project work undertaken by seniors through peer learning.

On 4th March, 2024 a talk on 'Innovation, start-up and Entrepreneurship' was conducted for the faculty and students. The resource person was Mr. Abhishek Singh, Incubation Manager Atal Incubation Centre (GIM), Goa.

On 5th March, 2024 a talk on 'Millets, Forgotten Foods, Eating Healthy' was conducted for the faculty and students. The resource person was Ms. Dorothy Pereira - Mgr Food Safety & Hygiene, Taj Fort Aguada Resort & Spa, Goa

A total of 94 presentations were displayed and a total of 705 attended the same.



Principal addressing the gathering



Mr. Abhishek Singh delivering the session on 'Innovation, Start-up and Entrepreneurship'



Ms. Dorothy Pereira delivering the session on 'Millets-Forgotten Foods, Eating Healthy'



A glimpse of the event

## • Memorandum of Understanding

Chowgule Education Society's, Parvatibai Chowgule College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Goa Institute of Public Administration & Rural Development (GIPARD), Ella Farm, Old Goa on 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.

The MOU with GIPARD is reinitiated for two years from 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024 to 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026. Dr. Ashish Desai will be the College Nodal Officer for this MoU.



Signing the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) Dr. Meghna Devli, Academic Dean; Mr. Ashish M. Desai, faculty; Prof. (Dr.) Sangeeta G. Sankhalkar, Principal

# Visit by College Leadership Team to Goa Institute of Management (GIM), Sanquelim

College team comprising of Shri. Kumaresh V.C., Vice-Principal; Dr. Meghna Devli, Academic Dean and Mr. Alberto Ian Barretto, IQAC Coordinator visited GIM and had an interactive session with Shri. Ajit Parulekar, GIM Director for academic collaborations on 21st March, 2024. Also were present on the occasion, Shri. Aditya Chowgule, Vice-President of Chowgule Education Society's (CES) and Cdr. Parijat Sinha (retd.), Secretary-CES.

The team also visited Atal Incubation Centre.



Visit by College Leadership Team to Goa Institute of Management (GIM)

#### **Other Activities**

## Live streaming of the 'Laying of foundation stones for three semiconductor facilities'

The College organized a live streaming of the 'Laying of foundation stones for three semiconductor facilities', by Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi as part of the India Semiconductor Mission initiated by the Government of India on 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. The primary aim of this event was to raise awareness among students about the comprehensive semiconductor ecosystem. A total of 89 students and 10 faculty members attended the same.



Students and faculty attending the Live streaming of the 'Laying of foundation stones for three semiconductor facilities'

#### • Awareness programme on 'Endometriosis'

Awareness programme on *'Endometriosis'* on 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. The objectives were to educate college students about the important health issue, Endometriosis.

The session were conducted by Ms. Asmitha Deshpande and Ms. Astha Asati, students of Goa Institute of Management, Sanquelim. The speakers elucidated on endometriosis, symptoms, misunderstandings, medical diagnosis and treatment. Following the informative session, attendees were provided with post-survey form to evaluate the effectiveness of the awareness session and measure any improvements in their knowledge and perception of endometriosis. A total of 62 students attended the same.



Students answering the pre-survey form to assess knowledge on 'Endometriosis'

### **Students Section**

#### **Students Achievements**

• Mr. Supriyo Pramanik, student of TYBSc, Department of Physics was qualified for **IIT JAM** with **All India Rank** of **416**.



Mr. Supriyo Pramanik

• **Ms. Smita Karati**, student of TYBSc, Department of Biotechnology cleared the *GATE examination* in the disciplines of '*Biotechnology*' and '*Life Sciences*' with an **All India ranking** of **402** out of 17,078 candidates and **256** out of **36,275** candidates respectively.



Scorecard of Ms.Smita Karati for GATE score in Biotechnology and Life Sciences

• The students of the **Department of Psychology** participated in **'Psychozest 2024'**, an annual inter-collegiate psychology competition organized by **MES College of Arts and Commerce, Zuarinagar** on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2024.

Our College was declared as the **Overall Winners** of 'Psychozest 2024'.

The team secured multiple prizes as follows:

First Place - Anthem (original song composition)

First Place - Paper Presentation
First Place - Tech for Wellbeing

Second Place - Cosplay X Conceptualize

Second Place - Fashion show



Winners
Psychozest 2024

• TYBSc Students, Department of Physics Mr. Joshle Colaco and Mr. Manhaj Shaikh presented a poster titled 'Synthesis, Characterisation, and Magnetic Studies of Doped Nanoferrites' and Mr. Ronan Pereira and Ms. Shamita Dessai presented a poster titled 'First-principle Study of Lead-Free Double Perovskites K2InAgCl6 and K2NaBiCl6' for the poster competition held at the State-Level Seminar organized by the Department of Physics, P.E.S.'s R.S.N. College of Arts and Science, Farmagudi, Ponda in association with the Directorate of Higher Education, Government of Goa, on 7th March 2024.

Mr. Joshle Colaco and Mr. Manhaj Shaikh won the second prize, and Mr. Ronan Pereira and Ms. Shamita Dessai won the third prize in the competition.



Students Mr. Joshle Colaco, Ms. Shamita Dessai, Mr. Ronan Pereira and Mr. Manhaj Shaikh during the State- Level Seminar at P.E.S.'s R.S.N. College of Arts and Science at Farmagudi, Ponda

• The students of the **Department of Zoology** participated in an inter-collegiate event 'EREMOS 2024' organized by the **Department of Zoology**, Carmel College of Arts, Science and Commerce for Women, Nuvem in collaboration with the Goa Forest Department, Wildlife and Ecotourism, South Division, Margao on 13th March, 2024.

Our College was declared as the **Overall Winners** of 'EREMOS 2024'.



'EREMOS 2024'

## **Students Participation**

• Six students of TYBSc Biotechnology along with Dr. Starlaine Mascarenhas, In-charge & Assistant Professor, Dr. Shaiesh Morajkar and Dr. Aman Dongre, Assistant Professors, Department of Biotechnology attended the 'Herald GoaNext 2024: An Atmarnirbhar Bharat Summit' at FIIRE, Don Bosco College of Engineering, Fatorda, Goa organized by O-Heraldo in association with FiiRE (Don Bosco college Fatorda-Goa), Department of Information and Technology, Electronics and Communication, Govt. of Goa, Goa Start-up mission, Start-Up Promotion cell (SPC) and Planet hollywood beach resort on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2024.



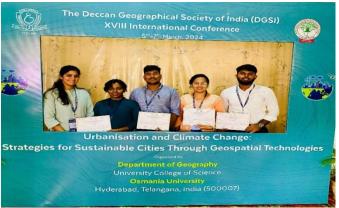
Students and faculty for the 'Herald GoaNext 2024: An Atmarnirbhar Bharat Summit'

• Post-graduate students of the Department of Geography & Research Centre participated and presented research papers at 'The Deccan Geographical Society of India (DGSI) XVIII International Conference' at Osmania University, Hyderabad, Telangana from 5th to 7th March, 2024.

Four Students Ms. Avykata Bhonsle, MA in Geography Part-I; Ms. Sukhada Prabhugaonkar, Ms. Radhika Dhuri and Mr. Rutvik Shetkar, MA in Geography Part-II along with one faculty member Mr. Deepak Kumbhar participated and presented research papers. The details are as follows

- i) Ms. Avyakta Bhonsle presented paper on 'A Study of Emerging heat islands at Mangalore Taluka Karnatak Using GIS and RS Techniques'.
- ii) Ms. Sukhada Prabhugaonkar presented paper on 'An Appraisal of Landuse and Landcover Change in Ponda Taluka, Goa-India'.

- iii) Ms. Radhika Dhuri presented paper on 'Spatio Temporal Assessment of Urban Heat Islands in Pune Metropolitan Region'.
- iv) Mr. Rutvik Shetkar presented paper on 'Ban on Mining and its implication on Forest of Goa: Micro level analysis of Dharbandora'.



Students and faculty at 'The Deccan Geographical Society of India (DGSI)

XVIII International Conference'

• Sixteen students of FYBSc and SYBSc (Chemistry) accompanied by Dr. Mayuri Naik, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry participated in an Inter-collegiate event 'Chemtalsea 5.0' organized by the Department of Chemistry, Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College, and Research Centre, Assagao held on 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.



Students and faculty for the Inter-collegiate event 'Chemtalsea 5.0'

• Three students of the Department of Zoology participated in the 4<sup>th</sup> Goa Bird Race 2024 hosted by Goa Bird Conservation Network, an event organized by India Bird Races team and sponsored by HSBC on 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. Our Team Boobook, recorded a total of 117 species, including a few rare birds like White Eyed Buzzard, Asian Emerald dove & Malabar shrike.



Team 'Boobook 'for 4th Goa BirdRace hosted by GBCN

• Mr. Omkar Terdalkar, student of FYBA-Hindi participated and recited a poem in Hindi on the occasion of *'World Poetry Day"* organized by the Department of English on 21st March, 2024.

## **Alumni Achievements**

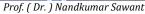
• Ms. Apoorva Pimplikar, Alumni, Department of Geology (Topper TYBSc-Geology 2022-2023 batch) qualified Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE) exam with All India Rank of 472 in March 2024.

## **Faculty Section**

#### **Faculty Achievements**

• Prof. (Dr.) Nandkumar Sawant, Head, Department of Geography & Research Center and Dr Sachin Moraes, Incharge, Department of Sociology were awarded a major research project by Goa State Research Foundation, Provorim for their research proposal "Overseas Migration and Emptiness at the Place of Origin: Understanding Dynamics in Goa in the 21st Century". The Project is for two years and a fund of Rs 8 lakhs has been granted.







Dr. Sachin Moraes

• Ms. Neeha Sinai Borker, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology cleared the **GATE exam** in two subjects, Life Science and Evolution held in March 2024.

She is also a **full member of the IUCN Species Survival Commission Otter Specialist Group** (IUCN SSC Otter specialist Group). It is the leading global otter conservation group since 1974. The Otter Specialist Group (OSG) is one of the IUCN Species Survival Commission's specialist groups aimed at contributing to the conservation of 13 otter species and spread awareness on the otters worldwide.



Ms. Neeha Sinai Borker

## **Papers Presented**

• Mr. Shubhankar Shah, Assistant Professor, Department of English participated and presented a research paper titled "Ecriture Feminine on the Digital Screen: (Re)presenting a (Bad) Feminist in Phoebe Waller-Bridge's Fleabag" at a Two-day National Seminar on 'Mediating the Isms: Locating the Dynamics of Ideology in the Modern World through Screens', organized by the Department of English at DMC College and Research Centre, Assagao in collaboration with the Directorate of Higher Education, Govt. of Goa on 1st and 2nd March, 2024.

- Ms. Rupali Tamuly, Head & Associate Professor, Department of Economics presented a research paper on 'Natural Disasters in India and Household Behaviours: A Panel Data Analysis' at the 3<sup>rd</sup> East West Economics Research Conclave 2024 organized by East West University, Bangladesh from 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2024.
- Mr. Deepak Kumbhar, Assistant Professor, Department of Geography and Research Center (PG) participated and presented paper on 'Emerging Hotspots in Goa, Land Surface Temperature Analysis in the State of Goa Using Geospatial Techniques'at DGSI XVIII international Conference, Osmania University Hyderabad from 5th to 7th March, 2024.

## **Invitation as Resource Person**

 Principal Prof. (Dr.) Sangeeta G. Sankhalkar was invited as a resource person for a symposium on 'Women's Safety and Empowerment' organized by Women Cells Carmel College, of Arts Science and Commerce, Nuvem Margao on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2024. She spoke on the "Role of Education in Women Empowerment".



Principal for the symposium on 'Women's Safety and Empowerment'

 Mr. Shubhankar Shah, Assistant Professor, Department of English was invited as host for a book session with Pragya Bhagat on her memoir 'Swimming in Our Oceans' at Dogears Bookshop, Margao on 3rd March, 2024.



Mr. Shubhankar Shah as a host for the book session with Pragya Bhagat

• Mr. Andrew Barreto, Assistant Professor, Department of English was invited as a panelist to speak on the topic *'Careers in English'* by the Government College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Quepem on 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.



Mr. Andrew Barreto as a panellist at Government College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Quepem

- Dr. Shaila Ghanti, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science was invited to serve as the session chair for the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Advances in Smart Sensor, Signal Processing and Communication Technology (ICASSCT-2024) at Goa University on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2024.
- Mr. Anil Yedage, Assistant Professor & Coordinator (PG), Department of Geography and Research Center was invited as a guest lecture on 'Career Opportunity in GIS' organized by D R Mane College, Kagal Kolhapur on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2024.

## **Faculty Participation**

• Principal Prof. (Dr.) Sangeeta G. Sankhalkar, participated in the 26<sup>th</sup> National Conference of Association of Indian College Principals (AICP) organized by Agarwal PG College, Jaipur and Government College, Jaipur in collaboration with Vidya Bharti Uchcha Shiksha Santhan from 7<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. She presented a paper on 'Relevance of Research in Higher Education'.



Principal for the 26<sup>th</sup> National Conference of Association of Indian College Principals (AICP)

• Mr. Deepak Kumbhar, Assistant Professor, Department of Geography and Research Center(PG participated in One Day International Workshop on 'Virtual labs', organized by SCRS Rajkiya Mahavidhyalaya Sawai Madhavpur Rajasthan in Collaboration with IIT Dehi on 7th March, 2024.

- Ms. Poonam M. Joshi, College Librarian and Ms. Aditi Y. Malik, Librarian Grade-I attended National Webinar titled *'Essential E-resources for Research'* organized by St. Joseph Vaz College, Cortalim on 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.
- Dr. Mayuri Naik, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry attended One-Day International Level webinar organized by the Department of Chemistry GFGC Chamarajanagar and Dr. A. V. Baliga College of Arts and Science, Kumta under the initiative of IQAC on the theme 'Connecting Academics to Industries' held on 15th March, 2024.
- Three faculty members of the College attended the Valedictory Function of the 'Vidnyan Dhara' a Mega Science Series 2024, organized by the Directorate of Higher Education at the Directorate of Higher Education, SCERT Building, Porvorim on 19th March, 2024. Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to the faculty members of the College for their contribution as a resource person to Vidnyan Dhara 2024.



Faculty for the Valedictory Function of the 'Vidnyan Dhara' a Mega Science Series 2024

• Dr. (Mrs.) Sameena Falleiro, Head & Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science participated in an *Academic Leadership Programme* of the Government of Goa, Directorate of Higher Education, Goa State Higher Education Council in collaboration with Goa Institute of Management, Goa on 21st and 22nd March, 2024.



Dr.(Mrs.)Sameena Falleiro for the Academic Leadership Programme

• Ms. Dikshita Aroskar, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science attended a Statewide Faculty Orientation Program on Outcome-Based Education (OBE) conducted by Goa State Higher Education Council, Directorate of Higher Education, Porvorim on 26th March, 2024.



Ms. Dikshita Aroskar for the Statewide Faculty Orientation Program

- The faculty of the Department of Zoology attended the following activities:
  - a) 98th GBCN Bird walk, organised by Goa Bird Conservation Network held at Maitollem lake, Curtorim on 3rd March, 2024.
  - b) 4th Goa Bird Race 2024 hosted by Goa Bird Conservation Network, an event organised by India Bird Races team and sponsored by HSBC on 10th March, 2024.
  - c) International webinar on 'QGIS for Ecological Field Survey' organized by TGIS on 16th March, 2024.



Faculty at the 98th GBCN Bird walk

## **Department Activities**

#### 1) Department of Botany

• The Department organized an 'Online/ hybrid lecture series (life sciences)' to provide students with an enriching educational experience and fostering their interest and understanding in various aspects of life sciences on 30th March 2024 for the College Students

The resource persons delivered online/hybrid lecture series as follows.

- o Dr. Dipshikha Chakravortty "Salmonella has not spared plants" (online mode)
- o Principal Prof.(Dr.)Sangeeta G.Sankhalkar "Microalgal biofuels: A promising alternative to Sustainable energy" (offline mode)
- o Dr. Ranjana Arya "Therapeutics development and challenges for rare disease" (online mode)

A total of 71 students and 8 faculty members were present for the online/hybrid lecture series.



'Online/ hybrid lecture series'



Participants

Prize Distribution Event on the occasion of International Day of Forests
The Departmental Club 'Botanica' organized Prize Distribution Event on
22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2024 for the students of the College to honour the hard
work, dedication and accomplishments of our students across different
fields.

To celebrate International forest day students of SYBSc Ms. Sanika Naik and Ms. Anisha Gaonkar gave speech on importance of Forests and Ms. Joshvel Fernandes student of TYBSc recited poem on Nature.



A glimpse of the event

## 2) Department of Computer Science

• The Department organized annual Inter-collegiate event, *IRIX-2024* on 1st and 2nd March, 2024. The event featured a diverse range of activities, such as Technical and Non-Technical events and Gaming events. A total 120 students from different colleges participated for the same.



Organizers

• The Department organized a farewell for the TY and PGDCA students on 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. Head of the Department of Computer Science delivered a message and shared words of encouragement, wisdom and appreciation for the outgoing students.



TY and PGDCA students along with the faculty members

• The Firebits club of the Department organized a talk by Ms. Poonam M. Joshi, College Librarian on *'Use and Awareness: Library Resources (NLIST E-Resources)'* on 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2024 for Second Year students of the Department.

Students were engaged in a hands-on activity, which involved browsing articles and e-books using NLIST. A total of 4 students and 1 faculty member attended the talk.



Students and faculty along with the resource person

## 3) Department of English

- The Department organized various activities under the ETC (English Tygers' Club) from 1<sup>st</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.
  - a) Club Carpe Diem-Poets & Writers Club
  - b) Zeitgeist The Film Club
  - c) Book.ish the english tygers' book club

Department faculty Dr. Sonia Fernandes da Costa, Mr. Andrew Barreto, and Ms. Loretta Rodrigues were engaged in various activities of the Department.

• 'Comix Day'. As a part of continuous assessment for the SYBA English elective course Visual Literatures on 1st March, 2024. 23 students presented various materials on Comics and Graphic novels. Over 200 students visited the various stalls put up by the students for the day.



'Comix Dav'

- Goa's first ever Poetry Crawl around Monte hill Margao celebrating Women's Day on 8th March, 2024. About 54 participants with over 30 performances were present.
- Poetry Crawl with Zeitgeist at the Monte Hill, Margao 8th March, 2024.
   15 students put together 5 Poetry Performances based on poems written by Queer poets.
- 'World Literature Day' on 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2024 on the campus. The event was held as a gallery exhibition with the aim of exploring the literature and culture of various countries of the world.
- Students participated and put up various stalls presenting the literature, food, culture and games from 5 countries, Canada, Ireland, Italy, Nigeria and Russia. Around 250 attendees including students, parents, teaching and non-teaching staff attended the exhibition engaging and absorbing the cultures of the countries.
- *'Latin American Day'* as a part of continuous assessment for the TYBA English elective course Latin American Literature on 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2024.







A glimpse of the Latin American Day'

## 4) Department of French

• The Department organized a Workshop titled *'L'Art de la Traductionet de la Recherche'* for the students of the Department of French on 21st March, 2024.

The resource person was Ms. Kshama Dharwadkar, Assistant Professor, Discipline of French and Francophone studies, The Shenoi Goembab School of Languages & Literature, Goa University. She provided valuable insights on how to choose a relevant research topic, how to methodically go about the research and how to put it all together effectively.

A total of 16 students and 02 faculty members attended the same.



Students and faculty with the resource person

#### 5) Department of Geography & Research Center

The Department organized the following activities.

• Workshop on 'Formatting of Dissertation and Academic Integrity' on 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. The main objective of this session was to demonstrate to students how to effectively structure their final year dissertations before submission.

Head of the Department Prof. (Dr.) Nandkumar Sawant resourcefully enlightened the students on value and efficacy of research projects. Dr. Adrian Ferro, Coordinator (PG), MA Geography focused on academic integrity and its value in research. A total of 19 students comprising of TYBA and MA in Geography Part - II attended the workshop.



Prof. (Dr.) Nandkumar Sawant briefing the students on formatting of dissertations

• Workshop on 'Synopsis and Importance of Pre Synopsis in Research' on 18th March, 2024. The workshop emphasized on research objectives, data collection techniques and findings. A total of 11 students comprising of SYBA and MA in Geography Part-II attended the workshop.



Student Ms. Radhika Dhuri, (left) MA in Geography Part -II presenting her findings during the pre-synopsis workshop

 Workshop on 'Assignment writing' by Head of the Department for the students of FYBA. The aim of workshop was to understand the need, familiarize the structure and ensure timely submission of academic assignment. He emphasized on methodologies like brain storming, listing and ballooning for completion of the assignment. 15 students of the FYBA attended the workshop.



Students along with the resource person Prof. (Dr.) Nandkumar Sawant

• The Department organized an Inter-Class Geography event 'Equinox' on 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2023. The event included Quiz, Treasure Hunt, Atlas, Jigsaw, Indian Diversity and Enacting Geographer. The chief guest was Mr. Vineet Kudnaikar, an alumni of the Department and Founder & Director, AARTI Enterprises, Corodinator-Disha Foundation, Nagpur. A total of 6 teams participated in the event. The overall winners of the event were MA Part-II Class.





Chief Guest Mr Vineet Kudnaikar presenting the trophy

Students solving jig saw puzzle

• 23 students of MSc in Geoinformatics and PGDGIS along with two faculty members Dr. Anil Yedage and Mr. Venkatesh Prabhugaonkar, Assistant Professors (PG) attended a two days *Institutional Visit* to National Remote Sensing Centre (ISRO), Hyderabad on 18th and 19th March, 2024. They were exposed to various applications of natural resources management and urban planning using GIS and on the Second day, there was of demonstration of data acquisition and satellite control stations and the process.



Students and faculty for the National Remote Sensing Centre (ISRO), Hyderabad

#### 6) Department of Geology

Students of FYBSc along with Mr. Sachit Kuttikar, Assistant Professor, Department of Geology went on *field visits*.

 Quepem and Guddi on 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2024 for FYBSc students. The field work was part of Skill enhancement course (SEC): Field techniques for Geological mapping.



Students and faculty for the field visit at Quepem and Guddi

• Paroda hill, Quepem and Guddi & Borim Quarry and Nirankal on 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 respectively for TYBSc students. The field work was part of course: Survey, Mapping and Field Geology.



Students and faculty for the field visit at Paroda hill, Quepem and Guddi & Borim Quarry and Nirankal

• Bondla zoo and Ganjem barrage on 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 with SYBSc and TYBSc for Surveying, Mapping and Field Geology, Natural Hazard and Management and Engineering Geology.



Students and faculty for the field visit at Bondla zoo and Ganjem barrage

• As a part of Skill enhancement course and Multidisciplinary course FBSc and FYBA students visited Borim and Bethoda on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2024.



Students for the field visit at Borim and Bethoda

• Students of FYBSc along with Ms. Swati Ghadi, Assistant Professor Department of Geology at Palolem on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. The field work was part of the course: Earth Dynamic and Tectonics.



Students and faculty for the field visit at Palolem

## 7) Department of Hindi

• The Department organized a workshop on 'Hindi kevikas men IT evam AI tolls kibhumika' on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2024. The resource person was Dr. Rakesh Sharma, Deputy Director, NIO, Panaji. 40 students of the Departments of Hindi, Marathi and Konkani participated in the same.



The resource person was Dr. Rakesh Sharma delivering the session on 'Hindi kevikas men IT evam AI tolls kibhumika'



**Participants** 

#### 8) Department of Physics

• The Department under the leadership of faculty Dr. Ashish Desai organized a workshop on 'Sky Observation' from 9th to 10th March, 2024 at Tanshikar Spice Farm, Netravali, Goa. The resource person for the event was Dr. Reshma Raut Dessai, Assistant Professor, Goa University.

During the workshop participants observed several constellations, the Orion Nebulae, and Jupiter, along with its four moons, deepening their understanding of the wonders of the universe. 24 Students from the Department of Physics and Geology and 3 faculty members participated in the workshop.



Orion Nebula observed during the workshop



Participants along with the resource person during the workshop on 'Sky Observation'

## 9) Department of Psychology

• The Department organized a Discussion Forum on the theme 'Intimate Partner Violence' on 22nd March, 2024. Experts from three different fields were invited to share their expertise in the field. Adv. Lariza Gomes spoke about how the law protects us and what are the provisions made in our constitution for our safety in intimate relationships. Ms. Devika Gupta, Researcher spoke about the concept and prevalence of IPV and shared her research findings with the participants. PI. Sudiksha Naik spoke about the ground realities of dealing with IPV and her experiences therein.



Experts Adv. Lariza Gomes, P.I. Sudiksha Naik, Devika Gupta



The Discussion Forum 2024

## 10) Department of Sociology

• The Department Human Dosto Club and the Gender Champion's Club organized an engaging 'International Women's Day' celebration on 7th March, 2024 under the theme 'Invest in a Woman, Accelerate Progress'. The event aimed to inspire through the success stories of women entrepreneurs.

The event commenced with a documentary showcasing the journey of Ms. Ritu Kaushik, highlighting women's resilience in entrepreneurship. Ms. Leandra Vaz, an alumni and guest of the day shared her inspiring life story, navigating challenges to success, resonating with many. A total of 38 students and faculty members attended the same.



Celebration of 'International Women's Day

#### 11) Department of Zoology

• The Department organized an 'Industry Academia Lecture – Series' organized on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2024. The resource person was Mr. Anuj Shinde, Founder of Herpclub and Herpbuzz and Co-lead for the Shieldtail Mapping Project. He delivered a talk titled "Towards Data Driven Conservation of Shieldtails" emphasizing on the morphology and conservation of Shieldtail snakes in Goa. A total of 34 attended the talk.



The resource person Mr. Anuj Shinde delivering the session on 'Towards Data driven Conservation of Shiedltails'



Students and faculty along with the resource person

• A workshop on 'Fish Taxonomy: Understanding Diversity of Aquatic Life' was organized on 6th March 2024. Two sessions on 'Classification of Fishes and Introduction to taxonomy of bony fishes' and 'Introduction to taxonomy of Cartilaginous fishes' were conducted by the resource persons Dr. Nashad M (Senior Scientific Assistant) and Dr. Pradeep H.D. (Senior Fisheries Scientist) respectively. The sessions were followed by a hands-on training on 'Fish Identification: Methodology and Specimen Preservation' for the students. A total of 52 attendees attended the same. The workshop was followed by a field trip to Fishery Survey of India, Mormugao Base, Vasco to observe fish specimens, gears and crafts used for fishing on 7th March, 2024.



Lecture sessions delivered by Dr. Nashad M. and Dr. Pradeep H.D on 'Classification of Fishes and Introduction to taxonomy of bony fishes' and 'Introduction to taxonomy of Cartilaginous fishes'



Hands-on training session on 'Preservation of Fishes'



Students and faculty for the field visit at Fishery Survey of India, Mormugao Base, Vasco

• Understanding wildlife biology through a *field trip* to Netravali wildlife Sanctuary for 22 students of TYBSc on 14th March, 2024.



Students and faculty for the field trip at the Netravali Wildlife Sanctuary

• The Department organized an *institutional visit* to the infertility clinic and the anatomy museum of the Goa Medical College, Bambolim for 22 students of TYBSc on 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 as a part of the practical component of the course 'Reproductive Biology and Assisted Reproductive methods'. The purpose of the visit was to provide students with firsthand insights into the clinical aspects of infertility management and assisted reproductive technologies (ART).



Students and faculties at the infertility centre, GMC Bambolim

The Postgraduate Department of Diploma in Clinical Genetics and Medical Laboratory Techniques (PGDCGMLT) conducted the following activity.

• Lecture and interactive session on 'Women's Health issues and anaemia' on 7th March, 2024 for the students of PGDCGMLT. The resource person Dr. Maria Nicaela D'Silva gave the session on women's various health issues and gave insight to anaemia and its prevention. A total of 12 students attended the same.



Students along with the resource person Dr. Maria Nicaela D'Silva

## 12) Department of Physical Education & Sports Management

Inter - Collegiate Cricket Championship For Men & Women 2023-24
 Chowgule college Men & Women Cricket Team participated in Inter-Collegiate Cricket Championship 23-24 at Goa University from 22<sup>nd</sup> February to 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 for Men and for Women, 19<sup>th</sup> March to 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2024.

Men's team played their 1<sup>st</sup> round match on 5<sup>th</sup> March against Narayan Zantye College, Bicholim & **won** the match by six wickets. They played their 2<sup>nd</sup> round match on 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 against Goa Engineering College, Farmagudi & lost by 46 runs.

Women Team played their 1<sup>st</sup> round match on 23<sup>rd</sup> March against Vidhya Prabodhini College, Porvorim.



College Men and Women Cricket Team

• "आत्मविश्वास" Self Defence Program
In compliance with the PM USHA programme of Government of India, the Department organized an eight-day self defense programme for women from 16th February to 8th March, 2024. Our meritorious sportswomen Ms. Mitali Tamse, Ms. Sakshi Sherlekar (Black Belt 1 Dan

in Taekwondo and a national player), Ms. Divya Manikyala (Black Belt 1 Dan in Taekwondo and a National Player and Coach, International medal and two National medals, certified referee) and Ms. Mohini Tiwari (Black Belt in Karate and State level Official) were the resource persons. 22 registered themselves in the self defense programme. They also showcased their skills on 9th March, during a programme to celebrate International Women's Day (worldwide celebrated on March 8th).



A glimpse of the program

• Tigersportz Annual Award Ceremony
The Department organized annual awards and felicitation ceremony on 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2024 at the hands of the Principal.

The event started with exchange of **Inter Departmental Tiger Sportz Fiesta trophy** between the Department of Geography (winners of 2022-23) and the Department of Biotechnology (winners of 2023-24).

The chief guest handed over **Inter Batches Tiger Olympikz 8.0 trophy** to TY batch of 2023-24. Ms. Ratika Naik and Mr. Moses Mascarenhas were honoured with a trophy and Tigersportz gold medal as the **'Tigersportz Best Sportspersons of the year'** in female and male categories respectively.

Twelve sportspersons were awarded Tigersportz Gold Medals as 'Tigersportz Stars of Chowgule College' for excelling at the National, State and University Level.

Twelve sportspersons were awarded with Tigersportz Silver Medal as 'Tigersportz Performers of Chowgule College' for excelling at State Level.

64 students were felicitated as **'Tigersportz achievers of Chowgule College'.** They were part of **Tiger Football Club** (Best Sports Club of the year), **National Games Volunteers**, **Women Volleyball team** (most hard working team of the year), **Students Sports Leadership Group**.





A glimpse of the event

## 13) Career and Personal Counselling Centre

• College Counsellor, Ms. Jofira Gonsalves in collaboration with the Mentoring Committee conducted a series of short sessions for the First Year students on the topic, 'Cultural Differences and Change in Perspective as a Result of Peer Interactions' on 11th, 14th, 15th and 16th March 2024. The event was conducted to create awareness among the First Year students and to sensitize them on how to behave while interacting with people coming from various cultures and backgrounds, so as to maintain peace and harmony in our society.

The resource person was Ms. Jofira Gonsalves, College Counsellor. A total of 156 students attended the workshop.



A glimpse of the sessions delivered by the resource person Ms. Jofira Gonsalves on 'Cultural Differences and Change in Perspective as a Result of Peer Interactions'

## **Activities by College Committees**

#### 1) National Service Scheme

• As part of the awareness programmes for first time voters in the upcoming General Elections 2024, the #MeraPahlaVoteDeshkeLiye, volunteers participated in the various online programmes such as logo making, creative slogan making, voter pledge taking, essay writing, etc. organized by the Government online platforms. This was to prepare them for their upcoming civic responsibility in exercising their right to vote.

## 2) Placement and Internship Cell

• Training Internship and Placement (TIP) cell members of the College Dr. Sachin B. Kakodkar and Dr. Lactina R. Gonsalves and 12 students of MSc in Information Technology attended 'Career Management and Critical Thinking based on Industry Interaction' the Central Training Internship and Placement (TIP) Cell of The Directorate of Higher Education (DHE) and Goa State Higher Education Council (GSHEC) in collaboration with Satkaam Foundation at Padre Conceicao College of Engineering, Verna- Goa (South Goa Center) on 27th March, 2024.

### 3) Teaching Learning and Educational Technology (TLETC)

Teaching Learning and Educational Technology organized 'Ghazali Series on Process Oriented Guided Inquiry Learning (POGIL)' to familiarize the faculty of the College with POGIL on 1st March, 2024 by Dr. Lactina Gonsalves, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry. A total of 23 faculty members attended the same.



Dr. Lactina Gonsalves delivering the session on 'Ghazali Series on Process Oriented Guided Inquiry Learning (POGIL)'



Participants of the Ghazali Series on Process Oriented Guided Inquiry Learning (POGIL)'

#### 4) Women Welfare and SC/ST Students Welfare Committee

Celebration of International Women's Day
On the occasion of International Women's Day, the Women's Welfare
Committee in collaboration with Institution's Innovation Council of our
College organized awareness sessions on 'Women's Health' by
Dr. Pratista P. Naik Cuncolincar (Ayush MO UHC Margao) and 'Women
Entrepreneurs' by Ms. Sapna Shahani (Fractional CMO, Serial
Entrepreneur) on 9th March 2024. The session was aimed at bringing
awareness around women's health issues.

The awareness sessions were followed by a demo on Self-Defence techniques by students Ms. Mitali Tamse, Ms. Divya Manikyala, Ms. Sakshi Sherlekar and Ms. Mohini Tiwari. They demonstrated basic self-defence techniques. The event was coordinated by the Convener of Women Welfare Committee Ms. Sarita Naik Tari along with the Convener of IIC Committee Ms. Suchitra Bhat. A total of 64 students and 19 faculty members attended the same.



Vice-Principal V.C. Kumaresh addressing the gathering





Dr. Pratista P. Naik Cuncolincar delivering the session on 'Women's Health'



Ms. Sapna Shahani delivering the session on 'Women Entrepreneurs'



Demo on 'Self-Defence techniques' by students



**Participants** 

We will come back soon with more highlights of our campus in the upcoming issues. Your comments and suggestions are valuable to us. Email: principal@chowgules.ac.in

Thank you.

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