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Activities and remarkable achievements for the month of October 2023

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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 October.

The October month highlights focuses on Observatory Days to Academic Excellence, Achievements, Participation of the staff and students and the Department activities.

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

Wish you all the very best for future endeavours.

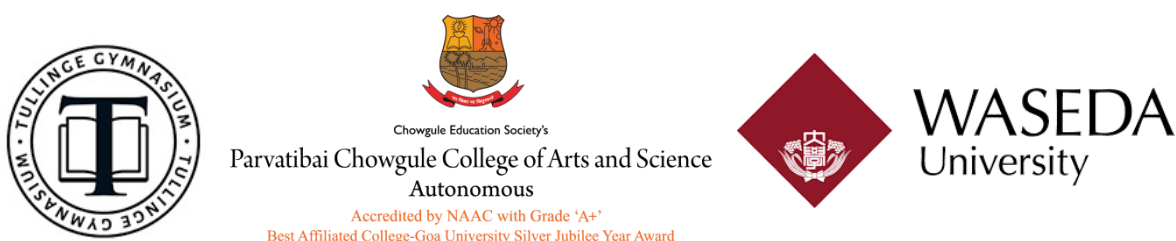
Prof. (Dr.) Sangeeta G. Sankhalkar
Principal

Highlights of the Month

- **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Tullinge Gymnasium, Sweden and Waseda University, Japan**

Chowgule Education Society's, Parvatibai Chowgule College of Arts and Science (Autonomous) signs a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Tullinge Gymnasium, Stockholm, Sweden and Waseda University, Japan in October, 2023.

The 5-year partnership will enable both parties to promote academic, cultural and educational exchange and cooperation through an academic and cultural exchange program between the two institutions' school leaders, teachers and students. Encourage visits by faculty from one University to the other for the purpose of engaging in research or other educational activities.



Memorandum of Understanding with Tullinge Gymnasium, Sweden and Waseda University, Japan

Observatory Days

- **Celebration of Gandhi Jayanti and Swachhta Hi Seva 2023 with Shramadan**

To celebrate Gandhi Jayanti and the Swachhta Hi Seva (SHS) Campaign 2023, the College along with the NSS Unit came together for Shramadan, an hour of selfless service in the spirit of keeping our surroundings clean on 1st October, 2023 between 10:00 am to 11:30 am as a tribute to Mahatma Gandhi on the eve of his birth.

The objective was to strengthen the communitarian spirit within us as Indians through the example of Gandhi by focusing on the simplistic yet vital act of cleanliness of one's surroundings through the act of Shramadan.

Before the Shramadan, there was a short ceremony honouring the Father of the Nation. Teachers gave speeches in English and Konkani. Cleanliness pledge was taken. The speech and pledge were ways of promising ourselves of our duty and responsibility of aiding in the nation's progress towards becoming a litter free country by the small action of litter free communities. The activity helped us forget our differences and focus on the fact that we are human and Indians first thereby focusing on larger goals. A total of 136 staff and students participated in the activity.





Staff and students for the Swachhta Hi Seva (SHS) Campaign

- **Celebration of ‘Rashtriya Ekta Diwas’ and ‘Vigilance Awareness Week 2023’**

On the occasion of Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, National Unity Day was observed in College on 31st October, 2023 by administering the ‘Rashtriya Ekta Diwas’ Pledge.

The ‘Vigilance Awareness Week 2023’ was also celebrated in College on 31st October, 2023 by administering the ‘Integrity’ Pledge.

All the non-teaching staff attended the same.



Principal along with the staff taking the ‘Rashtriya Ekta Diwas’



Principal along with the staff taking the ‘Integrity’ Pledge

Students Achievements

- **Mr. Aaron D'Souza** and **Mr. Om Kurpaskar**, SYBSc students, Department of Zoology participated and won the **first place** in the **State Level Quiz Competition on the topic 'Western Ghats'** organized by the Forest Department during the 72nd National Wildlife Week celebration on 7th October, 2023.
- Four students of TYBA Sociology Ms. Manasi Bandodkar, Ms. Siya Naik, Ms. Sae Gore and Ms. Aarya Prabhu participated in the '**Socio - Innovatia 2023**', an Inter-Collegiate Research Paper Presentation Competition organized by the Department of Sociology, Government College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Quepem on 20th October, 2023. The theme for the event was 'Goa: bygone, continuity and change'.

Ms. Aarya Prabhu bagged the **first place**; **Ms. Siya Naik** and **Ms. Manasi Bandodkar** bagged the **runners up position**.



Winners of the 'Socio - Innovatia 2023', an Inter - Collegiate Research Paper Presentation Competition

Students Participation

- Mr. Om Kurpaskar, student of SYBSc of the Chowgule's Birders Club, Department of Zoology participated in the bird trails of '**Goa Bird Atlas Initiative**' by Arranya Environment Research Organization and 24 other organizations. The trails were held in Salcete Taluka on 3rd and 4th October, 2023.

The birds were documented according to the protocol of Goa Bird Atlas Initiative and accordingly eleven checklists were submitted on the e-bird platform as a contribution towards the Atlas. As a part of the trail they visit various habitats and observed the bird diversity.

- Seven students of Undergraduate Department and five students of Postgraduate Department of Psychology participated in the District '**Mental Health Exhibition**' organized by South Goa District Hospital on 10th October, 2023. The undergraduate student's set-up a table showcasing games relating

to psychology concepts for the general public in the exhibition. PG students were involved in crowd management.



UG and PG Students of Department of Psychology with Dr. Shilpa Pandya, Program coordinator of the event at the district level 'Mental Health Exhibition' organized by South Goa district hospital

Faculty Section

Articles/Papers Published

- **Prof. Nandkumar Sawant**, Head, Department of Geography & Research Center published an article “Give a Leg- up to the Girl Child” in the daily Newspaper *Navhind Times* on 12th October, 2023.

Give a leg-up to the girl child

Yet another concern is the early marriages. Nearly one-fourth of the girls are married before reaching the age of 17. Such marriages are subjected to abuse of the body



Nandkumar Sawant

The Beijing Declaration of the United Nations Convention in 2011 declared October 11 as the International Day of the Girl Child in order to recognise and respect girls' rights and the challenges they face in their day-to-day life. The adolescent girls must have the right to a safe, educated and healthy life, not only during their critical shaping years, but also as they mature into women. Undoubtedly, if effectively supported during the adolescent years, the empowered girls have the immense potential to change the world in the years to come.



Snapshot of the article by Prof. Nandkumar Sawant

- Mr. Sagar F. Wankhede, Assistant Professor, Department of Geography and Research Center (PG) published the research papers.
 - a) **Sagar F. Wankhede**, Prashant H. Pandit, Shridhar D. Jawak, Alvarinho J. Luis, and Keshava Balakrishna (2023) *Modulating spectral reflectance and its impact on thematic mapping: an analysis on glacier facies using very high-resolution satellite imagery* ;Proc. SPIE 12734, Earth Resources and Environmental Remote Sensing/GIS Applications XIV, 127341F ; <https://doi.org/10.1117/12.2680310>.
 - b) Shridhar D. Jawak, **Sagar F. Wankhede**, Alvarinho J. Luis, Prashant H. Pandit, Peter Convey, and Peter T. Fretwell (2023) *How precisely can we map blue ice in Antarctica*;Proc. SPIE 12734, Earth Resources and Environmental Remote Sensing/GIS Applications XIV, 1273404; <https://doi.org/10.1117/12.2680318>

Papers Presented

- Dr. Shaiesh Morajkar, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology presented a paper entitled ‘Water quality assessment through PCA-based weighted indexing technique of selected urban wetlands in Goa State’ at the National Conference on ‘Reviving Wetlands’ organized by KSCSTE- Centre for Water Resources Development & Management, Kunnamangalam, Kerala on 11th to 12th October, 2023.



Dr. Shaiesh Morajkar, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology at the National Conference on 'Reviving Wetlands'

- Ms. Amisha Shirodker Pednekar, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany presented a poster entitled '*Arbuscular mycorrhizal fungal diversity in Dioscorea species from Goa*' at the National Conference on 'Recent Advances in Plant Sciences and Biotechnology' organized by the Botany Discipline, School of Biological Sciences and Biotechnology, Goa University, Taleigao on 26th and 27th October, 2023.

Invitation as Plenary Speaker/Resource Person

- Ms. Carol Barreto Miranda, In-charge & Assistant Professor, Department of French was invited as a pedagogical expert for a pedagogical observation of the Department of French at Vidya Vikas Academy, Margao on 12th September, 2023. The objective of the activity was to provide valuable insights to the instructors of foreign language with regards to innovative pedagogical teaching-learning methods in order to obtain optimum course outcomes.
- Ms. Loretta Rodrigues, Assistant Professor, Department of English was invited to judge the '*Poetry Competition*' at PRISMA, All Goa Inter-Higher Secondary School Talent Competition organized by Carmel Higher Secondary School, Nuvem on 7th October, 2023.
- Prof. Nandkumar Sawant, Head, Department of Geography and Research Center was invited as a key note speaker and resource person for the following events.
 - a) Resource person for the Two Day FDP on '*Setting OBE Aligned - Question Paper*' conducted by Guru Nanak College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Mumbai, on 9th and 10th October, 2023.
 - b) Resource person for the Orientation Programme on '*TYBA Project*' writing for Social Science on 12th October, 2023 at CES College of Arts & Commerce, Cuncolim. He gave an overview of elements in social science research and how students need to plan the Third year.



Prof. Nandkumar Sawant conducting the session

- c) Key Note Speaker at the National Level Conference organized by Pratap College(Autonomous) Amalner, Jalgaon – Maharashtra on 18th October, 2023.

He spoke on “*Emerging fields in Geography Teaching and Research and its Challenges in the 21st century*”. He emphasized that geographers need to embrace technology, statistical modeling and predictions well being and sustainability in the way forward geography has to stir in years to come.



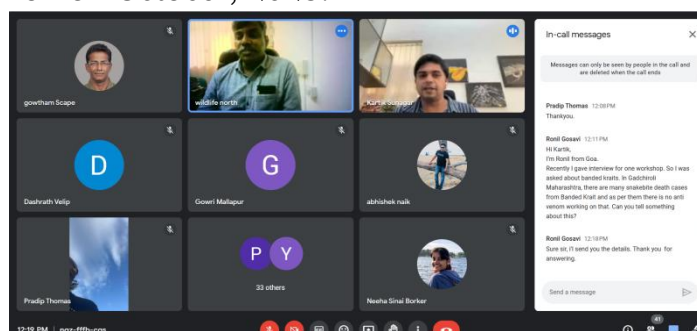
Prof. Nandkumar Sawant delivering the key note address

Faculty Participation

- Dr. Shaiesh Morajkar, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology attended the GVIRF webinar on ‘*Vaccine Adjuvants for Global Health*’ co-organized by the US National Institute of Allergy & Infectious Diseases (NIAID), the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) and the World Health Organization (WHO) on 13th September, 2023.
- Mr. Sachit B. Kuttikar, Assistant Professor, Department of Geology completed an online 4-Week Faculty Induction/Orientation Programme for ‘*Faculty in Universities/Colleges/Institutes of Higher Education*’ organized by Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of New Delhi under the Ministry of Education sponsored Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching scheme from 20th September to 19th October, 2023 and obtained Grade A+.

The online workshop addressed common issues of teaching and learning in Humanities, Social Sciences and Sciences in Indian context.

- Ms. Filomena Pereira and Ms. Neeha Sinai Borkar, Assistant Professors, Department of Zoology participated in the bird trails of ‘Goa Bird Atlas Initiative’ by Arranya Environment Research Organization and 24 other organizations. The trails were held in Salcete Taluka on 3rd and 4th October, 2023.
- Ms. Neeha Sinai Borker, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology attended a webinar titled ‘Indian Snake Venoms & Next-Generation Snakebite Therapy’ organized by the Goa Forest Department as a part of National Wildlife Week 2023 celebration on 5th October, 2023.



Snapshot of Ms. Neeha Sinai Borker attending the webinar ‘Indian Snake Venoms & Next-Generation Snakebite Therapy’

- Mr. Gajanan Nial, Coordinator & Assistant Professor and Mr. Amogh Santosh Pai Raiturkar, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science (PG) attended a One Day Workshop titled ‘Hyper Automation - Unlock the potential with EIQ Platform’ at Don Bosco College of Engineering, Fatorda on 6th October, 2023.
- Prof. Nandkumar Sawant, Head, Department of Geography and Research Center attended an online 7 days Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on ‘NEP: Outcome Based Education & Evaluation’ organized by S.I.W.S.N.R Swamy College of Commerce & Economics and Smt. Thirumalai College of Science (Autonomous), Wadala, Mumbai in collaboration with IQAC Cluster India from 9th to 14th October, 2023.
- Ms. Jofira Gonsalves, College Counsellor attended the following events.
 - a) Mental Health Exhibition on ‘Radiant Mindscape- Mansik Saokhya’ organized by the District Mental Health Programme, South Goa District Hospital, Margao on 10th October, 2023.
 - b) Session on ‘Narrative Therapy’ organized by the Tele Manas Cell, South Goa District Hospital, Margao on 27th October, 2023.



Ms. Jofira Gonsalves, College Counsellor for the Mental Health Exhibition on 'Radiant Mindscape- Mansik Saakhya' at South Goa District Hospital



Ms. Jofira Gonsalves, College Counsellor for the session on 'Narrative Therapy' at South Goa District Hospital

- Ms. Aiswarya M Babu, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology (PG) participated in the district 'Mental Health Exhibition' organized by South Goa District Hospital on 10th October, 2023.
- Mr. Shubhankar Shah, Assistant Professor, Department of English attended a Two Day Workshop on 'Learning Outcome Based Curriculum Framework' at Goa University, Taleigao on 10th and 11th October, 2023.
- Thirteen faculty of the College attended a Two-Day Workshop on 'Digital Education: Conceptualisation, Design & Development of MOOCs' organized by the Directorate of Higher Education (DHE) and Goa State Higher Education Council in collaboration with Consortium for Educational Communication (CEC), New Delhi at DHE, Porvorim on 12th and 13th October, 2023.



Faculty at the Two-Day Workshop on 'Digital Education: Conceptualisation, Design & Development of MOOCs'

- Dr. Starlaine Mascarenhas, Assistant Professor & Head, Department of Biotechnology participated in the 'National Intellectual Property Awareness Training Program' organized by Intellectual Property Office, India and CSIR India under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav on 23rd October, 2023.
- Ms. Ravina Pai, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology attended the National Conference on 'Recent Advances in Plant Sciences & Biotechnology' organized by School of Biological Sciences & Biotechnology, Goa University on 26th and 27th October, 2023.
- Ms. Poonam M. Joshi, College Librarian attended a webinar titled 'Open Access and Scholarly Communication' organized by DELNET-AISSMSCoE, Pune on 31st October, 2023.

Department Activities

1) Department of Biotechnology

- The Department of Biotechnology and the Millets Activity Committee of the College organized a State-level Seminar '*Millets as a Resource*' in celebration of international year of Millets (IYoM) 2023, on 20th October, 2023. The resource persons delivered the sessions as mentioned below.
 - Mrs. Varsha Naik, Assistant Professor, Goa College of Home Science
Topic: General introduction on Millets and about the International Year of Millets 2023
 - Dr Lalita Baragi, Project Scientist-1, GSBB-Goa Climate Change Cell
Topic: Biodiversity of millets.
 - Dr. Amasiddha Bellundagi, Scientist, ICAR- Indian Institute of Millet Research
Topic: Agriculture value of millets
 - Shri Dilip Sawaikar and Shrimati Ranjana Sawaikar - Brand ambassador of ICAR CCARI millet processing and marketing
Topic: Value addition and marketing of millets

A total of 84 students and 5 faculty members attended the seminar.



Participants of the State-level Seminar '*Millets as a Resource*' along with the Principal and Resource persons

- The Department organized a '*field trip*' for 34 students of TYBSc accompanied by the faculty Ms. Reshma Zakhane, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology to a Sewage treatment plant at Tonca, Miramar on 17th October, 2023 as a part of practical component of the course entitled 'Environmental Biotechnology'. The objective of the field trip was to understand the structure and working of the sewage treatment plant in processing of domestic and municipal waste.

2) Department of Computer Science

The Department organized the following activities.

- A talk on '*Cyber Laws & Security*' for the students of the Department and the College on 20th October, 2023. The resource person was Adv. J. R. Serrão, a practicing advocate in Civil and criminal law in South Goa including high Court of Bombay at Goa. A total of 18 students and 2 faculty members attended the talk.



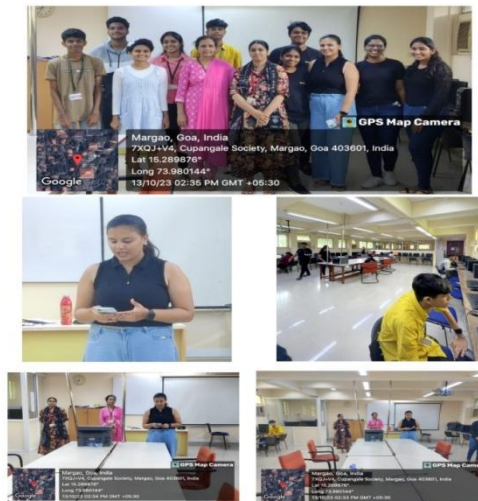
Principal, Vice-Principal and faculty along with the resource person Adv. J. R. Serrão,

- Training, Internship & Placement (TIP) Cell of Goa State Higher Education Council (GSHEC) and Directorate of Higher Education (DHE) in partnership with IBM and its implementation partner REACHA organized a talk on ‘Cyber Security’ on 18th October, 2023 in an online mode for students and faculty. The session was delivered by Mr. Ritesh Mittal (Solution Architect) and Ms. Nidhi Bansal (Senior Management Consultant) of the IBM India operations to enhance participant’s knowledge and practical skills in the field of cyber security. A total of 18 students and 4 faculty members from the Department attended the session.



Participants of the talk on ‘Cyber Security’

- Firebits Club of the Department organized ‘Geekhunt’, a Programming Contest for Non-Computer Science students 2.0 on 13th October, 2023. A total of 5 students participated.



A glimpse of the 'Geekhunt', a Programming Contest for Non-Computer Science students 2.0

3) Department of English

- The Department conducted the following activities under the ETC (English Tygers' club)

ergo - events management club

The Bard by the Mandovi 2023 - The Shakespeare Festival Goa, the thirteenth edition was organized by the students of the Department on 6th October, 2023. The theme of this year's Shakespeare Festival was 'Shakespeare Fantasia. The Magic of Shakespeare'. A total of 9 High Schools and Higher Secondary Schools participated in the event. The **winner's trophy** was won by **The Gera School, Panaji** while **Our Lady of Rosary Higher Secondary School, Dona Paula** and **Vidya Vikas Academy, Margao** were the **Runners up** and **Second Runners up** respectively.



A glimpse of 'The Bard by the Mandovi 2023 - The Shakespeare Festival' Goa

Club Carpe Diem - poets' & writers' club

A session on *Scare & Tell* was organized on 13th October, 2023. The students presented their poems, songs and performances.

- A '*Digital Storytelling*' workshop was organized by Ms. Loretta Rodrigues, Assistant Professor, Department of English for the First Year students of the Department on 12th October, 2023. The workshop was focused on introducing students to the basics of how to write a story, the art of storytelling and how to transfer these stories to a Digital Medium. A total of 33 students attended the same.



Participants of the '*Digital Storytelling*' workshop

- A Workshop on '*Content Writing: Technical and Social Media*' was organized as part of the eng. age Workshop Series for the students of the College on 14th October, 2023. The resource persons were Mr. Joshua D'Souza and Ms. Ryola Andrade, both content writers and experts in their respective fields. The workshop focused on introducing students to the writing careers and providing them with the knowledge and skills needed to enter the industry.



The resource person Ms. Ryola Andrade delivering the session on '*Content Writing: Technical and Social Media*'



Participants along with the resource persons Mr. Joshua D'Souza and Ms. Ryola Andrade

- The Department of English in collaboration with the Department of History and French organized '*Goan Day*' on 20th October, 2023. Dr. Sonia Da Costa, Head & Assistant Professor, Department of English introduced the main objective in celebrating the Goan Day. Principal Prof. (Dr.) Sangeeta G. Sankhalkar spoke about the beauty and rich cultural heritage of Goa. The day began with Goan Cuisine and later

students performed Khell, Mando, Dekhni, Corridinho, Kotti dance. A total of 150 students attended the same.



'Goan Day' Celebration

The Postgraduate Department of English conducted the following activities.

- A workshop on *'Mastering the Art of Content Publishing'* was organized for students of MA English Part-II as a part of the 'Technical and Media Writing' course on 19th October, 2023. The resource person was Mr. Leonard Fernandes, the Co-founder of The Dogears Bookshop and CinnamonTeal Design and Publishing. The students learned about publishing their work on print and digital landscapes. A total of 21 students attended the workshop.



Participants of the workshop along with the resource person Mr. Leonard Fernandes

- A mini *'Gallery Walk'* was organized by MA in English Part-II students as a part of the course 'Asian Literature' on 7th October, 2023. The objective of the activity was to showcase the socio-cultural ethos of the representative Asian countries, whose selected texts are being studied as

a part of the course. Students provided a sneak peek into the nations of China, Japan, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka through costumes, games, posters and PPTs. A total of 20 students attended the same.



Participants of the 'Gallery Walk'

4) Department of French

- The Department organized a workshop titled '*L'art de la rhétorique et de l'argumentation*' on 15th September, 2023 for the students of the Department. The resource person for the workshop was Ms. Shourya Dalvi, Assistant Professor, Discipline of French and Francophone Studies, The Shenoi Goembab School of Languages & Literature, Goa University, Taleigao.

The objective of the skill building workshop was to introduce students to the concept of 'rhetoric' especially in media, to understand the elements of an argumentative text and to apply the same whilst creating content matter. A total of 16 students and 02 faculty members attended the same.



*The resource person Ms. Shourya Dalvi delivering the session on '*L'art de la rhétorique et de l'argumentation*'*



Students and faculty along with the resource person Ms. Shourya Dalvi

5) Department of Geography & Research Center

Student's Extension Activities

- a) Under the aegis of Geographer's for sustainability, the faculty members of the Department of Geography & Research Center Prof. Nandkumar Sawant, Dr. Adrain Ferro and Ms. Audry D'Costa conducted 10 point Heritage Transect Walk in Margao (Old Town). The student assessed and evaluated the present utility, status and threats to these monuments. A total of 13 students participated in the same.



Students and faculty on Heritage Walk

- b) Study Tour to Rajasthan

The Department organized a 'Study Tour' to Rajasthan from 24th October, 2023 to 1st November, 2023. In addition, the students of the Department provided insights on the geographical and socio-cultural overview of the State of Goa at S.S. Jain Subodh PG College (Autonomous), Jaipur-Rajasthan. 23 students and 1 faculty member participated in the tour.



Students and faculty at Jodhpur, Rajasthan

6) Department of Geology

The Department organized the following activities.

- A 'field trip' to Betul and Cabo de Rama beach for 20 students of FYBA as a part of the practical assessment for the Multidisciplinary Course (MDC) 'Natural Hazards and Management' on 14th October, 2023.



Students for the 'field trip'

- A 'field trip' to Cabo de Rama and Nuem beach for the students of SYBSc as a part of the practical assessment 'Physical Geology' course and students of TYBSc Geology on 16th October, 2023. A total of 20 students participated in the same.



Students for the 'field trip'

- A special talk on 'Goa and it's Environment: Issues and Concern' on 18th October, 2023. The resource person was Prof. A. G. Dessai, Retired Head, Department of Geology, Goa University, Taleigao. A total of 30 students participated in the talk.



Participants of the talk along with the resource person Prof. A. G. Dessai

7) Department of Psychology

Mental Health Week

The Department of Psychology commemorated 'Mental Health Week' in College from 6th to 13th October, 2023. Offline and online activities were conducted for students and faculty members. The week's objectives included 1) To create

awareness about mental health and its importance. 2) Provide means of emotional expression and 3) Provide ease of locating resources of mental health services in Goa.

A talk on the theme ‘*Mental Health for All*’ was organized on 10th October, 2023. The resource person was Dr. Ravindra Agrawal. The talk was attended by teaching and non-teaching staff of the College.

The event saw collaborations with ‘The Bard by the Mandovi’ event and Gender Champion club to create awareness through role plays, poetry and skit. There were talks organized on the Mental Health Care Act, means for self expression and movie scenes discussions which culminated in a workshop on suicide prevention by Ms. Sanya Pereira from COOJ. Students and faculty participated in the event.



Tree of Emotions



Collaboration with ‘The Bard by the Mandovi’ skit



Talk on ‘Mental Healthcare Act’ by Mr. Aresh Naik, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology



Movie Discussion on ‘Mental Health’



Meditation and Listening Circle



‘Canvas of the Mind’ event



Street Play on 'Men's Mental Health'



Workshop on 'Suicide Prevention' by Ms. Sanya Pereira



The resource person Dr. Ravindra Agrawal delivering the talk on 'Mental Health for All'



Teaching and non-teaching staff attending the talk on 'Mental Health for All'



Students supporting 'Mental Health' for all by wearing colours dedicated to specific causes throughout the week

8) Department of Zoology

The Department organized the following activities.

National Wildlife Week is celebrated from 2nd to 8th October every year, with a view to preserve the fauna and flora of India and arouse public consciousness in favour of wildlife conservation. The theme for this year was 'Partnership for Wildlife Conservation'.

The Department of Zoology commemorated the Wildlife Week by organizing a week-long event. There was screening of an Oscar winning documentary 'The Elephant Whisperers.' The week-long events consisted of various competitions namely 'Miniature Making Competition', 'Online Meme Making Competition' and 'Canvas Painting Competition'. Two

seminars were conducted by eminent personalities Dr. Manoj Sumati R. Borkar on the topic ‘Recent trends in Wildlife Biology’ and Mr. Parag Rangnekar on the topic ‘Virtual Nature Trail.’ The seminars were attended by faculty and students from various institutes.



Mr. Kumaresh V.C., Vice-Principal; faculty and students of the Department of Zoology along with the resource person Mr. Parag Rangnekar

- A ‘field trip’ to Benaulim and Majorda beach for 22 students of TYBSc on 19th October, 2023 as a part of the practical component of the courses ‘Fish Preservation and Processing’ and ‘Ecology and Ethology’.

The students visited Benaulim fish landing site and Majorda beach. Students surveyed molluscan diversity by using random quadrant sampling technique and identified the molluscan species.



Students at Benaulim and Majorda beach, Goa as a part of Educational Field Trip

- As a part of the Chowgule Birder’s Club (CBC) conducted the following activity.
 - a) A talk on ‘Kingfishers of Goa’ by Ms. Neeha Sinai Borker, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology on 13th October, 2023. She emphasized on the types of kingfishers found in Goa, their critical role in maintaining the food web, excellent hunting strategies and threats posed to this bird followed by a short quiz at the end of the session. A total of 55 students attended the talk.



Ms. Neeha Sinai Borker, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology delivering the session on 'Kingfishers of Goa'

- b) A 'bird trail' for the students of the club at the Maina-Curtorim wetland on 21st October, 2023. The objective of the trail was to document wetland associated avifauna and its adaptations. 46 species of birds were reported and the final list was submitted on e-bird platform. A total of 13 students participate in the bird trail.



Students for the 'bird trail'

Activities by College Committees

1) Career and Personal Counselling Centre

- The Career and Personal Counselling Center in collaboration with the Internal Complaints Committee of the College organized an 'E-Poster Making Competition' on the topic 'Provide a Safe and Secure Environment to Women at the Workplace' in October, 2023. The aim of this event was to sensitize students regarding the hardships women face when they are not provided with a safe environment at the workplace and about the laws in place to protect women dealing with such situations.

Students of SYBSc **Ms. Nida Begum Shaikh A. Karim** and **Ms. Shruti Rammohan Machha** secured the **first place** in the competition.

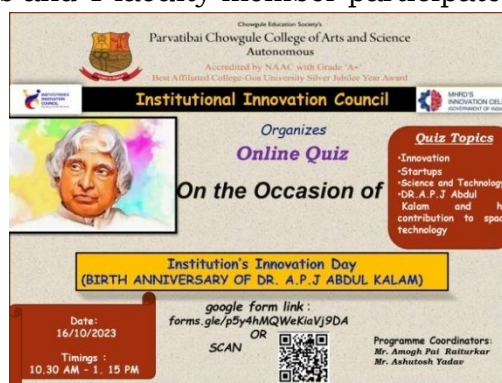


First Place winners
Ms. Nida Begum Shaikh A. Karim & Ms. Shruti Rammohan Machha

2) Institution's Innovation Cell

Institution's Innovation Council organized the following activities.

- An 'Online Quiz' to celebrate Institution's Innovation Day (Birth Anniversary of Former President of India and Bharat Ratna Late Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam) on 16th October, 2023. The quiz mainly focused on the fields of Innovation, Startups, Science and Technology, Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's life and his contributions in the space science and technology. A total of 37 students and 1 faculty member participated in the same.

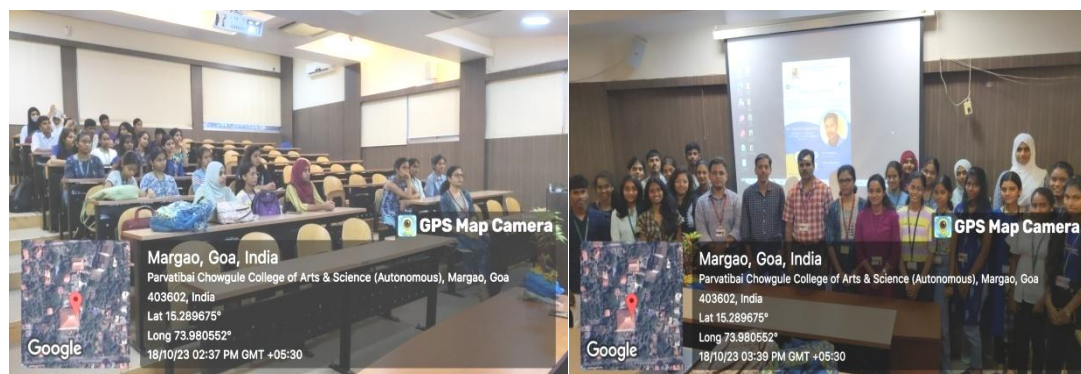


Poster of the 'Online Quiz'

- A talk '*My Story: Motivational Session by Successful Entrepreneur*' on 18th October, 2023. The resource person Mr. Harish Usgaonker, Technology Enthusiast, Co-Founder-LET CETRA AGRITECH (PVT) LTD shared his journey as entrepreneur and the challenges he faced while establishing this startup. He also spoke on hydroponics farming and explained the concept well with the help of presentation, videos and pictures of his hydroponics farm. A total of 26 students and 8 faculty members attended the talk.



The resource person Mr. Harish Usgaonker delivering the talk on '*My Story: Motivational Session by Successful Entrepreneur*'



Participants of the talk on '*My Story: Motivational Session by Successful Entrepreneur*'

3) Research and Development Cell (RDC)

The IPR, Legal & Ethical Matters Committee under Research and Development Cell (RDC) organized a workshop on '*Plagiarism and Research Ethics*' on 6th October, 2023 for the newly joined faculty of Parvatibai Chowgule College. The main objective of the workshop was to understand pros and cons of plagiarism and to create awareness on responsible conduct of research and publication ethics to inculcate academic integrity. The resource person was Ms. Poonam M. Joshi, College Librarian. Ms. Joshi spoke on the various types of plagiarism and how to recognise and avoid such malpractices. She conducted hands on activity on how to identify a predatory journal so as to avoid publishing in such journals unknowingly. A total of 19 faculty members attended the workshop.



The resource person Ms. Poonam M. Joshi delivering the session on 'Plagiarism and Research Ethics'

4) Teaching Learning and Educational Technology Cell (TLETC)

- The Teaching Learning and Educational Technology Cell organized 'Ghazali-Series, Introduction to OBE' by Dr. Shaila Ghanti, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science on 20th October, 2023. The objective was to create awareness about OBE and framing questions with respect to CLOs among newly recruited faculty. A total of 14 faculty members attended the same.



Dr. Shaila Ghanti delivering the Ghazali-Series, Introduction to OBE'



Faculty members for the Ghazali-Series, Introduction to OBE'

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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