

Ideas 3.0 – Unleashing Innovation at PCCE, Verna



Students of Padre Conceicao College of Engineering, Verna showcased their innovative solutions to real-world challenges in the annual project competition, Ideas 3.0. Director of Agnel Technical Complex, Fr Agnelo Gomes, emphasized the objective of the competition – To provide a supportive ecosystem that nurtures innovation for sustainable development. CEO of Start Up and IT Promotion Cell, DS Prashant recognized the potential of the projects and encouraged the students to evolve them into successful startups. Conveners for the event, Prof Shailendra Aswale, Dean-Academics and Dr Shailish Khanolkar, Head of Research and Development expressed immense satisfaction at the huge participation.

In the first round, over 100 teams of PCCE students designed and developed innovative prototypes. After multiple rounds of evaluation and mentoring, the 30 best ideas were selected for presenting their implementations at Ideas 3.0.

The two-day event also hosted exciting contests for school and higher secondary students. These included a Science Expo, BGMI gaming, AR/VR Cricket and Quiz. All the competitions received overwhelming participation, attracting students from 80+ institutions across the state.

Ideas 3.0 was an inspiring showcase of creativity and talent. Its success highlights the potential of students, the next generation of innovators, to drive positive change.

WINNERS

SCIENCE EXPO - JUNIOR CATEGORY

First Place – A J De Almeida High School
Sumukh Agastipurkar, Purvik Lohar
Second Place – Lokmanya Tilak Vidyalay, Ponda
Diwakar Singh, Nikhil Gauda
Third Place – Navy Children School, Dabolim
Rudram Inge, Sparsh Dessai, Anshuman Behera

SCIENCE EXPO - SENIOR CATEGORY

First Place – ISBT, Vasco
Shaive Chodankar, Mohammed Shaikh, Vedh Tamse, Tejas Desai
Second Place – Rosary Higher Secondary School
Ajindra Pereira, Jeslon Cardozo
Third Place – Kendriya Vidyalaya, Bambolim
Nandaki Mhaske, Shamika Acharya, Aayush Kumar, Shravan Naik

PCCE IDEAS 3.0

First Place – WasteX (Ocean Waste Collection and Recycling)
Valentino Fernandes, Aaron Rebello and Annjo George from Third Year Computer Engineering department.

Second Place – SISF-RTMS (Solar-Powered and IoT-Based Smart Farming Device with Real-Time Monitoring System)
Namrah Sayed, Riya Verlekar, Deepak Borana and Jimit Mandani from Final Year Computer Engineering department.

Third Place – Deep Fake Detector (Identifying and flagging deep fake media)
Vardhaman Ganpule, Vrashab Timmannavar, Ishan Parab and Neha Sinai Bhangui from Third Year Information Technology department.

Marathi drama performance

Ravindra Bhavan, Margao is organising Nityanand programme on the first Friday of each month to showcase the talent of upcoming artistes and guide them to enhance their talent. Marathi drama 'Sangtey Aika' by Awishkar Theatre, Mumbai, Maharashtra in Nityanand will be staged.

Venue: Ravindra Bhavan, Margao
Date: February 7
Time: 6.30 pm

Sur Jahan



World Peace Music Festival, Sur Jahan is back in Goa with six musical groups from across the world. The first day of the international festival will include performances by The Ghumat Project from Goa, Folkcorn from Netherlands and Habib Khan Langa & Team from Rajasthan. A workshop will be held at 10.30 am at the Black Box, Kala Academy.

Venue: Kala Academy, Panjim
Date: February 7
Time: 6 pm onwards.

Annual fun fair fete held at Mae De Deus HS, Corjuem



Mae de Deus High School, Corjuem recently had their annual school fete on the theme 'Celebrate Together'. The school fun fair fete was declared open and the welcome dance integrated the 76th Republic Day celebration with captivating choreography. The singing competition was a delight to the ears. Sale of herbs, indoor plants and outdoor plants served the taste of the plant lovers.



The cooking competition gave a chance for the mothers of the students to present the mouth-watering homemade traditional sweet dishes. The participants of singing competition had originality, harmony and rhythm. Spot prizes, house, games made the young passionate to show their skill in winning a prize. The day concluded with everyone celebrating togetherness.

Kampus Snippet

COLOSSUS XII: A TECHNO-FEST OF INNOVATION AND COLLABORATION



Don Bosco College, Panjim hosted the 12th edition of Colossus, a two-day inter-collegiate IT fest, attracting enthusiastic participation from eight teams representing seven colleges across Goa. Colossus XII provided a platform for students to showcase their technical prowess, creativity, and problem-solving skills.

Irshad Sen, co-founder at Achieve Academy and MD and co-founder at RKS Inno Group, was the chief guest for the inauguration who signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Don Bosco College and Achieve Academy.

The fest featured a diverse range of events, including Project Presentations, Debugging challenges, CSS Battle, a thrilling Treasure Hunt, and creative competitions like Meme Making, Logo Design, Film Making, and Music Mashups. A captivating Tech Talk by Dr Rrazia de Loyola Furtado e Sardinha on 'Explainable AI' provided valuable insights into this cutting-edge field.

Team Tech Titans from Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College & Research Center, Assagao, emerged as the overall winners, while Team Code Crackers from St Xavier's College, Mapusa, secured the runners-up position.

ST XAVIER'S COLLEGE, MAPUSA ORGANISES ITS ANNUAL DAY



St Xavier's College, Mapusa, celebrated its 59th Annual Day with Fr Dr Romeo Monteiro, Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Goa and Daman, and a renowned musician as the chief guest. The event began with a welcome by the college administrator, Fr Antonio Salema. The acting principal, Ursula Barreto, listed the college's achievements in academics, sports, and co-curricular activities and commended the faculty for significant achievements with regards to research and publication. Students who excelled in academic and extracurricular activities during the last academic year were felicitated during the prize distribution ceremony.

Fr Dr Romeo Monteiro encouraged the audience to identify their passions and work towards them, stressing that everyone is capable of achieving great things, provided they believe in the potential gifted to them by the Creator. He concluded by urging everyone to contribute goodness to the world.

The General Secretary, Stephen Fernandes, delivered the vote of thanks, and the formal function concluded with the singing of the College Anthem. The celebration continued with a variety entertainment program, where students showcased their talents through Koli dance, Drama titled beyond the Horizon, Acapella and Mando.

GOA COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, OLD GOA HOSTS AGRIPRENEURS TALK

The Goa College of Agriculture, Old Goa successfully organized the 'Agripreneurs Talk', a landmark event aimed at inspiring students to explore the dynamic world of agribusiness. The program was organized by the Students' Council under the guidance of Rajan Shelke, assistant professor in the Department of Entomology, and the Principal, Dr Suresh Kunkalikar.

The event featured four distinguished alumni—Liza Pinheiro, Estella Pires, Elijah De Souza, and Joyd Simoes—who shared their entrepreneurial journeys and insights into agricultural innovation. The interactive sessions, moderated by Pruthi Desai, provided a platform for valuable networking, allowing students to connect with accomplished alumni and gain firsthand knowledge about bridging the



gap between traditional agricultural practices and contemporary advancements. The program concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Krishna Gawas, General Secretary of the Students' Council.

VMSIHE ACHIEVES NAAC 'A' GRADE ACCREDITATION

VMSIHE (VMSIHE) was recently accredited with an 'A' Grade by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) with a commendable Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 3.04 on a seven-point scale, reaffirming VMSIHE's commitment to academic excellence and quality education in the field of hospitality management.

This remarkable achievement is a testament to the vision, dedication, and leadership of the director and principal Irfan Mirza, and the unwavering commitment of the NAAC Convenor Dr Marie Raj and the IQAC Coordinator Nelissa Alcasos. Their efforts, along with the strong support from the management, faculty, non-teaching staff, alumni, parents, and students, have propelled VMSIHE to this prestigious recognition.

Herald Gaming Console

Dilbert



Garfield



Wizard of id



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ACROSS

1- Son of Isaac; 6- Put the pedal to the metal; 10- Jazzy James; 14- Rice; 15- Sported; 16- Insect-repelling chemical; 17- Mob scenes; 18- Ages; 19- Arrow poison; 20- Plant juice; 21- Romanov rulers; 23- Make amends; 24- 'Snowy' bird; 26- Smells; 27- Tissue in the cavities of bones; 29- Mexican mister; 31- Golfer Aoki; 32- Spud; 33- Grande; 36- In spite of; 40- Tina's ex; 41- Gallows loop; 42- Super server; 43- Join in wedlock; 44- 'Unto the Sons' author; 46- acid; 48- Use a broom; 49- Rib; 50- Pertaining to the moon; 52- Swiss river; 55- Baseball's Hershey; 56- Fence opening; 57- 'Forbidden' fruit; 59- Plunge head-first; 60- Wings; 61- Rare delight; 62- Feat; 63- Cowardly Lion portrayer; 64- Causing goose bumps;

DOWN

1- Jolts; 2- Diva's song; 3- Collaborate; 4- Thunder Bay's prov.; 5- European-style restaurant; 6- Perspire; 7- Impoverished; 8- Sea birds; 9- Plains; 10- Newspaper executive; 11- Barbershop quartet member; 12- Mall frequenter; 13- Fit to; 22- Work with needle and thread; 23- Bedeck; 25- Increase in size; 26- Draft railing; 27- Prefix for small; 28- 'Dilbert' intern; 29- Fresh-mouthed; 30- Novel

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ending; 32- God with a hammer; 33- Thin material for book pages; 34- Supermodel Sastre; 35- Man-eating giant of popular folklore; 37- Absurd; 38- Mower brand; 39- Roy's 'singin' pardner'; 43- Deceived; 44- Defunct airline; 45- Add fizz; 46- Eagle's home; 47- 'Circle of Friends' author Binchy; 48- Look of disdain; 49- Mary; 50- In land; 51- Mormon state of western USA; 53- Jai; 54- Nerve network; 56- Guy's date; 58- Opposite of post-;

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Instructions for Sudoku

9 x 9 letter: To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every number from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes

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2	9	3	8	7	6	1	4	5
4	7	5	9	2	1	6	3	8
8	1	6	3	5	4	7	2	9
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7	2	1	4	3	5	8	9	6
5	8	4	6	9	2	3	1	7
3	6	2	5	1	8	9	7	4
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