

Chowgule College's English Tygers attend Kala Ghoda Arts Festival



The Department of English at Parvatibai Chowgule College of Arts and Science, (Autonomous) attended the 25th Anniversary celebrations of Kala Ghoda Arts Festival at Mumbai, as a part of their annual field trip to the festival spanning over a decade. Sixteen English major students, including two MA English students, and two professors, assistant professor Loretta Rodrigues and assistant professor Andrew Barreto, attended five days of the nine day long programme that consisted of various literary sessions, workshops, heritage walks, book chats and more.

The students, part of the departmental club English Tygers, attended at least 20 various sessions through the days. The students met



with the curators of the literature section of the festival, Pervin Saket, and Anil Menon, at the David Sassoon Library (DSL) and festival director Brinda Miller. This year being its silver jubilee anniversary, the festival had special sessions and attractions, which the contingent were lucky enough to get into, as many had limited seating.

The biggest highlight of the trip was meeting with veteran actor Boman Irani, Cyrus Broacha, Chef Cyrus Todiwala, hosted by Kunal Vijaykar at The Taj Mahal Palace, at an intimate Parsi food discussion session. The Goan connection was immediately established with Cyrus Todiwala talking to the students in Konkani, when he came to know that we were from Goa. He spoke of his mentor who was Goan, and of all the Goan influence in Parsi cooking.

Students also had a chat with actor Taha Shah Badusha, of 'HeeraMandi' fame, where his down to earth interactions with the students left them highly impressed. Students also met with Devdutt Patnaik, post his session on 'Marriage, Murder and Mythology', where they got his book signed. 'Pride and Pronoun: Modern Queer Narratives', was another eye-opening session as the students study the same in their Gender Studies course was led by Dr Raj Rao, Santa Khurai, and Harish Iyer.

The contingent watched three plays, 'Something Like' that presented by Social Manch, Peace Projects, 'Piyakkad' by Makarand Deshpande, and 'The Greatest Show on Earth' presented by Water Lily. The diverse range of plays, and the meet-up post the plays with the esteemed cast were truly cherished. Students were also lucky enough to catch one of the last stand-up comedy 'The Grin' line-up performances by Tarang Hardikar, Urjita Wani, Sumner More, Shamik Chakraborty, and meet with the comedians, namely Atul Khatri, Sharon Verma, and Urooj Ashfaq.

Other immersive sessions were on hands-on mithai making at the Bombay sweet shop, and food trails, writing workshops, a magical concert by Sachin-Jigar, and an interaction with actor Vicky Kaushal. The trip was educational, impactful and a 'core memory' for the visiting students.



COSPLAY 2025 AT DON BOSCO COLLEGE, PANJIM



The Department of English in association with the Books and Beyond Literary Committee organised 'Cosplay Day 2025' at Don Bosco College, Panjim, in the play area. The event was divided into two categories: Individual Cosplay and Team Cosplay. Participants were assessed based on their performance, dialogue delivery, and overall portrayal of their chosen characters. Judges for the event were assistant professors Arantxa Rangel and Leisha Sequeira.

Winners of the team Cosplay were Mario Pimenta, Sharvi Dhond, Pooman Bind, and Ebenezer Rajamanickam of TYBAMC while the runners-up were Charles D'Souza, Joshua Vaz, Janice Fernandes, Mekisha Noronha and Veloshka Pereira of FYBCom. In the individual category, the winner for Best Male Cosplay was presented to Charles D'souza of FYBCom who was dressed as 'Woody' from Toy Story. Best Female Cosplay was awarded to Davina Paradesi of FYBA who embodied the character 'Wednesday Addams'.

Mevish Ali who was dressed as 'Draco Malfoy', Roshni of SYBAMC, and Veloshka Pereira won the film quiz. The judges were presented with a gift by assistant professors Alisha Nicole Carvalho and Nasween Beig from the Department of English. The event was hosted by Ishrat Sartur of FYBA, who cosplayed as Little Red Riding Hood. The event concluded with the vote of thanks.

New Cabinet Leaders at Fatima Convent High School



Fatima Convent High School, Margao recently held an investiture ceremony for the newly elected student cabinet. The event commenced with a thought-provoking morning assembly. The outgoing cabinet members marched towards the stage and participated in a symbolic exchange of flags and sashes. They then laid down their badges before the statue of

Our Lady of Fatima, as a sign of commitment and gratitude. The outgoing headgirl, Anaiza Fernandes addressed the audience with a heartfelt farewell speech reminding the new leaders to lead with their hearts and to listen more.

Sr Eva Menezes, headmistress of the institution pinned the badges onto each newly elected leader and wished them the best in their journey of leadership. The newly elected Headgirl Sarnia Da Costa led the young leaders in a pledge affirming their dedication to the institution. The programme concluded with the singing of the school song.

Katharsis Goa

Zeitgeist Goa, associate partners of Goa Children's Literature Festival 2025 will organize Goa's only English Slam Poetry competition, Katharsis Goa, in its second edition, and Goa's only Cosplay competition, Cosfest Goa, in its sixth edition this year. Katharsis Goa is Goa's only English language Slam & Spoken word competition open for ages 12 and upwards, in two categories - kids & adults. For further details, visit bit.ly/katharsisgoa.

Venue: Ravindra Bhavan, Margao
Date: March 1

Insignia 9.0

The Department of Commerce of Rosary College of Commerce and Arts, Navelim is organising its annual national-level inter-collegiate event, 'Insignia 9.0'. This one-day event aims to provide a dynamic platform for undergraduate commerce students across Goa to showcase their skills, creativity, and business acumen. The event will feature 13 sub-events. With its diverse range of competitions and an opportunity for students to network, learn, and excel, Insignia 9.0 promises to be a stimulating and enriching experience for all participants.

Venue: Rosary College of Commerce and Arts, Navelim
Date: February 28

Kampus Snippet

SPORTS DAY HELD FOR NRSTC PROJECT STUDENTS



The 'Non Residential Special Training Centre Odxel' emerged overall winners at the 'Non Residential Special Training Centres' Project Sports Day organised by Don Bosco Centre Odxel, recently. The second and third places were won by the Baina and Colvale Centre respectively. The students of the seven centres under the 'Non Residential Special Training Centres' Project participated at the Sports day with enthusiasm, competitive spirit and camaraderie. The event saw 245 young athletes participating in a series of sporting activities, showcasing their determination and talent.

Raghunatan Ramkumar and Amruta Pikale from Colorcon Asia Pvt. Ltd., the funding partner of the project were the chief guests, Fr Tony Alernao, Rector of Don Bosco Odxel, graced the occasion as the Guest of Honour, while Bhakti from Conexus Social Responsibility was the special guest. A variety of track and field events, team games, and engaging activities kept the participants and spectators entertained throughout the morning. The students demonstrated exceptional skill and sportsmanship, making the event a grand success. The winners were presented with awards and certificates in recognition of their achievements.

VMSCL, MIRAMAR WINS PHOENIX 2025



VMS Salgaonkar College of Law, Miramar emerged the overall champions of Phoenix 2025, the intercollegiate event, organised by Sridora Caculo College, Khorlim, Mapusa. They showcased excellence across all categories including academic, cultural, and sports events. Sant Sohirobanath Ambiyi Government College of Arts & Commerce emerged the runners up. The event was organised recently at the Sports Complex Peddem, Mapusa.

Phoenix 2025 provided a platform for students to showcase their skills but also strengthened inter-collegiate bonds. The day-long event saw enthusiastic participation from six colleges across

Goa. The academic events included: debate, quiz, stress interview and business pitch were organized, testing the participants' knowledge and critical thinking skills. The topics ranged from current affairs to innovative technological advancements, sparking intellectual discussions. The cultural events included: music, dance competition, drama, and fashion show competitions. The sports events included: tug of war, cricket, football, and track events.

The winners and runners-up were awarded trophies and certificates. The organizing committee expressed their gratitude to all participants, judges, and volunteers for making Phoenix 2025 a memorable experience.

ALL GOA SCHOOL LEVEL PPT COMPETITION HELD



Yuva Panaji successfully conducted the first All Goa School Level PowerPoint Presentation Competition at Mushtifund High School, Cujira-Bambolim. A total of 20 students from 20 schools across Goa participated, delivering insightful presentations on Shivaji Maharaj's governance, military strategies, and social reforms. The event provided a platform for students to enhance their research, analytical, and presentation skills while drawing inspiration from one of India's greatest leaders. The competition

was judged by renowned historian, Prajal Sakhardande and Aditya Watve. The judging criteria focused on content, clarity, creativity, and presentation skills.

The first place was won by Dr KB Hedgewar High School, Cujira, second place was awarded to GS Amonkar Vidhya Mandir, Mapusa and St Joseph Institute, Vasco were the third prize winners. Consolation prizes were awarded to Chubby Cheeks Spring Valley High School, Pilerne, Saraswat Vidhyalaya, Mapusa and Bhatkar Model High School, Margao.

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ACROSS
1- Humped ruminant; 6- Toll rds.; 10- What you do to a joint, prior to a heist; 14- Once... time...; 15- Israeli round dance; 16- Cain's brother; 17- Less covered; 18- Disturb; 19- Super Bowl XXXIV champs; 20- Illustrative craft; 21- Swerves; 23- Fasten again; 24- Without ___ in the world; 26- Affirmatives; 27- One who grinds grains; 29- Autocratic Russian rulers; 31- Diva's delivery; 32- Later; 33- Worked (up); 36- In spite of; 40- At least one; 41- Fang, e.g.; 42- Yours, in Tours; 43- Lanterns; 44- Ballet's Nureyev; 46- Nimble; 48- Go into; 49- Adversary; 50- Cereal grain; 52- Long March leader; 55- Retain; 56- Designer Christian; 57- 'All My Children' vixen; 59- Facilitate; 60- ___ saw Elba; 61- Bowling alley button; 62- Historic Scott; 63- Zaire's Mobutu ___ Seko; 64- Fresh-mouthed;

DOWN
1- Castro's country; 2- On ___ with; equal to; 3- Death rate; 4- Vane dir.; 5- Immature insects; 6- Babe Ruth's number; 7- Needs; 8- Actor Kristofferson; 9- Baseball's Bando; 10- Fondle; 11- Diminish; 12- Big rigs; 13- O ___; 12- Make a boo-boo; 23- Showed again; 25- Cat's weapon; 26- Divine Secrets of the ___ Sisterhood; 27- 'Give that ___ cigar!'; 28- Pressing need; 29- Trials;

30- Adam's third son; 32- Hit the mall; 33- Haphazard; 34- Hydroxyl compound; 35- End-of-workweek shout; 37- Pisa place; 38- Heavy reading; 39- Miami's county; 43- Walked lamely; 44- Genetic messenger; 45- Speaks; 46- Lend (listen); 47- Farm birds; 48- Spine-tingling; 49- Barely managed, with 'out'; 50- Metal filament; 51- Weed whackers; 53- Breezes through; 54- Like Cheerios; 56- ___ Plains; 58- 'Michael Collins' actor;

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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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