

Salgaocar Institute students embark on culinary and cultural exchange programme in Portugal

Twelve students and a faculty Chef Syam Raj from VM Salgaocar Institute of International Hospitality Education (VMSIHE), Goa, recently returned from a comprehensive four-week Portuguese Exchange Programme that offered them immersive exposure in Portuguese culinary arts, hospitality operations, and cultural experiences. The programme was organised by Turismo de Portugal. The initiative aimed to broaden students' global perspectives and enhance their professional skills by collaborating with prestigious hospitality institutions across Portugal.

A journey through Portugal's culinary and hospitality landscape

Over four immersive weeks in Portugal, students undertook specialised training at hospitality and tourism schools across the country. In Lisbon, at the Escola de Hotelaria e Turismo de Lisboa, they participated in culinary workshops highlighting Portuguese staples such as Bacalhau and octopus, explored bustling local markets, toured the iconic Ritz Hotel, and showcased Indian cuisine in a cross-cultural culinary event. In Coimbra, they continued their learning at the local hospitality school, attending cookery sessions with Chef Emanuel Faria, a wine workshop, and a masterclass on Bairrada sparkling wine. They



also engaged in basic Portuguese lessons, visited the historic University of Coimbra, and hosted another Indian food showcase to foster cultural exchange.

In Lamego, situated in the heart of the Douro Valley, students trained at Escola de Hotelaria e Turismo de Lamego, visiting renowned wineries like the Reposeira Winery



Cellar and studying sustainability at the prestigious Six Senses Douro Valley Hotel. The final week in Porto offered further hands-on experience at Escola de Hotelaria e Turismo do Porto, including baking and cookery sessions on regional favourites like Pastel de Nata and Bacalhau. They also explored Gaia's historic Port wine cellars, attended a Barista workshop, and enjoyed a guided

cultural tour of Porto, rounding off a rich and diverse culinary journey.

An international perspective As an added cultural component, the group concluded their journey with a visit to Madrid, Spain, exploring the city's cultural landmarks and further enriching their global learning experience. On completion of the programme, all participants were awarded certificates of participation by Turismo de Portugal. The exchange

successfully blended academic learning with real-world application and cultural immersion.

Prof Irfan Mirza, Director of VMSIHE, stated, "This programme not only enhanced our students' skills in international cuisine and hospitality but also fostered global understanding and cross-cultural collaboration. It was a truly transformative experience."

JD Design Awards 2025 highlights India's next-gen designers

Panjim Gymkhana lit up with brilliance as JD Design Awards 2025 unfolded as a celebration of design, culture, and creativity. Hosted by JD School of Design, powered by JD Institute of Fashion Technology, the event served as a prestigious launchpad for final-year fashion and interior design students. This year's showcase invited audiences to pause and reflect on identity, heritage, and the planet, through the lens of thoughtful design and narrative fashion.

Fourteen fashion collections graced the runway, each weaving powerful stories into fabric. 'Threads of Legacy' by Callista Pereira earned the Conscious Craft Award for its ethical and wearable approach. Taysha Althea Pereira's 'The Alchemy of Chaos' received the Stitch and Form Award, while Ayushka Kote's 'Ornate Solace' was honoured with the Beyond Gender Collection Award. Other standout collections included 'Sculpted Senses' by Sarveksha Mansingh Rane, 'Aurora Terra' by Janice Marissa Botelho, and 'Divine Aura' by Mehal Parab, winner of the coveted Golden Needle Award.

Interior design students impressed with innovative spatial solutions centred on sustainability, heritage, and wellness.



Naomi Anna Cardozo won Best Design of the Year for Scentorium: Perfume Museum, while Maegan D'Costa earned Best Concept of the Year for Workspace in Interior.

Nealesh Dalal, founder of JD School of Design, remarked, "These young designers are storytellers of tomorrow. Their work shows us that creativity, when rooted in culture and consciousness, can influence not just style but society." The evening was graced by distinguished guests including Vijay Sardesai, artist Subodh Kerkar, technologist Manharish Salekar, and educationist Dr Niyan Marchon. Their presence inspired attendees and added prestige to the occasion.



Basic Konkani learning workshop

Abhinav Creations will conduct a basic Konkani learning workshop that will cover a range of topics essential for beginners, including basic grammar, vocabulary, sentence structure and types, reading passages, and practical daily dialogues. Key takeaways from the programme include learning basic Konkani speaking techniques, gaining the ability to hold simple conversations in Konkani, and developing the confidence to communicate in the language. This course is ideal for language enthusiasts aged 18 and above who are keen to learn a new language. Students from around the world with an interest in Konkani are also encouraged to join. Participants will receive e-materials, and to qualify for a certificate, attendance at all eight online sessions and submission of worksheets is compulsory.

Venue: Online classes

Date: June 16 to July 11 (Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday) **Time:** 4.30 to 6 pm

Workshop on 'How to Study Well' at Margao

Samrat Club Margao, in association with Rotary Club Margao, will organise a workshop, 'How to Study Well' by former principal Vishwanath Swar. The session will cover a range of study methods, strategies for improved learning, and tips for creating a productive study timetable. A special highlight of the workshop will be an exclusive interaction with Navinya Dayanand Desai, the Goa State Topper in JEE Mains 2023, who scored an impressive 99.94 percentile and secured an All India Rank of 417. Navinya, who also topped Goa in JEE Advanced Examination, will share her experiences and valuable insights on how to excel in these competitive exams. This workshop is designed for students from Class 5 to 12, and the first 70 students, who register on a first-come, first-served basis will be given priority. Interested students are requested to register before June 8.

Venue: Rotary Club AC Hall, Lake Plaza Building, Fatorda
Date: June 14 **Time:** 3.30 pm to 6 pm

Kampus Snippet

BARTENDING ACADEMY GOA INAUGURATED AT MARGAO



Guardian Angel Institute of Hotel Management and Catering Technology (GAIHMCT) has launched the Bartending Academy Goa. The state-of-the-art training centre was inaugurated by Fr Joaquim Rebello, Provincial Superior of the Goa Province, Society of Pilar, at a vibrant ceremony held at the new facility in Margao. The event witnessed the presence of distinguished guests from the hospitality sector, educational leaders, and representatives from Goa's thriving

tourism and nightlife industries. The Bartending Academy Goa's curriculum includes specialised short-term courses focusing on mixology, flair bartending, beverage knowledge, bar operations, and customer service, all aligned with global hospitality standards. Raynold D'Souza, Principal of Guardian Angel IHMCT said, "With Bartending Academy Goa, we are expanding our vision to match industry demand while empowering youth with specialized, job-ready skills."

WORLD NO TOBACCO DAY CELEBRATED AT MORPIRLA



P M SHRI GHS Morpirla in collaboration with Village Panchayat, Morpirla observed World No Tobacco Day with a series of activities which aimed to educate students about the harmful effects of tobacco and empower students with knowledge and encourage them to make informed choices about their health. Students participated in a rally, spreading awareness about the dangers of tobacco consumption and promoting a tobacco-free lifestyle. A poster

competition was held, where students showcased their creativity. A health official, Shridhar Acharya from PHC Balli delivered a talk, educating students about the risks associated with tobacco use and the benefits of quitting. The Sarpanch of VP, Morpirla, Ashwini Gaonkar also urged the students to stay away from tobacco. The celebration aimed to educate students about the harmful effects of tobacco and encourage them to make informed choices about their health.

NEW MUSIC ACADEMIC YEAR INAUGURATED AT GUIRIM

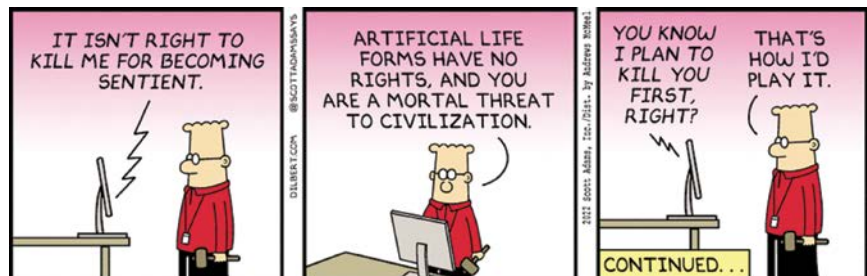


The inaugural ceremony of the new academic year 2025-26 at the Assisi Music Academy was held at Monte de Guirim. The chief guest for the day was journalist Pio Esteves, while ace pianist Linda Diniz Braganza and talented siblings and singing sensations Rishona and Rihana Gomes graced the occasion as the guests of honour. A special Mass was celebrated at the

chapel, followed by the inaugural day ceremony. The handbook for the new academic year was released on the occasion in the presence of the director of the academy, Fr Seville Antao and Fr Elton. There were live performances by the chief guest and guests of honour. Seraiah D'Souza compered the function, while the teaching staff at the academy attended the function.

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ACROSS

1- Isaac's eldest; 5- Hawaiian state birds; 10- Tennis matches are divided into these; 14- Describe; 15- Hopping mad; 16- Jessica of "Dark Angel"; 17- Israeli airline; 18- Country singer Travis; 19- The wolf ___ the door; 20- Chorus section; 22- Dangerous snake, familiarly; 24- Fashionable; 27- Thick piece; 28- Indonesian volcano; 32- Black-wooded tree; 35- Fresh; 36- ___ Gras; 38- Wise ones; 40- French summers; 42- Chevy SUV; 44- ___ the night before Christmas; 45- Standing up; 47- Numbers game; 49- East ender; 50- Gumbo pods; 52- Water bottles; 54- "Rhyme Pays" rapper; 56- Uttered; 57- Worker; 60- Apple juice; 64- Hair untangler; 65- Govt. security; 68- Garr of "Tootsie"; 69- Seed cover; 70- According to; 71- Getting ___ years (aging); 72- Periodic movement of the sea; 73- Later, dude!; 74- Tear;

DOWN

1- Zeno's home; 2- Window ledge; 3- Amo, amas, ___; 4- Unbolt; 5- It may be picked; 6- Be human; 7- Meet rival; 8- Kett and James; 9- Colonize; 10- Catamaran, for one; 11- Word in a threat; 12- Ski lift; 13- Parked oneself; 21- Fake; 23- Bar bills; 25- Let's just leave ___ that; 26- Reef material; 28- Joint with a cap; 29- Back in; 30- Eight Days

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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

solution 4863

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