

Annual Report of our College for the Academic Year 2025–2026

It gives me immense pleasure to present the **Annual Report of our College for the Academic Year 2025-2026** on the occasion of the **Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony**.

The academic year 2025-26 has been marked by vibrant academic engagement, research initiatives, skill development programmes and community outreach. Various departments, committees, cells and student bodies of the College have actively organized programmes that contributed significantly to the holistic development of our students.

The College was established in the academic year 2010-2011 with an initial enrolment of 102 students. Over the years, the institution has witnessed steady and encouraging growth. By the academic year 2024–2025, the student strength had increased to 362, and in the current academic year it has further risen to 400. This upward trend reflects the growing trust and confidence of students and stakeholders in the institution, particularly at a time when many colleges are experiencing a decline in enrolment.

A significant milestone in the journey of the institution was achieved in 2024 when the College was granted **Autonomous Status**, marking a new phase of academic development and institutional responsibility.

The institution, which initially focused primarily on **Commerce education**, is now gradually diversifying into other emerging and multidisciplinary specializations in response to changing academic and industry requirements. This diversification reflects the institution's commitment to broadening academic opportunities and aligning its programmes with contemporary educational and professional needs.

The growth of the institution is also reflected in the expansion of its human resources. The teaching faculty has increased from 6 member in 2010 to 40 at present, supported by a committed team of 21 non-teaching staff. This substantial strengthening of both academic and administrative manpower has enhanced the institution's ability to deliver quality education and effectively manage its academic and institutional activities.

Department of Commerce

Head of the Department Prof. Maria Fatima Dsouza

The Department of Commerce organized numerous academic and professional development programmes during the year. Orientation programmes, career guidance sessions and training workshops were conducted to enhance the employability and professional skills of students.

Workshops and sessions were organized on GST return filing, financial literacy, personality development, leadership, stress management, entrepreneurship and competitive examination preparation. The department also conducted state-level seminars and workshops on innovative approaches to teaching and learning and taxation updates.

A major highlight was the **State Level Inter-Collegiate Commerce Event “Brainwave.”** The department also organized the **Academia–Industry Summit “Converge 3.0 – Shiksha Udyojak Sangam”** in collaboration with the Directorate of Higher Education and the Goa State Higher Education Council, which included technical sessions, competitions and panel discussions on industry readiness and digital transformation.

The department also conducted **certificate courses in Tally with GST and Advanced Excel, Financial Literacy, FinTech and Digital Marketing**, enabling students to gain practical industry-oriented skills. Also conducted industrial visits

Department of Economics

Head of the Department Prof. Elizabeth Henriques

The Department of Economics organized several academic activities including a **30-hour certificate course on Spreadsheet Solutions for Business**, which enhanced students’ data management and analytical skills.

The department conducted the **Meet the Entrepreneur Lecture Series**, alumni interaction programmes, elocution competitions and workshops on organic composting and 3D printing technology. Students also participated in an **industrial visit to Faber Castell**.

A major academic event organized by the department was the **National Conference on “The Gig Economy – Prospects and Challenges.”** Faculty members also contributed to research through publications in reputed journals including **Scopus indexed journals**, thereby strengthening the research culture of the institution.

Department of Geoinformatics:

The **Department of Geoinformatics** organized several academic and skill-based activities during the academic year 2025–2026 to enhance students’ technical knowledge and industry exposure in the field of geospatial technologies.

An **educational field excursion to Bhramakarmali Village in Sattari Taluka on 8th August 2025** provided students with hands-on training in **DGPS surveying** and exposure to the ecological and cultural landscape of the Western Ghats.

The department organized expert sessions including **“The Growth and Future of Geospatial Technology in Goa with SpatialCraft™”** by Mr. Malcolm Afonso and a webinar on **“Early Careers in the Indian Geospatial Sector”** by Ms. Joyline Rita Pinto from ESRI India.

A **training programme on Drone Surveying and Photogrammetry** was conducted by Mr. Carmelito Andrade, providing students with theoretical knowledge and practical exposure to drone technology and aerial mapping. In addition, a **One Week Drone Boot Camp** was organized in association with the **Directorate of Higher Education, Government of Goa and C-DAC, Bangalore** to train students in emerging drone-based geospatial applications.

The department also organized a webinar on **“CV Writing and Career Planning in Geoinformatics”** by Mr. Nilesh Shinolikar and a **two-day session on Research Methodology** for postgraduate students.

A major highlight of the year was the **Two-Day National Conference on “Geospatial Technologies and the Roadmap to Viksit Bharat 2047: Innovations, Applications & Future Trajectories”** held on 29th and 30th January 2026.

Further, **20 students of the department successfully completed internships** at reputed organizations such as **National Institute of Oceanography (NIO), IIT Bombay, SpatialCraft Goa and Urdhavam Technologies, Pune**, gaining valuable industry exposure.

These activities significantly enhanced students’ practical skills, research orientation and professional preparedness in the field of Geoinformatics.

Department of Data Science

Head of the Department Shri Onkar Ainapur

The Department of Data Science organized several activities to promote technological innovation and scientific learning. A **workshop on Arduino-based Embedded Systems** was conducted for school students to encourage interest in technology.

Students and faculty also attended the **Goa Developers Summit at BITS Pilani, Goa Campus**, gaining exposure to emerging developments in software technology. The department organized a **Drone Boot Camp in collaboration with IIT Goa**, which provided hands-on training in drone technology and its applications.

Students also attended a **Cyber Security Essentials workshop**, and the department celebrated **National Science Day**, encouraging scientific awareness and innovation.

Department of Mathematics

The Department of Mathematics organized academic events including a workshop on **“Visualizing Insights: A Generative AI Approach.”** Another programme titled **“Irrational Intentions”** encouraged students to develop analytical thinking and problem-solving skills.

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

The IQAC played an important role in enhancing the quality of academic processes. An **Induction Programme for first-year students** was conducted at the beginning of the academic year.

Faculty Development Programmes were organized on **New NAAC Binary Accreditation, Outcome Based Education and Career Advancement Scheme.** Follow-up training sessions were also conducted to strengthen outcome-based teaching practices. The IQAC also continued publishing **quarterly e-newsletters**, documenting institutional activities and achievements.

College Library

The College Library organized several academic support programmes including **Library Orientation and Scholarship Awareness programmes.**

Workshops were conducted to guide students in filling online scholarship forms under various government schemes. Competitions such as **book review writing and elocution competitions** were organized to encourage reading habits among students.

The library also conducted a **30-hour certificate course on Library and E-Resource Management**, and workshops on **One Nation One Subscription resources and literature review writing for project work**, strengthening research skills among students.

Training, Internship and Placement Cell

The Training, Internship and Placement Cell continued to promote employability among students by organizing training sessions and career-oriented activities.

A **Lenovo LEAP doubt-solving session** was organized for final year B.Com students, providing guidance on industry expectations and career opportunities.

In addition, **weekly Chartered Accountancy coaching classes** were conducted for S.Y.B.Com (Accounting and Finance) students by practicing Chartered Accountants to guide them in pursuing professional careers in the field of finance and accounting.

Counselling, Wellness and Mentoring Cell

The Counselling, Wellness and Mentoring Cell organized several programmes focusing on students' mental health and well-being.

Sessions were conducted on **self-understanding, time management, mentoring skills and self-confidence building**. An awareness programme titled “**Changing the Narrative on Suicide**” was organized in collaboration with social organizations.

The Cell also organized **aerobics sessions, health check-up camps, nutrition awareness programmes and a marathon to mark World Mental Health Day**, emphasizing the importance of physical and mental well-being.

Consumer Protection and Welfare Cell

The Consumer Protection and Welfare Cell organized activities to create awareness about consumer rights and responsibilities.

An **essay writing competition** on consumer awareness and environmental responsibility was conducted for students. The Cell also launched a **Consumer Welfare Notice Board** and organized **road safety and traffic awareness programmes** in collaboration with the NSS Unit.

Conducted Youth Programme on Film Making in association with Department of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of Goa for HSS, ITI and College students.

Skill Development and Monitoring Cell

The Skill Development and Monitoring Cell organized the **Festival of Skills**, which included fourteen workshops on areas such as mehendi art, cake making, photography, video editing, jewellery making, pottery, public speaking and traditional arts.

The Cell also celebrated **Entrepreneurship Day**, during which students organized an **exhibition-cum-sale of products** showcasing their creativity and entrepreneurial abilities. Some of the stalls were selected for participation in the **Chaturthi Bazaar**.

Women Welfare and Empowerment Cell

The Women Welfare and Empowerment Cell organized several programmes promoting women's health and empowerment.

A **breast screening and pap smear health camp** was conducted in collaboration with Rotary Club of Margao Sunrise and Urban Health Centre Margao.

The Cell also organized the **Sustainable Fashion Challenge**, encouraging students to create eco-friendly outfits using recycled materials. The College celebrated **International Women's Day** with competitions, cultural programmes and felicitation

of women achievers, promoting awareness about gender equality and women's empowerment.

National Service Scheme (NSS)

The NSS Unit organized numerous community service activities including **beach cleanliness drives, tree plantation campaigns, road safety rallies, awareness programmes on drug abuse and human rights, and visits to Anganwadis and social service organizations.**

Students also participated in environmental initiatives such as **E-waste collection drives** and social entrepreneurship training under the **GDP School for Social Entrepreneurship Programme**, encouraging civic responsibility and leadership among students.

Student Council and Event Planning & Management Cell

The Student Council organized several cultural and student engagement activities including **Student Council Elections, Student Council Inauguration, Janmashtami celebrations, Nasha Mukta Bharat competitions and cultural events such as Ghumat Vardhan.**

The council also organized **Savishkar Research Convention** and the annual cultural festival **Abhyudaya 2K26**, providing a platform for students to showcase their talents and creativity.

Indian Knowledge System Cell

The Indian Knowledge System Cell organized a lecture on **“History, Culture and Heritage of Goa”** on the occasion of Opinion Poll Day, highlighting the rich cultural traditions and heritage of the state.

Journalism Club

The Journalism Club was inaugurated during the academic year to encourage students to develop skills in **journalism, media literacy and communication** and to engage with contemporary social issues.

Sports Management and Development Council

The Sports Management and Development Council organized numerous sporting activities and competitions throughout the year.

Intramural competitions were conducted in **cross-country, kabaddi, chess, table tennis, futsal, badminton, volleyball, cricket and powerlifting**. A **certificate course on weight training** and a **One Week teacher enrichment programme in physical education** were also organized.

The College successfully conducted the **Annual Sports Meet**, and students participated in inter-collegiate championships organized by Goa University, winning **silver and bronze medals in Taekwondo** and achieving success in tournaments such as the **Guru Shree Deadlift Championship** and an **All Goa Intercollegiate Cricket Tournament**, where the college emerged as winners.

The academic year 2025–2026 has been a year of **academic excellence, innovation, research contributions and vibrant student participation**. The collective efforts of departments, committees, faculty members, non-teaching staff and students have significantly contributed to the growth and reputation of the institution.

On this occasion, I express my sincere gratitude to the **Government of Goa, the Directorate of Higher Education, Goa University, members of the Governing Body, faculty members, administrative staff, students, alumni and well-wishers** for their continued support and encouragement.

With the same spirit of dedication and commitment, the College will continue to strive for **academic excellence, research advancement and holistic student development in the years ahead**.