

# Two-wheelers can't keep left because of DB Road's deceptive drain covers

## Iron gratings force motorists to avoid the left lane; locals say half the road from DSYA office to Miramar is rendered unusable due to poor design

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**PANJIM:** The iron gratings used to cover drains along D B Road in Panjim have become a significant hazard for motorists, particularly two-wheeler riders, who are forced to avoid them by riding down the middle of the road, creating a dangerous situation for all commuters.



### DRAINS OF DISTRESS

Several stretches from DSYA office, Campal to Miramar are affected, with riders veering away to the centre from the left side of the road due to the problematic drain covers. The situation is drawing increasing concern, especially with the monsoon approaching.

Francis Coelho, a resident of Panjim, highlighted the risks involved. "It is dangerous for the motorists. Acci-

dents take place. Motorists cannot use around one metre stretch of the road. Right from DSYA office, Campal to Miramar, two-wheelers do not want to use the left side of the road. Half of the stretch of the road is entirely taken by these drain covers. So that part of the road has been rendered useless," he said.

He added, "I am not interested who put those gratings on the drains but what is important is that someone

should take note of it and corrective measures should be taken because accidents are taking place and they may be more frequent once monsoon arrives. It is time that the Smart City or Corporation of the City of Panaji (CCP) or the Public Works Department (PWD) pay attention to the problem and see that the issue is resolved." Echoing similar concerns, Sudeep Mandrekar, a motorist, said, "It is dangerous for two-wheeler riders like me

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as the road is not divided in two parts the way it has been done up to Kala Academy. It becomes difficult to keep two-wheelers to the left as those gratings come in the way and give a jerk." Dilip Naik, President of the Goa Road Safety Forum, criticised the approach taken by authorities. "I do not know what compelled the engineers to cover the drains in this way. This has been done without giving any thought. They should

have realised that the mindset of the drivers would be to avoid this part of the road. They should have designed the road in such a way that motorists use the entire road and not just half of it," he said.

"Problem is that nobody is ready to give basic requirements, forget about thinking out of the box," Naik added.

In response, a senior official from the Public Works Department (PWD) ac-

knowledgeed the issue but cited logistical challenges. "Whenever we try to rectify, people do not give us enough time because if a cemented cover is to be put there, then we will have to give a curing period."

He added that the department is awaiting a report from a consultant appointed by Imagine Panaji Smart City Development Limited (IPSCDL), tasked with surveying all drains in the city and preparing a master plan. "They were supposed to submit the report by March this year but they have not. They have only pointed out problems but they have to give solutions to those problems. Once that is done, then either the IPSCDL will execute the work or we will do it."

The official also mentioned a proposed plan to shift drains under the footpaths but said it was found unfeasible due to the presence of other utilities.

### shorttakes

#### DECOMPOSED BODY FOUND IN PONDA FLAT

**PONDA:** A decomposed body was discovered in a flat at Santa Cruz, Ponda, on Monday. The deceased was identified as Andrew Pereira, a resident of Santa Cruz, who had been living alone. The incident came to light after Pereira's sister, Nancy Fernandes, alerted Ponda police when he failed to respond to repeated knocks at the door. Upon inspection, officers found the main door latched from inside. Fire brigade personnel were called to force open the door. Pereira's body was found lying on the floor in a decomposed state. Family members informed police that he had been staying alone for the past four months and had been suffering from heart disease. Police conducted a scene of unnatural death (UD) panchanama and an inquest on the body. The remains have been sent to South Goa District Hospital, Margao, for medico-legal formalities.

#### NAVELIM MAN DIES AFTER SUSPECTED FALL

**MARGAO:** Juliao Vas of Navelim was found unconscious at his residence and later declared brought dead at SGDH, Margao. Police suspect he fell while working with cement at the rear of his house. The body has been preserved for medico-legal formalities. Investigations are underway under PSI Subhash Gaonkar.

#### DAYLIGHT NAVIGATION PERMITTED THROUGH CUMBHARJUA CANAL

**PANJIM:** The Captain of Ports Department has announced that barges meeting departmental requirements will be permitted to navigate through the Cumbharjua Canal and under the Banastarim Bridge strictly during broad daylight hours, beginning 12 noon on May 21, until further notice. This is a special arrangement due to the closure of Aguada Bar. All vessels must comply strictly with the stated conditions and adhere to International Collision Regulations.

#### PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN FROM MAY 26

**PANJIM:** The Directorate of Art and Culture, Government of Goa, will conduct a workshop titled 'Art of Photography' for children aged 10 to 15 years from May 26 to 30, at Sanskruti Bhavan, Patto-Panjim. Sessions will run from 10 am to 12 noon. The five-day workshop will include both theoretical and practical training in camera and mobile photography, subject-wise photo shoots, and interactive sessions. Registration will be open from May 21 to 26, during office hours. A participation fee of Rs 100 and Rs 10 registration form charge apply. Forms are available at the Directorate's office on a first-come, first-served basis.

#### DR WISEMAN PINTO REPRESENTS INDIA AT INT'L CYTOLOGY CONGRESS IN FLORENCE

**PANJIM:** Dr Roque G Wiseman Pinto, Professor of Pathology, former Dean of Goa University and President of the Asian Society of Cytopathology, was invited as Chairman and Faculty for three scientific sessions at the 22nd International Congress of Cytology held from May 11 to 15, at the Fortezza da Basso, Florence-Italy. Organised by the International Academy of Cytology (IAC) in collaboration with the Italian Society of Pathology (SIAPEC), the conference was attended by around 750 delegates from 66 countries, including 25 from India. The event featured sessions on a wide range of topics, including recent advances in cytology, artificial intelligence in pathology, liquid-based and digital cytology, telepathology, genomics, interventional cytopathology, HPV testing and vaccines, and the role of cytology in diagnosing various organ-specific and infectious diseases. Dr Pinto chaired and was faculty for three sessions: Salivary Gland Cytopathology Reporting by the Milan System, Infectious Diseases Symposium: Fungal Diseases – The New Superbug, and the Infectious Diseases Slide Seminar. He was also invited to represent India at the IAC and European Federation of Cytology Societies (EFCs) meetings.



## Trade union congress protests govt's 'anti-labour' policies



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**PANJIM:** The All India Trade Union Congress (AITUC), Goa, staged a protest on Tuesday at Azad Maidan, Panjim, condemning what it described as the government's 'anti-labour' policies. Originally planned for May 20, the protest was scaled down to a token half-day demonstration following the terrorist attack in Pahalgam. AITUC expressed solidarity with the victims while continuing to voice its concerns through the limited agitation. The demands raised by AITUC include the scrapping of the new labour codes, withdrawal of anti-farmer laws, implementation of the agreement reached with the Sanyukt Kisan Morcha, an end to the privatisation of Public

Sector Units (PSUs), regularisation of electricity department workers and a monthly pension of Rs 10,000. The union also called for comprehensive social security measures for workers. Addressing the gathering, AITUC General Secretary Christopher Fonseca said, "The government is exploiting poor, dalits, women and adopting programmes which are anti-labour." Echoing the sentiment, AITUC leader Raju Mangueskar said, "Today it was a token strike. We did not come here with any individual demands. Demand is simple that the four labour codes which the Central government has introduced and the State governments have issued orders to implement them should be withdrawn immediately."

"There is also need to issue a gazette notification mentioning that the laws which were enacted against the farmers have been withdrawn. There is need to address the issue of unemployment. Minimum pension should be Rs 10,000 while minimum wages should be Rs 26,000. Those working under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, 2005, should get at least 200 days of work in a month," he added. Advocate Suhas Naik noted, "The trade unions had called for a nationwide protest on May 20, but it was postponed due to Pahalgam terror attack. Now it has been decided that a nationwide protest will be held on July 9, which will be attended by representatives of various unions including those in the public sector units."

## Tilamol-Colomb road choked by iron ore trucks, cable works

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**SANGUEM:** Daily commuters along the Tilamol to Colomb stretch are grappling with severe traffic congestion, as underground electricity cabling work and the continuous movement of iron ore trucks have brought chaos to the area. The road has become a bottleneck, with dug-up soil being dumped directly onto the carriageway, significantly narrowing the drivable width and worsening the traffic situation.

The absence of traffic police has only added to the problem, while recent rainfall has turned the loose soil into a slippery hazard — posing particular danger to two-wheeler riders.

The work is part of an effort to address persistent power outages affecting nearby areas. "We are closely monitoring the progress and will instruct workers to clear the soil from the roadside. Our priority is to ensure that all work is completed before the onset of the monsoon," said Vaishali Naik, a panch member.

## One dead, two seriously hurt in head-on collision

**SATTARI:** A 70-year-old man, Mahadev Datta Gawade, a resident of Shantinagar, Pissurlem-Sattari, lost his life in a head-on collision between two motorcycles at Vaghure-Shingne, Sattari, on Monday. Gawade, who sustained grievous injuries, was im-

mediately rushed to the Community Health Centre (CHC) in Sakhal, where doctors on duty declared him brought dead. According to police, the accident involved a head-on collision between two motorcycles, resulting in one fatality and leaving two others seriously injured.

## power shutdown

**DIVAR:** On May 21, from 9.30 am to 2 pm. Areas affected are Sinquerim, Dattawadi, Vitozen, Devaya and vicinity of Diwar village.  
**CORLIM:** On May 21, from 9.30 am to 2 pm. Affected areas are Sinquerim, Dattawadi, Vitozen, Devaya and vicinity of Diwar village.  
**MARGAO:** On May 21, from 9 am to 3 pm. Affected areas are DIG Bunglow, Vatika Co.op. Society, Silver Gate and surrounding area.  
**CANACONA:** On May 21, from 9 am to 5 pm. Affected areas are Municipality Office, Telephone Exchange, Cleopatra, Gaitondewada, Dhavalikar hospital, Devabag, Ice Factory, Palolem beach, Rickshaw stand, Bhumpurush, Ourem, Sawantwada, Colomb, Devagipurush, Patnem, Patnem beach, Qupemwada, Mharangan, Pansulem, Kindlem, Rajbag, Tarir, Navodaya, Mastimol (ITI side) and Delem.  
**CUNCOLIM:** On May 21, from 9 am to 2 pm. Affected areas are Valley View, Nayaband PWD pump, Balli Math, Balli Bazar, Balli new waddo and Volatodi.  
**MARGAO:** On May 22, from 9 am to 3 pm. Affected areas are Bombino School, Chinese Nest and surrounding area.  
**DIVAR:** On May 22, from 9.30 am to 2 pm. Areas affected are Uski, Narva, Pornethir, Belsur, Vanzua and vicinity of Diwar village.  
**MARGAO:** On May 23, from 9 am to 3 pm. Shirvodem and surrounding area will be affected.

## APPOINTMENTS

**NAVY CHILDREN SCHOOL**  
 Airport Road, Dabolim, Goa - 403 801  
 Website: www.ncsgoa.nesnavy.in, E-mail id: careersncsgoa@gmail.com  
 Phone: 2541048, 2540133

**RECRUITMENT NOTIFICATION**  
 Applications are invited for the following posts:-  
**PGT (History) - 01;**  
**PRT General (Adhoc) - 01**  
**How to Apply:** - For detailed notification, application format and formalities for sending the application, please scan the QR code. The school administration reserves the right to cancel any or all vacancies due to administrative reasons.

Last date for receipt of applications:  
**02 June 2025 (Monday)**

**VACANCIES**  
**DON BOSCO COLLEGE**  
 M.G Road, Panjim Goa 403001  
 (Grant in Aid programs affiliated to Goa University)  
 Ph. No. 0832 2421929, 2221986  
 Email: collegeoffice@donbosco.goa.ac.in

Applications are invited from eligible candidates for the following posts:

Sr No	Department	Contract Basis	Lecture Basis
1	English	3	1
2	Hindi	-	1
3	Mass Communication & Journalism	-	1
4	History	-	1
5	Political Science	-	1
6	Environmental Studies	-	1
7	Psychology	5	2
8	Commerce	4	1
9	Economics	-	1
10	Physical Education	6	-
11	College Counselor	1	-

Interested candidates are requested to send in their application form with CV and self-attested copies of certificates within 15 days. For detailed information about qualifications and other terms and conditions, please visit college website: <https://donbosco.goa.ac.in/notifications>

Date: 21.5.2025 Director

**JOB OPPORTUNITY**  
**Assistant Manager - Accounts**  
**Company:** Agrawal Group of Companies, Margao.  
**Job Details:**  
 • **Designation:** Assistant Manager - Accounts  
 • **Educational Qualification:** Minimum Inter CA  
 • **Experience:** 5 years  
 • **Number of Vacancies:** 01  
**Key Responsibilities:**  
 • Interact with financial institutions and government departments  
 • Prepare financial projections  
 • Preparation of financial statements and reports  
**Email your CV to:** usha@agrawalgroupgoa.com, bhumi@agrawalgroupgoa.com  
 • Mention "Application for Assistant Manager Accounts" in the subject line.

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Sr. No.	Name of the Post	Qualifications	No. of Post
1	Teacher Grade-I in Chemistry for leave vacancy	M.Sc. in Chemistry with B.Ed.	01
2	Librarian for leave vacancy	B. Lib.	01
3	Vocational Teacher on Contract Basis to teach General Foundation Course	M.Com. with Accountancy	01
4	Counselor	M.A in Counseling Psychology	01

Candidates below 45 years of age having valid Employment Card and Requisite Qualification as per Government Recruitment Rules may walk in for the interview on Wednesday 28/05/2025 at 8.30 am in the school office with an application along with copies of Educational & Experience Certificates and valid Employment Card

Sd/- MANAGER

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APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED FOR THE FOLLOWING POSTS:

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 D.Ed. Science Graduates capable of handling Mathematics, Science, etc.  
 D.Ed. Arts Graduates capable of handling English, Social Science, E.V.S., Hindi, Konkani etc.

**2. COMPUTER TEACHER**  
 Candidates having D.C.A. / B.C.A. / D.P.C.T.T. may apply. Command over English language & knowledge of Computers is a must.

Applications should be handwritten and reach the School Office along with the Resume, relevant documents, testimonials etc. by 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

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**AIDED PROGRAMMES**  
 Applications are invited from Indian Nationals stating full name, address, age with date of birth, educational qualifications with marks and percentage, experience, etc., for the following posts for the academic year 2025-26.

Sr.No.	Posts	No. of Post & Nature of Appointment
1.	Asst. Prof. in Commerce and Accounts	- 3 Posts Full Time Contract Basis 2 Posts Lecture Basis 5 Posts Lecture Basis (Odd Semester)
2.	Asst. Prof. in English	- 2 Posts Full Time Contract Basis - 2 Posts Lecture Basis
3.	Asst. Prof. in Economics	- 2 Posts Full Time Contract Basis 2 Posts Lecture Basis
4.	Asst. Prof. in Sociology	- 1 Post Full Time Contract Basis 2 Posts Lecture Basis
5.	Asst. Prof. in Geography incl. E.V.S.	- 1 Post Lecture Basis (Odd Semester)
6.	Asst. Prof. in Information Technology	- 1 Post Full Time Contract Basis 1 Post Lecture Basis
7.	Asst. Prof. in Business Law	- 1 Post Lecture Basis
8.	Asst. Prof. in Hindi	- 1 Post Lecture Basis
9.	Asst. Prof. in History	- 2 Posts Lecture Basis
10.	Asst. Prof. in Psychology	- 1 Post Full Time Contract Basis 1 Post Lecture Basis
11.	Asst. Prof. in Konkani	- 1 Post Full Time Contract Basis 2 Posts Lecture Basis
12.	Counselor	- 2 Posts Full Time Contract Basis

**Essential Qualifications:** As prescribed by UGC & Statutes of Goa University (SC-16) and guidelines of Directorate of Higher Education (DHE) / Government of Goa.

**Knowledge of Konkani is Essential; Knowledge of Marathi is desirable.**

For further/complete details of the posts advertised visit College Website: [www.rosarycollege.ac.in](http://www.rosarycollege.ac.in)

Applications along with self-attested photocopies of mark sheets of all educational qualifications from SSC onwards, birth certificate, experience certificate and valid 15 years Residence Certificate (in Goa) issued by a Competent Authority should reach, the Principal, Rosary College of Commerce and Arts, Navelim, Salcete, Goa - 403707, within 21 days from the date of publication of this advertisement. The applicant should clearly specify the contact details like mobile no., email id, postal address and the post for which applying for in the application.

Late or incomplete applications will be rejected. The Principal reserves the right to fill up the above mentioned posts and the posts shall be filled subject to availability of workload.

Call letters to appear for the interview will be sent by email only. Prof. Helic M. Barretto

Date: 21.05.2025 Principal