

Music students display their talent at annual concert at Sanquelim



Destiny Music Academy, Sanquelim, hosted its 12th Annual Music Concert at Ravindra Bhavan, Sanquelim. The vibrant event was a celebration of talent, dedication, and musical excellence, marking another significant milestone in the Academy's journey of nurturing young musicians over the past twelve years.

The chief guest for the evening was renowned Konkani singer and composer, Saish Panandikar, who delivered an inspiring address. Emphasising the unifying power of the arts, he remarked, "Art does not discriminate between students from cities or rural villages. It connects us all through emotion and expression." His words resonated deeply with students, parents, and dignitaries present.

The guest of honour, Ramakant Shetye, Chairman of Baba Savaikar Seva Prathishthan Second Inning and Jesha Seva Kendra, Bicholim congratulated the Academy's Director on twelve successful years and praised the institution's contribution



to music education in the region. Special invitees included Shivanand Khedekar, noted fine artist and longstanding supporter of the Academy, and Vishant Chumkar, vice chairman of Ravindra Bhavan, Sankhali. Both commended the quality and dedication of the young performers. Sameer Prabhu, a key mentor and steadfast pillar of the academy, took the audience through the Academy's journey

and shared its vision for the future, aiming to elevate both students and the institution to new heights. A highlight of the evening was the performance by 104 students, who showcased their skills through a wide range of vocal and instrumental pieces, earning enthusiastic applause from the audience. Several students were felicitated for their outstanding achievements, including 21 who successfully passed the Trinity College London music examinations.

Special recognitions were awarded which included Student of the Year to Susmita Bhagat, Best Performer to Aaron Vaz, Most Disciplined Student to Shrikant Gaonkar and Topper of the Year to Sainath Gaonkar. The event was seamlessly compered by Audrey Xavier, Abhinaya, and fellow students, reflecting not only their musical talents but also their confidence and leadership skills.

The programme concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks delivered by Deepti Ghodse, who expressed sincere gratitude to students, parents, guests, and well-wishers for their continued support and belief in the transformative power of music. The entire event was organised under the able guidance of Patrisan Andrade, Founder and Director of Destiny Music Academy. He extended his heartfelt appreciation to his dedicated team for their unwavering support in making the concert a grand success.

State-level Summer School for school teachers at MES Vasant Joshi College

MES Vasant Joshi College of Arts & Commerce, Zuarinagar, Goa, in collaboration with its Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and Institution's Innovation Council (IIC), successfully organised a State-Level Summer School on Research Methodology in Social Sciences. Funded by the Government of Goa through the Goa State Research Foundation (GSRF), the academic event was designed for high school and higher secondary school teachers across the state.

A total of 29 teachers from various parts of Goa participated in this intensive five-day training programme. The Summer School featured 17 resource persons from MES Vasant Joshi College, who led sessions covering a broad range of topics. The event commenced with foundational sessions on research basics. Dr Ashish M Joshi provided an introduction to research, followed by Dr Sonal Thakker, who discussed the relevance of research in shaping social policy. Dr Savia Mendes guided participants on selecting effective and meaningful research topics, while Dr Freda Cota e Pereira offered valuable strategies for conducting literature reviews. Dr Rajesh Shetgaokar concluded the day with insights into identifying research gaps and choosing appropriate methodologies.

Day 2 focused on data. Dr Deepak Gosavi introduced various types and sources of data, while Dr Brian Pacheco addressed key ethical considerations in conducting research. Suraj Tutekar delivered two sessions on processing primary data and locating freely available secondary data, also highlighting tools such as Excel and SPSS to address issues like missing data and formatting inconsistencies.

Day 3 continued with data analysis, featuring a session on inferential statistics, hypothesis testing, and interpretation by assistant professor



Vasant Pednekar. Day 4 further delved into data analysis, with Dr Yasser Hussain conducting two sessions on regression analysis, providing hands-on experience with statistical software and practical guidance on interpreting outputs for research applications. Later, assistant professor Narendra Gaonkar conducted two sessions on the preparation of field survey questionnaires and reference management.

On Day 5, the focus shifted to research writing. Dr Kirti Tyagi conducted a session on writing PhD proposals, while Prof Cosma Fernandes explored research methodologies in language studies. Dr Savio Fernandes shared insights into research in sports. The final sessions on manuscript preparation were led by Dr Sancheliana Faria and Dr Rohita Kamat. A Dr Yasser Hussain served as the compere for the valedictory function. Dr Sancheliana Faria, head of the Department of Commerce and Coordinator of the Summer School, introduced the chief guest, Prof Dr Manoj S Kamat, principal of DCT's Srinivasa Sinai Dempo College of Commerce and Economics, Goa. Assistant professor Nishita Salgaonkar presented a detailed report summarising the week-long academic engagement. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by assistant professor Narendra Gaonkar, Co-coordinator of the Summer School.

DESIGN YOUR OWN COAT OF ARMS

Have you ever wondered what a coat of arms is and what it represents? An upcoming workshop will delve into the fascinating world of heraldry and the process by which they were made. The workshop is open to 12 years and above children. Learn about the history of coat of arms and their symbolism. Draw inspiration from the unique motifs in the MoCA collection to create your own personalised coat of arms by transforming it from a sketch to a fully carved piece.

Venue: Museum of Christian Art, Old Goa

Date: May 23

Time: 11 am onwards

STORY TELLING SESSION

Kaani Kaani Kotwa and The Dogears Bookshop will present a fun filled story telling session that will leave the kids rollicking with excitement. The session will take them into the world of Ruru and his friends as he sets out to find his song. The children will listen to the story, sing rhymes, do body movements and art. The session is open to children who are 4 years and above.

Venue: The Dogears Bookshop, Margao

Date: May 23

Time: 4 pm - 5 pm



Kampus Snippet

EDEN DE HORTA RIBEIRO RECEIVES GOLD MEDAL IN LLM DEGREE



Eden de Horta Ribeiro recently completed her Master of Laws (LLM) degree from Maharashtra National Law University, Mumbai (MNLU), where she distinguished herself by securing the Gold Medal, presented by the Honourable Justice AS Oka, Judge of the Supreme Court of India and Honourable Justice Alok Aradhe, Chief Justice of the High Court of Bombay.

Eden completed her BLS LLB degree in 2022 from the renowned Government Law College, Mumbai, again emerging as the University topper. She was honoured with the 'Raghunath Jahagirdar Gold Medal' by Mumbai University and the 'MC Chagla Gold Medal' by the Government Law College for her exemplary achievements. Eden is the daughter of Luis and Belmira Horta Ribeiro from Azossim, Neura.

CONSUL GENERAL OF RUSSIA IN MUMBAI VISITS BITS PILANI GOA CAMPUS



BITS Pilani, K K Birla Goa Campus had the privilege of hosting HE Ivan Fetisov, Consul General of Russia in Mumbai, along with Matvei Fetisov, Vice Consul, and accompanying officials.

During their visit, the delegation was welcomed by and engaged in discussions with the Goa campus Director Prof Suman Kundu, Prof Srikanth Mutnuri, (University-Wide) Dean, International Programmes and Collaboration Division (IPCD), Prof Rajesh Mehrotra, Current Associate Dean, IPCD, Prof Rudra Prasad Pradhan (Incoming Associate Dean, IPCD) at Goa Campus. The delegation also interacted with heads

of departments, associate deans of various divisions, and senior faculty members of the institute. The discussions focused around exploring paths for academic and research collaborations and student/ faculty exchange programs between BITS Pilani and leading Russian universities.

The delegates also explored the campus, visiting several state-of-the-art laboratories and research facilities and expressed their appreciation for the Institute's strong focus on innovation, interdisciplinary research, and international partnerships.

SALGAOCAR INSTITUTE HONOURED WITH AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN GREEN PRACTICES

VM Salgaocar Institute of International Hospitality Education (VMSIHE), Raia, has been conferred the prestigious 'Excellence in Green Practices - Higher Education' award at the fourth edition of the Education Awards 2025. The award recognises VMSIHE's unwavering commitment to sustainability, environmental consciousness, and innovation in fostering an eco-friendly campus environment. Selected from among top higher education institutions across the country, VMSIHE was applauded for its exemplary initiatives that align with the goals of the National Education Policy (NEP 2020).

Prof Irfan Mirza, Director/Principal of VMSIHE, said, "This award is a testament to our continuous efforts to embed sustainability into every facet of our institution from our classrooms and kitchens to the culture we cultivate. Our goal is to not only educate future hospitality leaders but to shape them into responsible global citizens." The India Education Summit and Awards 2025, celebrates excellence



and innovation in education across India. The platform honours institutions and individuals that are redefining education and contributing to a stronger, more sustainable nation.

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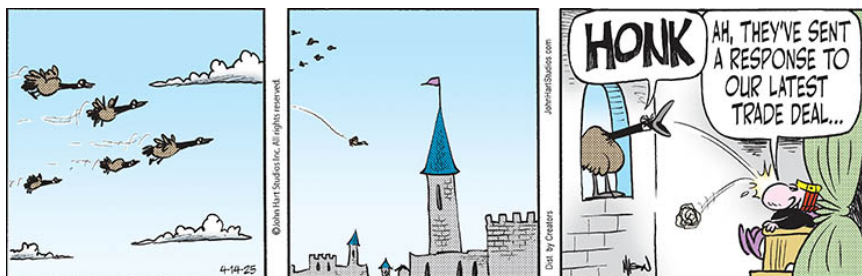
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ACROSS

1- Thick slice; 5- Hey, you!; 9- Frijole; 13- Graph prefix; 14- Silk fabric; 15- Ancient Andean; 16- Tsp. and tbsp.; 17- Look of disdain; 18- Area; 19- Capital of the Bahamas; 21- Actress Sandra; 22- Stout relatives; 23- ____ She Lovely?; 25- Old autocrat; 27- Delegate; 31- Take into custody; 35- Take a breather; 36- Run into; 38- Reeves of 'The Matrix'; 39- Big Band ____; 40- Capri and Man; 42- Bus. card info; 43- Group of students; 46- Hit with an open hand; 47- Afternoon affairs; 48- Computer expert; 50- Ceylon, now; 52- Aardvark's prey; 54- Minn. neighbor; 55- Sphere; 58- Actress ____ Dawn Chong; 60- Plant swellings; 64- Mideast carrier; 65- In pursuit of; 67- Wild ones are sown; 68- ____ shanter (Scottish cap); 69- Cherished ones; 70- Coffee dispensers; 71- Once again; 72- Perry's creator; 73- General ____ chicken;

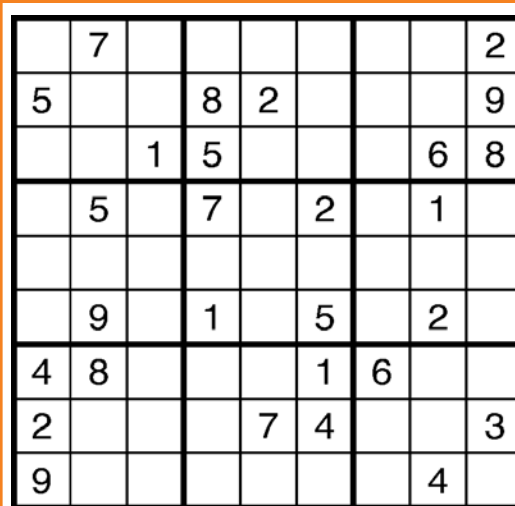
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1- Reach across; 2- Tibetan monk; 3- Some are liberal; 4- One who plays the long-necked guitar; 5- Play on words; 6- Hill top; 7- Winter woe; 8- Mother of Calcutta; 9- Odd; 10- Hydroxyl compound; 11- Clearasil target; 12- Scottish refusals; 14- Large sea wave; 20- Biblical beast; 24- Lock of hair; 26- Vessel built by Noah; 27- Standing

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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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