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Visit of CES's, St. Joseph's Institute (Primary), Vasco to College

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Activities and remarkable achievements for the month of February 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 highlights and achievements that have taken place within our College community in the month of February.

This month's highlight focus is on Activities, Academic Excellence, Achievements and Participation of the staff and students, Community Outreach activities and the Department activities.

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

Wish you all the best for future endeavours.

Prof. (Dr.) Sangeeta G. Sankhalkar
Principal

Activities

- **Chowgule Super League 2024 - Cricket Tournament**

The 2nd season of Chowgule Super League was organized by Team Mindspace from Head Office and was scheduled on 3rd February, 2024 at Chowgule Arlem Ground, Margao, Goa. There were altogether a total of 100 players, among them 25 players from our Chowgule Education Society participated respectively.

There were a total of two groups of three teams each, altogether six teams and a total nine matches were played.

The following were the winners:

Winners : Team '**Avengers**' (Trophy & Cash Prize of Rs. 10000/-)

Runners-up : Team '**Unbeatables**' (Trophy & Cash Prize of Rs. 5000/-)

Mr. Venkatesh Prabhugaonkar - **Man of the Match in the 1st game of the league & Best Bowler of the tournament.**

Mr. Mahadev Sawant - **Man of the Match in final game & Man of the Series award.**

For the opening ceremony Mr. Arjun Chowgule, Executive Director, Chowgule & Company Pvt. Ltd. unveiled the trophy and motivated the team. For the closing ceremony Mr. Aditya Chowgule, Vice-President, CES was present to curtail the event.

The competitions encourage teamwork, boost morale and enhance certain professional skills. These competitions typically center on ideas and values of the company and help inspire team members to work together to solve problems.



Winners
Team 'Avengers'



Runners-up
Team 'Unbeatables'

- **Introductory session on 'CII IWN Girl Student Chapter'**

An Introductory session on 'CII IWN Girl Student Chapter' was organized by the CII IWN for the students and faculty on 2nd February, 2024. In 2013, Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) launched the Indian Women Network (IWN) with the vision of being the largest network for career-oriented women. Ms. Sonia Kunkolienkar, CII IWN Chairperson provided an overview of the CII IWN Girl Student Chapter. Ms. Parvish A. Kamat, Member of CII IWN delivered a talk on the topic 'LinkedIn'. A total of 47 students and 38 faculty members attended the session.



Ms. Sonia Kunkolienkar, CII IWN Chairperson briefing about the IWN Girl Student Chapter



Ms. Parvish A. Kamat, Member of CII IWN delivering the talk on 'LinkedIn'



Participants

● **“Tech-Knowledgy”, Tech Awareness Programme**

The first event of Goa Chamber of Commerce & Industry (GCCCI) - Women's Wing in association with Goa Technology Association (GTA) and Mahila Mandal, Margao and CES's Parvatibai Chowgule College of Arts and Science (Autonomous) Gogol-Margao ‘Tech-Knowledgy’, Tech Awareness Programme to empower Women Entrepreneur and Homepreneurs across Goa by holding different programs on Skilling, Mentoring and Awareness was organized on 8th February, 2024.

Two talks on ‘Technology to Promote Business’ and ‘Cybercrime-Frauds & Prevention’ was delivered by Ms. Ekta Agarwal, CEO & Founder-S.S. Technologies and Mr. Sujeet Shetty, President-GTA respectively. The chief guest for the event was Ms. Deepali Naik, Project Director, DRDA, South Goa.



A glimpse of the event "Tech-Knowledge"

- **Academic Administrative Enrichment Programme**

Principal along with the office staff Mr. Sandesh Nagvenker, Ms. Reena Fernandes and Mr. Dattaprasad Prabhudessai attended the "Academic Administrative Enrichment Programme for the Government Aided Colleges in Goa" organized by Directorate of Higher Education (DHE) for the college administrative staff on 9th February, 2024 at Kautilya, Lekha Bhavan, Directorate of Accounts, Porvorim. This session was an initiative from DHE to empower the college administrative staff with the academic and administrative procedures.

As an outcome of the training programme two separate sessions for the teaching and non-teaching staff of the College were conducted on 17th February, 2024 in the Upper Auditorium of the College by the Principal and the other staff members who attended the programme.

- a) Session I for non-teaching staff covering aspects on Recruitment process of non-teaching staff, Financial Upgradation, Maintaining of Service Book and Compliances for Audit.
- b) Session II for teaching staff covering aspects on Recruitment process of teaching staff, CAS, Leave and Maintaining of Service Book.

A total of 43 teaching staff members and a total of 37 non-teaching staff members attended the same.



Principal and the staff member delivering the sessions

- **Visit of CES's, St. Joseph's Institute (Primary), Vasco to College**

The students from the CES's, St. Joseph's Institute (Primary), Vasco had an excursion to CES's, Parvatibai Chowgule College of Arts and Science (Autonomous) Margao on 13th February, 2024. The aim of the excursion was to enable the children to experience various educational and recreational facilities in the campus.

They visited the Zoology Museum, Geology Museum, Biotechnology Lab, GIS Lab, CCCA, Gym and Futsal ground (CSC). The Tigers Studio conducted a dance activity and also gave them the opportunity to explore cine camera and music instruments.

They were in awe of all that they observed on their visit to the College. The students got an opportunity to interact with college educators and students enhancing their learning experience.



A glimpse of the visit of CES's, St. Joseph's Institute (Primary), Vasco to College



A glimpse of the visit of students from St. Joseph School, Vasco to College

- **Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti Celebration 2024**

The Department of Marathi in collaboration with the NSS Unit of the College celebrated Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti on 19th February, 2024 in the Quadrangle of the College.

The program started with the lightning of the traditional lamp and floral tribute to the statue of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj followed by the address of the Principal.



Celebration of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti

Students Section

Students Achievements

- The students of the **Department of English** participated in “**WordsUp 5.0**”, the coveted inter-collegiate event based on language and literature organized by the **Department of English, St. Xavier’s College, Mapusa** on 9th and 10th February, 2024.

Our College secured the **Runners-Up** Trophy in the overall event.



*Runners-Up
WordsUp 5.0*

- The students of the **Department of Physics** **Mr. Supriyo Pramanik**, (TYBSc) and **Ms. Annalise Vaz** (SYBSc) participated and secured **First Place** in the ‘**Astronomy Quiz Competition**’ organized by the **Quarks Club at the Department of Physics, Dhempe College of Arts and Science, Miramar** on 15th February, 2024.



*Mr. Supriyo Pramanik and Ms. Annalise Vaz
First Place
‘Astronomy Quiz Competition’*

- The students of the Department of Botany and the Department of Biotechnology participated in an annual event “**BOTANICA 2024**” organized by the **School of Biological Sciences and Biotechnology, Goa University, Taleigao** on 16th February, 2024.

Our student won the following events.

- **Ms. Rajasi Naik** –**First Place** in **Debate Competition**.
- **Ms. Sanika Naik** –**First Place** in **Bottle Painting Competition**.
- **Mr. Raj Nayak** –**Third Place** for **Stand-Up Comedy**.

Our College secured the **Third Place** in the overall event.



*'Third Place' winners
BOTANICA 2024*

- Fifteen students from the **Department of Geology** participated in '**Geosphere 2024**' organized by **Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College and Research Centre (DMC), Assagao** in association with the **Geological Society of Goa** on 21st February, 2024. The students were accompanied by Mr. Sachit Kuttikar, Assistant Professor, Department of Geology.

Our students won the following events.

- **Ms. Siya Vernekar** - **Second Place** in **Geo-oratory**,
- **Ms. Preeti Ekawade** - **Second Place** in **Orogeny (Model Making)**
&
Cherlyn Cardozo
- **Mr. Reyln Rodrigues** – **Second Place** in **Pic-trick**
&
Ms. Varada Naik
- **Mr. Somesh Dessai** - **Consolation Prize** for **Geo-oratory**

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



Winners
'Geosphere 2024'



Ms. Siya Vernekar



Ms. Preeti Ekawade and Ms. Cherlyn Cardozo

Second Place in Geo-oratory



Mr. Reylan Rodrigues and Ms. Varada Naik
Second Place in Pic-trick

Second place in Orogeny (Model Making)



Mr. Somesh Dessai
Consolation prize for Geo-oratory

Students Participation

- The students of the Department of Zoology participated in the following activities.
 - a) *Bird trails* as a part of the Goa Bird Atlas initiative organized by Arranya Environment Research Organisation (AERO) at Raitollem Lake, Verna, Acamor and Betul in Salcete Taluka for the dry season on 3rd, 9th, 12th, 13th and 14th February, 2024 respectively.
 - b) Three days hands-on workshop on '*Herpetology*' organized by Goa University, Taleigao from 7th to 9th February, 2024. Importance of snakes, first aid for snake bites and its prevention, snake rescue practices was explained.
 - c) '*Great Backyard Bird Count*' organized at Handi Khuris, Maina-Curtorim wetlands on 18th February, 2024.



Student for the GBA Initiative Bird Trails in Salcete Goa

- The students of MSc Analytical Chemistry Part-II accompanied by Mr. Anurag M. Naik, Coordinator & Assistant Professor, MSc Analytical Chemistry attended a state level workshop on *'Hands-on training on sophisticated Analytical Instruments'* organized by St. Xavier's College, Mapusa from 5th to 7th February, 2024.



M.Sc. Part II students at St. Xavier's College-Goa attending the State level Workshop

- Students of the Department of Computer Science participated in *'Genesis'*, an inter-collegiate event organized by MES Vasant Joshi College of Arts and Commerce, Zuarinagar on 10th February, 2024.
- Students of TYBSc Ms. Bhoomika Bangera and Ms. Pooja Kholkar participated in the *'All Goa Intercollegiate 3D Model Making Competition in Chemistry'* at the 21st Annual Convention and Workshop for Chemistry Teachers organized by Association of Chemistry Teachers-Goa in association with PES's RSN College of Arts and Science, Farmagudi, Ponda on 24th February, 2024.



Students for the *'All Goa Intercollegiate 3D Model Making Competition in Chemistry'*

Faculty Section

Papers Published

- **Dr. Shaiesh Morajkar**, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology published a research article.

Morajkar S, Sangeeta S, Hegde S. Assessment of carbon sequestration rate and tree diversity in a model urban green cover study using a college campus in Mangalore city. *Trends in Current Biology*. 2024; 2(1): 26-33.



Dr. Shaiesh Morajkar

- Ms. Poonam Joshi, College Librarian published a Chapter in the book.

Joshi, P. M., (2023). Need for E-Resources in Academic Libraries. Usage of E-Resources in University Libraries India: (pp. 114-118). Pune: Kripa Drishti Publications.



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Resource Person

- Dr. Shaila Ghanti, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science was invited as a resource person for Pedagogical Observation as a part of Academic Quality Cell at Vidya Vikas Mandal's Vidya Vikas Academy, Margao on 8th February, 2024.
- Dr. Shaiesh Morajkar, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology was invited as a resource person at Marina English High School, Verna on 15th February, 2024. He delivered a lecture on 'Wetland Conservation through local stakeholder participation based on Scientific knowledge'.



Dr. Shaiesh Morajkar at Marina English High School, Verna

- Mr. Shubhankar Shah, Assistant Professor, Department of English was invited as a Judge for 'Epiphany 6.0', an Inter-Collegiate Seminar cum Research Paper Presentation Competition organized by Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College and Research Centre (DMC), Assagao-Bardez for Undergraduate students of Goa on 17th February, 2024.



Mr. Shubhankar Shah at DMC, Assagao - Bardez

- Ms. Shalma Mascarenhas, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology was the resource person for the students of Class VI, VII, VIII, and IX of St. Thereza's Convent High School, Ganapoga Raia Goa. The topic for the session was "Wonders of Wildlife" and the same was conducted as a part of the "Vidnyan Dhara", a mega science series programme organised by the Directorate of Higher Education (DHE) and Goa State Higher Education Council (GSHEC) on 19th February, 2024.



Ms. Shalma Mascarenhas delivering lecture on 'Wonders of Wildlife'
at St. Thereza's Convent High School, Ganapoga Raia

- Dr. Pradeep R. Jatal, In-charge & Assistant Professor, Department of Hindi was invited as a resource person in 'Hindi Sangoshthi' of "Bhasha ke vikas men kshetriy Bhashaon ka Yogdan" on the occasion of 'Antar Rashtriya Matrubhasha Diwas' organized at Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd. and Prayassanstha collaboration on 21st February, 2024.



Dr. Pradeep R. Jatal

- Ms. Carol Barreto Miranda, In-charge & Assistant Professor, Department of French was invited as resource person for a pedagogical observation of the Department of French at Vidya Vikas Academy, Margao on 28th February, 2024. The objective of the activity was to observe and report anomalies in the pedagogical methods used for teaching-learning of a foreign language at different levels and to provide corrective measures for the same.
- Prof. (Dr.) Nandkumar Sawant, Head, Department of Geography & Research Center was invited as panel speaker for the international conference on the theme 'New Horizons in Commerce, Management, Information Technology, Economics and Social Science' organized by MES college of Arts & Commerce, Zuarinagar in collaboration with Poona College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Pune on 29th February, 2024. He emphasized that social science research needs to be sensitive towards emerging as resilient communities addressing mental health, environment and gender.



Prof. (Dr.) Nandkumar Sawant at the panel discussion

- Dr. Pradeep R. Jatal, In-charge; Ms. Alka Gawas and Ms. Varsha Prabhugaunkar, Assistant Professors, Department of Hindi translated (online) the website content of Directorate of Higher Education, Government of Goa from English to Hindi.

Faculty Participation

- Dr.(Ms). Sameena Falleiro participated in an *Academic Leadership Programme* of the Government of Goa, Directorate of Higher Education, Goa State Higher Education Council in Partnership with collaboration with Goa Institute of Management, Goa from 5th to 7th February, 2024.



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

- Dr. Shaiesh Morajkar, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology, attended 'The IGNITE - Young Agri Entrepreneurs Conclave 2024' organized by ICAR-Central Coastal Agricultural Research Institute, Ela, Old-Goa on 8th and 9th February, 2024.
- Faculties from the Department of Geology participated in the Vidhyan Dhara Lecture Series, Third Edition 2024 initiated by Directorate of Higher Education to celebrate National Science Day 2024.
 - a) Ms. Swati Ghadi delivered a talk on the topic 'Geology in a Nutshell' in the following four Institutes.
 - 16th February, 2024 - AIMS, Salcete
 - 17th February, 2024 - United High School, Cuncolim
 - 19th February, 2024 - Crescent High School, Fatorda
 - 22nd February, 2024 - St. Jude High School, Betalbatim

- b) Mr. Sachit Kuttikar delivered a talk on the topics- ‘Unveiling the daily application of rocks’ and ‘Rocks and their Significance’ in the following three Institute/School.

9th February, 2024 - Anjuman Himayatu Islam High School, Baina Vasco da Gama

12th February, 2024 - Infant Jesus High School, Cuncolim

20th February 2024 - St. Francis Xavier High School, Macasana

- c) Ms. Siddhi Shirodkar delivered a talk on the topic ‘Earths Incredible tale: from its formation to present’ in the following Institute.

1st February, 2024 - Chandranath Education Society's High School, Qepem

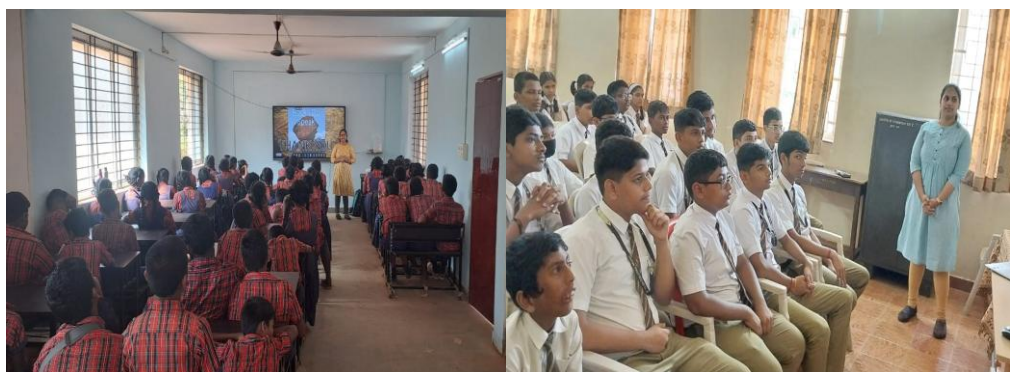
9th February, 2024 - The New Educational Institute Curchorem



Ms. Swati Ghadi delivered the session on ‘Geology in a Nutshell’



Mr. Sachit Kuttikar delivered the session on ‘Unveiling the daily application of rocks’ and ‘Rocks and their Significance’



Ms. Siddhi Shirodkar delivered a session on ‘Earths Incredible tale: from its formation to present’

- Mr. Kumaresh V.C., Vice-Principal and Mr. Sandesh Nagvekar, Non-Teaching Staff attended a Two- Days Training Programme on ‘Reservation in Service’ on 23rd and 24th February, 2024 organized by Directorate of Higher Education (DHE) at Directorate of Accounts, Porvorim, Goa. The training program highlighted the Constitutional provisions, scope, applicability, percentage in

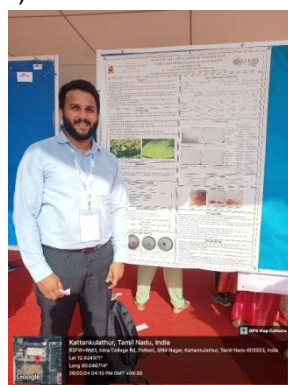
Reservation in Service, Direct recruitment/Promotion, maintaining the Registers and Rosters with hands-on exercises.

- Ms. Suchitra Bhat, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science and Dr. Ashish Desai, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics participated in the Faculty Development Program conducted by the Goa State Innovation Council on 'Innovation, Creativity, and Prototyping' at Rapid Prototyping lab, Don Bosco College of Engineering, Fatorda on 23rd and 24th February, 2024.



Ms. Suchitra Bhat and Dr. Ashish Desai for the Faculty Development Program

- Dr. Mayuri Naik, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry participated in 21st Annual Convention and Workshop for Chemistry Teachers organized by Association of Chemistry Teachers-Goa in association with PES's RSN College of Arts and Science, Farmagudi, Ponda on 24th February, 2024.
- Mr. Anurag M. Naik, Coordinator & Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry (PG) participated at the International Conference on 'Advanced Functional Materials and Devices (AFMD-2024)' organized by Nanotechnology Research Centre, SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Kattankulathur, Tamil Nadu from 26th to 29th February, 2024. He presented a paper entitled 'Analysis and application of Natural wax extracted from *Colocasia esculanta* leaves' (Poster Presentation).



Poster presentation by Mr. Anurag Naik at the International Conference on 'Advanced Functional Materials and Devices (AFMD-2024)'

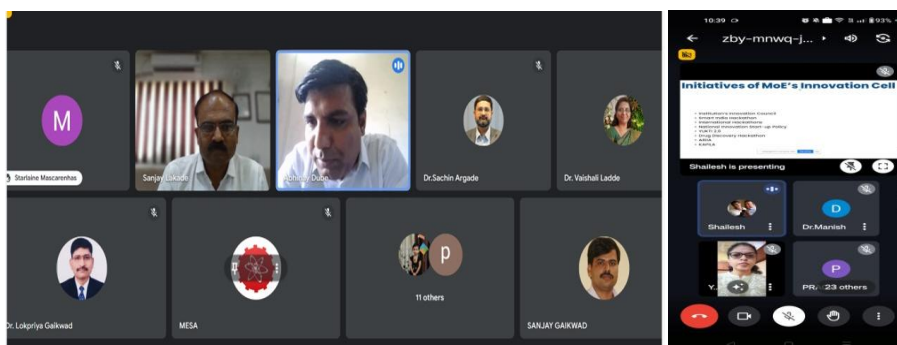
- Prof. (Dr). Sangeeta G. Sakhalkar, Principal; Mr. Ian Barreto, IQAC and NEP Co-ordinator and Dr. (Ms). Sameena Falleiro, TLETC Co-ordinator of the College participated in 'Capacity Building in Leadership Development of Academic Administrators and Principals of Colleges for Implementation of NEP

2020' organized by the Ministry of Education, National Institute for Educational Planning and Administration (NIEPA) Government of India and The Directorate of Higher Education, DHE, Government of Goa from 27th to 29th February, 2024.



Principal, IQAC and NEP Co-ordinator and TLETC Co-ordinator of the College for the 'Capacity Building in Leadership Development of Academic Administrators and Principals of Colleges for Implementation of NEP 2020'

- Ms. Rupali Tamuly, Head & Associate Professor, Department of Economics participated in the Three -Day online training workshop titled 'Analyzing Social Sciences Research Data Using Python Programming' organized by Department of Geography, Institute of Science, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi from 27th to 29th February, 2024.
- IIC members attended the online Mentor-Mentee scheme orientation session organized by JSPM'S Rajarshi Shahu College of Engineering, Tathawade, Pune, which is our IIC Mentor institution on 28th February, 2024. The session was addressed by the Principal, IIC President, and Incharge of Incubation Centre of Rajarshi Shahu College. Salient features of Mentor Mentee scheme were informed to all the mentee institutions.



Snapshot of the Mentor-Mentee scheme orientation session

- The faculty members of the Department of Zoology participated in the following activities.
 - a) Goa Bird Atlas initiative organized by Arranya Environment Research Organisation (AERO) for Salcete and Tiswadi Taluka for the dry season from 1st to 14th February, 2024.
 - b) Webinar on 'Beyond the Backyard: All About the Great Backyard Bird Count' organized by Cornell Lab of Ornithology on 14th February, 2024.
 - c) Great Backyard Bird Count held at Raia Wetland Complex on 18th February, 2024.

Department Activities

1) Department of Botany

- To appreciate and recognize the beauty of ecosystems and wild-life through photography, Club Botanica organised a 'Photography Contest' on the theme 'Harmony in Nature: Capturing the beauty of ecosystems and wild-life' on 28th February, 2024 for the students of the College. A total of 9 students participated in the contest.

The winners of the competition were:

First Place : **Shreyan Raikar** (SYBSc Computer Science)

Second Place : **Elita Siqueira** (SYBSc Zoology)

Third Place : **Joshvel Fernandes** (TYBSc Botany)



First Place

Image caption:
Ant's Cooperative Endeavour



Second Place

Image caption: Amber dance



Third Place

Image caption: Flying high but grounded

2) Department of Biotechnology

- The Department organized their annual inter-collegiate competition "SYNAPSE 2K24", on 24th February, 2024. A total of 95 students and 6 faculty members from three colleges - School of Biological Sciences and Biotechnology, Goa University, Taleigao; Dhempe College of Arts and Science, Panaji and Government College of Arts and Science, Quepem participated in the event. **Dhempe College of Arts and Science** emerged as '**Winners**' of SYNAPSE 2K24.



Winners' of SYNAPSE 2K24
Dhempe College of Arts and Science



Participants

- The Department organized a visit to the research institute at BITS Pilani, K K Birla Goa Campus, on 27th February, 2024. A total of 30 TYBSc students accompanied by faculty members Dr. Starlaine Mascarenhas, In-charge & Assistant Professor and Dr. Shaiesh Morajkar, Assistant

Professor, Department of Biotechnology visited the research institute. The purpose of the visit was to acquaint the students with potential Masters programmes being offered at the institute and inculcate a research aptitude in the young minds by exposure to the various research labs at the institute and brief interaction with the research scholars/scientists at the institute.

This was followed by a visit to the Central sophisticated instrumentation facility (CSIF) housed at BITS Goa campus to get the students acquainted with the high end instrumentation available and opportunities for usage of the same for their potential research.



Students and faculty members at BITS Pilani

3) Department of Chemistry

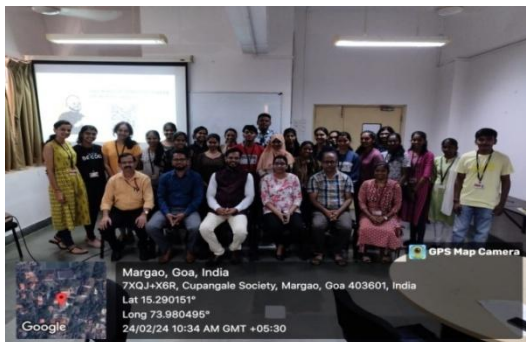
- The Department conducted All-India Association of Chemistry Teachers (ACT), 'Concept Test in Chemistry (CONTECH) 2023-2024', 2nd Phase for Undergraduate students on 23rd February, 2024 in the College. The CONTECH is a Competitive Test at National Level for UG Chemistry Students which is based on syllabus of Three-Year integrated B. Sc. programme of an Indian University. A total of 31 students of our college (25 students from SYBSc and 06 students from TYBSc Chemistry) answered the examination.



Students for the Concept Test in Chemistry (CONTECH) 2023-2024'

- The Department organized a talk on the topic 'An Overview on Understanding Emotions' by Chemistry Alumni Mr. Viraj Narayan Malkar, Founder and CMO-Yellow Spectrum Solution along with his Trainer, Mr. Vithoba Narayan Mhalkar, Certified Emotional Intelligence Trainer, Motivational Speaker, and Peak Performance Coach on

24th February, 2024. 23 students of SYBSc and 4 faculty members from department attended the talk.



Students and faculty members with the resource person
Mr. Viraj Narayan Malkar

4) Department of Computer Science

- The Department organized a session on 'STEM Education' for Science faculty and interaction with Computer Science DFC on 16th February, 2024. The session was delivered by Dr. Neha Karanjkar, Assistant Professor, Computer Science and Engineering, IIT, Goa.



Dr. Neha Karanjkar delivering the session
on 'STEM Education'



Faculty for the session on 'STEM Education'

5) Department of English

- Mr. Andrew Barreto, Assistant Professor, Department of English organized two workshops for the TYBA students of the course 'English Language and Literature Teaching'. Post the workshop, students were to create a teaching session based on the topic. A total of 13 students attended the same.
 - 'Blended Learning' on 20th February, 2024. Students understood the concepts behind Blended Learning.
 - 'Flipped Learning' on 27th February, 2024. Students understood the concepts behind Flipped Learning.



Mr. Andrew Barreto delivering the session on 'Flipped Learning'



Participants of 'Blended Learning' workshop



Participants of 'Flipped Learning' workshop

- The Department also organized various activities under the ETC (English Tygers' Club) from 2nd to 22nd February, 2024.
 - a) Club Carpe Diem-Poets & Writers Club
 - b) Zeitgeist - The Film Club
 - c) Book.ish - the english tygers' book club

Ms. Loretta Rodrigues, Assistant Professor, Department of English organized a book chat and discussion. The discussion was held as part of the TYBA Representation of Gender and Sexuality Course in collaboration with the department's book chat club 'Book.ish'

6) Department of Geography & Research Center

- The Department organized the following activities.
 - a) Workshop on '*Collective Critical Cartography: A Tool in Geographical Study*' on 30th January, 2024. The resource person Dr. Adrian Ferro, Coordinator & Assistant Professor, Department of Geography (PG) discussed the technique of '*Collective Critical Cartography*' that facilitates the use of cooperative mapping as a tool. The students then created collective mind maps for the Chowgule College campus. A total of 12 students attended the workshop.



Hands on experience workshop activity on '*Collective Critical Cartography: A Tool in Geographical Study*' conducted by Dr. Adrian Ferro

- b) Workshop on '*PrepSmart: Effective Strategies for UGC-NET and Other Competitive Exams Success*' on 1st February, 2024. The resource person Mr. Ashutosh Yadav, Assistant Professor, Department of Geography & Research Center discussed how to acquire the knowledge needed to ace a variety of competitive exams and how answering such examinations help candidates advance in their careers.

In addition, Ms. Radhika Dhuri, student of MA in Geography Part-II who successfully cleared the UGC-NET exam in Geography (December 2023), recounted her experiences and the challenges she faced in clearing the exam. A total of 18 students of Post graduation attended the same.



The resource person Mr. Ashutosh Yadav delivering the session on 'PrepSmart: Effective Strategies for UGC-NET and Other Competitive Exams Success'

7) Department of Geology

- Six students of FYBSc along with Mr. Sachit Kuttikar, Assistant Professor, Department of Geology attended a field visit at Chandranath Hill Paroda on 23rd February, 2024. The field visit was part of Skilled Enhancement Course (SEC): Field techniques for Geological Mapping.



Students and faculty for the field visit

8) Department of Sociology

- The Department of Sociology in collaboration with the Human D.O.S.T.O. club organized 'Sociofiesta', a one-day State Level inter-collegiate event on the theme 'The Crisis of the 21st Century' on 16th February, 2024. Six Colleges participated in the event.

The event's chief guest Peter Borges, Chairperson of Goa State Commission for Protection of Child Rights and CEO of Human Touch Foundation delivered an insightful speech on combating crises related to children and abuse, both online and offline.

A total of 87 students from various colleges showcased their talents and insights, with **Government College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Quepem**, emerging as the overall *winner* and **St. Xavier's College, Mapusa**, securing the *Runner's-Up* title.



A glimpse of the event 'Sociofiesta'

- The Department organized a one-day and night *field trip* to Netravali village on 23rd and 24th February, 2024 with the aim of providing students with firsthand experiences in rural life. Led by faculty members Dr. Sachin Moraes, Ms. Valeska Gracias and Ms. Siana D'Mello the students engaged in various activities to explore socio-economic dynamics, religious practices, marriage customs and livelihood strategies prevalent among villagers. They visited a milk cooperative society, interacted with farmers and cattle rarer i.e. Mr. Damodar Gaonkar shed light on the challenges associated with milk production and agricultural livelihoods.



Students and the faculty at the Village Panchayat of Netravali



Netravali Co-operative Milk Collection Centre process explained by Local Farmer and Committee member Mr. Damodar Gaonkar



Students and faculty at the Netravali Co-operative Milk Collection Centre



Gobar Gas through the pits of the Dairy Farming Waste being explained



The process of Dairy Farming at the residence and farm of Mr. Damodar Gaonkar

9) Department of Philosophy

- The Department celebrated 'World Philosophy Day' under the banner of Sophia Forum club on 9th February, 2024. The aim of the programme was to celebrate and spread philosophy among students. Several competitions were held based on philosophical concepts. A total of 50 students and 5 faculty members attended the same.



A glimpse of the 'World Philosophy Day'



A glimpse of the 'World Philosophy Day'

10) Department of Psychology

- The Department organized a talk on 'The Applications of Neuropsychology' for the Third Year Psychology students on 1st February, 2024 by Mr. Nathan Fernandes. The session aimed at providing students with the practical application of neuropsychology and the current status of neuropsychological research in India.

Mr. Nathan associated with Christ (Deemed to be) University, Bangalore, provided students with information about the courses offered and the scope of Neuropsychology in India.

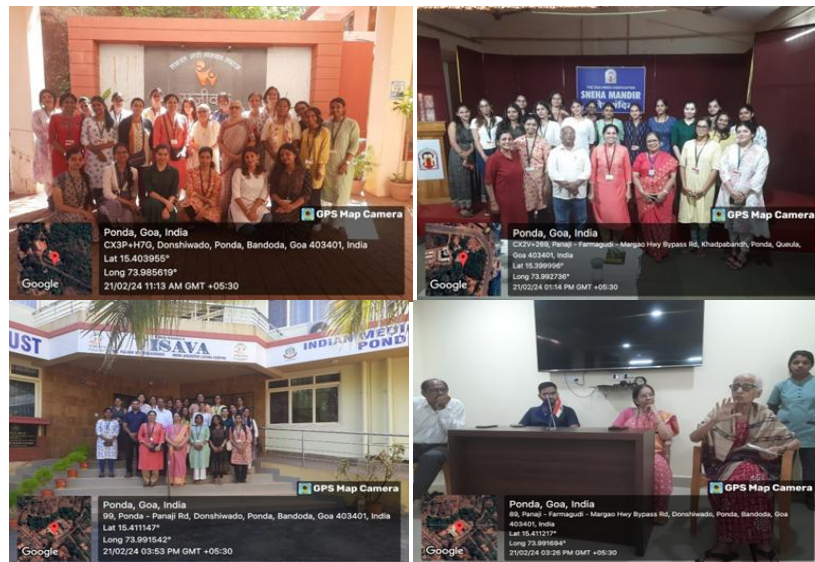


Student presenting a flower pot to the speaker Mr. Nathan Fernandes



The speaker Mr. Nathan Fernandes delivering the talk on 'The Applications of Neuropsychology'

- Eighteen TYBA students of the Department accompanied by Dr. Sobita Kirtani, In-charge & Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology visited three organizations namely Sanjeevan, Sneha Mandir and Visava on 21st February, 2024. All three are old age facilities and these were visited in connection to the Gerontology course offered. The objective of the field visit was to create awareness among students pertaining to the various types of facilities available for older persons, to create awareness among students pertaining to the mental health needs of the different sections of the society.



Visit to Sanjeevan, Sneha Mandir and Visava in Ponda

- Twenty TYBA students of the Department accompanied by the faculty members Dr. Sobita Kirtani and Mr. Aresh Naik visited three organizations namely COOJ Mental Health Foundation in Bastora, Chaitanya Rehabilitation Centre in Thivim and B.M. Melwani’s Senior Citizens Recreational Centre in Panaji on 23rd February, 2024. The field visit was conducted to create awareness among students pertaining to the activities conducted by various NGOs in Goa, to create awareness among students pertaining to the mental health needs of the different sections of the society.



Visit to COOJ Mental Health foundation, Chaitanya Rehabilitation Centre and B.M. Melwani’s Senior Citizens Recreational Centre

11) Department of Zoology

- Ms. Neeha Sinai Borker, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology delivered a hands-on training session on the topic 'Designing study area map using QGIS software' for SYBSc and TYBSc Zoology students on 16th February, 2024.



Ms. Neeha Sinai Borker delivering a hands-on training session on QGIS software

- Students and faculty of the Department organized *bird trails* in the College campus as a part of the Campus Bird Count, a sub-set of Great Backyard Bird Count global Initiative organized by Cornell Lab of Ornithology from 16th to 19th February, 2024. A total of 30 students participated in the same.



Bird trails organized in the College

- The Department organized 'Industry-Academia Lecture Series' on 23rd and 24th February, 2024 with the aim to create awareness and educate the students on career opportunities in Zoology.

Day 1: Two lecture sessions were conducted titled 'Careers in Food technology' by Dr. Maria Cordeiro, Associate Professor, Department of Food Technology, Carmel College for Women, Nuvem and 'Cage culture' by Mr. Sheldon Fernandes, Entrepreneur, Shelb Farms, Candolim. Dr. Maria highlighted the scope for food technology. Mr. Sheldon gave a gist on how his company carries on the work of fish farming using cage farming technology. A total of 37 students participated in the same.

Day 2: Session was delivered by Dr. Narayan Pandurang Waghmare, Director, Goa State Forensic Science Laboratory, Verna and a renowned personality in the field of Forensic Science on the topic 'Advances in Forensic Science'. Dr. Waghmare delivered an insightful session, stressing on the diverse career opportunities the students could pursue

in forensics. Ms. Malaika Chawla, Field Biologist delivered a session on 'Careers in Wildlife Science and Conservation'. A total of 27 students participated in the same.



Dr. Maria Cordeiro delivering a session on 'Careers in Food Technology'



Mr. Sheldon Fernandes delivering a session on 'Cage culture'



Dr. Narayan Waghmare delivering a session on 'Advances in Forensic Science'



Ms. Malaika Chawla delivering a session on 'Careers in Wildlife Science and Conservation'

12) Department of Physical Education & Sports Management

- Inter- Collegiate Volleyball Championship For Women 2023-24
Chowgule College Women Volleyball Team participated in Inter-Collegiate Volleyball Championship 23-24 at Goa University Ground on 14th February, 2024. Team comprised of Ms. Melina Kumari Rawat Chatri, Ms. Criffa Alita Pereira, Ms. Pooja Patel, Ms. Aishwarya Gad, Ms. Siena Fabiola Diniz, Ms. Rosane Rodrigues, Ms. Swaraa Abhijit Prabhudessai, Ms. Ratika Vasu Naik, Ms. Naomi Jawaharlal and Ms. Fiena Oliveira. The team was accompanied by Mr. Audumbar Tamse, Instructor, Physical Education and Ms. Jofira Gonsalves, College Counsellor.



Women Volleyball Team for the Inter-Collegiate Volleyball Championship 23-24 at Goa University Ground

- **TIGER OLYMPIKZ 8.0**

The Department organized 8th season of ‘Tiger Olympikz’ from 9th to 24th February, 2024 at Chowgule College Campus. This year the format of the event was changed from Inter College Multi Sports Tournament to Inter Batch Multi Sports Tournament. Participating batches were FYs, SYs, TYs and PG/Staff.

A total of six sports were included in this season namely Futsal, Chess, Cricket, Badminton, Table Tennis and Handball. Tournament was organized for Boys & Girls separately.

BATCH 2021 (TY-BA, BSc & B.Voc) Team-Champions with 3800 points

BATCH 2022 (SY-BA, BSc & B.Voc) Team-Second Place with 3600 points

BATCH 2023 (FY-BA, BSc & B.Voc) Team and PG/Staff team-Third & Fourth Place with 3000 & 1200 points respectively.



A glimpse of the 'Tiger Olympikz'

Activities by College Committees

1) Anti-Ragging Committee and Mentoring Committee

- The Committee organized a 'Sensitization Program against Ragging on Campus (SPARC)' on 15th February, 2024. The session was conducted to create awareness among the First Year students and to sensitize them about the menace of ragging. The event commenced with a short skit on ragging on campus that depicted how ragging impacts an individual.

The resource persons were Dr. Sobita Kirtani, Convenor-Mentoring Committee and Ms. Jofira Gonsalves, College Counsellor. Dr. Sobita enlightened the students on the types and methods of ragging and urged the students to stand against any such ragging activities as it is a crime according to the Indian law. Ms. Jofira shed light on various consequences like death by suicide, physical injury, mental stress, depression, low performance and high rise in students dropping out of college. A total of 46 students attended the same.



Students performing the skit



The resource person Dr. Sobita Kirtani delivering the session



The resource person Ms. Jofira Gonsalves delivering the session

2) National Service Scheme(NSS)

- As part of the health initiative to increase awareness about Deworming for kids and young adults till the age of 19 years, the National Service Scheme (NSS) organized online activities to raise awareness about 'National Deworming Day 2024'. The activities included Creative Social Media Status, Creative Slogan/Catchphrase on social media, and essay writing on raising awareness about the importance of deworming. Volunteers under 19 years of age were also encouraged to visit the health centres or *anganwadis* in their areas to avail of the medication being distributed and raise awareness among family and friends for the same.

3) Community Outreach Cell

- The Community Outreach Cell conducted the following activities at Our Lady of Snows High School, Raia on 6th February, 2024.
 - 'Vedic Maths' workshop in collaboration with the Department of Mathematics of College. The workshop was conducted by students led by Mr. Anish Konkar.
 - 'Mental Health Awareness' session in collaboration with the Department of Psychology of College. The session was conducted by faculty members of the Department of Psychology Dr. Sobita Kirtani and Mr. Aresh Naik.
 - 'Cyber Security and Fraud Awareness' session in collaboration with the Department of Computer Science of College. The session was conducted by faculty member of the Department of Computer Science Mr. Mitendra Alve.



'Vedic Maths' workshop by students



'Mental Health Awareness' by Dr. Sobita Kirtani and Mr. Aresh Naik



'Cyber Security and Fraud Awareness' session by Mr. Mitendra Alve

4) Institution's Innovation Council (IIC)

- IIC in collaboration with Department of Biotechnology of College visited the pre-incubation unit at Forum for Innovation, Incubation, Research and Entrepreneurship, (FiiRE) a Cell under the wing of Don Bosco College of Engineering College Fatorda on 2nd February, 2024. The resource person Ms. Risha Hegde, Community Manager, FiiRE gave a

brief introduction about the FiiRE and various facilities available for the young entrepreneur. 40 students and 6 faculty members participated in the same.



The resource person Ms. Risha Hegde briefing about the FiiRE and various facilities available



Students and faculty at the FiiRE

- IIC organized a workshop on 'Design Thinking, Critical Thinking and Innovation Design' on 23rd February, 2024. The resource person Dr. Shaila Ghanti, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science focused on identifying the problems and finding the solution using empathy, and critical thinking. 25 students and 3 faculty members attended the workshop.



The resource person Dr. Shaila Ghanti delivering the session on 'Design Thinking, Critical Thinking and Innovation Design'



Students and faculty along with the resource person

5) Placement and Internship Cell

- The Placement and Internship Cell organized the following activities.
 - 'Campus Placement Drive' for Kotak Life for final year undergraduate and post graduate students on 10th February, 2024. The Recruitment Team comprised of Shri. Vishal Kalangutkar, Vice President-Office Head, Cynthia Fernandes, Senior Agency Development Manager and Ms. Vikita Khandeparkar, HR Executive. A total of 29 students attended the Campus Recruitment Drive.



Students for the 'Campus Placement Drive'

- b) 'Training Session' with regards to Internship and Placements by Ingenious Faces (in association with TIP Cell of DHE and GSHEC) on 17th February, 2024. The resource persons were Ms. Sapna Shahani, Director and Mr. Abhishek Mawai, CTO. A total of 29 students attended the training session.



Resource persons Ms. Sapna Shahani, Director and Mr. Abhishek Mawai delivering the 'Training Session'



Participants of the 'Training Session'

6) Research and Development Cell

- The IPR, Legal & Ethical Matters Committee under Research and Development Cell (RDC) organized a talk on 'E-Resources and Digital Services of Goa University' on 9th February, 2024 for the faculty and students of College. The resource person was Dr. Sandesh Dessai, Librarian, Goa University. The main objective of the talk was to provide information to the faculty and students about the e-resources and digital services offered by Goa University, especially for research purpose. Dr. Dessai spoke at length on the various digital facilities offered by the Goa University Library, for researchers and others. A total of 39 participants attended the talk.



The resource person Dr. Sandesh Dessai delivering the session on 'E-Resources and Digital Services of Goa University'



Participants

7) Teaching Learning and Educational Technology Cell (TLETC)

- A hands-on training programme on 'Course Attainment' was organized for the TLETC committee members and other faculties of the College on 2nd, 9th and 10th February, 2024.

The objective of the workshop was to train the faculty for course attainment using templates designed by CTL-TLETC. The resource persons were Dr. Sameena Falleiro, Ms. Swati Ghadi and Ms. Dikshita Aroskar. A total of 74 faculty members attended the same.



Participants of the Training Programme on 'Course Attainment'

- A talk on 'Constructivism in Teaching-Learning Process' was organized on 16th February, 2024. The resource person Dr. Asawari Ashtekar, Assistant Professor, Ganpat Parsekar College of Education, Harmal elucidated the concept of constructivism in teaching, delving into pedagogy, andragogy and heutagogy. She artfully explained the 5E model of teaching and enriched the discourse with compelling examples of constructivist methodologies. A total of 14 faculty members attended the same.



The resource person Dr. Asawari Ashtekar delivering the session on 'Constructivism in Teaching-Learning Process'



Faculty members along with the resource person Dr. Asawari Ashtekar

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

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Thank you.

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