



# GOVERNMENT COLLEGE OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMICS BORDA



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## MESSAGE

*I am pleased to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the members of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) on the successful release of the December 2023 - February 2024 edition of the IQAC Newsletter. This accomplishment underscores our commitment to academic excellence and institutional progress.*

*The IQAC plays a vital role in ensuring academic integrity, transparency, and continuous improvement. I commend our faculty, students, and staff for their collaborative efforts in advancing our institution's standards.*

*To our students, I encourage you to actively participate in the various IQAC programs and activities. Engaging in these initiatives not only enhances your academic experience but also prepares you to contribute meaningfully to society upon graduation.*

*As we navigate the challenges and opportunities ahead, let us continue to uphold the values of excellence and integrity that define our institution. Together, we can shape a brighter future for ourselves and leave a lasting impact in the realm of higher education.*

*Thank you for your dedication and commitment to our shared goals.*

*Warm regards,*

*Prof. (Dr.) FM Nadaf  
Officiating Principal*



**2/12/ 2023**  
**Staff Field Trip**

A Staff Field trip to the SRK Baag Resort and Spice farm was organized by the Staff Welfare Cell of the College. The trip was a perfect combination of nature, culture, heritage and adventure activities.



**5/12/2023**

**Moving Towards a Zero Waste Circular Economy - The True Cost of Extended Producer Responsibility**

The talk on "Moving Towards a Zero Waste Circular Economy - The True Cost of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)" was organized by the Department of Economics. The session was conducted by Mr. Sushant Figueiredo, a well-known waste management consultant



**7/12/2023**  
**An Awareness Talk on HIV/AIDS**

On the occasion of World AIDS Day, the Red Ribbon Club in association with the NSS Unit organized a talk on Awareness of HIV/AIDS in the college. The talk was attended by faculty members and students.

9/12/2023

### Bhartiya Bhasha Exhibition

The Student Council of the college organised Bhartiya Bhasha Exhibition. The exhibition introduced interesting words of various Indian languages. For instance, the inter-using of greeting words in different languages, such as Namaste, Khurumjari, Pranam, Vanakkam, Nomoshkar, Kem Chho,



15/12/2023

### Investor Awareness Programme

The Department of Commerce in association with board of Industry-Academia Partnerships (BIAP) organised Investor Awareness Programme for S.Y.B.Com students. The Resource Person was Ms. Zeal Doshi, Certified Financial Planner.



20/12/2023

### Talk on Women Empowerment

Dr. Geeta Walvekar, Associate Professor of Economics, Mallikarjun College, Canacona, delivered an insightful talk on Women Empowerment our college. The event was organized by the department of Economics for the students of FY.B.COM and was aimed at raising awareness about the importance of empowering women in society.

**20th and 22nd, 29th and 30<sup>th</sup>/12/2023  
Academic Audit**

The Academic Audit for the academic Year 2022-2023 was carried out and was facilitated by the IQAC of the College. The external auditors, distinguished academicians from colleges in the State were invited to evaluate the performance of the teachers for the academic year 2022-2023.

The Academic Audit for courses in Commerce, Economics, Mathematics, Computer Science, Environmental Science and Business Law was carried between 20<sup>th</sup> December to 30<sup>th</sup> of December 2023 by the subject experts .



**21/12/2023**

**Orientation on Website  
Uploads and IAIMS Portal**

The IQAC of the college organized an FDP to orient and provide training to concerned faculty/staff involved in the task of uploading data on the IAIMS Portal and the College Website. Dr. Kissan Gauns Dessai, Assistant Professor of Computer Science, Government College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Quepem was the Resource Person.





**29/12/2023**  
**Workshop on Guide to Fill Online Scholarship Form of Gagan Bharari Shiksha Yojana**

The SC/ST/OBC/Minority Cell, Department of Library and Information Science and NDLI Club in Association with IQAC organized a workshop on Guide to Fill Online Scholarship Form of Gagan Bharari Shiksha Yojana for SC Students and Post Matric Scholarship Scheme for SC /OBC students on CM Portal.



**4/01/2024**  
**Educational Field Trip to Ravindra Bhavan, Goa**

An Educational Field Trip was organised by the Student Council of our college for the college students. The primary purpose of this field trip was to introduce the students to the diverse range of skill-based courses and to shed light on the incentives and loan facilities provided by the Government for the upliftment of Goan youth.



**4/01/2024**  
**Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Directorate of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Government of Goa**

The College has been actively trying to enhance the academic experience of its students, by offering courses and sessions beyond the syllabus. As a step towards promoting Industry ready Skills for the students the College signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Directorate of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Government of Goa on 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2024.

**09/01/2024**

### **Banking Examination Preparation**

The Department of Commerce organised a Training Programme on "Banking Examination Preparation" for T.Y. B.Com. students. The Resource Person was Mr. Malcolm Dias, Director, T.I.M.E.



**10/01/2024**

### **E-Waste Drive**

The Department of Economics, the NSS unit of the college in association with the IQAC organized an E-Waste Drive as an extension activity for residents in and around Margao. The e-waste drive was organized in collaboration with Karo Sambhav, one of India's largest Producer Responsibility Firm. A total of 75 Kilograms of E-waste comprising of CPUs, Keyboards, Laptops, Adaptors, UPS, Microwave Ovens, Mobile phones etc. were collected and handed over to the officials of Karo Sambhav. The Residents of the vicinity of the college as also staff and students of the college contributed e-waste towards the drive.





## 10/01/2024 Basics of Baking

The Student Council and Women Cell of our college in collaboration with JCI Margao, organized an engaging session on the 'Basics of Baking' for our students. Ms. Pooja Parab, the College Counselor, introduced the resource person for the session. The resource person was Ms. Manisha Desai, a dedicated Goa Police constable with a remarkable passion for both fitness and baking.



## 11/01/2024 Career Guidance: Unlocking IT Opportunities

The Student Council of our college in association with JCI, Margao organised a Career Guidance session for the students of T.Y.B.Com. The resource person for the session was Nitin Saxena, Founder and Managing Director, Casit Enable as Private Limited.



## 12/1/2024

### State Level Collage Making Competition

The Counseling and Wellness Centre in collaboration with student council and Nehru Yuva Kendra, Margao organized State Level Collage Making competition. The theme for the same was "Inter-generational Solidarity Creating a World for All Ages". There were total 08 HSSC (4) and Colleges (4) participated in the competition. The winners of the competition were as follows: 1) Ms.Parthavi P. Sawant -Mustifund HSSC, Cujira,Bambolim 2) Ojasvi S. Carapurcar - St.Andrew's Institute Vaddem,Vasco. 3) Raniya Khan - Rosary Higher Secondary School, Navelim.



**13/01/2024**  
**Talk on “Say No to Drugs”**

The College in collaboration with Junior Chamber International (JCI) Margao, organized a crucial talk on the theme "Say No to Drugs" in commemoration of National Youth Day. This initiative was led by the Students' Council and Red Ribbon Club, emphasizing the collective effort to address the escalating issue of drug abuse among the youth.



**14/01/2024**  
**Free Medical Camp**

The Extension Cell of our College in collaboration with Living Happily with Diabetes Club organised a free medical camp to detect the Fasting Blood Sugar, Weight and Blood Pressure. The medical camp facilities were availed by the citizens in an around vicinity of the college.



15/01/2024

### Financial Awareness

The Department of Commerce organized a Session on "Financial Awareness" for T.Y. B.Com students the resource person for the same was CA, Ms. Mitali Talwadker, Mitali Talwadker & Associates CA. Ms. Mitali Talwadker began the session by providing a comprehensive overview of fundamental financial concepts, including accounting principles, financial statements, and basic investment strategies. She explained complex topics in a clear and easy manner, ensuring students' understanding at every step.



15/01/2024

### One day workshop on 3D printing technology

The Department of Economics and the Institutions Innovation Council (IIC) of our college, in collaboration with the Goa State Innovation Council (GSIC), organized a transformative One Day Workshop on 3D Printing Technology, held at the Don Bosco College of Engineering, Fatorda, captivating the minds of enthusiastic students from the college.



15/02/2024

### Participation in Student Parliament Competition

The Student Parliament Competition 2024, organized by the Goa Legislature Secretariat, aimed to provide a platform for students to engage in parliamentary debates, hone their public speaking skills, and foster a deeper understanding of democratic processes. Twenty-one students from our college enthusiastically participated in the Student Parliament Competition. They represented our institution with diligence, eloquence, and a commendable display of parliamentary decorum. The participants showcased their comprehensive understanding of diverse topics and engaged in constructive dialogue, reflecting their dedication and preparation for the event.



16/02/2024

### First Responder-First Aid Training

The NSS Unit in Collaboration with the Student Council of our college had organized First Responder- First Aid Training for the F.Y.B.Com students in association with JCI, Margao -Goa. The Resource person for the seminar was Mr. Sateesh Kumar Kama, Head of Training Department of Emergency Services and Ms. Puja Mohite. The focal point of this session was a noble cause of equipping attendees with life-saving skills for emergency situations facilitated by the Emergency Situations Management and Research Institute (EMRI). The training delved into critical topics, including pulse assessment, CPR techniques, and swift response protocols.



16/01/2024

### Faculty Development Programme (FDP)

The College had organized Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on Systematic Literature Review. The Resource Person for the Programme was Ms. Muktali Cuncoliencar, Assistant Professor of Commerce and Ms. Lily Endro, Assistant Professor of Commerce. The FDP covered key topics, including an overview of AI tools, practical guidance on using Bard, Chat GPT, strategies for identifying papers in Scopus, and steps for systematic literature review. The concise sessions aimed to enhance the research skills of teaching faculty.



16/01/2024

### GU-ART Exam Preparation

The Department of Commerce organised a Workshop on "GU-ART Exam Preparation". The resource person for the same was Ms. Shona Saldanha, Assistant Professor, Incharge-PG Dept. of Commerce, Carmel College for Women, Nuvem, Goa.



**17/01/2023**

### **Gender Equality in India: Ideas of Swami Vivekanand**

As a part of National Youth Day celebration, a talk on “Gender Equality in India: Ideas Of Swami Vivekanand” was organised by Gender Champions Cell of the College for F.Y.B.Com and S.Y.B.Com students. The resource person for the talk was Dr. Raghunath Bhalerao, Retired H.O.D Zoology Department, Devchand College, Arjunnagar, District. Kolhapur, Maharashtra. The talk began with Ms. Rupali Vijay Sangodkar, Nodal teacher for Gender Champions introducing the resource person to the participants.



**17/01/2024**

### **The guide to using the Knimbus Digital Library Portal for the Students and staff**

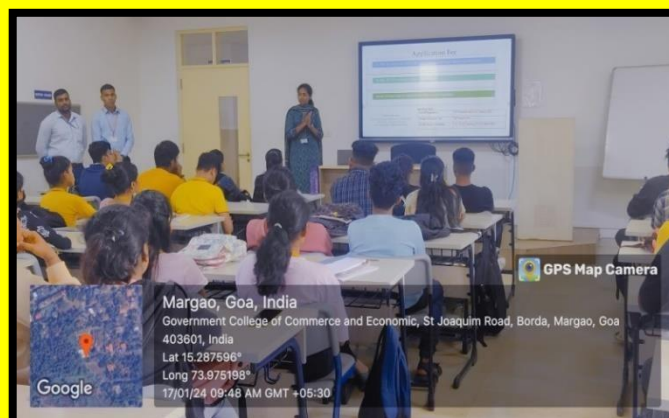
The Department of Library and Information Science had organized a workshop on the guide to using the Knimbus Digital Library Portal for students and staff. Shri. Girish Kulkarni, Sales Head – GIST/Ms. Knimbus Online Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, served as a Resource Person for the workshop.



**17/01/2024**

### **Career Guidance and Further Studies**

The Department of Commerce organised a talk on "Career Guidance and Further Studies" for T.Y.B.Com Students. The resource person for the same was Mr. Jitendra Rabada, Assistant Professor of Commerce, Rosary College, Navelim.





**18/01/2024**  
**'CONVERGE 2024'**

**CONVERGE 2024** - an initiative of the Directorate of Higher Education and the Goa State Higher Education Council aimed at fostering academia -industry connect was organised at our college. The Chief Guest, Mr. Pradip A.P. Da Costa, President of the Verna Industrial Estate in his keynote speech highlighted the need for 'Training the Trainers' to make them industry-ready.

Notably, two Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) were also signed with Nave Marg and Comtech, signifying the commitment to collaboration between academia and industry. The technical sessions were guided by Resource Persons such as CA Sneha Menon, Mr. Damodar Pai Patnekar, co-founder and CEO of Bhodani Pvt. Ltd, Dr. Supriya Patil, Associate Professor of Computer Engineering at the PCC College of Engineering, Verna, Ms. Radhika Verma, an Emotional Wellness Coach.

The Panel Discussion post lunch featured Mr. Damodar Pai Patnekar, Mr. Ryan Vaz, Founder Director of Infnty 3D Pvt. Ltd., Mr. D.S. Prashant, CEO of the Start Up & IT Promotion Cell, Goa Mr. Ramrao Surya Wagh, Programme Director, MCA, Goa Business School and Prof. Dr.) Niyam Marchon from the Directorate of Higher Education. The Panel Discussion was chaired by CA Sneha Menon.



**18/01/2024**  
**Training Programme for the  
 Functioning of Language Lab**

The Director of Higher Education, Government of Goa organized a training programme in the Language Lab at our College. The Resource person for the training was Mr. Arun Kumar. The Resource person explained the details of the software- 'DLM Impact e Language Lab'. Altogether 17 Language teachers from 8 different Colleges in South Goa, attended the training programme.

**29/01/2024**  
**Meet the Entrepreneur Series: 1**

The Institution's Innovation Council and the Department of Economics of the college under the aegis of the MoU with BNI Foundation organized the first interactive session of the MEET THE ENTREPRENEUR Series, an initiative wherein entrepreneurs and innovators in the state of Goa will interact with our student once a month. The interactive session featured Mr. Aftab Mohammad, Founder of AK Sea Food and Founder and CEO of Bam Foods LLP also known as nuste.in. Lecture I of the MEET THE ENTREPRENEUR Series, attended by 69 students, and was successfully organized by a team of students from the TY. B. Com.



20/01/2024

## Awareness programme on EVM & VVPAT

The Electoral Literacy Club of our college in collaboration with Electoral Registration Officer & Assistant Electoral Registration Officer of 30 -Fatorda A.C. conducted an awareness programme on EVM & VVPAT as a part of Systematic Voter Education & Electoral Participation (SVEEP) activity for the students of the College. The Resource Persons for the Programme were Mr. Volter Alfanso, Master Trainer; Mr. Sudesh Gadkari, Master Trainer; Mr. Chetan Jadhav, Dedicated Electoral Registration Officer (ERO); Mr. Sidhant Shanke, and Mr. Deepak Sathe,



20/01/2024

## FDP cum Professional Development Programme “Gender Sensitization through the POSH Act”

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and the Internal Committee (IC) of the College organised a Professional Development Programme (PDP), centering around the crucial theme of Gender Sensitization through the POSH Act. The Resource Person was Ms. Bhakti Naik, Assistant Director of Higher Education, Directorate of Higher Education, Porvorim. The primary goal of this PDP was to apprise the staff members and create awareness regarding the significant provisions and implications embedded in the POSH Act of 2013.





27/01/2024

## Annual General Body Meeting of Parents-Teachers Association

A meeting of the PTA was convened to elect new members to the association. Dr. Fatima De Souza, Convenor of PTA, conducted the elections for the PTA. Mr. Eudes Mendes, father of Ashley Mendes (FY- A), Ms. Hina Shaikh, mother of Jahid Shaikh (FY) and Mr. Jawal Kumar Roy, father of Vishal Kumar Roy (SY-A) volunteered to be the PTA members. The new PTA members were congratulated by the Principal. Assistant Professor of Economics, Ms Farah Mendonca compered the programme. On the occasion, five students were awarded scholarships sponsored by Blue Cross Labs, Verna.



02/02/2024

## Consumer Rights and Duties

The Consumer Welfare Cell organized a poster competition centered on the theme of “Consumer Rights and Duties.” This event was coordinated by the Consumer Welfare Cell of our college, aiming to raise awareness and understanding of consumer-related issues. The competition saw enthusiastic participation from students who presented their insights creatively on chart papers.



7/02/2024

## Vidnyan Dhara - Third Edition 2024 Session

The Research and Development Cell of our College organized a talk on Anaemia and Cervical Cancer, as part of the Vidnyan Dhara Third Edition 2024 Session. The resource person was Dr. Brendan Peroz, MBBS, MD Pathology, Lab Head Goa division, Pathkind Labs Pvt Ltd, who shared his expertise and insights on the topics. The Resource person enlightened the audience about the causes, symptoms, diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of anaemia.



9/02/2024

## Session on Career

### Opportunities in Management

The Department of Economics organized a session on Career Opportunities in Management. The resource persons for the session were Assistant Professor Ms. Supriyanka Govekar and Assistant Professor Ms. Giselle Dias from Agnel Institute of Technology and Design, Assagao, Bardez, Goa.



13/02/2024

## Student Interaction Program

The student interaction program was organised by our college fostering a rich exchange of culture and knowledge between our college students and their counter parts from Japan. The event was graced by the presence Prof. Ganesh Somayaji, Dean of D.D. Kosambi School of Social Science and Behavioral Studies, Goa University.



**16/02/2024**  
**Inter-Collegiate Commerce Quiz**



The Department of Commerce of our College organized its second edition of the State Level Inter-Collegiate Commerce Quiz. The Quiz master for the event was Dr. Anson Albuquerque. A total of 15 teams from 08 colleges across Goa participated in the Quiz. The quiz was conducted in two rounds- Preliminary Round and Final Round. In the preliminary round, the teams had to answer an online MCQ through Google Forms and only the top four teams proceeded to the final. The winners of the Inter-Collegiate Commerce Quiz were Shreyash Sinai Dalal and Vedang Bagade of Shree Damodar College of Commerce & Economics while Mr. Rahul Bharaduraj and Mr. Gajanan Shirodkar from GVM College, Farmagudi emerged as Runners-Up. Trophies along with merit certificates were given to the winners and the runners up while Certificates of Participation were issued to all the participants.





**19/02/2024**

### **Talk on Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti Commemoration**

The College organized a talk to commemorate Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti. Dr. Pramada Gauns Dessai, a retired Associate Professor of Marathi from Mallikarjun College, Canacona, served as the resource person for the event. During the talk, Dr. Pramada Gauns Dessai delved into the historical incidents that shed light on the life and legacy of the great personality, Maharaj Shivaji. Providing insightful examples, she elucidated the administration of Shivaji Maharaja, offering the audience a deeper understanding of his leadership.

**19/02/2024**

### **Document Search Techniques for Research**

The Faculty Development Programme was a transformative session focusing on "Document Searching Techniques for Research" with an emphasis on utilizing Dimension Software. Dr. Pravin Kamat, the college Librarian, served as the Resource Person, offering invaluable insights into navigating the complex landscape of academic research. The session commenced with an introduction highlighting the pivotal role of effective document searching in scholarly pursuits and addressed the challenges faced by teaching faculty in accessing pertinent literature. Dr. Kamat provided a meticulous walkthrough on the usage of Dimension Software, guiding faculty members through its functionalities and demonstrating how to conduct precise searches, refine results, and download research papers responsibly. The session also covered practical tips for optimizing search queries and structuring essay format reports based on retrieved research papers. The interactive Q&A session allowed participants to seek clarifications, enhancing the overall learning experience.



**19/02/24**

### **Preparing for UPSC and GPSC Examination**

The Student Council of our college organized a session on Preparing for UPSC and GPSC Examination for the students of our college. The esteemed resource person, Shri Nagesh Sardesai, led the session, aimed at equipping aspiring students with insights and strategies to tackle the challenges of competitive examinations.

**20/02/2023**

### **A Talk on Secretarial Audit**

The Department of Commerce of Goa organized a session focused on “Secretarial Audit” for F.Y.Bcom Students. The session aimed to provide valuable insights into the field of secretarial audit, a crucial aspect of corporate governance and compliance. The Resource Person for the session was CA Atish Shanbhag, a distinguished professional with extensive expertise in the field. The session served as an educational endeavor but also inspired students to explore career opportunities in the field of corporate governance, compliance, and auditing.



**21/02/2023**

### **How to Build Personal Brand as a Fresher**

The Department of Commerce organised session on "How to Build Personal Brand as a Fresher" for T.Y. B.Com Students. The resource person for the same was Ms. Thressa Isaac, Founder-Performance Matrix.



**21/02/2024**  
**Legal Metrology Act**

The Consumer Welfare Cell organised online quiz on the topic on “Legal Metrology Act” focusing on weights, measures and Consumer Protection Laws.

**26 /02/2024**  
**Meet the Entrepreneur Series - Session 2**



The second session of the Meet the Entrepreneur series, was organized by the Department of Economics and the Institution Innovation Council of our college. The distinguished resource person for the event was Ms. Anjali Madkaiker, the founder of Sea land sky Travels located in Vasco. The session was inaugurated with a warm welcome address by the principal, and Ms. Anjali Madkaiker shared insights into her journey as an entrepreneur. In attendance were students of TYBCom and FYBCom.

26/02/2024

## Awareness Session on Road Safety & Traffic Management as Part of the National Road Safety Month 2024

The Consumer Welfare Cell & NSS Unit of the college in collaboration with GOACAN organised a Road Safety Awareness Action outside the College to highlight various issues of road safety and traffic management organized as part of the National Road Safety Month 2024, the hour-long awareness action had the participation of the college students who were armed with placards, colourful flags and banners which had road safety messages for drivers, riders and pedestrians. 'Slow down, Observe speed limits, Save lives, Wear Seat belts for your Safety, Use only ISI marked Helmets, Respect the rights of Pedestrians at Zebra Crossings' were some of the messages that the students highlighted during the awareness action.





## *Congratulations to our achievers...*

### **Students Achievements**

Miss Bibi Amina and Bhavesh Naik Borkar, students of SY and FY respectively, won the 1<sup>st</sup> Consolation Prize at the Valentine's Greeting Card making Competition and Extempore speech Competition on the theme "Chunav ka Parv, Desh Ka Garv" organised by the District Election Officer - South



Master Abhigyan Roy of FYBCom was awarded the 1<sup>st</sup> Prize at the South Goa Youth Parliament Competition held online on 19<sup>th</sup> February. He also secured the 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize at the All-Goa Inter-Collegiate Extempore Competition organised by the Deputy Collector, Bicholim and District Election Commission, North Goa.



## Sports Achievement of the students for the academic year 2023-24

### **Mast. Suraj Nagekar From SYB.Com**

Had participated in the West Zone Inter-University Volleyball tournament organized by Swami Ramanand Teerth Marathwada University, Nanded from 14th-18th December 2023



### **Miss. Sayali Salavi, Miss. Saumya Patil Miss. Sakshi Kadlaskar (SYB.Com)**

Had participated in the West Zone Inter University Kho-Kho Women Championship held at Awadesh Pratap Singh University, Rewa, M.P., from the 24th - 27th of 2024.



### **Miss. Karishma Nissar SYBCom**

Had participated in the West Zone Inter University Kabaddi Championship for Women from 21st - 25th December 2023 at Maharaja Chhatrasal Bundelkhand University, Chhatarpur, M.P.



### **Miss. Anjali Iwale SY.B.COM**

Won the second place in the Purple Sports- Unified Badminton Event in Division F-01 at the International Purple Fest Goa.



## *Congratulations Dr. Pravin Vasant Kamat.....*



### **Ph.D awarded to Mr. Pravin Kamat**

Mr. Pravin Vasant Kamat, the Librarian in Government College of Commerce and Economics, Borda, Margao-Goa, has been conferred a doctorate (Ph.D.) degree by the Department of Library and Information Science, Shri Jagdish Prasad Jhabarmal Tibrewala University, Rajasthan. He defended successfully his research on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023.

His comprehensive study sheds light on the pivotal role of secondary school libraries in Goa. He completed his thesis titled 'Unearthing the Power of Libraries: A Study of Secondary School Libraries in Goa' under the guidance of Dr. Rajkumar Bhakar and Dr. Gangaram Buva at JJTU.



**Our college and our Officiating Principal Prof (Dr.) F. M. Nadaf was felicitated by JCI, Margao**



The JCI, Margao Chapter felicitated our College for demonstrating Exceptional Quality in various aspects of NAAC achieving an 'A' Grade and Commitment to Excellence in Education and Infrastructure. On the occasion, the distinguished services and contribution of our Officiating Principal Prof.(Dr.) F. M. Nadaf, to the academic landscape, was applauded and appreciated by the JCI.

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