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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

AS I SET FOOT AT THE THRESHOLD OF THIS INSTITUTION, I AM CAPTURED BY THE VISION IT EVINCES "TO MAKE THE INSTITUTION A CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AND RESEARCH WITH FOCUS ON MULTIFACETED DEVELOPMENT OF THE STUDENTS AND TO EMPOWER THEM TO BECOME GLOBAL CITIZENS". UNDENIABLY, GVM'S ICONIC GOPAL GOVIND POY RAITURCAR COLLEGE OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMICS, HAS BEEN UNCEASINGLY PROLIFERATING ITS SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AS IT ENHANCES THE DELIVERY OF BASIC QUALITY OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO THE LEARNERS AND THE STAKE HOLDERS OF THE STATE.

AS THE NEWLY INSTALLED PRINCIPAL OF THIS COLLEGE, IT IS MY EARNEST YEARNING TO CONTINUE ITS BEST PRACTICES IN ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE IN THE FIELD OF ACADEMICS, RESEARCH, SPORTS, EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND ABOVE ALL IN THE SPHERE OF EMPLOYABILITY, BEING ONE OF THE MUCH ADMIRRED COMMERCE AND ECONOMICS COLLEGE IN THE STATE OF GOA. I AM ONE WITH ITS PARTNER STAKEHOLDERS IN DEVELOPING ITS LEARNERS TO BECOME GLOBALLY COMPETITIVE ARMORED WITH THE KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS, THEY WILL LEARN AND EARN FROM OUR INSTITUTION.

WITH THE UNCEASING HELP AND SUPPORT OF GVM'S MANAGEMENT, FACULTY & STAFF COLLEAGUES, COLLEGE ALUMNI, PTA, OUR EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS, I AFFIRM TO UPHOLD INTEGRITY AND WISDOM TO CARRY OUT ITS PROGRAMS, PROJECTS, AND ACTIVITIES TO BETTER SERVE AND DELIVER QUALITY HIGHER EDUCATION AND HIT THE QUALITY STANDARDS TO NEW BENCHMARKS.

IT IS MY PARAMOUNT VISION IDENTICAL TO YOUR DREAM THAT GVM'S GGPR COLLEGE BE A "COLLEGE OF EXCELLENCE" NOT JUST IN THE YESTERYEARS BUT TODAY AND IN THE FUTURE, NOT JUST IN A SINGLE ASPECT OF ENDEAVOR BUT IN ALL OTHER FIELDS. WITH THE STRONGHOLD THE INSTITUTION HAS ESTABLISHED WITH ITS PARTNERS IN INNOVATIONS, PLANS AND PROGRAMS, GROOMING SUCCESSFUL INDIVIDUALS, I REMAIN HOPEFUL IN FULFILLMENT OF THIS VISION.

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NEWSPAPER ARTICLE WRITING COMPETITION

Date: 17 July 2023

The Department of Economics organized a Newspaper Article Writing Competition on the topic "Steep Rise in Tomato Prices - An Early Sign of Climate Change?" This competition aimed to engage students of B.Com, B.C.A., and M.Com in critical thinking and writing about the pressing economic issue of soaring tomato prices and its potential link to climate change. The theme of the competition revolved around the "Steep Rise in Tomato Prices" and encouraged participants to explore whether this phenomenon could be considered an early indication of climate change's impact on the economy.

After careful evaluation of the submissions, the following students emerged as winners:

First Place: Prajvi Ravindra Palkar (T.Y.B.com)

Second Place: Reem Shaik (S.Y.B.com)

Third Place: Kajal Shaikh (T.Y.B.com)

The competition saw enthusiastic participation from a total of 17 students demonstrating their concern for economic issues and climate change. Overall, the impressive number of participants and the quality of their contributions underscored the success of the Newspaper Article Writing Competition.



FIELD VISIT AT CIBA (Centre for Incubation & Business Acceleration)

Date: 27th July 2023

A field visit to CIBA (Centre for Incubation & Business Acceleration) Verna, Goa was organized by The Department of Commerce in association with IIC of GVM's GGPR College of Commerce & Economics on 27th July 2023 from 11.45 a.m. till 2.30 p.m. for T.Y. B.Com under the guidance of Dr. Smita Sanzgiri, IIC President & HOD of Commerce Department and Faculty In charge Asst. Prof. Ms. Padma Shanbhag. Forty-one students and one faculty member were a part of the field visit.



Centre for Incubation & Business Acceleration is a technology business incubator based in Goa and Mumbai supporting and nurturing startup companies by providing services such as incubation, modern office spaces, mentoring, networking opportunities, seed funding, and rapid prototyping. CIBA aims to guide young and budding Entrepreneurs about the process of starting and running an enterprise. Mr. Rajiv Burman- Community Manager oriented students and gave an introductory presentation on different aspects of business startup. He gave a brief glimpse into the fundamentals of startups and entrepreneurship. He also emphasized the role of CIBA in transforming ideas into business. CIBA provides all possible assistance to avail financial schemes, subsidies, and incentives offered by the State Govt. under EDC, GIDC, and CMRY & by Central Govt. under PMRY, Make in India, Start-Up, Skill India, through negotiations and tie-up engagements. The students got an opportunity to observe the technology infrastructure at CIBA.



M.COM. FRESHER'S WELCOME PROGRAM

Date: 29th July 2023

The Fresher's Welcome Program for M.Com. Part I students was organized on 29th July 2023 by the M.Com. Part II students. The primary objective of the event was to introduce and orient the newly admitted students to the department, faculty, and various aspects of college life. The program aimed to create a friendly and welcoming environment for the students and ease their transition into college life.

The program commenced at 11:30 AM in the M.Com. Part II Classroom. The event was structured to be informative, engaging, and entertaining. The schedule for the day included the following activities:

Mr. Akshay Naik, the M.Com. co-ordinator began the program with a warm and encouraging speech. The principal, Prof. (Dr.) Teotone Vaz graced the occasion and delivered an inspiring welcome address. He extended his heartfelt welcome to the new students and emphasized the college's commitment to providing quality education and holistic development.

Dr. Raina Pinto, the mentor for the M.Com. Programme welcomed the students with her best wishes and extended her support in the academic and personal growth of the students.

To promote team building and interaction among the students, various games and cultural programs were organized. These activities not only provided a platform for the students to bond but also helped break the ice and create a comfortable atmosphere.



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The event concluded with a refreshment session, allowing students to socialize. The program not only helped the newcomers feel a sense of belonging but also set the tone for a promising and enriching college experience.



IPR & REGISTRATION OF TRADEMARK

Date: 29th July 2023

A session on “IPR & REGISTRATION OF TRADEMARK” was organized by the Department of Commerce and Institutions Innovation Council on 29 July 2023 for S.Y.B.com. students from 9.30 am to 10.30 am under the guidance of Dr. Smita Sanzgiri.

Shri.AmeySalatry, Advocate, High Court was the resource person for the session.

Dr. Smita Sanzgiri, President -of IIC welcomed the gathering. Principal Dr. Teotone Vaz addressed the students and emphasized on getting acquainted with the concepts of IPR & trademark which are the essentials during the journey of an entrepreneur. Dr. Sulaxana Vernekar introduced the guest. Ms. Pushpali Naik presented flowers and Ms. Diya Naik proposed the vote of thanks. In all, 46 students attended the session.





FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (FDP) ON “CAPACITY BUILDING FOR MENTORING”

Date: 2nd August 2023

Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on “Capacity Building for Mentoring” organized by The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) on 2nd August 2023 at G.V.M auditorium. The Resource Person was Shri Vithoba Mhalkar, Assistant Professor in the Mental Health Department of Psychiatric Nursing, Institute of Psychiatry and Human Behaviour, Bambolim-Goa. Dr. Raina Pinto (Co-ordinator of FDP) highlighted the theme of the FDP. Principal Prof. (Dr.) Teotone Vaz welcomed the Resource Person. Dr. Raina Pinto introduced the Resource person. Miss Gauri Shirodkar (Assistant Professor in Commerce) presented flowers to the Resource person.

Shri Vithoba Mhalkar began the programme by asking the participants the meaning of mentoring. He requested the participants to individually note on a paper any person whom they (participants) regard as a mentor, why that person could be regarded as a mentor, the qualities of that person that could give that person the title of a mentor, and the impact that person has made on the participant. Later he traced the origin of the term mentor. He also explained the meaning and definition of the term mentor. He mentioned the principles of mentoring, stages of mentoring, steps in the mentoring programme, the mentoring process, and the mentoring cycle.

He also emphasized on the qualities the mentor should possess and the criteria for effective mentor-mentee relationship. He also explained the meaning of dysfunctional mentoring. He mentioned that mentees also have a responsibility. He stressed the reflection technique. He concluded the programme with an activity on Value Sort Card. He wished the mentoring programme at the college a success. Principal Prof.(Dr.) Teotone Vaz presented a memento to the Resource Person Dr. Madanant Naik (Assistant Professor in Commerce) proposed the vote of thanks. This was followed by a group photograph.



STUDENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR T. Y. B.COM.

Date: 7th August 2023

Student Development Programme for students of T. Y. B. Com was organized by Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) in association with ICFAI Business School (IBS) Bengaluru on 7th August 2023 at Library Reading Room. A total of seventy-one students attended the programme.

Shri. Raghavendra Rao, Faculty at IBS Bengaluru was the resource person for the same. He conducted a session on the topic “Digital Fluency: The Key to Unlocking Career Success in the



Digital Ecosystem". To begin with he gave an overview of the Industrial Revolution that took place over the years. He also highlighted on how most of the sectors of the economy are getting digitalized and how we are surrounded by loads of data. He said that **Digital Fluency is the ability to discover, evaluate, and use information and technology effectively and ethically. He further added that it involves the lifelong pursuit as well as the development of knowledge, skills, attitudes, conceptual understandings, confidence, and persistence that evolves with training, experience, and experimentation with digital and information resources.** He filmed a video on Waymo's self-driving taxi to students to show on how AI is replacing humans in certain sectors while also creating many employment opportunities in the economy. He said that it is important to have knowledge and awareness about the upcoming innovations in the digital realm. He appealed to students to acquire digital skills such as original content creation, e-commerce, network and information security, UX/UI design, digital marketing, social media marketing, and data analytics.

Students got to know about various career options to consider in subjects like data analysis, machine learning, etc. Overall, the session was informative, interesting, and interactive. It gave students an insight into how there's rapid development in the Digital world.



STAFF WELFARE CLUB - FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAMME

Date: 8th August 2023

Financial literacy programme for the Teaching staff (B.Com, B.C.A. and M. Com) and the Non-Teaching staff organized by G.V.M's G.G.P.R College of Commerce and Economics on 8th August 2023 at library reading room. A total of thirty-six staff participated in this workshop.

Resource people for this programme were Shri Chirag Majithia, Shri Mandar Acharya, and Shri Amit Singh from Shreeji Investments, Margao. The core objective of this workshop was to spread awareness and increase financial literacy about equity and mutual funds, options available, return, growth and tax benefits.

The resource persons highlighted the basic features, need for, desire and tax benefits of investment in equity and mutual funds. They also threw light on the various investment options that an investor has to settle for when he/she opts for mutual funds, options such as equity, bonds, money market instruments and other securities. A comparison between the two, as regards return and growth was also pointed out. The talk ended with a question-answer session with queries from the staff, which were answered by the resource persons to their satisfaction.



FIELD VISIT TO GOA STATE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, PORVORIM

Date: 9th August 2023

A field visit to the Secretariat, Goa State Legislative Assembly, Porvorim was organised by the Department of Commerce in association with the Institution Innovation Council (ICC) Goa to witness the ongoing proceedings thereof, on Wednesday, 9th August 2023. This visit was specifically for the Mentees from the T.Y.B.Com class. Thirty students and two staff members attended this field trip.

The main objective of the field visit was to witness the ongoing proceedings and familiarise student mentees with the infrastructure, role, and manner of functioning of the Goa State Legislative Assembly. The team was required to witness a one-hour session from 4.30–5.30 pm. Staff and students were required to follow a strict protocol of maintaining complete silence, and no use of mobile phones, cameras, sticks, umbrellas, handbags, and books inside the visitors' gallery of the Legislative Assembly.





FORMATION OF RED RIBBON CLUB

Date: 9th August 2023

The Red Ribbon Club (RRC) of Goa Vidyaprasarak Mandal's G. G. PoyRaiturcar College of Commerce & Economics, Ponda was formed on 9th August 2023 with 34 student members. The Convenor, Dr. Vinaya R. Gad and Faculty member Ms. GauriShirodkar explained to the students the need and importance of HIV/ AIDS Awareness amongst the youth. The club planned to organize various competitions and programs in association with the Goa State AIDS Control Society (GSACS).



SESSION OF RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT CELL

Date: 10th August 2023

Under the Research Coffee Series, a session on “Promoting Research Culture Through Improved Research Capabilities” was organised by on 10 August 2023 for the members of faculty from 1 pm to 1.45 p.m.

Dr. M. M. Chikodikar, Associate Professor, Department of Economics, speaker for the day emphasized on getting acquainted with the usage of e-resources and develop a research culture in



the institute. His presentation was focussed on searching and retrieving e-resources which are useful while pursuing research.

Dr. Smita Sanzgiri, Convenor-Research & Development Cell introduced the speaker and informed about the initiative of Research Coffee Series. Mr. Akshay Naik, Assistant Professor, Department of Post Graduation, proposed the vote of thanx. In all, 21 faculty members attended the session.



ONE-DAY FREE MEDICAL CAMP

Date: 10th August 2023

GVM's G.G.P.R. College of Commerce and Economics, Farmagudi- Ponda in Association with its Alumni Association organized a one-day free medical camp on 10th August 2023. The camp was conducted in the GVM's G.G.P.R. college hall for the benefit of the general public, stakeholders and teaching and non-teaching staff of the institute. The camp was conducted with active help and participation of Sarthak Foundation Goa, Victor Hospital, ASG Eye hospital, PhysioEdge and YouWeCan. ASG Eye Hospital conducted the eye check up for the patients while YouWeCan conducted the breast screening for the ladies to detect any lumps/cyst in the breast. PhysioEdge helped patients having various problems related to the neck and back. Victor Hospital sent in a fully fledged team of doctors. Dr Raghuram Bhat who is a specialist in the field of



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Nephrology and Renal health to help patients related to any kidney problem or any urinary problem.

Dr Vikas Dadhich who is a specialist in joint and knee replacement as well as in treating various bone problems was there to help patients having bone related problems. Dr Ravi Teja a surgeon, experienced in Laparoscopy. They also sent their team of RMO's to check the sugar, blood-pressure and general check up.

The camp had a special counter to check the Bone Density which is the main indicator of good bone health. The members of the Managing committee, Shri Bhaskar Khandeparka, Shri Krishna Shetye were present for the function. The chief guest of the function, Dr Rajendra Deu briefed the students about the importance of health and its implications in life.

Mrs Latha Bhat who is the 'Alumni Association' Incharge briefed the audience about the camp. Mrs Usha Thengse member of the working committee of the Alumni Association compered the program, to conclude Shri Sachin Vandegekar member of the working committee Alumni Association, proposed the vote of thanks.

A total of 300 members consisting of students, teachers, and the general public availed the services of the camp. Overall the medical camp was a great success, benefiting all the people who availed the facility free of cost.





ANTI RAGGING DAY AND ANTI RAGGING WEEK

Date: 12th August 2023 – 18th August 2023

Anti-Ragging Committee observed 12th August 2023 as Anti Ragging day by organising a Slogan Writing Competition on the theme 'Anti Ragging'. 18 students participated in the competition.

The Prize Winners were

1st Prize: Ms Kajol K. Shaikh of T.Y.B.Com. 'A'

2nd Prize: Shri Anish Behera of S.Y.B.Com 'A'

3rd Prize: Ms Lakshada Kavlekar of S.Y.B.Com. 'A'



The following week i.e. 12th August to 18th August 2023 was observed as 'Anti Ragging Week'. On 17th August 2023, a talk was organised for F.Y.B.Com students. 78 students attended the programme.

Prin(Prof) Dr. Teotone Vaz welcomed the gathering, Ms. Sumedha More, College counsellor introduced the resource person. Dr. Raina Pinto, Associate Professor, Dept. Of Commerce compered the function. The resource person was Shri Bosco George, IPS (Retd.).

He explained the meaning and origin of ragging. He enlightened the students about misconceptions about ragging, the different laws which prohibit ragging and what are the measures to be taken in order to prevent ragging at the institution level.

Then he highlighted different punishments a person can receive if he/she gets engaged in ragging and the initiatives taken by the government in order to prohibit ragging under Anti-Ragging Act.

He concluded his talk by stating that Ragging is a punishable criminal offence and added that it is high time that student community puts an end to this inhuman practice before more and more innocent students become victims of it. The program concluded with the vote of thanks by Mrs. Ana Falleiro, Convenor, Anti Ragging Cell.



CERTIFICATE COURSE IN EVENT MANAGEMENT

Date: 12th August 2023

GVM's GGPR College of Commerce & Economics has inaugurated a Certificate Course in Event management. This course will be conducted by Mr. Sameer Kapadi, renowned Event curator from Goa. It commenced on 12th August 2023 and will be held till the end of September. The primary objectives of this course are to equip students with the necessary skills, knowledge, and practical experience to successfully plan and execute a wide range of events. The course spanned for ten weeks, with sessions held once a week in the evenings to accommodate students' schedules. Total of 32 students have enrolled for the course. It is Coordinated by HOD Dr. Smita Sanzgiri and Assistant Professor Gauri Shirodkar.





HANDS-ON WORKSHOP ON CYBER SECURITY

Date: 12th August 2023

A one day hands-on workshop on cyber security concepts was organised by The Department of Computer Applications on 12th August 2023 at Computer Lab1. Students from TYBCA, SYBCA, and FYBCA attended the workshop. Resource person of this workshop was Mr. Sachin D. Verlekar (Junior Security Analyst, CODEMAX IT SOLUTIONS PVT. LTD.)

Dr. Meera Mayekar (Vice Principal), Mrs. Supriya Dessai (HOD of BCA), Mrs. Priya V. Nagvekar (Faculty In-charge) and Mr. Sachin D. Verlekar (Resource person) inaugurated the workshop. The primary focus of the workshop was to educate us about the top 10 vulnerabilities listed in the Open Web Application Security Project (OWASP) and provide practical insights into their exploitation. Resource person Mr. Sachin Verlekar began with a foundation in basic networking concepts, including protocols commonly used in computer communication. The workshop was designed to be hands-on and interactive, providing students with a deeper understanding of cyber security vulnerabilities and their potential consequences. Mr. Verlekar used practical examples and demonstrations throughout the session. He introduced students to a virtual environment using VMware Workstation and guided them in setting up essential tools such as Metasploit and Bee-Box. Through practical exercises, students were able to see how vulnerabilities such as HTML injection, command injection, insecure doors, SQL injection, could be exploited by malicious actors to compromise the security of web applications. Mr. Sachin D. Verlekar also provided a text file containing a list of social links related to hacking and cyber security. These resources can serve as references for further exploration and learning.

This workshop proved to be a comprehensive and valuable learning experience. The workshops hands-on approach and interactive session ensured active engagement and facilitated practical applications of the concepts learned.





INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY

Date: 13th August 2023

The Internal Quality Assurance cell (IQAC) organized a workshop for the members of the student council on the occasion of "International Youth Day". We had Mr Pravin Sabnis as our Chief Guest, who delivered a talk on "Unlocking your leadership Qualities" on Saturday 13 August in the College Auditorium.

The Session started with an activity where he explained us the Concept of Leadership as a Lead, follow, ready to play with the help of an example of a football game where the Captain is the lead, team members follow, and substitute are always ready to play. He shared his experiences that helped him to find his true potential. He told how he was shy in his School days but in College he tried to overcome his shyness by taking part in various activities and learning the thing, even if he wasn't familiar to them.

Leadership is action, not a position. Everyone has Potential in themselves. They need to find what they are made for and what they want to do in life. "Every choice you make has an end result"

At the end, Sir played a wonderful Song and Made us all Sing together which brought positivity in the atmosphere of the auditorium





Session on Inculcating Reading Habit for Lifelong Learning

Date: 14th August 2023

A session on Inculcating Reading Habit for Lifelong Learning was organized by the library for students to commemorate National Librarian Day on 12.08.2023. However, due to technical difficulties, it was postponed and held in the Library Reading Room on 14.08.2023 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The resource person for this activity was the College Librarian Shri. Terence Rodrigues. The session was attended by 24 students from F.Y. B.Com.

The Librarian Shri Terence Rodrigues spoke on the following during the one-hour session:

1. Need for Reading
2. The category/Genre of books that help in the growth and development
3. Techniques in reading
4. Creating a reading environment
5. Books available in the college library
6. Must-Read Books

PATRIOTIC SINGING COMPETITION

Date: 15th Aug 2023

On the occasion of Independence Day, “Inter-class Patriotic Singing Competition” was organised by the Student Council on 15th August, 2023 at the College Library hall. Total four teams participated in the competition.

The competition was extremely mesmerising as students displayed their vocal talents in captivating ways. It aroused the patriotic feeling among the audience. The audience gave a positive response to the participants’ performance with a big round of applause.



The result of the competition was announced at the end. TYBCOM- A bagged the first place and S.Y.B.COM-A bagged second place. The judges for the competition were Mrs. Bhakti Naik, Assistant Professor in Economics and Ms Jeena Mendonsa, Assistant Professor in English of the college.



SOLO AND DUET SINGING COMPETITION

Date: 16th August 2023

Solo and Duet Singing competition organised by The Cultural Association of G.V.M's G.G.P.R College of Commerce & Economics for the students of B.Com on 16th August 2023.

The competition was held in the campus hall and it brought together participants who displayed remarkable skill, creativity, and passion for singing. There were seven participants and the judges were Dr. Chandrakant Phadte, Associate Professor, Mrs. Anushree Bhandari, Associate Professor and Ms. Padma Shanbhag, Assistant Professor. It was coordinated by HOD Dr. Smita Sanzgiri and Gauri Shirodkar, Assistant Professor. The event ended with a proud moment as Ms. Diya Yadu Naik who won the Grand Finale of Queen of Global Universe 2023 pageant and she was felicitated by the Principal Dr. Teotone Vaz.



SADBHAVANA DIWAS “HARMONY DAY”

Date: 22nd August 2023

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) celebrated Sadbhavana Diwas “Harmony Day” on 22/8/2023 at 1.15 p.m. in the Committee Room.

Dr, Raina Pinto – Member IQAC welcomed all present. She highlighted the meaning of Sadbhavana Diwas. Prof. (Dr.) Teotone Vaz, Principal stressed on the importance of communal harmony for a nation’s progress. He mentioned that all individuals should strive to respect each other and work collectively for building a strong India.

All religions are known to preach peace this was depicted by reading of verses from Holy Scripture by students representing three faiths.



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This was followed by lighting of the lamp by Prof. (Dr.) Teotone Vaz, Mrs. Meera Mayekar Vice-Principal & IQAC Co-ordinator, students representing the three faiths and the General Secretary of Students' Council.

A national integration song was played (depicting unity in diversity).

The programme ended with the singing of the NCC song by the NCC Cadets. .



RED RIBBON CLUB INAUGURATION

Date: 22nd August 2023

The Red Ribbon Club (RRC) was inaugurated on 22nd August 2023 at 12.00 noon at the Library hall. The Chief Guest for the same was Dr. Smita Parsekar, Health Officer, Ponda Health Centre (PHC). Principal Professor (Dr.) Teotone Vaz welcomed the gathering. In his address he spoke about the seriousness of the disease.

Student volunteer offered flowers to the team of PHC. This was followed by lighting of the lamp by team of PHC, Professor (Dr.) Teotone Vaz, Dr. Raina Pinto, Convenor, student representatives of RRC to mark the inauguration of the RRC. The Chief Guest Dr. Smita Parsekar explained the meaning of the Red Ribbon Club. She explained why the colour red is associated with the Red Ribbon Club. She expressed her happiness that the college had taken the initiative to form the Red Ribbon Club. In her address she mentioned that students need to avoid addictions to various vices like drugs alcohol etc.

Dr. Smita Naik (Ayush Dr.) in her presentation explained the meaning of AIDS, HIV. She explained the causes and symptoms of AIDS. She also stressed upon the myths related to HIV. The precautions one needs to take to prevent spread of HIV. She further mentioned about the testing centres. Ms Melissa Fernandes, Counselor at Ponda Health Centre explained the importance of counselling for AIDS patients. She informed the students that she is available for counselling and students could approach her freely in case they have any problems. She assured



SOLO/ DUET/ GROUP DANCE COMPETITION

Date: 25th August 2023

Solo/ Duet/ Group Dance Competition organised by the The Cultural Association of G.V.M's G.G.P.R College of Commerce & Economics for the students of B.Com on 25th August 2023 at G.V.M hall.

The competition featured a diverse range of dance styles, including contemporary, hip-hop, Bollywood and traditional cultural dances. There were twenty four participants, fourteen for solo dance, four for duet and six for group dance competition. The judges were Vedita Keni, Assistant Professor, Priya Nagvekar, Assistant Professor and Mr. Shubam Pednekar, Assistant Professor. It was coordinated by HOD Dr. Smita Sanzgiri and Gauri Shirodkar, Assistant Professor. The dance competition was an absolute success, celebrating the art of dance and its ability to captivate, inspire, and bring people together.





RANGOLI COMPETITION

Date: 28th August 2023

The Rangoli competition was organized by the Cultural Association on the 28th August, 2023 at 11:00 AM at the library reading room. Total eleven teams participated in the competition.

The themes for the competition were "Save Earth" and "Viral Diseases." The competition was coordinated and organized by the following: Convenor, Cultural Association: Dr. Smita Sanzgiri, Faculty Incharge: Mrs. Bhakti Naik and Padma Shanbhag. The following students were declared the winners of the Rangoli competition:-

- 1) 1st prize- Shradha Kuttikal (TYBCom A) Sakshi Naik (TYBCOM A)
 - 2) 2nd prize- Pushpali Gaude (SYBCom A) Siya Naik (SYBCom A) and Nikita N Patil (TYBCom B) Reema Pal (TYBCom B)
 - 3) 3rd Prize - Tejasvi Gaude (TYBCom A) Prajvi Palkar (TYBCom A)
- Consolation prize- Sejal Satarkan (SYBcom C) Deu Gaude (TYBcom B)

Overall the competition was very fruitful as it revealed the artistic talent of the students as well as created awareness to save our planet earth.



"PROMOTING SPORTS AND WELLNESS IN CELEBRATING THE NATIONAL SPORTS FIT INDIA DAY"

Date: 28th August 2023

Introduction: FIT INDIA Movement was launched on 29th August, 2019 by Honourable Prime Minister Narendra Modi with a view to make fitness an integral part of our daily lives. The mission of the Movement is to bring about behavioural changes and move towards a more physically active lifestyle. Towards achieving this mission, The College in line with the Fit India Movement organised to undertake various initiatives and conduct events on August 28th, 2023, which was an exciting opportunity to embrace the spirit of sportsmanship, fitness, and national pride with the year's theme being, "Sports for All,"

Staff Events: A. Tennis Ball Cricket Bowling Competition: This innovative cricket bowling competition challenged the staff to showcase their bowling prowess. Each player had three balls to deliver on stumps without a batsman, emphasizing accuracy and strategy. This event fostered camaraderie among colleagues, highlighting teamwork and friendly competition. 32 participants participated for the event. Winner: Prof. (Dr.) Teotone Vaz



B. Zumba Session for Fitness:

The Zumba session offered a vibrant and dynamic way for the staff to engage in fitness. This 40-minute session not only promoted physical health but also created a lively atmosphere that encouraged the staff to let loose, have fun, and destress through dance and movement. 23 participants participated for the event.



Student Events: Run/Walk from College to Bandodkar Ground and Back: To encourage students to be active, the run/walk event covering a distance of 1.5 kilometers was organised. This activity



promoted cardiovascular health and endurance while also reinforcing the importance of discipline and consistency in sports. 36 participants participated for the event.



Essay Competition - "O, Sports You Are Peace": The essay competition provided the students with an opportunity to express their thoughts on the profound impact of sports in fostering peace and unity. Through the 750 words essay, the participants could delve into how sports transcend boundaries and cultures, promoting harmony and understanding. 14 participants participated for the event.

Poster Making Competition - "National Games 2023 - Goa": The poster making competition tapped into the artistic talents of the students, allowing them to visually capture the essence of the National Games 2023 being hosted in Goa. 23 participants participated for the event.



Recognition and Rewards: Acknowledging excellence, the first three winners of each competition were awarded medals and certificates. These accolades not only honoured the participants' achievements but also served as a testament to their dedication and commitment to sports and creativity.



RAKSHABANDAN CELEBRATION

Date: 30th August 2023

On the occasion of Rakshabandan day our five Senior Wings (Girls) NCC cadets visited 6TTR Army Camp, Ponda to tie Rakhis to our Soldiers posted there. It is one of best practices followed at our College to show respect to our soldiers. Cadets expressed gratitude towards the soldiers who safeguard the nation's sovereignty, unity, and integrity. Colourful Rakhis were tied to Soldiers. The cadets were escorted by Associate Professor P.G. Dandin of our college.



Report on an “Exhibition cum sale of “Rakhis” made by students of “Lokvishwas Pratishtan”

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), as a part of Extension and Outreach Programme organised an exhibition cum sale of “Rakhis” made by students of “Lokvishwas Pratishtan” at the college premises on 26th August 2023 from 10.30 a. m. onwards. “Lokvishwas Pratishtan” is working for the welfare of Divyang Children since last 41 years. It manages schools for visually impaired, hearing impaired and differently abled children. Rakhis and envelopes made by students from “Lokvishwas Pratishtan” were displayed. This event was organised to provide an opportunity for those deserving children to display their remarkable creations. Through this exhibition an attempt was made to spread a social message of empowerment and support for those wonderful children who have faced various challenges in their young lives so as to contribute to their overall development. The students and staff members actively participated in an exhibition and purchased rakhis as well as envelopes available on sale. The teachers of “Lokvishwas



Pratishthan” thanked the Principal and IQAC co-ordinator for giving them an opportunity to display the items made by students.



A TALK ON ORGAN DONATION

To celebrate the ‘Angdaan Utsav’ programme in continuation with Azadi ka Amrit Utsav the NSS Unit of the collage organised a talk on ‘Organ Donation’ on August for the volunteers of Second Year B.com.

We had doctors from IMA (Ponda) 2 Dilasa palliative care to deliver the lecture 1. Dr. Poornima Lesgaokar, (gynaecologist),

Dr Vandana

Dr Amol Mahaldar

Shri Gabriel

Shri Deepal Kantak

The key Resource Speaker was Amol Mahaldar. He spoke about the concept of Organ Donation and how it is important in today’s world and how it is a life changing experience both for the donor and receiver. He also explained the procedure for organ donation. The main aspect of the talk was to clear the myths regarding organ donation. The student had a lot of doubts, queries and fear related to topic. This was aptly cleared by Dr Amol.

It was a highly practice session appreciated by the students who opened their mind to wipe out any misconceptions about ‘Organ Donation’.

The students, faculty and IMA doctors then took a pledge to donate organs and to spread awareness related to it.



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Mrs Latha Bhat made the introductory statements followed by the formal welcome by the principal Dr (Prof) Teotone Vaz. Dr. Sulaxana Vernekar introduced the resource person.

Dr Amol Mahaldar and Dr Madanant Naik proposed the vote of thanks

The programme was attended by NSS Volunteers.



‘MERI MAATI MERA DESH’ CAMPAIGN.

All students, faculty and NSS volunteers in particular had to take a pledge to Dr. Madanant Naik administered the pledge a total of NSS Volunteers attended the function held on 15th August 2023.





CORPORATE ETIQUETTES AT MODERN WORKPLACES

Career Guidance Cell (B.C.A) of the college organized a talk on “Corporate Etiquettes at Modern Workplaces” on 31st August 2023. Prof. (Dr.) Teotone Vaz (Principal), Mrs. Supriya Dessai (BCA coordinator and Convenor of Career Guidance Cell) and Mrs. Melantha Fernandes (Resource person) inaugurated the session.

The aim of this talk was to offer students valuable perspectives on the significance of corporate etiquette in the professional realm and to furnish them with crucial knowledge and abilities essential for a prosperous career. It emphasized the importance of etiquette in creating a positive professional image, fostering effective communication, and building successful careers. The talk aimed to cover various aspects of corporate etiquettes, including: Importance of Etiquettes, Chat Etiquettes, Call Etiquettes, Video Call Etiquettes, Email Etiquettes, Meeting Etiquettes and Social Etiquettes.

During the talk, it was emphasized that corporate etiquettes play a crucial role in shaping a successful career, discussed the significance of effective communication and dressing appropriately for the workplace. Students were educated about appropriate behavior in a corporate setting. The talk on corporate etiquette provided BCA students with valuable insights and practical knowledge to navigate the corporate world successfully. Mr. Swapneel Naik proposed the vote of thanks.



FINANCIAL SMARTNESS – REACH YOUR DREAMS

Department of computer application organized a talk on “Financial Smartness – Reach Your Dreams” on 29th August 2023. Resource person was Shri. Vijaykumar Sirsat Mutual Fund Distributor of Sirsat’s Insurance & Investment Point, Panjim, Goa. As investment is a topic which every student and working professional should have the knowledge of, the Department of B.C.A organized a one hour interactive session for SY and TY BCA students and few interested students of FY B.C.A.

The session started with the speaker showing a video which focused on inculcating saving habits amongst the students. He spoke about basics of investment, from planning stage of your finances, the possible steps that can be undertaken by the students to start investing their money. Shri. Vijaykumar Sirsat also demonstrated few working of Mutual funds investments and explained the returns of each investment option.

The session was very informative and provided the audience with all the answers to each of their questions. Course Co-ordinator Mrs. Supriya Dessai concluded the session and proposed the vote of thanks.



Signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and Inauguration of Certificate Course in “Fruits and Vegetable Processing and Preservation”

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), as a part of “Skill Enhancement Initiatives” of the college signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 16th August 2023 between G. V. M.’s G. G. P. R. College of Commerce and Economics, and Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS), Parvari Goa. JSS is financially assisted by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Government of India. It is an institution for people’s education, conducting skill up gradation programmes in a non-formal mode in rural and urban regions. It provides both academic and technical resource support to target groups. On behalf of the college Principal, Prof. (Dr.) Teotone Vaz and on behalf of JSS, Shri. Shrihari Athalye, Director of JSS signed the MoU.



Also, as part of MoU, inauguration of Certificate Course of 80 hours in “Fruits and Vegetable Processing and Preservation” was held on the same day. Shri. Shrihari Athalye, was the Chief Guest for the same. On the occasion Principal, Prof. (Dr.) Teotone Vaz, in his welcome address,



appealed the students to enroll for more such courses. Shri. Shrihari Athalye, Chief Guest explained the role of JSS in skill improvement and asked the students to take the benefit of the more such courses offered by JSS. He highlighted that most of the courses offered by JSS are meant to promote self-employment. He emphasised that continuous skill enhancement will provide students with relevant practical qualifications and it will enable students to perform better at work and will promote youth entrepreneurship. In all 46 students have enrolled for the course. Miss Padma Shanbhag, Assistant Professor in Commerce is the course co-ordinator. The course is sponsored by Parents Teachers Association (PTA). On the occasion Shri Anand Jog, Chairman PTA, Shri. Mr. Ninad Velgunkar, JSS Programme Co-ordinator and Ms. Ambika wadkar, Master Trainer were present. Dr. Raina Pinto, Associate Professor in Commerce proposed vote of thanks.

Report on Workshop for students on “Unlock Your Leadership Potential”

On the occasion of International Youth Day, the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) organised a workshop on “Unlock Your Leadership Potential” for the members of Students Council and select students on 12th August 2023 at the G. V. M. auditorium. The workshop comprised of two sessions: “Leadership and Soft Skills” and “Personality Development”. Each session aimed to equip the students with practical knowledge and techniques to enhance their overall leadership capabilities and facilitate overall personality development of the students. Shri Pravin Sabnis, Corporate Trainers was the resource person for the same. The workshop commenced with welcome address by Vice-principal Dr. Meera R. Mayekar. She extended greeting to the students of the International Youth Day and highlighted the importance International Youth Day. She also focused on the theme of International Youth Day 2023, “Green Skills for Youth: Towards A Sustainable World”, which emphasises on conservation and protection of environment and appealed the students to take this theme seriously and work together to make the world a better place for everyone to live and thrive.



In the sessions Resource person emphasised that leadership is not about being perfect. It's about continually striving to improve and inspire others to do the same. By focusing on communication, developing emotional intelligence, being open to feedback, leading by example, learning from others, and developing a growth mindset can help one to become a good leader. He also elucidated through games six steps to “Develop A Growth Mindset”, such as building skills of self-awareness, realising leadership blind spots, embracing change as a constant, learning from mistakes and power of perseverance. Shri Pravin Sabnis emphasised that unlocking one’s fullest potential is an ongoing, lifelong journey and requires learning, unlearning and relearning. Dr. Madanant J. Naik, Assistant Professor in Commerce compered the programme and Miss Rose Ana Fernandes, Assistant Professor in Commerce proposed vote of thanks.

INTER- GROUP THAL SAINIK CAMP

NCC Cadet SUO Omkar Kulkarni attended Inter- Group Thal Sainik Camp held at Mysuru, Karnataka from 01st to 10th August 2023.





ARMY ATTACHMENT CAMP

NCC Cadets attended Army Attachment camp held at Belgavi- Karnataka from 8th to 20th August, 2023.

The names of the cadets were Vaibhav Sawant, Ravi Mourya and Rahul Guaude.



Display of Book on the Independence of India 15 August 2023

Several library books were kept on display on the occasion of the Independence of India in the reference section of the library from 14-16 August 2023.

The books were viewed by students, and staff of the college and graced by two Senior teaching faculty members, Dr. M. M. Chikodikar, and Dr. C. N. Phadte.



DEPUTATION TO BITS PILANI- GOA CAMPUS

Dr. Vinaya R. Gad, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science of the Institution has been deputed to BITS Pilani- Goa Campus from 18th August 2023 to the end of current Semester as part of the Faculty Enrichment Internship Programme (FEIP) launched by the Directorate of Higher Education, Goa for implementation of NEP 2020. The FEIP aims to provide faculty from Goa with opportunities to develop effective teaching pedagogies, strengthen and build research collaborations and replicate the culture in Goa's Higher Educational Institutions.



Har Ghar Tiranga

To instil a feeling of patriotism in the hearts of people and to reminisce the contribution of those who tirelessly worked for the nation building, the government under the aegis of AKAM the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign, encouraged all citizens specially students to hoist the national flag of India in the home.

NSS Volunteers were asked to hoist the flag in the home and to click a selfie with it which was then posted on the NSS groups.

A total of 50 NSS volunteers uploaded the selfies.





REPORT: OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT BY TYBCOM A STUDENTS AT INTERCOLLEGIATE G20 QUIZ COMPETITION

Mast. Gajanan Shirodkar and Mast. Rahul Bhardwaj, students of TYBCom A, secured the Second Place at the Intercollegiate G20 Quiz Competition. This prestigious competition was organized by the School of International and Area Studies, Goa University. The competition focused on the Evolution of G20 and its Functioning and consisted of two rounds: the Elimination Round on Saturday, August 26, 2023, and the Finale on Saturday, September 2, 2023. Dr. Smita Sanzgiri and Mrs. Bhakti Naik coordinated and motivated students for the successful participation.



MOU SIGNED WITH COMTECH SHRI WILLIAM VAZ

A memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed between G.V.M's G.G.P.R. College of Commerce Academy on August 2023 by the Principal Dr (prof) Teotone Vaz and the proprietor of Comtech Shri William Vaz.

The objective of this MOU is to plan and implement collaborative programme keeping in mind the mission and vision of 'Skilling the Youth' of the State of Goa. It will serve as a broad and general document to provide the basis for all future ventures between the two parties.

Start up initiatives ICT related courses, short term courses, DTP, Animation, Accounting, Digital Marketing are some of the areas that will be explored. The MOU is valid for a period of five years.





REPORT ON MSME

The government has stressed on the importance strengthening the MSME's medium, small and micro enterprises. This is by way of increasing access of MSME'S to market ' technology and gredit' increasing the performance of MSME sector thus resulting in more employment opportunities.



Sarvesh Naik officer on from Adioet services who is authorised to conduct the survey of MSME'S to draft the SIP (strategic investment plan) under (ramp) Raising and accelerate MSME performance programme in Goa delivered a lecture on MSME , opportunity and scheme provided by the government and the documentation required to asked it on 14/08/2023 to our NSS volunteer from second year . A total of 40 students attended it. Ali sheikh our third year NSS volunteer proposed the vote of thanks

NSS INAUGURATION

The college has an NSS unit comprising of 300 volunteers from first year, second year & third year B.Com & B.C.A .They under take activities such as cleanliness drive, Rallies on various social issues, participates in surveys organised by the government . On 12th august, The international youth day the NSS unit of college was formally inaugurated at the hands of Dr Nitin Sawant. Who is an assistant professor working at university of Goa in the department. He also is the NSS co-ordinator for the state of Goa. He addressed the students on various social issues as well as issues related to the sensitive ecology of Goa which was well received by NSS volunteers. The vice principal too spoke to the volunteer regarding the importance of being NSS member and



how it helps to shape one's personality. Dr. Madanant Naik NSS programme officer proposed the vote of thanks .

TEACHING, LEARNING AND EVALUATION-AN OUTCOME BASED EDUCATION PERSPECTIVE

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of the institution in association with Teaching, Learning and Educational Technology Cell (TLETC) organized a one day Faculty Development Programme(FDP) on “Teaching, Learning and Evaluation-An Outcome Based Education Perspective” held on 19th August 2023 from 9.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. The Resource Person for the FDP was Shri. Abhishek Gudekar, Asst. Professor, IT and Computer Applications, Goa Multi Faculty College, Dharbandora. In the brief Inaugural function, Principal of the institution, Prof. (Dr.) Teotone Vaz highlighted that with NEP 2020, there has been a marked paradigm shift from the knowledge-based approach to the skill-based approach in the Indian Higher Education Sector and hence now it is become very important for us as educators to implement the Outcome Based Education(OBE). Dr. Deepali Naik welcomed the Resource person with a bouquet of flowers. Vice-Principal and IQAC Coordinator, Dr. Meera R. Mayekar and TLETC Convenor, Mrs. Ana Falleiro were present for the same. Dr. Vinaya R. Gad introduced the Resource person, Shri. Abhishek Gudekar and presented the theme of the FDP.

Shri. Abhishek Gudekar addressed all the Faculty members and explained that OBE focuses on measuring students' performance i.e. outcomes at different levels. The B.Com., M.Com. or B.C.A. programme have some educational objectives. These educational objectives are the long term goals that the programme has set for students. He explained the entire process of OBE; how to design the Course outcomes (COs) for a particular Course which need to be designed based on the requirement of the Programme outcomes(POs) and Programme specific outcomes(PSOs). Each CO is mapped to POs and PSOs. Shri. Gudekar also demonstrated the course and programme outcome (CO-PO) attainment template, developed by him, which includes all data of tests, labs,



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assignments, and examinations imported from an instructor's course file. The application facilitates the evaluation process or rubrics for all courses and instructors. It also assists the instructor to understand the highlights and drawbacks in achievement of COs and POs and to make the necessary changes to improve them. He emphasized that faculty members need to use the Bloom's taxonomy while setting the questions in the internal assessment as well as the end semester examination and in today's competitive world; every institute needs to keep their academic standard as high as possible. Dr. Madanant Naik expressed his gratitude towards the Resource person for a simple and elaborate presentation on OBE and formally proposed the vote of thanks. Faculty members from B.Com., B.C.A. and M.Com. programme attended the FDP.



PRE- MAVALANKAR COACHING CAMP

NCC Cadet JUO Bablukumar Prajapati participated in Pre- Mavalankar Coaching camp at Army Marksmanship Unit, Indore-MP from 22nd to 31st August 2023. From there he was selected for 32nd All India Mavalankar Shooting Championship 2023 at Army Marksmanship Unit, Indore-MP.





INTERCLASS AND INTERCOLLEGIATE SPORTS TOURNAMENTS PARTICIPATED BY THE STUDENTS

The Department of Physical Education organised a football tournament from 14th Aug to 17 Aug 2023. 13 Teams participated.



Winners: SYBCom C & D



Runners up: TYBCom

Interclass Tennikoit (Women)

Department of Physical Education organised a Tennikoit tournament for women on 18 Aug 2023. 8 students participated.

1. Mansi Naik FY Bcom A
2. Utkarsha Dhumaskar
3. Nirjala Naik



Interclass Tennikoit (Men)

Department of Physical Education organised a Tennikoit tournament for men on 19 Aug 2023 14 students participated.



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1. Abhijeet Verekar TY Bcom A
2. Rohan Gaude TY Bcom A
3. Rushab Naik TY Bcom C



Intercollegiate Tournament

Shri Vernon c Braganza secured Bronze medal at inter collegiate Powerlifting competition in Above 120 kg weight category organised by Goa University.





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Talk on 'Use of NLP in Communication Skills'

The Counselling and Women's Cell in association with B.C.A Department of the college organised a talk on 'Use of NLP in Communication Skills' for SYBCA and TYBCA students on 1st September 2023 at 12:45 pm in the Library Reading Room. The College Counselor, Ms. Sumedha More was the Resource Person for the talk. The Principal, Prof. (Dr.) TeotoneVaz addressed the students. BCA Program Co-ordinator, Mrs. SupriyaDessai compered for the event. The resource person spoke about various aspects of communication and the mind-body connection. She taught the students how to use NLP techniques to improve their confidence levels. A total of 27 students were present for the talk.



THE STUDENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME ON "THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SUCCESS"

The Student Development Programme on "The Psychology of Success," organized by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) in association with the Parents Teachers Association (PTA). This program was designed to benefit T.Y B. Com, T.Y.B.C.A, M. Com Part II, and S.Y.B.com students providing them with valuable insights into the psychology behind achieving success. Shri. Dilip Betkekar, an esteemed Educational Consultant, served as the Resource Person for this enlightening initiative. The program's schedule was as follows: T.Y.B Com - Division A, C & D was held on Monday, 04/09/2023, from 9:30 am to 10:30 am, followed by T.Y.B.C.A. M.Com Part I & M.Com Part II students from 10:50 am to 11:50 am. TYB.Com - Division B was scheduled for Wednesday, 06/09/2023, from 9:30 am to 10:30 am, and S.YB.Com - Division A & B following on the same day, from 10:50 am to 11:50 am. A total of 202 students attended the session. This programme was coordinated and organized by the following: Dr. Meera R. Mayekar, IQAC Co-ordinator Dr. M. M. Chikodikar, Convenor Parents Teachers Association. Faculty in-charge: Mrs. Vedita Keny Robolo, Mrs. Supriya Dessai, and Mrs. Bhakti Naik.



Essay Writing Competition on 'My favourite teacher who inspired me'

An Essay writing competition on 'My favourite teacher who inspired me' was organised by the Department of English on 5th September 2023 at 1:00 pm in Room no 3 at G.V.M's Gopal Govind Poy Raiturcar College of Commerce and Economics. A total of ten students participated in this competition.

The competition was held on Teachers' Day. The theme of the competition was 'My favourite teacher who inspired me'. The time duration of the competition was one hour. Students enthusiastically participated in the competition and penned their thoughts on their favourite teacher.

The winners of the Essay writing competition were:

1st place: Miss Reem ShaikS.Y B.Com A

2nd Place: Miss Nikita N. Patil T.Y B.Com B



3rd Place: Miss Dhanya P. Divekar F.Y B.Com C



Fascinating World of Fungi

Date: 7th September 2023

Time: 11.50 am

Class: F.Y.B.C.A (25 students)

Resource Person: Ms. Shubha S. Kauthankar

Faculty Incharge: Gauri A. Kukalekar

Description:

The Department of Computer Application organized a talk on “Fascinating World of Fungi” on 7th September 2023 at 11.50 am. The guest speaker was Ms. Shubha S. Kauthankar, Assistant Professor in Botany, Government College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Sanquelim-Goa. This session was specifically organized for First-year students having an Environmental Studies as an academic subject.

Faculty in-charge Ms. Gauri A. Kukalekar started the programme by welcoming the Resource Person, Principal, faculty members, and students. Further, the resource person was introduced and the Course Coordinator Mrs. Supriya Dessai welcomed her with a bouquet. College Principal Prof. (Dr.) Teotone Vaz addressed the gathering and spoke on the importance of Environmental studies.

The main focus of the lecture was the diversity and ecology of fungi. The session commenced with a basic introduction of fungi, the evolution of fungi, and its characteristics. Further, the speaker showed the distribution of different fungi species along the Western Ghats of Goa. Consumption of edible Goan mushroom (*Termitomycesps*) is very common in Goa, at the cost



of its habitat destruction. Therefore, the speaker highlighted its importance and how crucial is to conserve this depleting species. The lifecycle of various species was also covered. Additionally, the speaker shared her personal experiences of fieldwork and interacted with students.

The overall lecture was enlightening and interactive as well. It provided the students with knowledge of the importance of fungi and its conservational strategies. Finally, the session was concluded by Mrs. Supriya Dessai with a vote of thanks.



One day Hands - on Workshop on React JS – Building user interfaces

Date: 8th September 2023

Participants: 25 students (T.Y.B.C.A and S.Y.B.C.A)

Faculty In-Charge: Shri. Swapneel Naik

Description:

Department of Computer Science (B.C.A Programme) organized a **One day Hands - on Workshop on React JS – Building User Interfaces** on 8th September 2023. The Resource person was **Mr. Amod Shinde** Senior Engineer and Team Lead - SEE ID, Inc. Due to the high demand for React JS in the industry and its cost-effective use and efficient solutions in web development, the Department of B.C.A organized this session for BCA students, to a better perspective on their career.

The Resource person started the session with the need for React JS technology in corporate and career perspective of it. The session covered JavaScript, a discussion of different frontend tools, and virtual react DOM. The session included hands-on React JS, components on React, hook effect and hands-on different features in React.



The session was valuable and fruitful.



Business Intelligence and Analytics

Date: 09th September 2023

Participants: 54 students S.Y.B.C.A, T.Y.B.C.A

Faculty In-Charge: Ms. Steffy Alisha Fernandes

Description:

Institution's Innovation Council organized a talk on “Business Intelligence and Analytics” on 9th September 2023. The Resource person for the same was Mr. Clinton Savio Fernandes. Due to the high demand in Business Analytics this talk was organized for the B.C.A students.

Resource person Mr. Clinton Savio Fernandes was introduced by Assist. Prof. Ms. Steffy Alisha Fernandes. The talk on business intelligence and analytics highlighted the significance of data-driven decision-making and its impact on strategic planning in the modern business landscape.



The event aimed to provide insights into the latest trends, tools, and strategies for effectively implementing business intelligence and analytics in organizations.

Key Takeaways:

1. **Importance of Data:** The talk emphasized the invaluable role of data in gaining a competitive edge. By harnessing the power of data, businesses can make informed decisions and stay ahead in the market.
2. **Understanding Business Intelligence:** The concept of business intelligence was discussed, encompassing data collection, analysis, and visual representation to extract valuable insights. Attendees gained an understanding of how business intelligence enables organizations to make data-driven decisions.
3. **Analytics for Decision-Making:** The talk underscored the relevance of analytics in decision-making. Various methodologies, such as descriptive, predictive, and prescriptive analytics, were explored to showcase how data can be transformed into actionable insights.
4. **Tools and Technologies:** The session shed light on the range of tools and technologies available for businesses to implement business intelligence and analytics effectively. Attendees learned about popular software suites and platforms that facilitate data visualization, reporting, and predictive modeling.

The talk addressed the potential benefits that organizations can reap from adopting business intelligence and analytics. These include improved decision-making, enhanced operational efficiency, better forecasting, and identification of new growth opportunities.

Conclusion:

The talk on business intelligence and analytics provided attendees with a comprehensive understanding of the importance of leveraging data for strategic decision making. By embracing modern tools and technologies and implementing effective strategies, businesses can optimize their operations, gain a competitive edge, and foster innovation in today's data-driven world. He demonstrated how data analysis is done on Excel. Including 54 Students some teachers also attended the talk. Prof. Dr. TeotoneVaz , Dr. Smita Sanzgri, Assist. Prof. Ms Arti Naik, Assist. Prof. Swapneel Naik, Asst. Prof. Bushra Mulla, Assist. Prof. Priya Narvekar was a part of the session. Asst. Prof. Bushra Mulla concluded with a vote of thanks.



ALL INDIA MAVALANKAR SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

NCC Cadet JUO Bablukumar Prajapati participated in the 32nd All India Mavalankar Shooting Championship 2023 at Army Marksmanship Unit, Indore-MP from 1st to 10th September 2023. Also, he was further selected for the National level championship to be held in New Delhi in November 2023.



Report on Intercollegiate Ghumat Aarti Competition

The Students of G.V.M's G.G.P.R. College of Commerce & Economics participated in Ghumat Aarti Spardha at Khandola College on 11th September 2023.

The prize for “Best Ghumat Sanch” was awarded to our college.



REPORT ON CHAVTICHO MAAND

Matoli for Chaturthi is a unique tradition that sets it apart in the celebration of Ganesh Chaturthi. This time-honoured practice has been passed down from one generation to the next. Matoli is like a hands-on farming lesson for the younger ones, teaching them about fruits, flowers, and the cultural practices of the region. Matoli is like a strong wooden frame that people in Goa decorate



with all types of seasonal beautiful local flowers and fresh fruits. They use it to make Lord Ganesha's idol look even lovelier during Ganesh Chaturthi celebrations. The student council organised the 'Chavticho Maand' on 12 September wherein students and vendors of Ponda were invited to set up stalls sell items related to Ganesh Chaturthi.

The Nature Club joined in by putting up a MATOLI of the local fruits, leaves and wild berries. They also put up various posters explaining the importance, and the local and botanical names of the fruits and leaves put up.



MOCK STOCK INVESTMENT GAME

The Department of Economics organized the Mock Stock Investment Game, an educational competition aimed at providing students of B. Com, B.C.A., and M. Com with hands-on experience in virtual stock market investing. The competition commenced on September 8, 2023, and concluded on September 15, 2023. The primary objective of the Mock Stock Investment Game was to educate and familiarize students with the dynamics of financial markets, stock trading, and investment strategies. It allowed participants to create virtual investment portfolios, track their progress, and make informed decisions. The competition witnessed the participation of 58 students, making it a resounding success. Students who achieved the highest portfolio gains or made the most insightful investment decisions were declared as winners. The winners are as follows:

- 1) First Prize: Altafahamed Mohamadhanif Lokmeshwar (T.Y.B.Com B)



- 2) Second Prize: Praneet Kurtarkar (T.Y.B.Com C)
- 3) Third Prize: Rahul Bharadwaj (T.Y.B.Com A)

This competition not only provided an excellent opportunity for students to gain practical experience in the financial world but also showcased their talent and aptitude for stock market investing. It was indeed a valuable educational initiative organized by the Department of Economics. Mrs. Bhakti Naik, Assistant Professor in Economics, coordinated and conducted the competition.



CATC CAMP

NCC Cadet Mrushmaya Naik attended Combine Annual Training Camp, held at Belgavi-Karnataka from 10th to 19th September, 2023.



Report on Interclass Ghumat Aarti Competition

The Cultural Association of G.V.M's G.G.P.R. College of Commerce & Economics organised an Interclass Ghumat Aarti Competition for the students of B.Com on 14th September 2023. It served as a platform for students to express their devotion, creativity, and cultural awareness through the performance of traditional aartis. There were 12 Group participants (150 Students) and the judges were Shri. Prabhuling Dandin, Associate Professor, Dr. Makarand Chikodikar,



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Associate Professor and Mr. Swapneel Naik Assistant Professor. This annual event remains a highlight on the college's cultural calendar, fostering unity and mutual respect among students.





Report on Intercollegiate Ghumat Aarti Competition

The Students of G.V.M's G.G.P.R. College of Commerce & Economics participated in a State-level Ghumat Aarti Competition organised by Guruvidya Bicholim. on 15th September 2023. Our College secured the First Consolation prize for the same.



Report on Intercollegiate Ghumat Aarti Competition

The Students of G.V.M's G.G.P.R. College of Commerce & Economics participated in Ghumat Aarti Competition organised by Srinivassa Sinai Dempo College of Commerce and Economics on 15th September 2023. Our college secured the Consolation prize for the best Kasale Vadhan.



REPORT ON TREK TO SAVORDEM WATERFALLS.

On 15th September the Nature Club organised a trek cum cleaning programme to Savordem waterfalls situated in the Madhei Wild Life Sanctuary for 30 students and 04 teachers. The students had to trek for an hour before they reached the waterfall. The spot is nestled deep within the forest. Students spotted various types of birds, butterflies and insects.



Students were welcomed with a local cool drink. After the plunge in the cold waters of the waterfall, they had a scrumptious lunch of local dishes with local vegetables.

The day ended with a tired but happy lot on the bus riding back home.



2nd Destination Goa'23

The Department of Commerce in association with IIC organised a field trip at the “2nd Destination Goa'23” mega Exhibition and seminar at Taleigao Community Centre on 15th September, 2023 where 61 SYBCOM Consumer Behaviour participated. The business expo displayed flagship programmes of Central and State Government departments with the theme “Pavilion on Atma Nirbhar Bharat.” The technologies and flagship programmes displayed were very knowledgeable. Students got the opportunity to meet the senior officials of various Government departments to grab very fruitful information.

The students were accompanied by Dr. Deepali Naik, Assistant Professor, and Ms Ashvini Naik, Assistant Professor.



Report on “Certificate Course in “Fruits and Vegetable Processing and Preservation”

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) in association with Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS), Parvari Goa, conducted a Certificate Course of 80 hours in “Fruits and Vegetable Processing and Preservation”. JSS is financially assisted by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Government of India. This course was conducted as a part of “The Skill Enhancement Initiatives” of the institution. In all 46 students enrolled for the course. Ms. Ambika Wadekar was the Master Trainer and conducted classes for the students. The classes for the same started on 27th September 2023. The classes were conducted in the evening between 2.30p.m. to 5.00p.m. During the course of total 35 dishes were taught to the students. The highlight of the course was the calculation of the cost of each dish was also explained to the students. The examination of the course was held on 22nd December 2023. A total of 30 students appeared for the examination. The certificate of the course is yet to be received. Ms. Padma Shanbhag, Assistant Professor in Commerce was the course co-ordinator.

**REPORT ON BIODIVERSITY MEETING**

On 27th September the Bandora Panchayat’s Biodiversity committee’s technical advisor Mrs. Gulab Borkar visited the campus and talked to students who were interested in collecting photos and collating information on the biodiversity in the campus. She explained how it should be done and the importance of preserving the biodiversity.





CATC GROUP RDC-1

NCC Cadet Mrushmaya Naik attended Combine Annual Training Camp, Group Republic Day Camp-1 held at Belgavi- Karnataka from 20th to 29th September, 2023.





Thematic Book Display on Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam 1st October 2023

Books related to Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam were showcased in the library's reference section from October 1st to October 15th, 2023. Numerous students and college staff members visited the thematic book display during this period.

SWACHATA HI SEVA 1st October 2023

As per the instructions received from the Headquarter Directorate NCC, 1GOABNNCC directed all the institutions to celebrate the “SWACHATA HI SEVA” campaign. The program’s objective was garbage free India.

A total of twelve cadets participated from the college at Panaji on 1st October 2023. Cadets collected waste and did beautification as well.





GVM'S Founder's Day 2nd October 2023

On the occasion of G.V.M's Founder's Day on 2nd October 2023, a special rally was conducted by 32 NCC Cadets G.V.M.'s G.G.P.R. College of Commerce and Economics, Ponda-Goa along with cadets of M.I.B.K School, at the Dada Vaidya Circle and back.





FIELD TRIP TO DANDELI on 5th October 2023

Third Year B, Com 'D' division students were taken for a field trip to Dandeli and Supa Dam on the 5th and 6th of October. Kadamba Transport helped us by providing a semi-luxury 50 -seater bus for two days at a reasonable rate. There were 38 students and 03 teachers. (Mrs. Latha Bhat, Dr. Sulaxana Verenkar and Dr. Madanant Naik)

Located on the Western Ghats of Uttara Karnataka, Dandeli is bestowed with lush green forests and lies on the banks of the Kali River. Known for its many fantastic adventure opportunities, Dandeli is a hub for river rafting on river Kali. Students took full advantage of the gushing water by participating in all the adventure activities.

They went kayaking, boating, zorbing, and swimming. In the evening the students enjoyed the rain dance, the indoor activities and finally the campfire and the eerie ghost stories to spice up the night.

The next day we were driven in batches to visit the Supa Dam. Supa Dam is a dam that is situated at GaneshaGudi, which is in Joida taluka of Uttara Kannada district. The dam forms the main storage reservoir for all the powerhouses in Kalinadi hydropower project. The powerhouse at the foot of the dam has two 50 W electricity generators. The electricity generated is supplied to different parts of Karnataka. The dam was built by Hindustan Steel Works Construction Limited and is designed, owned, and operated by Karnataka Power Corporation Limited. The power house was commissioned in 1985. The dam is used for the generation of hydroelectricity.

Supa Dam has been acknowledged as one of the leading hydroelectric power generation plants in the town. The other significance of the dam construction has been availing the dam water to the nearby farmers to meet their irrigation needs. The engineering marvel is an **EARTHEN DAM** with a left bank spillway, stands 101 meters tall, has a length of 330 meters, and has a catchment area of over 1000 square kilometres. It has a power plant that generates about 100





MW of energy to supply electricity to the state. It was a rich educative trip that all the students thoroughly enjoyed.



THEMATIC BOOK DISPLAY ON SHORT STORIES on 16th October 2023

Books from the library collection were kept on display in the reference section of the library from 1st to 15th October 2023 on the theme of short stories. The thematic book display was visited by students of the college.





NATIONAL UNITY DAY 31st October 2023

Rashtriya Ekta Diwas, known as National Unity Day, is commemorated on October 31 each year in India to celebrate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel played a pivotal role in the consolidation of India's 565 princely states, and National Unity Day serves as a tribute to the remarkable contributions of this eminent figure, which also held the distinction of being India's inaugural Deputy Prime Minister.



Dr Ramani Marathon on 5th November 2023

Dr. Ramani Goa Marathon was started by our mentor Dr P S Ramani, a fitness enthusiast and a world renowned Neurosurgeon. He was determined to bring fitness to Goans through the running as his mission statement. Currently, a dynamic team of Rajesh Shenvi, Rajat Haldankar, Luis Vaz, Genevieve Coutinho, Vinayak Naik supported by many others are successfully conducting the marathon. The 15th Dr. Ramani Goa Marathon unfolded at Bahusaheb Bandodker ground in Bandora, featuring multiple categories, including 21km, 10km, 5km, and 3km runs. The event's inclusivity was exemplified by a special round for senior citizens, highlighting the importance of fitness for people of all ages.





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An inspiring moment during the marathon was Dr. Ramani herself participating in the 21km run at the remarkable age of 85. His dedication and commitment to the marathon underscored the event's goal of promoting fitness and well-being for individuals of all ages.

The marathon was not only a platform for athletic prowess but also a symbol of unity, wellness, and the enduring spirit of the participants, fostering a sense of community and health-conscious living.

Our NSS volunteers 79 in total were a part of the organising team. They single-handedly managed the full route of 21 kms. They were in charge of the food, water saline, ORS dispensation and were responsible for motivating and guiding the runners.



Field Visit at INEX 2023 9th November 2023

The IIC organized a field visit to the India International Innovation and Invention Expo (INEX) on 9th November 2023 at Margao. It was attended by 17 students. The event showcased a diverse array of inventions presented by students from Don Bosco College of Engineering and various startups from different parts of India. This enlightening expo provided students with valuable exposure to a wide range of innovations. The initiative was led by Dr. Smita Sanzgiri, HOD Commerce and President of IIC, along with the guidance of Ms. Gauri Shirodkar, Assistant Professor in the Department of Commerce, who served as the Faculty in charge.





66TH NATIONAL SHOOTING COMPETITION 15th November 2023

NCC JUO Bablukumar Prajapati participated in the 66th National Shooting Competition in New Delhi from 15th November to 2nd December 2023.





VALEDICTORY FUNCTION OF EVENT MANAGEMENT COURSES

16th November 2023

On the 16th of November 2023, the valedictory function for the Event Management course took place at G.V.M's G.G.P.R College of Commerce & Economics. The event was graced by 27 enthusiastic students. This course was conducted by Mr. Sameer Kapadi, a renowned Event curator from Goa. Under his guidance, the course aimed to empower students with essential skills, knowledge, and hands-on experience necessary for the successful planning and execution of a diverse array of events. The significance of this endeavor was highlighted as certificates were ceremoniously awarded to the students upon the successful completion of the course. It was coordinated by HOD Dr.Smita Sanzgiri and Assistant Professor Gauri Shirodkar





CONSTITUTION DAY 26th November 2023

Constitution Day also known as 'Samvidhan Divas' is celebrated in our country on 26th November every year to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India. On 26th November 1949, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution of India, which came into effect on 26th January 1950.

As per the Department of Education and Literacy, the preamble of the constitution was to be read in all educational institutions by all students

Dr. Madanant Naik read out the preamble and spoke on the importance of the constitution in shaping the foundation and future of India.



GUJRAT TREK- II on 28th November 2023

NCC Cadet SUO Omkar Kulkarni attended Gujrath Trekking Camp- II held at Gujrath from 28th November to 5th December 2023





WORLD AIDS DAY RALLY on 9th December 2023

An HIV/AIDS awareness Rally to commemorate 'World AIDS Day' was organized on 9th December 2023. The rally started at 8.30 a.m. from the college campus to P.E.S College, Farmagudi. The students carried Placards with messages on HIV/AIDS and shouted slogans related to the threats of HIV/AIDS and the prevention and protection measures to be taken. Awareness was generated amongst the public and students of the colleges in the vicinity. A Slogan competition was organized during the Rally. Mr. Darshan Mangeshkar of F.Y.B.Com Div 'C' won First place and Ms. Sushmita Singh of F.Y.B.Com. Div 'B'



secured the Second place. Students and Faculty members reached back to the college by 10.30 a.m. 26 students and 5 faculty members participated in the same. The event was coordinated by RRC faculty members, Ms. Gauri Shirodkar, Ms. Rose Ana Fernandes, and Convenor, Dr. Vinaya R. Gad.





An Overview of PSU's in India on 15th December 2023

The Research and Development Cell of G.V.M's G.G.P.R. College of Commerce & Economics organized an informative session on "An Overview of PSUs in India" on the 15th of December 2023. The session aimed to provide participants with a comprehensive understanding of the growth and evolution of Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) in India. There were 18 participants and the talk was delivered by Shri P.G. Dandin, Associate Professor in Commerce. Shri Dandin brought a wealth of experience and knowledge to the session, making it an enriching experience for the attendees.



Industry-Academy Interaction: Risk Management on 15th December 2023

The Department of Commerce organized an insightful Industry Interaction Session for the students of the M.Com. Programme on Risk Management. The event took place on December 15, 2023, at 11:30 a.m. in the M.Com. Lecture Hall. Dr. Vilas Waikar, a distinguished expert in the field, served as the resource person for the session.

The primary objective of the session was to provide students with practical insights into the realm of Risk Management and enhance their understanding of its application in various firms and industries. The event saw active participation from 19 students of M.Com. Part I and Part II, demonstrate a keen interest in the subject matter. Principal Prof. (Dr) Teotone Vaz, Associate Professor Dr. Raina Pinto and M.Com. faculty enthusiastically participated in the session.





Dr. Vilas Waikar, an accomplished professional with extensive experience in risk management, proved to be an invaluable resource person. He shared his wealth of knowledge, drawing upon real-world scenarios and practical exposure gained over years of engagement with diverse firms and industries. His presentation covered a wide range of topics, including risk identification, assessment, mitigation strategies, and the overall risk management framework.

The session was marked by engaging discussions and an interactive Q&A segment where students had the opportunity to seek clarifications and delve deeper into specific aspects of risk management. Dr. Vilas encouraged an open dialogue, fostering a conducive learning environment for the students.

The key takeaways from the session included:

1. **Practical Application:** Dr. Vilas emphasized the importance of bridging the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical application. He provided examples of how risk management principles are implemented in real-world business scenarios.
2. **Industry Relevance:** The resource person sheds light on the current trends and challenges in risk management across different industries. This insight allowed students to grasp the dynamic nature of risk management practices.
3. **Strategic Decision-Making:** Dr. Vilas highlighted the role of risk management in strategic decision-making processes. He elucidated how a well-structured risk management approach contributes to informed and effective decision-making at the organizational level.

The Industry Interaction Session on Risk Management proved to be a valuable and enriching experience for the M.Com. Students. The Department of Commerce extends its gratitude to Dr. Vilas Waikar for his time, expertise, and commitment to knowledge dissemination. Such interactions play a pivotal role in bridging academia and industry, ensuring that students are well-equipped with practical insights to excel in their chosen fields.





Skill Development Courses and Placement by Tata STRIVE on 18th December 2023

The Career guidance cell of B.C.A. organized an Orientation session for T.Y. B.C.A. students on 18th December 2024. Mrs. Supriya Dessai (BCA coordinator) commenced the session by giving an overview of Tata STRIVE's mission and its commitment to empowering individuals through skill development and also introduced the speaker Ms. Aproova Naik.

The purpose of the orientation was to familiarize students with the program's objectives, curriculum, and the potential for career advancement. Tata STRIVE is a leading organization committed to skill development and job placement, aiming to empower individuals with the necessary skills for employment across various sectors. The organization collaborates with industry partners and offers comprehensive training programs designed to bridge the gap between education and employment.

A detailed presentation was given on the UI/UX Design course offered by Tata STRIVE. The courses covered a wide range of industries and were tailored to meet the current demands of the job market.

Tata STRIVE's strong collaborations with industry leaders were highlighted, emphasizing the significance of these partnerships in ensuring that the courses are aligned with industry standards. Participants were informed about the certifications awarded upon successful course completion, enhancing their employability.

An integral part of the orientation was the discussion on placement assistance provided by Tata STRIVE. Success stories of past participants who secured meaningful employment after completing the program were shared, underscoring the efficacy of the training and placement support.

The orientation concluded with a counseling session. Students had the opportunity to seek clarification on various aspects of the program, ensuring that everyone left with a clear understanding of what Tata STRIVE had to offer.





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LIBERATION DAY on 19th December 2023

Goa Liberation Day is celebrated on 19th December annually, to mark the success of 'Operation Vijay' undertaken by the Indian armed forces to defeat



Portuguese colonial forces and liberate Goa in 1961. The state celebrates its 60th liberation day.

The diamond jubilee celebrations were set in motion on December 19, 2020, by President Ram Nath Kovind on banks of the Mandovi River in Panaji, NSS volunteers, teaching and non-teaching staff assembled to celebrate the 60th Liberation Day of Goa.

STUDY VISIT TO SERENDIPITY ART FESTIVAL on 20th December 2023

A Study visit to Serendipity Art Festival, Panjim-Goa on 20th December 2023 was arranged for S.Y. & T.Y.B.C.A. students. In all 28 students visited the festival. The purpose of the visit was to give students a taste of vivid Art forms and acquaint them with different art forms, and mediums of expression.

The festival had a panel discussion, workshop, performance, and multidisciplinary stalls, wherein ideas were kept on display to experience and immerse oneself in an artistic world. Here is a list of Exhibitions & Installations our students explored: Zine-Making Workshop Collaborative Art For All, Street Canvas: Hand-Painted Signs from India and the Dominican Republic, 200 CM From Your Shadow, Synaesthetic Notations, Turning: On Field and Work, Greater Lane, Potluck: The Cui-Zine Library, Text/Matters, A Longing For Home.





In addition to this our students got to attend, “The Future Of Storytelling II” a captivating talk that delved into the evolution of narratives in innovative and futuristic media. Anand Gandhi, the visionary filmmaker behind Tumbbad and Ship of Theseus, and Zain Memon, the game design genius behind SHASN and AZADI, were in conversation. As they deep dive into the transforming landscape of storytelling. Building on the insights shared, this discussion

promised to unravel the future landscapes of narrative expression. This discussion explored how the ways in which we tell our tales is going to evolve with innovative and futuristic media.

This visit helped students enhance their collective theoretical and practical knowledge of storytelling and understand how different mediums can be used to share stories. After the visit students were taken to Miramar Beach, where all the students had a great time.

PARTICIPATION AT NATIONAL CONSUMER RIGHTS DAY

21st December 2023

On the 21st of December, The Department of Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs conducted a day-long program to mark National Consumer Rights Day at the Multipurpose Hall, The Goa Agriculture Produce and Livestock Marketing Board, Sub Yard, AGRI BAZAR, Curti Ponda Goa, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. I, Mrs. Bhakti Naik, Assistant Professor in Economics, and 10 students from our college, attended the event.

The program includes a presentation on consumer rights and responsibilities under the Consumer Protection Act 2019, an overview by the Electricity Department on consumer rights under the Electricity Act 2003, and insights from Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited on consumer rights at Petrol Pumps and LPG dealerships. Additionally, the Consumer Conciliation Committee (CCC) will conduct a session emphasizing the necessity for consumers to access their rights and pursue remedies.





NATIONAL MATHEMATICS DAY on 22nd December 2023

The talk titled "Unlocking the Power of Python Programming in Data Science" by Mr. Nagraj Virnodkar took place on 22nd Dec 2023 in the College Committee Room at 12:30 p.m. The session aimed to shed light on the versatile and indispensable role that Python programming plays in the field of Data Science.

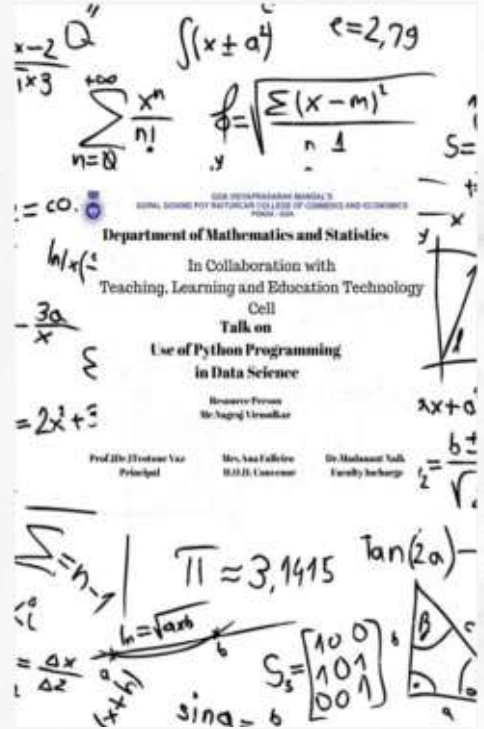
Introduction to Python in Data Science: Mr. Virnodkar commenced the talk by providing a brief overview of Python and its significance in the realm of Data Science. He emphasized Python's readability, versatility, and extensive library support, making it an ideal choice for handling data-related tasks.

Libraries and Tools: The speaker delved into popular Python libraries and tools commonly used in Data Science. Through real-world examples and demonstrations, he showcased how to simplify data manipulation, analysis, and visualization.

Data Cleaning and Preprocessing: A substantial portion of the talk was dedicated to the crucial steps of data cleaning and preprocessing. Mr. Virnodkar elucidated how Python simplifies these often intricate tasks, making it easier for researchers to prepare and refine datasets for analysis.

Machine Learning with Python: The talk progressed into the application of Python in machine learning. Mr. Virnodkar highlighted the ease of implementing machine learning algorithms using Python, citing examples and case studies to illustrate its effectiveness in predictive modeling.

Challenges and Best Practices: To provide a comprehensive perspective, the speaker addressed common challenges encountered in Data Science projects and shared best practices for overcoming them using Python.





SESSION ON ACADEMIC LITERATURE REVIEW on 22nd December 2023

The Research and Development cell of the college organized a session on Academic Literature Review on 22d December 2022 for M.Com. and T.Y. B.Com. Students. Asst. Prof. Padma Shanbhag was the Faculty In-charge for this session. The resource person for the session was Dr. Pournima Shenvi Dhume, Assistant Professor of Financial services at Goa Business School, Goa University. Forty Six students and ten faculty members attended the session. The session started with the welcome address by Principal Prof. Teotone Vaz. Asst. Prof. Padma Shanbhag introduced the guest speaker to the attendees of the session. Asst. Prof. Gauri Shirodkar presented a potted plant to the speaker. The objective of the guest lecture was to learn and clarify doubts about effective literature review and implement knowledge in writing research papers. Dr. Pournima Shenvi Dhume began her session with a detailed description, right from selecting the topic to getting it published in an esteemed journal.

She explained how to write a research paper, starting with the introduction, the purpose for the selection of the topic, and the overall trend, followed by the theme, chronology and methodology, major contributions of the findings, and opinion for future scope. The Speaker outlined the steps for publishing the paper, like deciding the area of research, finding the relevant excerpts, coding the literature, and creating a conceptual scheme. She also enlightened us on the top journals that should be considered when doing a literature review and identifying research gaps, proposing research contributions, and developing argumentative hypotheses. The session concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Asst. Prof. Rose Ana Fernandes.





COMBINED ANNUAL TRAINING CAMP OF NCC on 22nd December 2023

Twenty -one Second-year and third-year Cadets attended the Combined Annual Training Camp, held at Quepem for 10 days from 22nd to 31st December 2023.

Cadets participated in various competitions held during the camp. Omkar Kulkarni won first place in singing competition. Cadets won second place in the skit competition. Third place in Essay writing competition. Cadet Mrushmaya Naik participated in the Guard of Honour. Also, cadets participated in Drill and tug-of-war competitions and gave their best. Cadets got the real-life experience of military training during the camp and learned a lot.



G.V.M'S G.G.P.R. COLLEGE OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMICS AND GTA JOIN FORCES IN A GROUNDBREAKING PARTNERSHIP 23rd December 2023



On a momentous occasion on the 23rd of December 2023, G.V.M's G.G.P.R. College of Commerce and Economics played host to a historic Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signing ceremony with the esteemed Goa Technology Association (GTA). The event, organized under the able guidance of B.C.A. Coordinator Mrs. Supriya Dessai, marked the beginning of a promising collaboration between academia and industry.

The ceremony was graced by distinguished guests, including the Principal of G.V.M's G.G.P.R. College Prof.(Dr.)Teotone Vaz, GVM's Society Chairman Shri. Krishna Shetye, GTA President Shri. Sujeet Shetty(Co-founder, Team Inertia Technologies), GTA Vice President Shri. Yashvit



Naik(Co-founder & CTO, Teknorix), GTA Chairperson of Women's Wing Ms. Vaishali Amonkar(Head - Goa Operations, Tangentia), and industry experts Shri. Girish Bharne(Ex. Vice President -Persistent Systems) and Shri. Kapil Dhawan(Director, CTO, Remote Software Solutions).

The proceedings kicked off with an eloquent introduction by Shri. Swapnil Naik, setting the stage for the event. Students added a touch of warmth by presenting flowers to the dignitaries, symbolizing the blossoming partnership between the academic institution and the tech industry.

Principal Prof.(Dr.) Teotone Vaz, in a brief but insightful address, highlighted the significance of the session, emphasizing its potential impact on the student's academic journey.

Mrs. Supriya Dessai, B.C.A. Coordinator, took the stage to introduce both GTA and GVMs, providing a comprehensive overview of the collaboration and its objectives.

Shri. Krishna Shetye, Chairman of GVMs, shared his personal experience, resonating with the aspirations of the young minds present.

A highlight of the event was the captivating speech delivered by Shri. Sujeet Shetty, President of GTA. He provided a comprehensive insight into GTA's mission, the potential for students to leverage the association, and the diverse job opportunities available in Goa's burgeoning technology sector.

Shri. Yashvit Naik, Vice President of GTA, shared his valuable experiences, offering practical insights into the industry and inspiring students with his journey.

The pinnacle of the event was the formal signing of the Memorandum of Understanding, cementing the commitment between G.V.M's G.G.P.R. College of Commerce and Economics and GTA.

Following the signing, a dynamic panel discussion unfolded, featuring industry experts who shared their journeys in IT, the challenges they faced, and insights into the technologies they initially worked on, including C and Pascal. The panel also addressed crucial topics such as qualities sought in a fresher during interviews, alternative opportunities in IT beyond programming, and strategies to incorporate agile and scrum methodologies into final-year projects.

The engaging session continued with students posing thought-provoking questions. Among the queries were concerns about choosing between app development and web development, the appropriateness of using AI tools like ChatGPT in projects, career options in design, opportunities for animators and video editors, and insights into managing project restructuring.

The panelists expertly navigated these questions, emphasizing the importance of skills over marks and providing valuable guidance for the student's future career choices.

Mrs. Priya V. Nagvekar expressed heartfelt gratitude to the organizing committee, led by Mrs. Supriya Dessai, the B.C.A. coordinator, faculty members, and volunteers, as well as the Principal of G.V.M's G.G.P.R. College of Commerce and Economics, dignitaries, and the entire audience, for their essential contributions that played a crucial role in ensuring the remarkable success of the event.



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The event concluded on a high note with a group photograph, capturing the collective enthusiasm and spirit of collaboration that characterized the day.

The MoU signing ceremony between G.V.M's G.G.P.R. College of Commerce and Economics and GTA stands as a testament to the commitment to fostering a dynamic relationship between academia and industry, paving the way for a brighter and more innovative future for the students.



BLOOD DONATION CAMP

Date: 06/01/2024

Why blood donations matter

This year's theme, "Give Blood, Give Plasma, Share Life, Share Often," emphasizes the significance of regular blood and plasma donations.

There are many different uses for blood and the components that we use in it. The classic one is the red cells for people who are anemic, such as bleeding from an accident or a trauma, or from an operation there happens to be a lot of blood loss and there are a lot of procedures and lots of surgeries where people do tend to lose blood and may need a blood transfusion to keep them safe through that procedure.

But then there are lots of other people, like people with sickle cell disease and thalassemia, who may need blood transfusions regularly to maintain their health. Or cancer patients who are in chemotherapy that suppresses the bone marrow function and stops people's blood counts from recovering temporarily, who may need a blood transfusion.

To help such persons and to imbibe the spirit of helping within the student community the NSS unit organized the blood donation camp on 6th January in Association with the **Goa Medical College and HDFC Bank.**





NATIONAL ROAD SAFETY WEEK 2024

Date: 11/01/2024

Road Safety Week 2024 stands as an annual dedication to fostering awareness and promoting responsible driving behaviour. This week-long event aims to curtail road accidents and save lives by encouraging individuals, communities, and organizations to prioritize road safety measures.

It underlines the significance of responsible driving, pedestrian safety, and the imperative for improved road infrastructure. The National Road Safety Week 2024 theme, “Be a road safety hero,” acknowledges those enhancing road safety and aiding post-crash. It emphasizes universal participation in ensuring safer journeys.

The National Road Safety Week was inaugurated in our college on 11th January at the hands of Dilip Naik Chairman of the Road Safety Forum Goa. He spoke on the importance of understanding and learning the rules of safe driving to ensure an accident-free space. He also emphasized how accidents destroy and snuff out not just one life but a whole vibrant family.

79 NSS volunteers attended the talk. Principal Prof Teotone Vaz introduced the guest while Dr Sulaxana Vernekar proposed the vote of thanks.





FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME “INFOSYS SPRINGBOARD”

Date: 11/01/2024

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) organized a Faculty Development Programme on “Infosys Springboard” for the faculty members (B. Com., B. C. A., and M. Com.) on Thursday, 11th January 2024. The resource person for the same was Dr. Sulaxana Vernekar, Associate Professor in Computer Science. In this programme, faculty were oriented about the free online courses available on the “Infosys Springboard”. The faculty was also asked to shortlist some of the courses which are useful to the students. Faculty were also asked to make the students create an account and make them complete some of the courses as part of their Intra Semester Assessment. A total of 25 faculty participated in the session. Also, as an extension of the programme orientation sessions for the students were conducted.



TALK ON ROAD SAFETY FOR PROMOTING ROAD SAFETY

Date: 11/01/2024

On January 11, 2024, Mr. Dilip Naik, Chairman of the Road Safety Forum Goa, delivered an insightful talk on the occasion of Road Safety Week. The talk aimed to raise awareness about road safety issues and promote responsible behaviour on the roads. The talk was organized to coincide with Road Safety Week, emphasizing the importance of collective efforts in reducing road accidents and ensuring safer streets.

Key Topics Covered:



Introduction to Road Safety Week: Mr. Naik commenced the talk by providing an overview of Road Safety Week, highlighting its significance in advocating for safer roads and responsible driving habits.

Current Road Safety Scenario in Goa: The speaker addressed the specific challenges and issues related to road safety in Goa, providing statistical insights into accidents, their causes, and their impact on the community.

Road Safety Measures and Best Practices: Mr. Naik discussed various road safety measures and best practices that individuals and communities can adopt. Topics included the importance of wearing seat belts, and helmets, obeying traffic rules, and the role of pedestrians in road safety.

Government Initiatives: The talk also touched upon the initiatives undertaken by the government to enhance road safety, such as infrastructure improvements, awareness campaigns, and law enforcement efforts.

Community Engagement and Responsibility: Emphasis was placed on the role of communities and individuals in promoting road safety. Mr. Naik encouraged a sense of shared responsibility, urging everyone to contribute to creating safer roads.

Notable Insights or Quotes:

"Road safety is not just a legal requirement; it's a shared responsibility that each one of us carries every time we step onto the road."

"Small changes in behaviour, such as using seat belts and helmets, can significantly reduce the risk of accidents."

Outcome:

Increased Awareness: The talk successfully increased awareness among the audience about the importance of road safety, its challenges, and the role individuals play in creating safer road environments.

Community Engagement: Attendees left the talk with a heightened sense of community engagement and responsibility, understanding that everyone plays a crucial role in ensuring road safety.

Informed Decision-Making: The statistical insights provided by Mr. Naik equipped the audience with valuable information to make informed decisions related to road safety.

Government-Community Collaboration: The discussion on government initiatives fostered an understanding of the collaborative efforts required between the government and the community to address road safety concerns effectively.

Challenges or Controversies:

No significant challenges or controversies were noted during the talk. The audience responded positively, and the discussion remained focused on the importance of road safety.



Conclusion:

Mr. Dilip Naik's talk on the occasion of Road Safety Week served as an impactful and informative event. By addressing specific issues in Goa, providing insights into road safety measures, and emphasizing the role of community engagement, the talk contributed to a heightened sense of awareness and responsibility among the audience. The event aligned well with the objectives of Road Safety Week, advocating for safer roads, and encouraging positive changes in behaviour for the benefit of the entire community.

ACTIVITY ON NATIONAL YOUTH DAY CELEBRATION: "HOP ON ONE LEG TO CATCH" ACTIVITY BY COLLEGE NSS UNIT

Date: 11/01/2024

In commemoration of National Youth Day, the National Service Scheme (NSS) unit of our college organized a unique and spirited event, "Hop on One Leg to Catch." This engaging and light-hearted activity aimed to celebrate the spirit of youth while promoting physical fitness, teamwork, and a sense of camaraderie among the participants.

Objective:

The primary objective of the "Hop on One Leg to Catch" activity was to create an atmosphere of joy and unity, reflecting the essence of National Youth Day. The event aimed to break away from conventional celebrations and engage the participants in a playful yet meaningful way, fostering a sense of inclusivity and community spirit.

Event Details:

Participant Categories: The event was open to participants from various departments within the college, encouraging students from diverse backgrounds to come together and celebrate the occasion. The categories were carefully designed to ensure fair competition, with participants grouped based on age and gender.

Rules of the Game: The main highlight of the event was the playful yet challenging "Hop on One Leg to Catch" game. Participants, hopping on one leg, attempted to catch a participant from the other team while maintaining their balance. The game not only provided a fun-filled experience but also promoted coordination, agility, and teamwork.

Team Building Exercises: Between rounds of the main game, the NSS organizers incorporated short team-building exercises. These activities aimed to strengthen the bonds among participants and instill a sense of unity. It also provided an opportunity for students to interact with their peers in a relaxed and enjoyable environment.

Inclusivity and Participation:

The "Hop on One Leg to Catch" activity was designed to be inclusive, allowing individuals of all fitness levels to participate. The NSS unit ensured that the event was accessible and enjoyable for everyone, promoting the idea that National Youth Day celebrations are for every student, regardless of athletic ability.



Conclusion:

The "Hop on One Leg to Catch" activity organized by the college NSS unit proved to be a delightful and memorable celebration of National Youth Day. Beyond the laughter and fun, the event successfully brought students together, fostering a sense of community and emphasizing the importance of joy and playfulness in youth activities.

As participants and organizers alike reveled in the festivities, the "Hop on One Leg to Catch" activity left a lasting impression on the college community. It served as a testament to the NSS unit's creativity in organizing events that go beyond the conventional, celebrating youthfulness, unity, and the spirit of National Youth Day.

NATIONAL YOUTH DAY

Date: 12/01/2024

National Youth Day, also known as Vivekananda Jayanti, falls on January 12th, 2024, and promises to be a vibrant celebration of youth potential. The official National Youth Day 2024 theme is 'MYBharat-ViksitBharat@2047- By the Youth, For the Youth'.

Minister of Power Shri Sudin Dhavlikar graced the occasion and lit the lamp to formally inaugurate week-long activities to celebrate Swami Vivekananda's 161st birth anniversary.

He spoke about how the youth holds the key to the future, and how they can steer the country to new heights, and new vision.

We had three speakers deputed by the DHE, each a stalwart in their respective field of work.

1. Chartered Accountant Mrs Pragyna Bhat
2. Veterinary Doctor

The function was attended by 150 NSS volunteers.





VISIT TO INTERNATIONAL PURPLE FEST

Date: 12/01/2024

A group of 47 NSS students from our college, accompanied by the teacher-in-charge Mr. Shivam Pednekar, attended the International Purple Fest at Inox Panjim on January 12, 2024. The festival showcased impactful short films depicting the lives of specially-abled individuals, offering a unique and enlightening experience.



The event provided a platform for the students to broaden their perspectives on inclusivity and social challenges. Many students expressed gratitude for the eye-opening experience, vowing to contribute to a more inclusive society.



NATIONAL YOUTH FESTIVAL

Date: 12/01/2024 to 16/01/2024

Five students from GVM's GGPR College of Commerce and Economics, namely Lakshada Kavlekar, Samrudhi Naik, Vishwesh Naik, Varun Naik, and Sairaj Shetty, along with 40 students from the National Service Scheme (NSS) and three program officers, attended the 27th National Youth Festival in Nashik. The festival, organized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, took place from the 12th to the 16th of January 2024.

The festival kicked off with a grand inaugural function at Tapovan Ground in Nashik, graced by the presence of the Honorable Prime Minister, Narendra Modi. Over the subsequent days, distinguished speakers such as Vilas Shinde, Rahul Bose, and Prabhat Sinha delivered captivating speeches in the Suvichar/Convention Hall.

The participants also had the opportunity to showcase Goan Folk dances, specifically the Katti Dance and Dekhni Dance. These performances not only celebrated the rich cultural heritage of Goa but also provided a platform for cultural exchange with participants from other states.

The festival concluded with a closing ceremony on the last day, during which certificates were awarded to the participants as a recognition of their involvement and contributions. The return journey commenced on the 16th of January, with the group arriving in Panjim on the 17th of January at 8 am.



TALK ON CAREER OPPORTUNITIES IN THE AVIATION INDUSTRY

Date: 12/01/2024

Mr. Sujar Rao, a seasoned Personality Development Trainer from Gryphon Academy, delivered an insightful talk on "Career Opportunities in the Aviation Industry." The event, organized by the Training, Development, and Internship Cell, marked a significant celebration of National Youth Day.

Main Topics or Themes Covered:



Introduction to the Aviation Industry: Mr. Sujar Rao commenced the talk by providing an overview of the aviation industry, emphasizing its global significance and role in connecting people and cultures.

Various Career Paths in Aviation: The speaker delved into the diverse career paths available within the aviation sector, ranging from pilots and air traffic controllers to aviation managers and ground operations. Real-world examples were shared to illustrate the breadth of opportunities.

Key Skills and Qualities Required: A substantial portion of the presentation focused on the essential skills and qualities demanded in the aviation industry. Mr. Sujar Rao highlighted the importance of attention to detail, effective communication, adaptability, and a commitment to continuous learning.

Growth and Opportunities in the Industry: Attendees gained valuable insights into the growth and opportunities within the aviation industry. The speaker discussed emerging trends, technological advancements, and the industry's response to globalization.

Personality Development for Success in Aviation Careers: Mr. Sujar Rao underscored the significance of personality development in navigating the competitive landscape of aviation careers. He provided practical tips on enhancing soft skills, building a professional network, and staying resilient in the face of challenges.

Key Points Discussed:

The role of aviation in fostering global connectivity and economic development.

Specific technical and non-technical skills are required for different roles in the aviation sector.

Real-world examples and success stories of individuals who have carved successful careers in aviation.

Opportunities for career growth and advancement in the industry.

Notable Insights or Quotes:

"In the aviation industry, continuous learning is not just a preference; it's a necessity."

"Success in aviation is not just about technical skills; it's equally about effective communication and teamwork."

Outcome:

Informed Career Choices: Attendees gained a comprehensive understanding of the diverse career paths available in the aviation industry, enabling them to make more informed decisions about their career trajectories.

Enhanced Soft Skills: The emphasis on personality development and soft skills left a lasting impact on the audience, empowering them with practical insights into the qualities needed for success in the competitive aviation sector.

Motivated and Inspired: The talk served as a source of motivation and inspiration for the youth, instilling a sense of purpose and direction in those considering careers in aviation.



Conclusion: Mr. Sujar Rao's talk on career opportunities in the aviation industry was a resounding success. The event not only provided valuable insights but also served as an inspirational platform for young minds contemplating a future in the dynamic and ever-evolving field of aviation. The Training, Development, and Internship Cell, by organizing this talk on National Youth Day, successfully contributed to the professional development and career aspirations of the college community.

TYRE ROLLING RELAY: FOSTERING FITNESS AND UNITY ON NATIONAL YOUTH DAY

Date: 15/01/2024

On the occasion of National Youth Day and Youth Week, the Department of Physical Education organized an engaging and energetic activity - the Tyre Rolling Relay. The event aimed to promote fitness, team spirit, and a sense of unity among the youth, aligning with the celebratory spirit of National Youth Day.

Activity Details:

Tyre Rolling Relay Challenge: Participants were divided into teams, and each team was provided with a large tire. The objective was to roll the tyre through a designated course, with team members taking turns in a relay fashion.

Course Design: The course was strategically designed to incorporate various elements, including twists, turns, and obstacles, adding an element of challenge and excitement to the relay. This not only tested participants' physical abilities but also required teamwork and coordination.

Inclusive Participation: The activity was inclusive, allowing participants of varying fitness levels to engage. The rolling relay format ensured that all team members, regardless of their fitness level, had an opportunity to actively contribute to their team's success.

Team Building and Unity: The relay format encouraged collaboration and communication among team members. The shared goal of successfully navigating the tyre through the course fostered a sense of unity and camaraderie among the participants.

Significance of National Youth Day:

The Tyre Rolling Relay was organized as part of the National Youth Day and Youth Week celebrations to emphasize the importance of physical fitness and teamwork among the youth. It provided a platform for students to come together, engage in healthy physical activity, and celebrate the spirit of youthfulness.

Participant Feedback:

Participants expressed enthusiasm and enjoyment throughout the activity. Many highlighted the unique and fun nature of the Tyre Rolling Relay, expressing gratitude for the opportunity to participate in an engaging event that promoted both physical activity and team bonding.

Outcome:

Physical Fitness Promotion: The activity successfully promoted physical fitness among the participants, encouraging them to engage in a dynamic and enjoyable form of exercise.

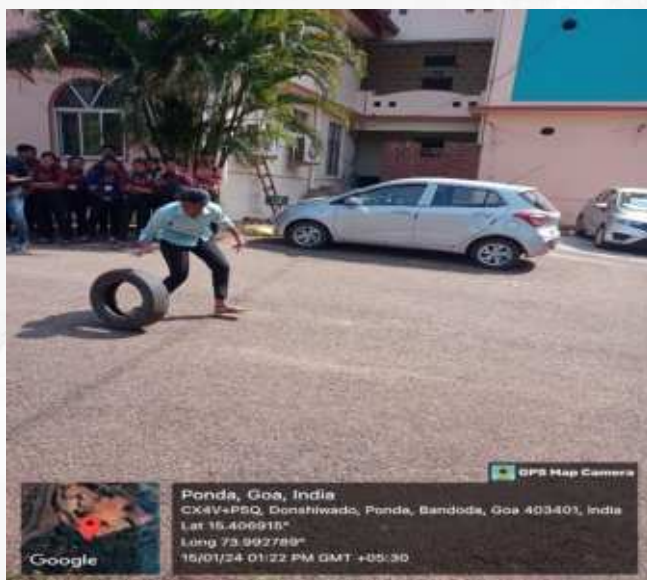


Teamwork and Collaboration: The relay format emphasized teamwork and collaboration, fostering a sense of unity and camaraderie among the participants.

Celebration of Youthfulness: The Tyre Rolling Relay added a unique and celebratory touch to the National Youth Day and Youth Week festivities, aligning with the themes of energy, vitality, and collective spirit.

Conclusion:

The Tyre Rolling Relay organized by the Department of Physical Education served as a vibrant and successful addition to the National Youth Day and Youth Week celebrations. By combining physical activity, teamwork, and a sense of celebration, the activity resonated well with the spirit of the youth, contributing to a memorable and engaging experience for all participants.





AWARENESS TALK CUM DEMONSTRATION ON PACKAGED COMMODITIES RULES, WEIGHTS, AND MEASURES.

Date: 23/01/2024

The Consumer Welfare Cell (CWC) of Goa Vidyaprasarak Mandal's Gopal Govind Poy Raiturcar College of Commerce and Economics, Farmagudi, Ponda-Goa organized an "Awareness talk cum Demonstration on Packaged Commodities Rules, Weights and Measures". The Resource Person for the same was Shri Vikas Kandolkar Inspector - Legal Metrology Department, Govt. of Goa on 23/1/2024 from 11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Principal Prof. Teotone Vaz welcomed the Resource Person and a student offered flowers. The Resource Person explained the Legal Metrology Act 2009 & The Packaged Commodities Rules 2011. He further explained how misleading labels are used on packaged commodities. The resource person demonstrated the various measures used in the market for various materials (solid and liquid). He used video clips to explain how sellers engage in malpractice.

Later he explained what a packaged commodity is and what needs to be stated on a packaged commodity. He mentioned that supermarkets need to have a weighing scale in case the customer wants to measure the quantity he/she intends to purchase.

He requested the students to lodge complaints if they encountered packages which violated the provisions of the Packaged Commodities Act and provided the contact details of the enforcing agencies.

The Resource Person clarified the doubts of the participants related to packaged commodities. Dr. Raina Pinto presented a memento to the Resource Person and proposed the Vote of Thanks. Dr. Deepali Naik – Associate Professor (Commerce) was the compere for the event. The talk was attended by 79 students and 8 faculty. Refreshments were served to the participants.





FIELD TRIP TO ICAR-CENTRAL COASTAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE, OLD GOA CHURCH AND DIVAR ISLAND

Date: 23/01/2024

A study trip to ICAR-Central Coastal Agricultural Research Institute, Old Goa Church, and Divar Island, was arranged on 23rd January 2024, for the first-year students of B.C.A Programme as a component of Environmental Studies and Tourism and Hospitality Management subject. A total of 40 students participated in the field trip along with two faculty members.

At ICAR, students were introduced to Mr. Rahul Kulkarni, (Asst. Chief Technical Officer) at Krishi Vigyan Kendra building, who guided them throughout the visit. A half-hour lecture was taken wherein Mr. Kulkarni made them familiar with the institute by describing the department and the history of the institute. Further, he explained the research activities they carry out in different sections i.e., Natural Resource Management, Crop Science, Horticulture Science, Animal Sciences and Fisheries Science.

After the session, the students were taken to the farm where they observed and learned a variety of horticultural crops and plant hybrids viz. dwarf areca nut palm- 'Hire Halli dwarf', Coconut + turmeric, areca nut + turmeric cropping system, tomato hybrid, types of mango variety- Mankurad, Amrapali, Alphonso, Kesar, etc. Also, they were shown and explained the process of virgin coconut oil extraction as a value-added product and vermicompost setup. In the animal husbandry section, students observed different breeds of pigs, cattle, rabbits, etc. and studied their significance, for example, the Goan cow breed 'Shwet Kapila' which has a good quantity of milk production.

Overall, this visit was informative and interactive as well. Students could study several types of plants, crops, and animal breeds along with their significance and value to the environment and human beings.

The study trip was followed by a visit to Old Goa church as a part of the Tourism and Hospitality Management subject. The students were taken to observe the tourist attraction of the place followed by a visit to Divar Island where the students were shown the mangroves and natural habitat of the island.



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The purpose of the trip was to make students understand the tourism of Goa and what steps can be taken to attract more tourists and increase the economic development of Goa.



POSTER-MAKING COMPETITION

Date: 24/01/2024

The Consumer Welfare Cell (CWC) of Goa Vidyaprasarak Mandal's Gopal Govind Poy Raiturcar College of Commerce and Economics, Farmagudi, Ponda-Goa organized a Poster Making Competition on the Theme "Cooking Gas Do's and Don'ts as part of Safety Measures" on 24/1/2024 from 12.00 noon till 2.215 p.m.



The competition was open to students of F.Y.B.Com./B.C. A, S.Y.B.Com./S.Y.B.C.A. and T.Y. B.Com./B.C.A. Two students were permitted to work on one poster. The poster was judged on Originality, Clarity, Message and Overall Impact. Chart Paper was provided by the college.

Twenty students participated in the competition. Refreshments were served to the students.



VOTERS DAY

Date: 25/01/2024

Since 2011, National Voters' Day has been celebrated on January 25 every year, across the country to mark the foundation day of the Election Commission of India, i.e., 25th January 1950. The main purpose of the NVD celebration is to create electoral awareness amongst citizens and encourage them to participate in the electoral process. Dedicated to the voters of the country, National Voters' Day is also used to facilitate the enrolment of voters, especially the newly eligible young voters. New voters are felicitated and handed over their Election Photo Identity Card (EPIC) in the NVD functions held across the country.

NVD is celebrated at the national, state, district, constituency, and polling booth levels, which makes it one of the largest celebrations in the country. The theme for the year 2024 NVD, **'Nothing Like Voting, I Vote for Sure'**

All the teaching, and non-teaching faculty as well as the NSS volunteers took the 'Voters Pledge'



FIELD VISIT TO GOA STATE INNOVATION COUNCIL (GSIC) AT DON BOSCO COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Date: 25/01/2024

A field visit was held on 25/1/2024 (Thursday) from 9.30 a.m. to 5.15 p.m. for students of T.Y.B.Com. A Division (28 students and one faculty member) visited the Goa State Innovation Council (GSIC) at Don Bosco College of Engineering, Fatorda Goa. The sessions were held at the Rapid Prototyping Laboratory of the Goa State Innovation Council (GSIC)

In the first session, Mr. Shivraj Naik of Goa State Innovation Council (GSIC) – Laboratory Mentor explained the role of GSIC in promoting and supporting innovation. He explained how the term innovation differs from the term invention. He also explained how the prototyping Lab functions and its benefits.

In the second session, Ms. Risha of the Forum for Innovation Incubation Research and Entrepreneurship (FiiRE) explained the role of FiiRE in promoting financial skills, and entrepreneurial skills. She also explained how FiiRE provides assistance in shaping ideas into viable business ideas. Students were shown the incubation rooms where people were working on their business ideas.

In the third session, post the Tea Break Mr. Shivraj Naik explained 3D printing, the process of 3D, and the types of 3D Printers. He further explained the types of designing software and the applications of 3D printing.

In the post-lunch session, Mr. Shivraj Naik introduced the students to robotics. He explained the use of robotics in various fields. He also demonstrated the movement of a robot by using a robot. A video clip on robotics was also shown to the students.

In the last session, the students were given hands-on training on the use of the designing pen. Students were also shown the printers existing in the prototyping lab and their uses in producing various models. This was followed by a video clip on a robot developed by a citizen of Ponda for the benefit of his daughter who was a Person with Disability.



TALK ON CONSUMER RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

Date: 01/02/2024

The Consumer Welfare Cell (CWC) organized an “Awareness Talk On Consumer Rights And Responsibilities” held on 1st February 2024 for F.Y.B.Com. students from 11.00 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. at G.V.M.’s Hall. The Resource Person for the same was Shri.Roland Martins - Co-ordinator GOACAN. Associate Professor, Dr. Raina Pinto – (Commerce) introduced the Resource Person. Flowers were offered by a student. In his address, Shri Martins explained the six rights of the Consumer as stated in the Consumer Protection Act 2019. He thanked the college for organizing the awareness programme as this would help the students to know their rights and responsibilities as consumers. This in turn would help to promote consumer literacy at home and in their respective neighbourhood.

He explained who is a consumer in the context of goods and services. He mentioned that consumers are better informed of their rights, and they exercise their rights in advanced countries like America while the consumer movement is now picking up in India.



He said that Consumers need to be alerted to prevent themselves from being exploited. Consumers need to voice out the injustice met. He explained the three tiers of the Consumer Grievance Redressal Mechanism.

He also demonstrated some “fake” packaged commodities. He further highlighted the importance of purchasing products with ISI Mark. Principal Prof. presented a token of appreciation to the Resource Person. Dr. Raina Pinto proposed the Vote of Thanks. Dr. Deepali Naik – Associate Professor (Commerce) was the compere for the programme. The talk was attended by 83 students and 6 faculty. Refreshments were served to the participants.



REPORT ON ‘INDIA ENERGY WEEK EXHIBITION’

Date: 09/02/2024

India Energy Week 2024 is being held from 6 – 9 February in Goa and is India’s largest and only all-encompassing energy exhibition and conference, bringing together the entire energy value chain, and will serve as a catalyst for India’s energy transition goals. Encouraging and fostering startups and integrating them into the energy value chain will be an important focus for India Energy Week 2024. A special Make in India Pavilion is also organized to showcase innovative solutions which Indian MSMEs are spearheading in the energy sector.

40 NSS volunteers visited the exhibition on 9th February with two of the faculty, Assistant Professor Nagraj Virnodkar and Assistant Professor Shivam Palkar. They visited 350 odd stalls and participated in the interactive and proactive programme.



WEBINAR ON "AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON COMMODITY DERIVATIVES"

Date: 23/02/2024

The Department of Commerce, in collaboration with the Multi Commodity Exchange of India (MCX), organized a webinar on February 23, 2024, at 3:00 PM. The session aimed to raise awareness about commodity derivatives. Shri Akash Borge, Head of Financial Institutions Marketing at MCX Mumbai served as the resource person. 52 students attended, with Assistant Professor Shivam Pednekar overseeing the event.



TALK ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS (IPR)

Date: 26/02/2024

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) organized a talk on IPR for the students of S.Y.B.Com. – Div. A and students of M.Com. on 26/02/2024 from 9.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. The Resource Person for the same was Shri Pranay Prabhu Gaonkar - Patent and Trademark Agent.

In his address, the resource Person explained the term Intellectual Property. He stated that advanced nations have the status of being advanced nations because of the importance they attached to Intellectual Property. Further, he explained the terms Trademark, Copyright, Patent, and Logo by citing numerous examples.

He briefly explained the process associated with the application for patents. He mentioned that in a digitalized world one needs to be cautious while using social media as a platform for sharing knowledge. He concluded by stating that knowledge has to be protected and there is a need to ensure that misuse/exploitation by other people without giving credit to the creator of knowledge needs to be avoided.

Prof. Teotone Vaz- Principal welcomed the Resource Person, Shri Akshay Naik, Assistant Professor in Commerce introduced the Resource Person. Shri Sagar Zaruankar, Assistant Professor in Commerce proposed the vote of thanks. Dr. Raina Pinto, Associate Professor in Commerce coordinated the session. The programme was attended by 45 B.Com. and 17 M.Com. students.



ORIENTATION SESSION “PREPARATION FOR NAAC PEER TEAM VISIT”

Date: 26/02/2024

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) organized an Orientation Session “Preparation for NAAC Peer Team Visit” for faculty members and administrative staff on 26/02/2024 from 3.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. The Resource Person for the same was Prof. Vikas J. Pissurlekar, Principal, PES, RSN College of Arts and Science.

In the session, he briefed the members about the normal schedule followed by the NAAC Peer Team members. He appealed to the faculty members to make brief and to-the-point presentations. He also explained how documentation is to be done for the visit. He also explained to the administrative staff about the office documents that may be verified by the NAAC Peer Team.

The session began with a welcome address by Prof. Teotone Vaz. Mrs. Ana Falleiro, Associate Professor in Mathematics, proposed a vote of thanks. The session was coordinated by Dr. Madanant Naik, Assistant Professor in Commerce.



Two-Day National Training Programme cum Workshop on Partial Least Square (PLS) Based Structural Equation Modelling (SEM)

15 & 16 February 2024

The Department of Economics of Goa Vidyaprasarak Mandal's, Gopal Govind Poy Raiturcar College of Commerce and Economics Farnagudi, Ponda Goa in association with the Directorate of Higher Education (DHE), Porvorim, Government of Goa recently hosted a dynamic National programme, attracting scholars, researchers, and faculty members from across the country. The highly enriching Two-Day National Training Programme Cum Workshop on 'Partial Least Square (PLS) Based Structural Equation Modelling (SEM)'. The workshop garnered an overwhelming response with a total of 61 participants, including 34 PG students, 24 faculty members, and 3 full-time PhD scholars, with 4 outstation participants.

The inaugural function was graced by esteemed dignitaries including Prof. Gervasio Mendes, Additional Director, DHE and also Officiating Principal Government. College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Sanquelim, Goa, who was the Chief Guest and Dr. Sitaram V. Sukhtankar Vice Principal Government. College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Marcela, Khandola as DHE observer, also present were Chairman of G.V. M's Working Committee Shri Krishna Shetye, College Principal Prof. Teotone Vaz, Dr. Geetanjali C. Achrekar H.O.D. Department of Economics and Convener of the workshop. Principal Vaz welcomed the audience and Dr Geetanjali introduced the theme of the workshop. Lighting of the lamp. marked the commencement of the workshop. Resource persons, Prof. Dhaval Maheta, Prof at Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat and Dr Hitesh Parmar, from Sardar Patel University, Anand, Gujarat led insightful technical sessions covering fundamental concepts and advanced methodologies in PLS and SEM, chaired by senior recognised faculty from other colleges such as Dr Deepali Churi, S.S. Dempo College, Cujira., Dr. Rajesh Amonkar, Narayan Zantye College., Bicholim, Prof. Seema Rath, Government College Sanquelim Dr Semele Sardessai, V.M. Salgaonkar Institute of Hospitality, Raia, Prof Manasvi M Kamat, Principal MES College, Vasco and Prof. Jeronimo Monteiro, P.E.S. College Ponda.



Participants engaged actively throughout the workshop, benefitting from the wealth of knowledge shared by the resource persons. The 12-hour workshop included practical sessions, theoretical discussions, and hands-on exercises that enriched the intellectual discourse, fostering a deeper understanding of Smart PLS-based SEM.

The workshop was organised to honour one of the senior college faculty in Economics, Dr. Makarand M. Chikodikar for his 36 years of dedicated and fruitful service, to our institution.

The workshop concluded with the valedictory function, graced by Chief Guest Professor Savio P. Falleiro, Managing Director, Goa State Research Foundation (GSRF), DHE Government of Goa, who in his opening remarks stressed the need for building quality in research and initiatives taken by GSRF for the same. Overall, the national seminar served as a testament to the institution's role as a nexus between DHE and other HEIs for enhancing quality research, bringing together bright minds to address pressing challenges and driving positive changes in the field of research in higher education.

The inaugural, technical and validatory sessions of workshop was compered by Dr. Deepali Naik, Ms. Jeena Mendonsa and Mr. Akshay Naik

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