

DEVI SHARVANI EDUCATION SOCIETY'S
V. M. SALGAOCAR COLLEGE OF LAW
MIRAMAR PANAJI-GOA

ACTIVITIES REPORT (JUNE- OCTOBER 2024)

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I.Induction Cum Orientation Ceremony for First Year BALLB Students

Date: 28th June 2024

Venue: Conference Hall

Faculty coordinators: Asst. Prof. Ms. Shaina Dhulapkar and Asst. Prof. Ms. Tanvi Khandolkar

The Induction Cum Orientation Ceremony for the first-year BA LLB students was held on 28th June 2024, marking the official welcome of the new batch to the institution. The event commenced with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp, symbolizing the dispelling of ignorance and the welcoming of knowledge.

Following the lamp-lighting, the students were given a virtual tour of the college through a video presentation, familiarizing them with the campus, its facilities, and the vibrant academic atmosphere. The introduction of the faculty members was the next item on the agenda, which was conducted via a PowerPoint presentation. The students were introduced to their professors and mentors who will guide them through their legal education journey. In an inspiring segment of the ceremony, the numerous awards and accolades earned by the college were showcased, highlighting the institution's commitment to excellence in legal education. This was followed by the oath-taking ceremony led by Asst. Prof. Ms. Shaina Dhulapkar, where the students pledged to uphold the values and ethics expected of law students.

The formal induction concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Asst. Prof. Ms. Tanvi Khandolkar, who expressed gratitude to all participants, faculty members, and organizers. The compère for the event was Miss Nidhi Gawde from the fourth-year BALLB.

After the induction ceremony, Dr Shaber Ali G, Principal of the college, took over to provide a detailed orientation session for the new students. He emphasized the importance of dedication, discipline, and a proactive approach to legal education, encouraging students to make the most of their time at the institution. The induction and orientation ceremony successfully set a positive tone for the students, making them feel welcomed and well-prepared for their academic journey ahead.



II. LEGAL AID SOCIETY

Name of the incharge/associate/assistant

Dr. Aamod M. Shirali	Director
Asstt. Prof. Shaina Dhulapkar	Associate Director

Objectives

- i. Providing free legal aid services to all.
- ii. Enhancing the ability of law students by involving them in legal practice through clinical programs.
- iii. Undertaking community legal literacy programmes using different methods.
- iv. To make law students socially sensitive and enshrine public spirit in them.
- v. Encourage law students to contribute to Law reform and institute Public Interest Litigations.
- vi. Assist general public in para-legal services

II. Membership Drive:

- Dates: **10th July, 2024**

Methodology:

- i. Identification of **total number of Students claiming exemption** of Legal Aid activity. (Google Form circulated to Fifth year students on 5th July, 2024)
- ii. Identification of **total number of vacancies** in each cell. Data obtained from cell incharges. Total numbers of vacancies were identified by deducting the students claiming exemption, and students passed out in the previous Academic year, or transferred to another clinic. The remainder were students continuing for ensuing academic year (Data collected vide message dated 9th July, 2024)
- iii. **Orientation sessions** conducted for students to join Legal Aid Society on **9th July** Third Year BA.LL.B and **11th July, 2024, for** Second Year LL.B (Degree)
- iv. **Admission Process:** Students of Third Year BA.LL.B. and Second Year LL.B (Degree). (Google Form circulated on **10th July, 2024** on whatsapp groups). Admission form was open upto 14th July, 2024. Admission was based on three preferences in vicinity of their residence of students and vacancy in each cell.
- v. Allotment list of new members circulated on **18th July, 2024.**

Proof of the Methodology:

- Google Form of 5th July, 2024 for claiming exemption, and tabulation.
- Google Form for Admission of new members to legal aid cells circulated on 10th July, 2024, and tabulated responses.
- [Notices](#)
- Allotment list (excel sheet database)

List of student members

- **Total number of Students part of 27 Legal Aid Cells =380**
- <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/13NtIwGGLmQVBsZ2KZ1j3DbRt7vSPLXiHn69RYF1ioL4/e/dit?usp=sharing>
- [Admission list](#)

List of faculty incharges

Allocation of the faculty In Charge of the Legal Aid Cell for the academic year 2024-2025

Sr. No	Name of the Legal Aid Cell	Name of the Faculty In Charge
1.	Anjuna	Dhruva Naik
2.	Bandora	Reshmi Sawant
3.	Bastora	Roshant Parwar
4.	Bicholim	Siddhi Naik
5.	Calangute	Reshmi Sawant
6.	Candolim	Siddhesh Tari
7.	Guirim	Dr. Shruti Kamat Dalal
8.	Honda	Ramrai Naik
9.	Mala	Ruchira Naik
10.	Mandrem	Varsha Redkar
11.	Mapusa	Dr. Shruti Kamat Dalal
12.	Margao	Priscilla Fernandes
13.	Merces	Ruchira Naik
14.	Moirá	Dr. Priya Onsker
15.	Old Goa	Dr. Sonal Sardessai
16.	Panaji	Dr. Sonal Sardessai
17.	Pernem	Varsha Redkar
18.	Piligao	Ruhi Phadte
19.	Ponda	Ruhi Phadte
20.	Porvorim	Roshant Pawar
21.	Sanquelim	Tanvi Khandolkar
22.	St. Cruz	Disha Sardessai
23.	Siolim	Pearl Monteiro
24.	Sucorro	Dr. Priya Onsker
25.	Taleigao	Disha Sardessai
26.	Vasco	Siddhi Naik
27.	Verem	Dhruva Naik

III. Activities Undertaken

1. First Meeting of Cell Incharges Meeting of Cell Incharges

- Date: **04-07-2024**



The First meeting of all the 27 Free Legal Aid Cell incharges and Deputy was convened on 4th July, 2024, to provide details of commencement of the Legal Aid cells from Saturday 6th July, 2024, and other instructions.

The former Director of Legal Aid Society, Asstt Prof. Ashwini Naik, introduced Dr. Aamod Shirali, as new Director of Legal Aid Society and Asstt. Prof. Shaina Dhulapkar as Associate

Director for the ensuing Academic year 2024-25.



Dr. Aamod Shirali, addressed the incharges of the Legal Aid Cells about the date of commencement of Legal Aid cells from 6th July, 2024. He further placed the [Rules and Regulations for legal Aid cells](#) pertaining to the following:

- a) Meeting of Cells
- b) Attendance
- c) Exemptions
- d) Submission of Cell Journals and Attendance Register
- e) Major Program- checklist
- f) Minor Program-Checklist



The meeting concluded with hand over of Files, Journals, Banners, and Attendance Register to all the Cell Incharges.

2. Orientation on Legal Aid

Date: **09-07-2024**

Orientation session was conducted for Second Year LL.B. Degree students by Director and Associate Director of Legal Aid Society.

The presentation began with an overview of the concept of Legal Aid and the Constitutional mandate. Further the students were given an insight into the duty of Law schools to provide clinical legal education and the Bar Council mandate. Dr. Aamod Shirali, highlighted the skill development of the student through Legal Aid.

He further emphasised on the Seven Components of Legal aid which students are usually engaged through the legal aid cells. He further provided an insight into the objectives of the Legal Aid Society and the Organogram of the Legal Aid Society. He also showcased the activities that students have been conducting in rural and semi-urban areas.

3. Orientation on Clinical Legal Education by Prof. Dr. M.R.K. Prasad

Date: **11-07-2024**

An Orientation on Clinical Legal Education, was conducted by Prof. Dr. M.R.K. Prasad on Clinical Legal Education for the Second Year LL.B. Degree Students. Prof. Dr. Prasad addressed the on the need for clinical legal education in India. He shared his experience in steering 40 legal Aid cells in the Goa, since 1998. Prof.

Prasad focused on the benefit of Legal aid activities in the Profession in future.

Prof. Prasad highlighted on the Seven components of Legal Aid with illustrations and case studies. The Session was interactive and well received.



4. Orientation on Legal Aid

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5. Training Programme on Report Writing

Date: 02.08.2024



Reporting of Legal Aid activities is an important part of all legal aid activities. In order to ensure that Reports of all legal aid cells are uniform, a report format was placed before the Cell incharges. Their suggestions were elicited and then the format was sent across to them through the whatsapp group.

Report writing involves the reporting of minor and major programs with Geo-tagged photographs clearly indicating the students participating, the targeted audience and the theme of programme conducted. This year the Legal Aid Society thought it appropriate to include the details of targeted audience and outcome of the Programme. The incharges were instructed to ensure media coverage and issue Press note in consultation with Faculty incharge. Formats of Press notes with limited description was illustrated.

6. Legal Aid Cell Inspection Meeting of Cell Incharges

Date: 13-08.2024

Meeting of Cell incharges was convened to apprise them of the Legal Aid cell Inspection by faculty, to be held on Saturday 17th August, 2024. The schedule and the route was shared with the

incharges. They were instructed to prepare a Report for previous academic year 2023-24, and brief presentation of the activities for the inspection team.

7. Legal Aid Cell Inspection

Date: 15-08-24- Faculty Meeting



Faculty members were briefed as to Legal aid inspection scheduled on 17th August, 2024. Details were provided of the Inspection Report and marking criteria for each cells. List of Instructions were also provided.

Date: 17-08-2024

The Faculty were divided in 5 panels to visit the 27 Legal Aid cells. The details are as under:

Panel	Faculty Head	Route	Number of Legal Aid Cells
Panel 1	Prof. Dr. MRK Prasad	Ponda	5
Panel 2	Dr. Kim Couto	Mapusa	6
Panel 3	Dr. Sandhya Ram	Honda	5
Panel 4	Dr. G. Shaber Ali	Margao	5
Panel 5	Dr. K. S. Rao	Pernem	6

At each Legal aid cell the Inspection team spent minimum 30 minutes. The team collected the report, heard the members, nominated new incharges and deputy, and filled the Inspection Report. The team perused and endorsed the Attendance register and Legal Aid Cell Journal and individual student journals. The instructions were also provided to the members. Each inspection completed with group photos.

8. Legal Aid Award 2024



V.M. Salgaocar College of Law was awarded the 'Legal aid award 2024', which was powered by Knowledge Steez. The award ceremony was held on 13th October, 2024, at Indian Society of International Law, New Delhi. The award was received by Dr. G. Shaber Ali, Offg. Principal.

The award is for exceptional recognition of Law Colleges and Universities for commendable and noteworthy contributions to the community. The report period was January to December 2023.

Press Coverage

<https://epaper.navhindtimes.in/NewsDetail.aspx?storyid=138748&date=2024-10-18&pageid=1>

<https://livenewsgoa.com/vm-salgaocar-law-college-bags-legal-aid-award/>

<https://goemkarponn.com/salgaocar-law-college-wins-legal-aid-award/#:~:text=Team%20Goemkarponn-.PANAJI%3A%20V.M..of%20International%20Law%2C%20New%20Delhi.>

9. Opportunities in Emerging Legal Eco System

Date: 26 September 2024

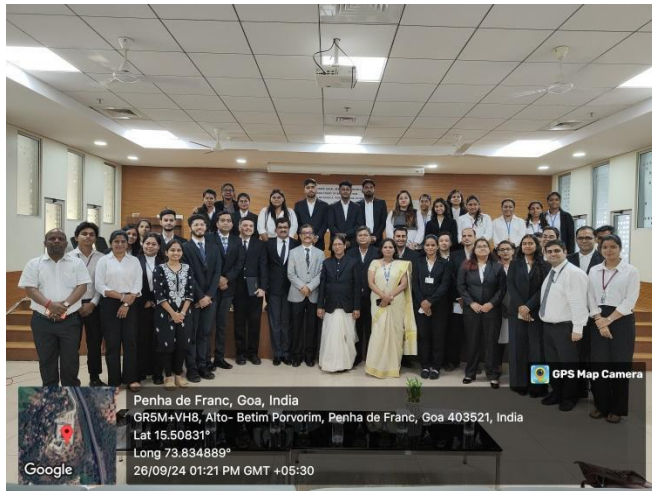
Venue: High Court of Bombay at Porvorim – Goa

Total Students-16

The session started with the welcome address by Ms. Vijaya Ambre, Member Secretary, GSLSA. Students of V.M. Salgaocar College of Law, Goa and KC Law College, Mumbai along with some HSS students were present.

In the first session, Mr. Nitin Kunkolienkar, Entrepreneur and Former President of Goa Chamber of Commerce and Industry addressed the students on the opportunities not only restricted to litigation and corporates but the new openings

relating to geo-political changes in the world, 'export-import policies', ever evolving technology, Online Dispute Resolution. Reading is the basic essential he advised the budding legal minds. He also encouraged the students to have an entrepreneurship based direction and use the advancing technology to their advantage. This was followed by an open session wherein the students asked a lot of questions. The resource person also shared various instances relating to the same.



The following session was taken up by Shri. Ram Prabhudessai, Registrar (Judicial), High Court of Bombay at Goa and Shri. Audi, Dy. Registrar (Judicial), High Court of Bombay at Goa as instructed by Justice Karnik. This session was basically for the students to ask various queries not only w.r.t practice in the hon'ble High Court but practice in the trial courts. This session was indeed very fruitful where students could gain practical insights of the legal profession.

In the next session, we had Shri. Joshi, Registrar of High Court of Bombay interact with the students. He asked the students various questions relating to civil and criminal practice, shared a few instances he had come across, indeed igniting the spirits of all attendees.

Subsequent to that, the students were privileged to welcome the Hon'ble Chief Justice Shri. Devendra Upadhyaya, High Court of Bombay, along with Justice M. S. Karnik, Justice B. P. Deshpande, Justice V. Menezes of High Court of Bombay at Goa. A musical welcome followed by a skit was presented by the staff of the High Court to raise awareness on Cyber Crime in the distinguished presence of the Lordships. The Hon'ble Chief Justice addressed the students and inspired them to look forward to not only Corporate jobs but other directions in the legal field. He mentioned how the legal field is different from other fields like medicine. Patience is the key to success he emphasised. The Growth in this field of Law may be initially slow but sky is the limit he explained also drawing a comparison with a pyramid. He also shared his valuable experience with the students.



Finally, the programme concluded with the vote of Thanks. Indeed this programme motivated the young legal minds to discover new possibilities in this field apart from being inspired to become professional advocates and judges.

10. Students Participation in Program and Interaction with Hon'ble High Court Judges

Date: 19 October 2024

Venue: District & Sessions Court Complex, Mercers - Goa.

Topic: ***Role of Judicial Officers and Members of the Bar in Improving the Justice Delivery System***

The students got a chance to witness the inauguration of the new District & Sessions Court complex at Mercers-Goa. The Hon'ble Chief Justice of India Shri. D.Y. Chandrachud in the presence of other dignitaries on dais addressed the gathering. He emphasised that derogatory language against women will not be tolerated, highlighting the various difficulties faced by young women judges. He mentioned the possibility of creating Goa as the hub for International Commercial Arbitration and creating a judicial academy where not just judges but also civil servants may be trained.

In the next session, which was an interactive one, Justice Abhay Oka mentioned three upcoming significant dates one of which is 28th January 2025- marking the completion of 75 years since the establishment of the apex court. An important question he asked which everyone was forced to introspect was 'what have we achieved?'. He pointed out the various drawbacks of the system, emphasising the crucial role played by the lower and district level judiciary. The hesitance in granting bail, lethargic approach when it comes to execution after the decree has been passed, simple matters like succession requiring a year or two were some matters he spoke on. He also expressed that the system needs to be litigant friendly.

The next speaker was Chief Justice Shri. Upadhyay of the High Court of Bombay. He highlighted the "5 points of frustration" which the litigant faces. Including the three points mentioned by Justice Oka, he added the long and verbose plaints being filed by lawyers which in turn become a

reason for lengthy judgements and long cross examination of witnesses which go on for days, months and years.

Following this, Justice Shri. Bharat Deshpande advised the judges to make active use of technology. Also role the trial and and sharing his Cleofato briefly on some



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Bharne, Director of highlighted the role of APP, when it came to trial and also investigation. Due to paucity Advocate Shri. Vishwesh summarised the various issues

which need to be worked upon in order to improve our justice delivery system

The session was thrown open for virtual as well as the audience present there. Various issues like use of ChatGPT, AI, Arbitration were discussed.

Finally, the vote of thanks was extended by Shri. Irshad Agha, Principal District and Sessions Judge.

11.. Reports of Legal Aid activities

See Legal Aid Reports at Link - <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1h9PsBEPsMM3XmIzr77bCVg4YoAdzUeXc?usp=sharing>

IV. Social Media/Press Coverage

Legal Aid Award 2024



Ponda Free Legal Aid Cell

“Systematic Voter’s Awareness” on 31st August 2024. The resource person for the same was Ms. Sapna Naik Bandodkar, Asst. Chief Electoral Commissioner.

Date: 31st August, 2024

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Mandrem Free Legal Aid Cell

Date: 28/09/2024

Child Rights, Juvenile justice Act and Motor Vehicle Act.



Socorro Free Legal Aid Cell

Date: 21-09-2024

Accessibility and Disability Rights



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V. Future Plans and Follow-Up

- Organise Seminar and Training Programs for Incharge and Cell members.
- Explore different ways for wider outreach programs
- Focus on resolution of issues
- Participation in Prof. V. S. Mallar National Legal Aid Competition
- Jan Sunwari

VI. Partnerships/Collaborations

- Actively collaborate with District Legal Services Authority
- Collaborate with NGOs, Government Departments, and Statutory Authorities

III. LEGAL AID CLINICS

i. Consumer Rights Clinic

Name of the incharge/associate/assistant

Director: Dr. K S Rao

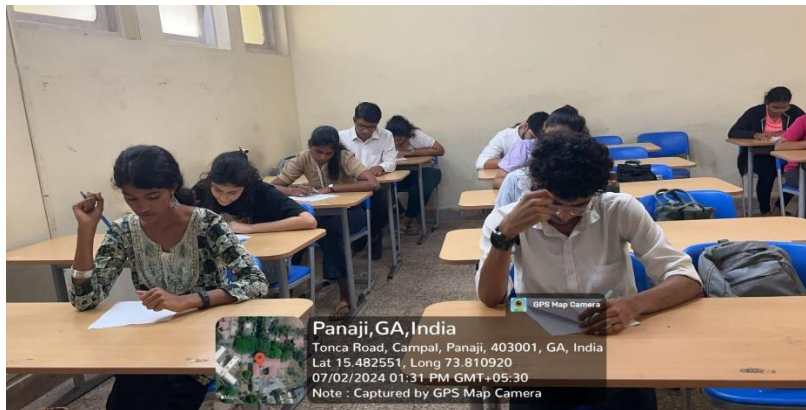
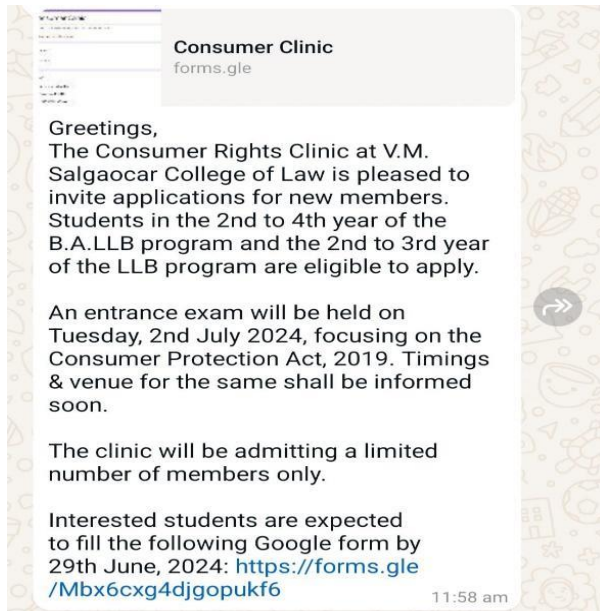
Associate Director: Mr. Roshant Parwar

2. Objectives:

- To educate students about consumer rights and the various mechanisms available for consumer protection.
- To offer students hands-on experience in consumer law by engaging them in mock trials related to consumer issues
- To encourage research and publication of articles, reports, and papers on contemporary issues in consumer law
- To provide free legal advice and assistance to consumers in filing complaints and resolving consumer disputes

3. Membership Drive:

- Dates: 25/06/2024
- Methodology: Google Form and written test
- Proof of the Methodology:



- List of student members: **34**

4. Activities Undertaken: 4

1) Guest Lecture

- Title: “The Consumer Protection Act 2019; Basic Rights of the Consumers”
- Dates: 6/7/2024
- Description: organized a guest lecture on July 6, 2024, focusing on ‘The Consumer Protection Act.’ The lecture featured Ms. Rejitha Rajan, a North Goa Consumer District Commission member, as the guest speaker.
- Report Copy with photographs

Report

The Consumer Clinic hosted a guest lecture by Ms. Rejitha Rajan, a North Goa Consumer District Commission member. The event took place in Hall No. 02, where she spoke on the Consumer Protection Act 2019, emphasizing the basic rights of consumers. The student in charge, Ms. Sakshi V., gave a vote of thanks following the presentation, and Mr. Nivan B. offered a bouquet as a token of appreciation. The clinic's deputy in charge, Mr. Deepam, welcomed the new members and concluded the session. The event was informative, helping students gain valuable information about consumer rights and protection mechanisms.



2) Consumer Complaint Drafting Competition

- Title: “Drafting Consumer Complaints”
- Dates: 24/7/2024
- Description: Organized a competition for the college students of the Consumer Clinic, focusing on drafting consumer complaints on July 24, 2024. To improve the drafting skills of the members of the clinic.
- Report Copy with photographs

Report



Consumer Rights Clinic organized a competition on drafting consumer complaints on 24 July 2024, for the students, to enhance their skills in drafting consumer complaints. The competition was designed to help members improve their legal drafting abilities, a key component of consumer advocacy. Alisha Fernandes emerged as the competition's winner, while Ishan

Kenkre secured the runner-up position. Both students were awarded prizes in recognition of their efforts. The competition was a valuable learning experience, enabling participants to practically apply their knowledge of consumer rights and the complaint process.

3) Mock Trial

- Title: “mock trial on consumer disputes”
- Dates: 13/8/2024
- Description: Organized a mock trial on consumer disputes on 13th August 2024 in the College's Moot Court Hall, to simulate real-life courtroom experiences, enhancing their understanding of legal procedures and consumer protection laws. The objective is to develop critical skills like legal research, argumentation, and case presentation, fostering confidence and preparedness for future legal practice

Report

Members of the Consumer Rights Clinic conducted a mock trial on consumer grievance redressal in the college Moot Court Hall On 13th August 2024, focusing on a defect in goods. Guided by Dr. K.S. Rao and Asst. Prof. Roshant Parwar, the event included a skit and representation of a consumer trial. The participants were praised by faculty and students.



5. Future Plans and Follow-Up:

In the second term, the Consumer Rights Clinic has planned a series of activities, including ad-making and mediation competitions. Additionally, we are considering organizing a street play, visits to the Consumer District Commission and conciliation sessions, and a logo-making competition.

6. Partnerships/Collaborations:

The Consumer Rights Clinic has a mutual understanding and written permission from the North Goa District Consumer Commission, allowing our students to attend and observe the proceedings before the Commission.

ii. CENTRE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITY.

DIRECTOR : Dr. Mrunmayi M.Vaidya.

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR : Roshant Parwar

2. Objectives:

- To train student members to create awareness regarding the rights of person's with disability (PWD).
- To sensitize the public regarding rights of PWD.
- To conduct research on the laws governing PWD and their implementation.
- To assist PWD in getting access to welfare schemes as well as benefits available under the law.

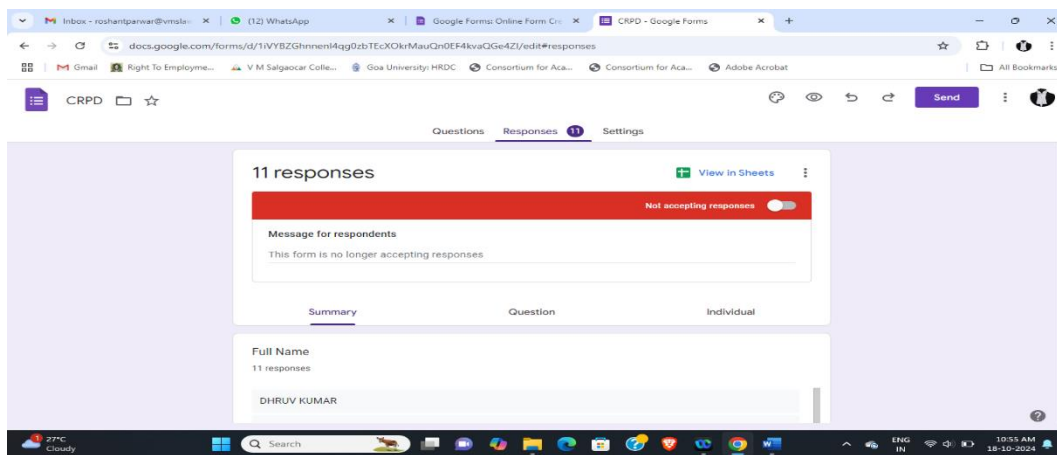
3. Membership Drive:

a. **Dates:** 24th July 2024.

b. **Methodology:**

- Membership drive was conducted by circulating google form to the following classes on 24th July 2024:
 - S.Y LL.B Degree and T.Y LL.B Degree.
 - T.Y, IV Yr and V Yr. B.A.LL.B.
- Last date for filling the form was 27th July 2024.
- Students who were members of other Clinics were considered ineligible to apply.

c. *Proof of the Methodology:*



4. Activities Undertaken:

- Title: MOU with Department for Persons with Disability initiated. Director will send a draft of MOU to the College.
- Draft of content for Awareness drive created.

5. Future Plans and Follow-Up:

a. Awareness Project:

- Talks by members of the Clinic for school students to create sensitization and raise awareness about rights of persons with disability. Each student will address 6 batches of school students.

b. MOU with Department for Persons with Disability and activities pursuant to it.

c. Research Project on Compliance with disabled friendly infrastructure in Government buildings.

d. Internship for students with the Department for Persons with Disability.

e. Conducting of disability audit by analysing the feasibility in terms of its requirements and financial implications involved.

7. Partnerships/Collaborations: Department of Persons with Disability.

iii. Child Rights Clinic

Name of the in-charge:

Director: Dr. Kim Couto & Associate Director: Ms. Reshmi R. Sawant

1. **Name of the Clinic: Child Rights Clinic**

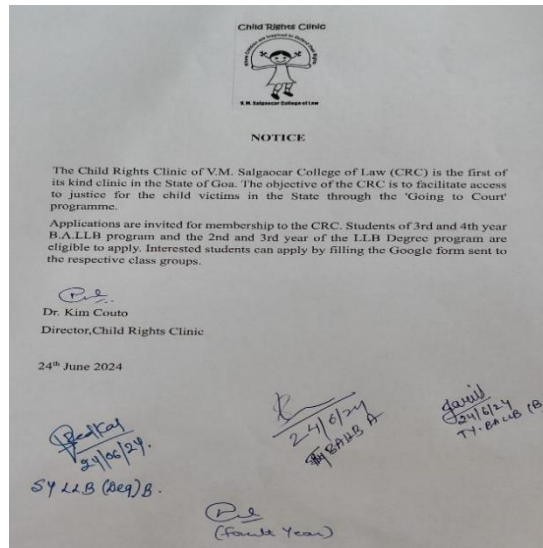
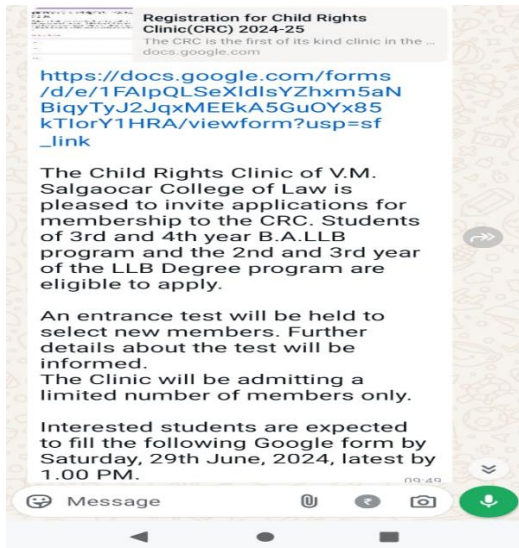
2. **Objectives:**

The Child Rights Clinic being on- campus and subject-specific, it aims to

- ❖ provide members with knowledge of laws designed for the protection of children.
- ❖ familiarise and provide members a first -hand experience of the procedure adopted in the Juvenile Justice Board, the Children’s Court and other quasi-judicial bodies for the protection and welfare of children in the State.
- ❖ undertake research to assess the law and policy on child-rights and its enforcement.
- ❖ facilitate access to justice for children whose rights have been violated.
- ❖ undertake training for various stakeholders including school leachers, parents among others, in child -related laws and child rights.
- ❖ to create child rights-sensitized lawyers.

3. **Membership Drive:**

- Dates: 11th July 2024 at 1.30 p.m., Child Rights Clinic Aptitude Test
- Methodology: Class Notice, Google Form
- Proof of the Methodology:
Screenshots, flyers, emails, or any material used in the drive.



•Number of student members =26 members

4. Activities Undertaken:

(i) Title: **Orientation Cum Interactive Session**

Date : 25th July 2024

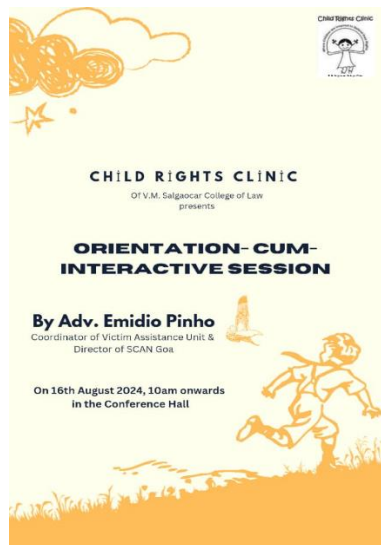
Description: Orientation for CRC members going to Children’s Court for observation of court proceedings, the orientation was Conducted by .

Activities Undertaken:

(ii) Title: Orientation for CRC members by Adv. Emidio Pinho

Dates : 16.08.2024

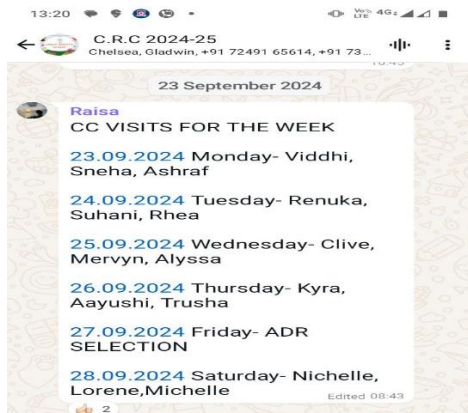
Description: Orientation regarding awareness programmes on CR in schools in association with SCAN



Activities Undertaken:

(iii) Title: 'Going to Court Programme' by CRC members

- Dates : Ongoing from 25th July 2024 onwards
- Description: CRC members going to Children's Court for observation of court proceedings.
- Report Copy with photographs



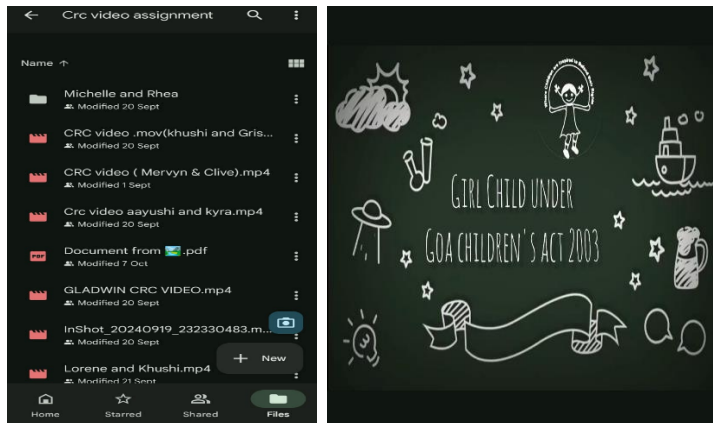
Activities Undertaken:

(iv) Title: **Creation of e-content on Child Rights**

- Dates : Started from 14th August to 20th September 2024
- Description

Students contributed to educational videos and reel-making to raise awareness about various laws on child rights.

- Report Copy with photographs: (screenshot of sample video is attached)



Activities Undertaken:

(v) Title: **Release of First issue of ‘Kidvocates’ -Law E -Magazine for Children**

- Dates : August 2024
- Description
Knowledge of child related laws and fun activities are included in the e-magazine
- Report Copy with photographs

❖ Kidvocates e-magazine Issue Link: <https://vmslaw.edu.in/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/CRC-Kidvocates-Issue-I.pdf>

Activities Undertaken:

(vi) Title: **Second Issue of ‘Kidvocates’ -Law E -Magazine for Children**

- Dates : September 2024
- Description
Knowledge of child related laws and fun activities are included in the e-magazine .
- Report Copy with photographs



Activities Undertaken: Application for nomination of CRC members as pro bono PLV

(v) Title: Empanelment of CRC members as *pro bono* PLV

- Dates: 5th October 2024
- Description

Empanelment of CRC members as PLV to assist in the Children's Court by North Goa District Legal Services Authority

- Report Copy with photographs: Vide letter NO. DLSA/2024/1561 dated 5th October 2024

Activities Undertaken:

(vi) Title: Awareness on Rights of Child in collaboration with SCAN NGO

- Dates: Ongoing
- Description : Awareness talks are being conducted by CRC members in collaboration with the NGO SCAN in schools on Child Abuse .The programme is presently ongoing.
- Report Copy with photographs



6. Future Plans and Follow-Up:

- (i) Continue court visits for hands on learning
- (ii) Publish e -law magazine
- (iii)Host series of webinars on CR issues
- (iv) Observance/Celebration of national and international days to commemorate child rights

7. Partnerships/Collaborations:

NGO SCAN , Legal Services Authorities

iv. Women Empowerment Cell

Name of the incharge/associate/assistant: Dr Kim Couto & Asst. Prof. Ruchira Naik

1. Name of the Activity: Women Empowerment Cell
2. Objectives:
 - to spread awareness among the women about their human rights

- To uplift the women by empowering them with the knowledge of various reliefs available to them under the law against any mistreatment in the society.
- To make them believe that they are strong, special and equal to men.

3. Membership Drive:

- Dates: 18th July 2024 and 6th September 2024 (made open for all classes on request)
- Methodology: Circulation of Google form
- Proof of the Methodology: <https://forms.gle/FTSLi4g8AKNBxhiw8>



4. Activities Undertaken: 09 (2 Minor + 1Major (WEEK-long))

- Title : Awareness Programme on “Functioning of Goa State Commission for Women and Cyber Safety
- Dates :25th July 2024
- Description: GSCW in collaboration with Cyber Wellness Centre
WEC Involved in coordinating and logistics of the programme
- Report Copy with photographs

The speaker Smt. Ranjita Pai, Chairperson (GSCW) spoke about the functioning of Goa state Commission for Women, the activities it undertakes and programs performed by the GSCW. Later,

the resource person for the function Mr. Arun James , Centre in charge of cyber wellness Goa ,delivered a speech on cyber safety. He discussed the recent Cybercrimes happening across the globe and put forth precautions which we need to take when using internet on various social media platforms. The programme concluded by presenting memento to the resource persons and vote of thanks.



4. Activities Undertaken:

- Title : Awareness Talk on Anit Human Trafficking” to commemorate World Anti Human Trafficking Day
- Dates :30th July 2024
- Description : Goa Police (Women Police Station, Panaji) in collaboration with NGO SCAN and W.E.C.

WEC Involved in coordinating and logistics of the programme . WEC members did a skit to create awareness about how human trafficking happens .

- Report Copy with photographs

The resource person for the event were Smt. Enakshi Ganguly, a prominent advocate and an expert in child rights and Mr.Emidio Pinho ,Coordinator, Victim Assistance Unit for the state of Goa and Sakhi – One stop Center, North Goa. Police Inspector Ms. Reema Naik , women police station Panaji was also one of the dignitaries present at the event along with other members of women police station. The resource persons discussed about the concept of human trafficking, its meaning ,instances and also brought before the audience some real life human trafficking cases handled by the NGO and victim rescue unit. It was a very interactive session The student members of Women Empowerment Cell performed a short beautiful Skit on Anti Human trafficking.



4. Activities Undertaken:

- Title : World Breast-feeding Awareness Week Programme
- Dates : From 1st August 2024 – 07th August 2024
- Description : Conceptualized, Organized and Conducted by Women Empowerment Cell of the College



A week full of celebrations was organised by The Women Empowerment cell of V.M Salgaocar college of Law Miramar from 1 Aug to 7 Aug 2024 Breaking the stereotypes and raising awareness on Breastfeeding. Some of the highlights were Poster Making competition: Where students came together and showcased their creativity while also raising awareness. Online Slogan writing competition compelled the students to think out of the box. Monologue competition: Which even put the judges in awe at how good Actors our future lawyers were going

to be. Next was Poetry Writing competition: This was not your ordinary poetry competition it came with its own twists making the students scuffle in their shoes. A picture was shown on the spot and the poets had to write down their creations by getting inspired from the given picture.

On day 6 a talk was arranged by the faculty. Dr Sophia Rodrigues a consultant obstetrician and gynaecologist, was the resource person who conducted an engaging session bursting many myths and stigmas related to breastfeeding. Some Do's & Don'ts during breastfeeding and also educating students about the wonderful golden liquid. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the session.



On the last day a quiz was arranged for the members of Women Empowerment Cell And winners were felicitated with certificates and prizes. There was also an award ceremony arranged after the Quiz competition. All of the winners along with participants were awarded and everyone returned with content in their heart and faces full of smiles.

And that concluded a week filled with fun, learning, and wonderful memories. Students participated in good number in all the activities conducted during the entire

week. All credit goes to the ever enthusiastic faculty In-charges of The Women Empowerment Cell which is headed by Dr. Kim Couto and Asst. Prof Ruchira Naik.

Poster making competition





Poetry writing competition



Awareness talk on Breastfeeding - A child's Birth Right

Monologue Competition



Quiz Competition (Online)



Valedictory Function



5. Social Media/Press Coverage: Live News Goa, Goenkarponn, College Facebook page.

<https://goemkarponn.com/world-breastfeeding-awareness-week/>

6. Future Plans and Follow-Up:

- a) Free Karate Classes for Girl students
- b) Programme on Menstrual Hygiene
- c) Survey regarding beneficiaries of free legal aid
- d) Workshop in collaboration with GSCW
- e) Free Medical Checkup for Women

7. Partnerships/Collaborations: Goa State Commission for Women, Women Police Station, & Victim Assistance Unit

IV. ADR BOARD

Faculty Coordinators

Dr. Priya Onsker – Director

Asst. Prof. **Disha Sardesai**– Associate Director

Asst. Prof. **Varsha Redkar**- Associate Director

About ADR Board

ADR Board of the College imparts training and exposure to students in Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR) through effective client counselling, negotiation and mediation. The Board organizes orientation sessions for all students interested in being members of the ADR board, thereby augmenting their participation in the National and International ADR competitions. The enrolment of the students as members of the ADR Board undergoes a rigorous process of selection round, wherein the students are given a problem (two days in advance), and Confidential information (CI) 20 mins prior to their rounds which tests the skills of the students to negotiate and come up with creative solutions on modern-day issues. On successful completion of the selection rounds, the students are then selected to become members of ADR Board.

The selected members are further trained and are given the opportunity to represent the college at the National and International Competitions. The faculty coordinators/ members of the institute are instrumental in engaging several training sessions of the members who represent the college at the National and International ADR competitions. Students of the college who have achieved laurels in the preceding year 2022-2023 are equally involved in engaging the trial rounds. ADR Board also conducts compulsory Client Counselling sessions for final year students of the BALL.B. and LL.B. Degree programmes, as part of their practical paper.

Advisory Committee

Prof. Dr. M.R.K. Prasad

Dr. Sandhya Ram – Faculty, Former Director, ADR Board

Mrs. Pearl Monteiro – Faculty, Former Director, ADR Board

Dr. B.S. Patil – Faculty, Former Director, ADR Board

Orientation Sessions

Orientation sessions for the students registered for the Selection rounds of the ADR Board were conducted by Dr. M R K Prasad on 18th and 24th September 2024 in Conference Hall.



Dr. M.R.K Prasad conducting the orientation session for students in conference Hall.

Demo / Mock Mediation Session

A Demo / Mock Mediation Session was held on 25th September 2024 in the conference hall to accustom interested students to the process of ADR. A fact sheet of a previously discussed ADR problem was sent to all the registered students via their class WhatsApp groups.

Selection to ADR Board

Notice was issued for the purpose of registration for selection rounds to the ADR Board on 4th September 2024 and the last date to register was 13th September 2024. The Selection Rounds were held on 27th September 2024 in 8 different halls at the College. Besides faculty members, alumni of the college having expertise in the field of ADR were also invited to preside over the selection rounds. The declaration of the results was done on 4th October 2024.

ADR Board members:

A total of 57 students were selected. Exemption from selection process was given to 11 former members who had achievements to their credit from previous year (2023 - 2024) National/International Competitions. The selected members who participated at the National and International Competitions received coaching from Dr. B.S.Patil, Prof. M.R.K.Prasad, Practicing Advocates (through online meet).

List of students selected for ADR Board 2024-25

Blog for ADR Board – VMSCL Concord

The ADR Board had opened a blog on 4th October 2017 to share the experience, best practices and writings of students, faculty, alumni and invitees. During this academic year, posts were made and the blog has numerous visitors. The blog can be visited at <https://vmsclconcord.blogspot.in/>

@ V M Salgaocar College of Law Facebook page - Post dated from 6/11/2024

ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE STUDENTS



Ms. Astha Kamat and **Mr. Nimish Borkar**, BALLB students of V.M. Salgaocar College of Law emerged as the **Semi-Finalists** in the 2nd International Negotiation Competition organized by Manipal University, Jaipur. Congratulations to the team. **Nimish Borkar** was declared as **Best Client** for the Competition.

V.MOOT COURT SOCIETY 2024-2025

Director of Moot Court Society: Pearl Monteiro

Associate Directors of Moot Court Society: Shreya Shah & Siddhi Naik

Total No. of students: 60

Registration Process

Students were invited to register for participation in the Selection Moot Court process in Physical/Offline mode for the academic year 2024-25 through the release of a Google Form via notice dated 4th September 2024. The Moot Court Society received 238 responses to the Google form by the registration deadline of 21st September 2024. The second phase of the selection moot court is scheduled for 13th December 2024 where in students of first year degree and second year BA LL.B will compete for a coveted spot in the Moot Court Society,

Moot Court Society Activity Schedule

The Event	Date
Release of Selection moot Court problem	4 th September 2024
Moot Court Orientation for Students of Second Year BA.LL.B. by Dr. M.R.K. Prasad	17 th & 18 th September 2024
Moot Court Orientation for students of First Year LL.B (Degree) by Dr. B.S. Patil	17 th & 18 th September 2024
Moot Court Orientation for students of Second Year LL.B (Degree) by Prof Shreya Shah	17 th & 18 th September 2024

Selection Moot Court round for Third Year, Fourth Year, Fifth Year BA LLB, Second & Third Year Degree in college premises	4 th October 2024
Selection Moot Court round for Second Year BA LLB & First Year Degree in college premises	14 th October 2024 Postponed to 13 December 2024
Declaration of Result of Selection Moot Court Round I	4 th October 2024
Total Participation in National Moot Court Competitions by VMSCL Moot Court Society members	01

AWARDS

- Best Speaker at Viswanath Pasayat Memorial National Moot Court Competition 2024 organized by Birla School Of Law, Birla Global University, Bhubaneswar awarded to Cleodolinda Maria Antonieta Dos Remedios Pinto

Participation In National / International Competitions

Serial no	Name of Moot Court Competition	Date	Participants	Stage/ Award
1	Viswanath Pasayat Memorial National Moot Court Competition 2024 organized by Birla School Of Law, Birla Global University, Bhubaneswar	2nd- 4th, October 2024	Mooter 1. Roshan Mathias 2. Cleodolinda Pinto Researcher 1. Neha Pombhurphekar	Semi-Finals & Cleodolinda Pinto

VI.National Service Scheme

Tree Plantation Drive - Vana Mahotsav

On 13th July NSS Cell of VMSCL organized a tree plantation Drive in collaboration with Sports Dept of VMSCL and Goa Forest Dept to foster environmental awareness among students the event aimed to engage students in hands on activities while highlighting the importance of trees on our ecosystem

During the program small saplings were planted in our College Campus. Once the planting was completed each student was given a seedling to take home they had the opportunity to choose from a variety of plants encouraging them to select species that would thrive in their local environment

This initiative aimed to promote a sense of responsibility and ownership as students would be responsible for nurturing their seedling. The enthusiasm displayed by the students was inspiring.

[VMSCCL RECEIVES EDUTRUST INDIA DISTRICT ENVIRONMENT CHAMPIONSHIP AWARD 2024-2025 - News for Positivity! | Latest English And Konkani News | Live News Goa TV | Goa's First & Only Positive News Channel](#)

LEADERSHIP CAMP: EMPOWERING FUTURE LEADERS

On 23 July 2024, Centre for Political Leadership of V.M. Salgaocar College of Law – Miramar in collaboration with NSS Cell of VMSCL, organized a dynamic Leadership Camp aimed at cultivating essential leadership qualities among students. This initiative, focused on empowering participants to become effective leaders in their communities and beyond. The camp kicked off with an inspiring opening session, where experienced leaders shared their insights on the qualities that define a successful leader. Emphasizing the importance of vision, communication, and empathy, they set the tone for an engaging and transformative experience.

Throughout the day, participants took part in a series of interactive activities designed to develop key leadership skills. In addition to skill-building activities, the camp provided opportunities for self-reflection. Participants engaged in discussions about their own leadership styles and values, exploring how they can leverage their unique strengths to empower others. This focus on self-awareness is crucial for developing authentic leadership.

As the camp ended, students were encouraged to commit to action by setting personal leadership goals. They left with a renewed sense of purpose and a toolkit of strategies to enhance their leadership abilities. Overall, the Leadership Camp was a resounding success, fostering a spirit of empowerment and collaboration among participants. The NSS is dedicated to continuing such initiatives, as we believe that nurturing leadership qualities in our students is vital for building a brighter future.



REPORT ON FIRE SAFETY AWARENESS PROGRAM

On 29 July 2024, V.M. Salgaocar College of Law – Miramar, hosted a vital Fire Safety Awareness Program aimed at equipping students with essential knowledge and skills to respond effectively in the event of a fire. This initiative was organized by the National Social Service (NSS) in collaboration with local fire safety experts, underscoring our commitment to fostering a safe campus environment. The program began with engaging in highlighting the importance of fire safety and the various types of fire emergencies that can occur. Students learned about common causes of fires, the significance of prevention, and how to maintain awareness in their surroundings. A key component of the session focused on the different types of fire extinguishers and their specific uses.



Participants were educated on how to identify the right extinguisher for various classes of fires—such as those caused by combustible materials, flammable liquids, or electrical equipment. This knowledge is crucial, as using the wrong type of extinguisher can exacerbate a fire situation rather than contain it. Following the informative session, attendees had the opportunity to participate in a practical demonstration. Under the guidance of experienced fire safety professionals, students practiced using fire extinguishers, learning the correct techniques to effectively put out small fires. This hands-on experience not only reinforced the theoretical knowledge shared earlier but also built confidence among participants in their ability to act decisively during emergencies. The program concluded with an interactive Q&A

session, allowing students to address their concerns and clarify doubts about fire safety practices. The feedback received from attendees was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing gratitude for the invaluable skills and knowledge gained during the event. In summary, the Fire Safety Awareness Program empowered students with the tools they need to act appropriately in case of a fire emergency. The NSS is committed to continuing such initiatives to promote safety awareness and ensure a secure environment for all members of our college community.



Tiranga Yatra



On the 13th of August 2024, the National Service Scheme (NSS) unit of V. M. Salgaocar College of Law participated in Tiranga Yatra in Panaji, Goa organized by DYSA Goa. The event commenced at 8:30 a.m. at Azad Maidan, with a group of approximately 30 students and two faculty members leading the way. The participants, proudly holding the Indian national flag and a banner representing the NSS unit, radiated patriotism as they echoed the motto “Not Me, But You.” The initiative was part of a series of pre-

Independence Day activities aimed at fostering national pride and encouraging active citizenship among the student body.

As the NSS unit moved through the area, drawing the attention of onlookers and fellow students alike. The event underscored the institution's commitment to community engagement and the nurturing of socially responsible citizens. The involvement of both students and teachers in the march symbolized a united front in promoting the values of unity, discipline, and service to the nation.

INDEPENDENCE DAY FLAG HOISTING

On 15th August 2024, the NSS unit of V.M. Salgaocar College of Law, Miramar, celebrated Independence Day. The program was reflected in various competitions held leading up to the event, including a poster-making competition and a poetry writing contest, all aimed at fostering creativity and patriotism among the students.



The Program began early in the morning, with students and faculty gathering on the college premises by 8:45 AM. The program commenced with the ceremonial flag hoisting. The Principal of the college, along with NSS coordinators, conducted the flag hoisting, followed by the singing of the

National Anthem. Following the flag hoisting, the winners of the Independence Day competitions were announced. Prizes were distributed to celebrate the creativity and hard work of students, with special recognition for those who excelled in various sports events throughout the year.

The program concluded with a delightful spread of refreshments. The event served as a reminder of the sacrifices made for independence and the importance of upholding the values of freedom, unity, and respect for diversity in our society. Through these celebrations, the NSS unit aimed to instill a deeper understanding of the significance of Independence Day among the students, encouraging them to contribute positively to the nation.

Rakhshabandhan

The Rakhshabandhan at our college this year emphasized the spirit of giving and social responsibility. In a meaningful initiative, Rakhis were crafted by the students of Peace Haven Special School, showcasing their creativity and talent. Each Rakhi was available for purchase at the college office for just 30 rupees, with proceeds supporting the children of the school.

Students purchased a Rakhi not only to honor the traditional bond it symbolizes but also to contribute to this noble cause. The initiative allowed students to engage with the local community while celebrating the festival, reinforcing the values of empathy and support.

NSS volunteers were encouraged to participate actively, as buying Rakhis from the office would count towards their service hours. Participants were reminded to sign the attendance list to ensure their contributions were recognized.

Overall, the Rakhi event fostered a sense of community and raised awareness about the importance of supporting children in need, making it a heartfelt celebration that extended beyond personal festivities.

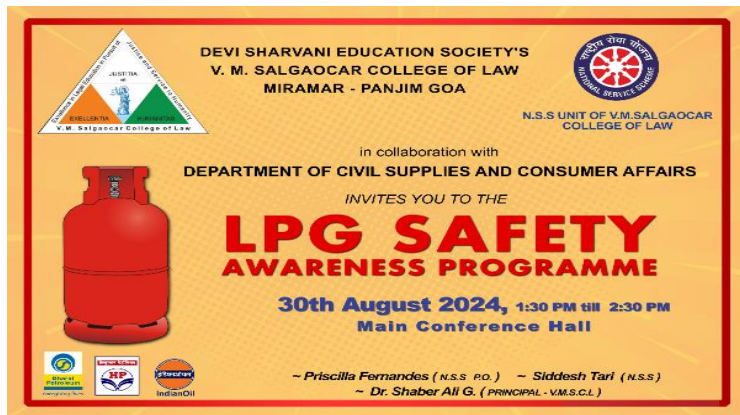
LPG safety awareness program

The NSS unit of V.M. Salgaonkar College of Law, in collaboration with the Department of Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, organized an LPG Safety Awareness Program on August 30, 2024, from 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM in the college's conference hall.

During the program, students were educated about the essential components of LPG cylinders, such as the valve protection ring, the cylinder valve, and the regulator. They learned how to safely handle LPG cylinders and were informed about the significance of checking for leaks, using a soap solution to detect any gas escaping from the cylinder or its fittings. The session emphasized the importance of inspecting the safety cap, ensuring that it is intact before accepting a cylinder. Students were also taught to check for the expiration date stamped on the cylinder's body, as expired cylinders pose a greater risk of leaks and malfunctions. Additionally, it was stressed that each cylinder should be properly weighed upon delivery to ensure it meets the required standards.

The chief speaker shared various safety techniques for household LPG usage, such as keeping the kitchen well-ventilated, ensuring the stove is turned off when not in use, and never leaving cooking unattended. Attendees were also advised to always place the cylinder in an upright position, away from any flammable materials, and to use only authorized service personnel for installation or repairs.

To engage the students further, a fun quiz was conducted, testing their knowledge of the safety tips and guidelines shared during the session. The interactive nature of



the quiz made the program more engaging, and the overall event was a great success, raising much-needed awareness about LPG safety among the student community

MARCH FOR SAFETY: A COLLECTIVE STAND AGAINST VIOLENCE

On August 31, 2024, over 70 passionate individuals came together at Miramar Circle, Panjim, for a powerful march advocating for the safety of girls and women. This significant event, organized by the National Social Service (NSS) in collaboration with the Goa Police, V.M. Salgaonkar College of Law, and various organizations, aimed to raise awareness about the urgent need to end violence against women and girls. As participants gathered at 3:45 PM, the air buzzed with energy and solidarity. Students, teachers, parents, women's rights lawyers, and law students joined forces with police enforcers, demonstrating a united front for a cause that resonates deeply within our communities. Holding aloft the banners and placards with messages of empowerment and safety, the march commenced at 4:00 PM, slowly making its way down the main road towards Azad Maidan

Upon reaching Azad Maidan, the event transitioned into discussions that brought together influential voices from various sectors. Educators, community leaders, and police representatives shared their insights, emphasizing the need for collective action and community involvement in addressing violence against women. Key topics included the role of education in promoting respect and awareness, legal resources available for victims, and strategies for enhancing community safety measures.

Personal stories shared during the discussion underscored the urgency of the cause, highlighting the real-life impact of violence on women and girls. The March for Safety concluded with a renewed commitment from all attendees to advocate for a society where women and girls can live without fear of violence.

Awareness Session on Organ Donation

Organizers: NSS unit of V.M. Salgaocar College of Law in association with the MOG Foundation

Location: V.M. Salgaocar College of Law, Conference Hall

Speaker: Representative from Mohan Foundation

On 4th September, 2024 an awareness session on organ donation was held at V.M. Salgaocar College of Law, aimed at educating students and faculty about the importance of organ donation. The event was organized by the NSS unit of V.M. Salgaocar College of Law in association with the MOG Foundation

The session aimed to:

- Inform attendees about how organ donation works.

- Discuss the significance of organ donation and its impact on saving lives.
- Address common misconceptions and provide clarity on the process of becoming a donor.

The event featured a comprehensive talk by a representative from the Mohan Foundation. Key points included:

1. Understanding Organ Donation:
 - Explanation of the types of organ donations (living and deceased).
 - Overview of the process involved in organ donation.
2. Importance of Organ Donation:
 - Statistics on organ failure and the need for donors.
 - Personal stories highlighting the life-saving potential of organ donations.
3. How to Become a Donor:
 - Steps to register as an organ donor.
 - Information on donor cards and their significance.
4. Common Misconceptions:
 - Addressing fears and myths surrounding organ donation.
 - Clarifying the medical and ethical considerations.

The session saw an engaging turnout of approximately 50 students and faculty members, showcasing a strong interest in the topic. Attendees actively participated in the discussion, posing questions and sharing their perspectives.

The event successfully raised awareness about organ donation, encouraging participants to consider becoming donors. Feedback collected indicated a greater understanding of the subject and a willingness among attendees to advocate for organ donation in their communities.

Inauguration of the Red Ribbon Club at V.M. Salgaocar College of Law

The NSS Unit of V.M. Salgaocar College of Law, successfully established the Red Ribbon Club, an initiative aimed at spreading awareness on vital social and health issues. The club was officially inaugurated on 20th September 2024, marking an important step towards promoting community engagement and awareness.

the Club organized a caption writing competition, inviting students to participate and contribute their creative ideas. All caption entries were submitted by 18th September 2024. After careful deliberation, the best caption was selected.

The event was well-received and reflected the collaborative spirit of the college's student body and the NSS unit, setting a positive tone for the future activities of the Club.



BEACH CLEANING DRIVE AT MIRAMAR BEACH

On October 2, 2024, the NSS unit of V.M. Salgaocar College of Law, in collaboration with Directorate of Sports and Youth Affairs, organized a successful beach cleanliness drive to commemorate Gandhi Jayanti. The initiative, titled "Swabhav Swachata, Sanskaar Swachata," aimed to promote environmental awareness and encourage community participation in keeping our natural spaces clean.

The event commenced at 8 AM at Miramar Beach, with participation from NSS members and students from various colleges in the Panjim area. Together, they worked diligently to collect litter and debris, helping to restore the beach's natural beauty. The participants engaged in various activities, including picking up plastic waste, sorting recyclables, and educating beachgoers about the importance of keeping our beaches clean.

After the cleanup, a resource person delivered a talk on the critical need to preserve water bodies, emphasizing the fragile aquatic ecosystems that are increasingly threatened by pollution. He further highlighted the impact of waste on marine life and the importance of community action in safeguarding these environments.

To conclude the event, all participants were treated to refreshments. The drive not only fostered a sense of community but also reinforced the importance of environmental stewardship among young citizens. Overall, the beach cleaning drive left Miramar Beach cleaner and participants more aware of their role in protecting our planet.



Dhan Utsav (Donation Activity)

Date: October 2nd - 8th, 2023

Organizers: National Service Scheme (NSS) in collaboration with El Shaddai Charitable Trust

Location: V.M. Salgaocar College of Law

The Dhan Utsav donation activity was part of the Joy of Giving Week, an initiative encouraging acts of kindness and generosity across India. The event aimed to support the El Shaddai Charitable Trust, a local charity dedicated to helping underprivileged children and women.

Throughout the week, several key activities took place:

1. Collection Drives:

Various collection points were established to gather donations, including clothing, food, and educational materials. Students and faculty members actively participated, showcasing their commitment to supporting those in need.

2. Awareness Campaigns:

Informational sessions were held to educate participants about the challenges faced by marginalized groups. This awareness inspired greater participation.

The event saw enthusiastic participation from students and faculty. Many students donated generously, reflecting their understanding of societal needs and the importance of community support.

The Dhan Utsav activity successfully collected items which will directly aid the programs of the El Shaddai Charitable Trust. This Activity reinforced the values of empathy and social responsibility.

RG Marathon

Date & Venue: 13th October 2024, Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Stadium, Taleigao, Goa

Organised by: RG Hospital, Porvorim

A Marathon was organised by RG Hospital at the Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Stadium, Taleigao, on 13th October 2024. The event was a great initiative to promote health, fitness, and community well-being. Several NSS volunteers from V.M Salgaocar College of Law participated, contributing to the success of the marathon.



The primary aim of the marathon was to raise awareness about health issues and encourage an active lifestyle among the residents of Goa. NSS volunteers from our college were briefed beforehand about their roles and responsibilities. They were actively involved in various aspects of the marathon, such as:

- Assisting in registration and distribution of marathon kits to participants.
- Guiding participants along the race route and ensuring their safety.
- Managing water stations and providing refreshments to runners.
- Assisting medical teams in case of any emergencies during the event.

The volunteers arrived at the stadium early in the morning, ensuring all preparations were in place for the participants. The marathon saw enthusiastic participation from runners of all age groups. Various categories were created, ranging from 5km to 21km runs, accommodating both amateurs and seasoned runners. Our NSS volunteers played a crucial role in managing the event smoothly. They worked closely with the event organisers and other teams to ensure the participants had a seamless experience. The dedication and teamwork exhibited by our volunteers were commendable.

The involvement of NSS volunteers from V.M Salgaocar College Of Law not only contributed to the smooth conduct of the event but also provided them with valuable exposure to social service and event management. It was a rewarding experience that helped promote the MOTO of NSS 'Not me But You'.

Plastic awareness program

A plastic awareness program was held to address the pressing issue of plastic waste and its environmental impact. The session began with an overview of significant amount of plastic waste that is generated daily. Participants learned about the disadvantages of plastic, particularly its long decomposition time, which can take hundreds of years.

The program then shifted focus to effective waste management strategies, emphasizing the importance of waste segregation into four categories: dry waste, wet waste, biohazardous or domestic hazardous waste, and e-waste. This classification is crucial for reducing landfill impact and promoting recycling.

To engage participants, a quiz game was organized, in which 2 students emerged victorious. The students also signed up for the “Tide Turners Plastic Challenge” Level 1, an initiative aimed at furthering our commitment to plastic reduction. The program highlighted a partnership with the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) to amplify these efforts.

The session concluded with a vote of thanks by Govind Sawant, while Udi Narvekar did comparing. A group photo was taken at end of the event.



PAPER BAGS MAKING AND DISTRIBUTION

The paper bags making and distribution activity conducted by the NSS unit of V.M. Salgaocar College of Law in Miramar on 16 and 17 October 2024 was a meaningful initiative aimed at promoting environmental sustainability. The event involved two key components: Making of eco-friendly paper bags and their distribution to local vendors.

The NSS members dedicated time and effort to craft sturdy paper bags, emphasizing the importance of using sustainable materials in daily life. By engaging in this hands-on activity, participants not only learned about the process of bag-making but also the environmental benefits associated with reducing plastic consumption.

Following the production, the NSS volunteers visited nearby vendors to distribute the paper bags. This outreach was crucial, as it allowed the NSS members to communicate directly with the vendors and raise awareness about the negative impact of plastic waste on the environment.



Through conversations with shopkeepers, they encouraged the adoption of paper bags as a practical alternative to single-use plastics.

By collaborating with local vendors, the NSS unit aimed to make sustainable practices more accessible to the community. In addition to the hands-on activities, the NSS team also prepared informational pamphlets highlighting the environmental benefits of using paper bags and tips on reducing overall plastic use. This provided a comprehensive approach to raising awareness, ensuring that the message reached a broader audience.

CLEANLINESS DRIVE

NSS Cell of V. M. Salgaocar College of Law, Miramar conducted a one-day cleanliness drive on 18 October 2024, from 9 am to 1 pm. This initiative aimed to create environmental stewardship and personal responsibility among students.

The primary objectives of the cleanliness drive were to:

1. **Promote Individual Responsibility:** Emphasizing that cleanliness begins with one's immediate surroundings, encouraging participants to take leadership of their local environments.
2. **Raise Awareness:** Highlighting the detrimental effects of littering and environmental pollution on health and biodiversity. Inspiring others in the community to engage in similar activities, creating a ripple effect of positive environmental actions.

During the drive, NSS members were tasked with identifying areas in their village. Each participant selected a specific location like a public park, roadside, or community space—to focus their cleaning efforts.

The NSS unit also engaged with local residents, raising awareness about the importance of maintaining cleanliness and encouraging them to adopt sustainable practices. The cleanliness drive reinforced the notion that each individual has a role in preserving the environment. The NSS

volunteers left with a renewed sense of responsibility and commitment to sustainability, motivated to continue their efforts beyond the event. By initiating such activities, V. M. Salgaocar College of Law aims to cultivate a generation of environmentally conscious citizens dedicated to creating a cleaner, greener world.

VII.ACTIVITIES OF CLUBS

i.RISE- Entrepreneurship Development Cell

Faculty incharge: Ms. Tanvi Khandolkar

Objectives: Encouraging students to think creatively and develop an entrepreneurial mindset.

- Providing training and workshops on essential skills such as business planning, financial management, marketing, and leadership.
- Creating a platform for students to connect with entrepreneurs, industry experts, and potential investors.
- Assisting students in developing their business ideas, providing mentorship, and facilitating access to funding and resources.

Number of student members =94

Activities Undertaken:

- ❖ Inter-class quiz competition

The “RISE-Entrepreneurship Development Cell” of V. M. Salgaocar College of Law, Miramar-Panjim, Goa, organized an Inter-Class Quiz Competition on 17th September 2024. Faculty coordinator were Asst. Prof. Tanvi Khandolkar and Asst. Prof. Chaitanya Gawas. The theme of the quiz was the Union Budgets of India from 2020 to 2024.

The quiz was divided into four rounds. In the first round, general questions related to the Union Budget were asked. These questions covered the major highlights of the budgets from 2020 to 2024. Round two consisted of terminological questions, where different terms related to the Union Budget were tested. In the third round, questions were asked about the Union Budget with a special reference to India’s Law and Justice which focused on the reforms and fundings for the Judiciary. Round four consisted of a visualization round, where participants were asked to identify personalities shown on the screen.

Teams from FY BALLB A, FY BALLB B, SY BALLB, and TY BALLB A participated in the competition. FY BALLB B emerged as the winners, while SY BALLB were the runners-up. Mr. Joshua de Souza and Ms. Kate de Saldanha Osorio served as the quizmasters for the event.

The Inter-Class Quiz Competition provided an fun learning experience for the participants, helping them expand their knowledge of the Union Budgets of India.



Participation is state level research paper presentation competition



Two members of RISE James Cardozo and Alisha Fernandes participated in State Level Research Paper Presentation Competition on Thrust Areas of Union Budget 2024-25 organised by Dempo College of Commerce and Economics, Cujira on 21/09/2024. The theme of the paper was on Energy Security.

ii. The Centre for Political Leadership (CPL)

The Centre for Political Leadership (CPL) at V. M. Salgaocar College of Law aims to develop the next generation of political leaders by instilling in students a deep understanding of political processes and systems, along with the necessary skills and habits required for effective political engagement. Founded on the principles of questioning, independent thinking, and progressive change, CPL provides a platform for students to develop both individually and collectively, fostering teamwork and collaboration. Through discussions, debates, and a 'Learn By Doing' approach, CPL empowers its members towards a journey into the world of Politics.

Website: www.vmscpl.in

Faculty Members In-charge:

1. Ramrai Naik (Director)
2. Priscilla B. Fernandes
3. Siddhesh Tari

Report of The Activities 2024-2025

1. “Future Leaders” Workshop at VMSCL Centre for Political Leadership



23-07-2024 - VMSCL Centre for Political Leadership (CPL) and the (NSS) Unit successfully hosted an engaging “Future Leaders” workshop for first-year BA LLB students. The event featured experiential trainer Mr Alan D’Souza, who energised and inspired the participating students.

Mr D’Souza’s session provided a dynamic platform for students to explore leadership skills, with activities designed to enhance communication, assessment, motivation and power. His methods

effectively encouraged students to connect theoretical knowledge with practical insights, enabling them to gain a deeper understanding of leadership principles.

This event was made possible with the dedication and efforts of the student volunteer team, whose support was instrumental in the session's smooth execution. The session was coordinated by Ramrai Naik, Priscilla Fernandes, and Sankalp Gaonkar.

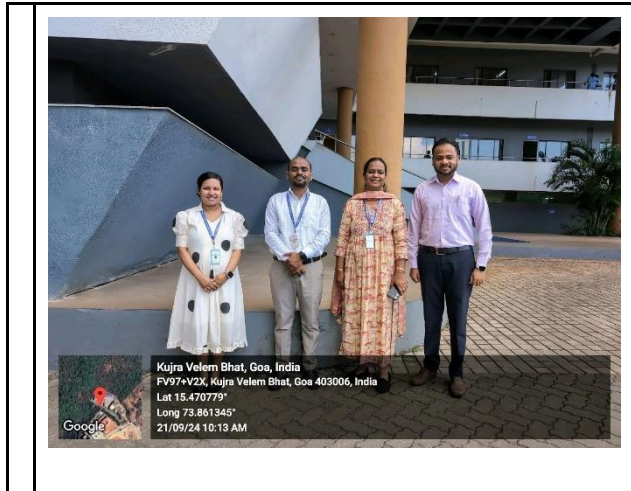
2. CPL Members Visit Goa Legislative Assembly



01-08-2024 - Members of the VMSCL Centre for Political Leadership (CPL), accompanied by Assistant Professor Siddhesh Tari, recently attended a session of the Goa Legislative Assembly. This educational visit aimed to provide students with first-hand exposure to legislative processes and the workings of government institutions.

During their visit, students had the valuable opportunity to interact with Hon'ble Member of the Legislative Assembly, Adv. Carlos Alvares Ferreira, who shared insights into legislative practices, current issues in governance, and his experiences in public service. This interaction was highly enriching for the students, as it allowed them to engage in a meaningful dialogue. This event was coordinated by Priscilla Fernandes, Sankalp Gaonkar, and Rajen Mandrekar, whose efforts contributed to the success of the visit.

3. CPL Members' Participate in State-Level Research Paper Presentation



21-09-2024 - Members of the VMSCL Centre for Political Leadership (CPL), Joshua de Souza and Kate De Saldanha Osorio, showcased their academic contributions at the state-level Research Paper Presentation Competition hosted by Dempo College of Commerce and Economics, Cujira. Representing the Centre for Political Leadership, the students presented research papers on topics relevant to the Union Budget, contributing to the broader discourse on economic and political policy. Their presentations, guided by faculty members and CPL Director Ramrai Naik, reflected rigorous analysis and a grasp of contemporary issues.

The competition provided a valuable opportunity for CPL members to engage with peers from various institutions, allowing for knowledge exchange and critical discussion of pressing economic issues. Their participation highlights the commitment of the VMSCL Centre for Political Leadership to nurturing research skills and promoting academic engagement on significant topics impacting governance and public policy.

4. Lecture on Safeguarding Human Rights in Peacekeeping by Dr. András Hárs from Ludovika University, Budapest



31 August 2024 - The Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Chair in Leadership and Governance - Manohar Parrikar School of Law, Goa University and the V. M. Salgaocar College of Law's Centre for

Political Leadership (CPL), hosted a lecture on Governance Challenges in Safeguarding Human Rights in Peacekeeping.

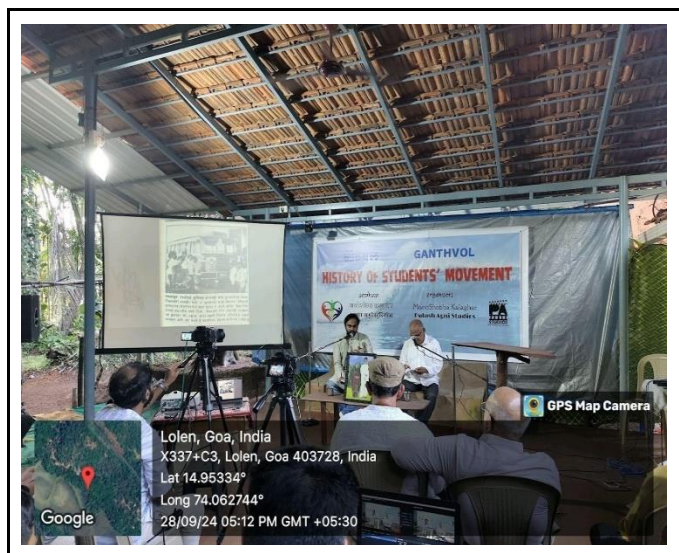
The lecture was delivered by Dr. András Hárs from Ludovika University, Budapest, Hungary. The lecture aimed to address the complex issues of human rights protection within peacekeeping missions. The session was led by Dr. Shaber Ali G and coordinated by Asst. Prof. Ramrai Naik and Asst. Prof. Varsha Redkar from VMSCS, alongside Asst. Prof. Dr. Vijay Madhu Gawas and Asst. Prof. Ruchika Naik from Goa University.

Total No. of Attendees: 100

Video: youtu.be/xdYfHgCq-mI

[Dr. Andras Hars - Lecture on Human Rights and Peacekeeping | VMSCS CPL | Goa University](#)

5. Student Movement Discussion Moderated by VMSCS CPL President Sankalp Gaonkar



28-09-2024 - VMSCS Centre for Political Leadership (CPL) President and BA LLB student, Sankalp Gaonkar, took on the role of moderator in a thought-provoking discussion on the historic Half Ticket Movement. This event was organised by ManoShobha Kalaghar and Palash Agni Studios and held at Agas, Loliem, in Canacona.

The discussion featured Shri Mohandas Loliemkar, an esteemed figure in the movement, who shared his experiences and reflections on the Half Ticket Movement's significance in local history. Mr Gaonkar's moderation facilitated a compelling dialogue, allowing for an in-depth exploration of the movement's impact on social and political consciousness.

This discussion reflects the commitment of VMSCS CPL and its members to actively participate in platforms that celebrate and analyse regional political heritage, encouraging an informed and engaged student body.

6. Seminar on AI Ethics and Regulations by Swedish Faculty



14-10-2024 - The Centre for Political Leadership (CPL) of V. M. Salgaocar College of Law (VMSCL) hosted a joint seminar on Artificial Intelligence Ethics and European Union Regulations on 14th October 2024. The event featured Dr. Claes Granmar and Dr. Henricus Verhagen from Stockholm University, Sweden.

They discussed the ethical challenges posed by artificial intelligence and the evolving EU regulatory framework. VMSCL Principal Dr. Shaber Ali opened the discussion with his introductory remarks about the evolution of artificial intelligence in Europe and India.

Dr. Granmar and Dr. Verhagen highlighted regulations under the EU's AI Act, which came into effect on 1st August 2024. They explained the importance of AI governance, especially for high-risk systems used in public services, healthcare, and finance. Law students were encouraged to understand the black box problem. They stressed about decision-making and the need for human oversight to ensure accountability rests with developers and deployers, not the AI systems.

The speakers emphasized on the challenges in balancing innovation and regulation to a question raised by Kaushal Bathia, an LLB student. They further stressed the need for international coordination through the UN and ISO to create globally aligned AI standards. Law students were urged to track the evolving nature of AI law and the significance of integrating legal, ethical, and technical considerations in future policymaking. The seminar concluded with remarks from CPL Director Ramrai Naik, who spoke about the EU's proactive efforts in framing regulations to address various global challenges, including Artificial Intelligence.

The organizing team included Dr. Shaber Ali (Principal of VMSCL), Administrator Shri. D. P. Pednekar with Asst. Prof. Ramrai Naik and Asst. Prof. Varsha Redkar serving as faculty coordinator. Mr. Roshan Mathias and Ms. Padmaja Chauhan led as student coordinators, with volunteers Saumyaa Mandrekar, Kimberley Elsa George, and Jannat Bedi taking up various roles. Shraddha Yadav, a second-year BALLB student, presented an artwork inspired on Goan landscapes as a token of appreciation and a memory from Goa.

The joint seminar provided a platform for students, faculty and legal experts to engage in meaningful discussions on the intersection of technology, ethics, and governance. The event was supported by Symbiosis Law School, Pune including its director Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, and faculty member Dr Rupal Rautdesai.

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VMSCS seminar explores AI ethics and EU regulations

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The Centre for Political Leadership (CPL) at V. M. Salgaocar College of Law (VMSCS) hosted a seminar on 'Ethics of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and European Union (EU) Regulations'. The event saw guest speakers Dr. Claes Granmar and Dr. Henricus Verhagen from Stockholm University, Sweden, discussing the ethical challenges posed by artificial intelligence and the latest EU regulatory frameworks addressing these issues. VMSCS principal Dr. Shaber Ali opened the seminar with insights on the evolution of artificial intelligence in Europe and India. Dr. Granmar and Dr. Verhagen then provided an overview of the EU's AI Act, which came into effect on August 1, 2024,



Principal Shaber Ali, Claes Granmar, Henricus Verhagen, and other faculty members and students

stressing the importance of governance, particularly for high-risk applications in public services, healthcare, and finance.

The speakers encouraged law students to engage with AI-related concepts like the 'black box' problem, responsible decision-making, and the essential role of human oversight to make sure accountability lies with developers and operat-

ors rather than AI systems themselves.

In response to a question from LLB student Kaushal Bathia, the speakers highlighted the delicate balance between fostering innovation and enforcing regulation. They further stressed the need for international coordination through the UN and ISO to create globally aligned AI standards. Law students were urged to

track the evolving nature of AI law and the significance of integrating legal, ethical, and technical considerations in future policymaking. The seminar concluded with remarks from CPL director Ramrai Naik, who commended the EU's proactive stance in shaping regulations to address global challenges, including those posed by artificial intelligence.

VIII. LECTURES/TALK/SEMINAR

i.SEMINAR ON CAREER GUIDANCE BY BODHI ACADEMY

DATE:26/07/2024

COORDINATOR: ASST PROFESSOR DISHA SARDESAI & ASST. PROF. VARSHA REDKAR

NO OF STUDENTS: 60

Exams that are competitive are important first steps for students who want to get into government professions or elite universities. Thorough preparation, well-thought-out study schedules, and a thorough comprehension of the material are necessary for these tests. To support our students in achieving their goals, college introduced the " SEMINAR ON

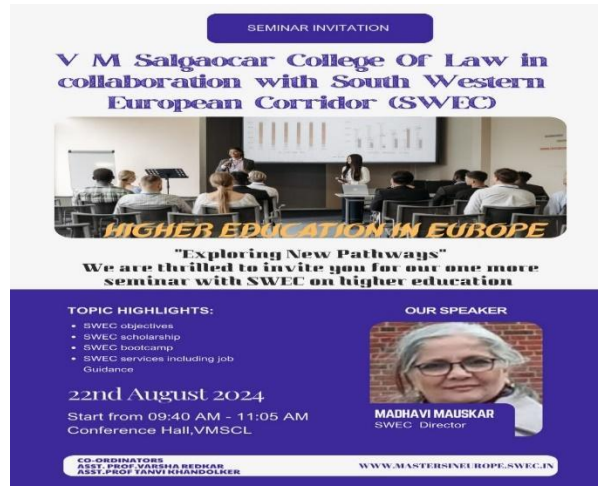
CAREER GUIDANCE BY BODHI ACADEMY resource person Mr. Kundan lal Parganiha— a seminar designed to provide comprehensive preparation for various competitive exams such as [e.g. GPSC, UPSC, SSC, NET etc.]. This initiative aims to equip students with the knowledge, skills, and confidence needed to excel in competitive exams. This event serves as an orientation and information session where students can learn about the structure, schedule, and resources of the exams. It also offered guidance on how to prepare effectively. Comprehensive seminar covering important topics related to several competitive tests, such as Verbal and Logical Reasoning, Quantitative Aptitude, were conducted. Doubt-clearing sessions, practice exercises, group discussions, and interactive lectures were all used as teaching methodologies. Also, WhatsApp group was created to clear doubts of the students.



ii. THE SOUTH WESTERN EUROPEAN CORRIDOR, IN A SPECIAL COLLABORATION WITH V M SALGAOCAR COLLEGE OF LAW, ORGANIZED AN EXCLUSIVE OFFLINE SEMINAR ON HIGHER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES IN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR ESTEEMED LL.B DEGREE STUDENTS.

No. Of Participants: 71

Name of the coordinator: Asst.Prof Varsha Redkar and Asst.Prof Tanvi Khandolkar



Date of the event: 22nd August 2024

To explore new opportunities in higher education, the college extended its heartfelt gratitude to the SWEC initiative by hosting a session for LL.B degree students on August 22, 2024. Ms. Pooja Shetye, a second -year LL.B degree student, introduced the guest speaker. Asst.Prof Tanvi Welcomed SWEC's honourable Director Madhavi Mauskar Kharshikar(MMK) and manager Shilpa D. Since 2015, SWEC has been into education counselling for higher studies in Europe. Their educational counselling operates in 13 other European countries. Ms Mausker explained



their counselling services across these countries, namely how to create a dynamic profile(CV), how to choose among these universities academic subject wise, which core subjects to select, and the scope of a particular subject to grab the opportunity in today's world. Highlighted subjects such as Human Rights Law, Intellectual property Rights, etc. She had a detailed discussion on the fee structure for

each semester in different universities and also discussed the accommodation and visa process. The program concluded with a question-and-answer session. Ms Disha Parab, a third-year degree student, expressed a vote of thanks. Asst.Prof. Varsha Redkar looked after the arrangements. Participants include students from the first, second, and third year of LL.B. Students felt privileged and gain a lot of knowledge.

iii.REPORT ON GOA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY VISIT BY LAW STUDENTS FOR DEMAND HOUR OF MONSOON SESSION

Date: July 30, 2024
Venue: Goa Legislative Assembly, Porvorim

Faculty coordinators: Asst. Prof. Varsha Redkar and Asst. Prof. Disha Sardesai
Participants: 100 LL.B. DEGREE Students

During the Monsoon Session on August 30, 2024, a group of eager LL.B. students from VMSCSL had the exceptional chance to attend the Goa Legislative Assembly. The visit was planned to take place during the Assembly's "Demand Hour," giving students an up-close look at the discussion, debate, and workings of a state legislature.

This visit's main goal was to give law students a hands-on understanding of how state laws and policies are discussed, adopted, and carried out. The students also sought to understand the complexities of the Demand Hour, wherein ministers provide justifications for and defences of the flow of cash to various sectors.

The students, accompanied by faculty members, were warmly welcomed at the Goa Legislative Assembly by the Assembly staff. The students were led to the public gallery to watch the proceedings.

One of the most important aspects of the Assembly's activities was the Demand Hour, which youngsters got to see. Members of the Assembly discussed funding requests made by the government for a variety of industries, including infrastructure, tourism, health care, and education, during this time. Students watched as lawmakers of various political parties questioned ministers over resource allocation and voiced concerns about particular issues that affected their areas. Among the notable subjects covered were: Development of tourist: The state's tourist industry and the suggested initiatives to strengthen it occupied a large amount of the discussion. Sale of liquor near educational institutions and sale of fake liquor drinks in the state of Goa.



The LL.B. students had a special opportunity to learn by doing throughout the visit.

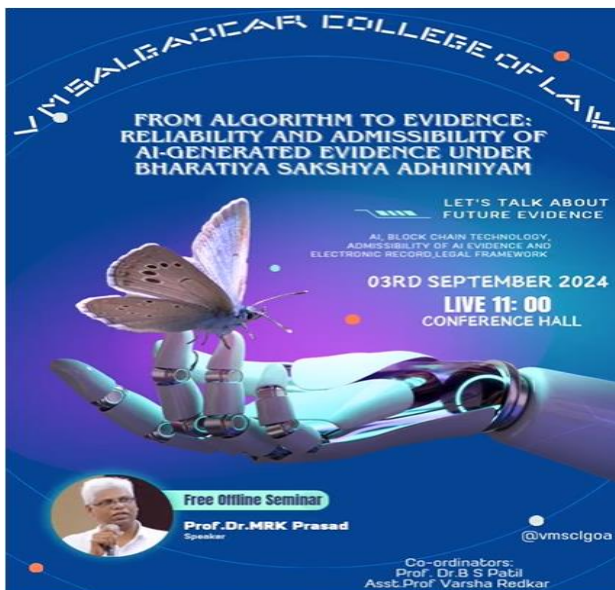
KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Comprehending Legislative Procedures: Students acquired a hands-on understanding of the legislative process, from putting out requests to passing spending plans.
2. The Function of Debate in Democracy: Watching the Assembly debate made clear how crucial responsible communication and accountability are in democracies.
3. Financial Management: The emphasis on the Demand Hour demonstrated the need to justify each and every expense and the ways in which financial decisions affect different industries.

4. Linking Theory and Practice: Students were able to make the connection between the theoretical legal concepts they were taught in class and the practical applications seen in the legislative process

The Goa Legislative Assembly visit proved to be a valuable educational opportunity for the law students of VMSCL. It gave students a thorough understanding of the legislative process in the state, the difficulties that legislators have, and the significance of budgetary responsibility. Aspiring legal professionals need these kinds of real-world experiences, and this visit definitely expanded their views on law-making and governance.

iv.SEMINAR:-From Algorithm to Evidence: Reliability and Admissibility of AI-Generated Evidence Under Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam



Speaker: Prof. Dr. M.R.K. Prasad
Coordinators: Prof. Dr. B.S.Patil & Asst. Prof. Varsha Redkar
Venue: Conference Hall, V M Salgaocar College Of law
Date:03rd Sept 2024
No. of Attendees:146

Introduction: The advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AI) has significantly transformed the legal landscape, particularly in the realm of evidence collection and presentation. This report explores the reliability and admissibility of

AI-generated evidence under the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam (Indian Evidence Act), addressing both opportunities and challenges faced by legal practitioners.

The seminar titled "From Algorithm to Evidence: Reliability and Admissibility of AI-Generated Evidence Under Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam" was organized by VMSCS on 03rd September 2024. The session aimed to explore the evolving landscape of artificial intelligence (AI) and its implications on the legal framework for evidence in India, specifically under the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam (Indian Evidence Act). The seminar attracted participation from faculty members and students, providing a platform for in-depth discussions and knowledge sharing.

Objective: The primary objective of the seminar was to delve into the challenges and opportunities posed by AI-generated evidence in the Indian legal system. It focused on understanding the core concept of Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, its Difference, different types of AI generated Evidences, Three categories of Evidence: Real, Hearsay, Real and Opinion, criteria for reliability, the methods of authentication, and the admissibility of such evidence in courts. The session also aimed to highlight the need for legal reforms in response to the growing use of AI technologies in various fields, including law enforcement, cybersecurity, block chain technology and digital forensics.

Keynote Speaker

Dr. M.R.K. Prasad delivered the keynote address, covering the fundamentals of AI and machine learning, AI's role in generating evidence (e.g., facial recognition, voice and image analysis, financial transactions), the differences between AI-generated and human-generated evidence, implications for privacy and data protection laws in India, and the relevant legal framework

Sessions Overview

Initially Speaker focussed on Understanding Of AI and Difference Between Machine Learning & AI, AI-Generated Evidence and the technical aspects of AI-generated evidence. This included how AI algorithms analyze large datasets to produce evidence like digital signatures, predictive analyses, and biometric data. The discussion emphasized the importance of transparency and traceability in AI processes to ensure the credibility of evidence.

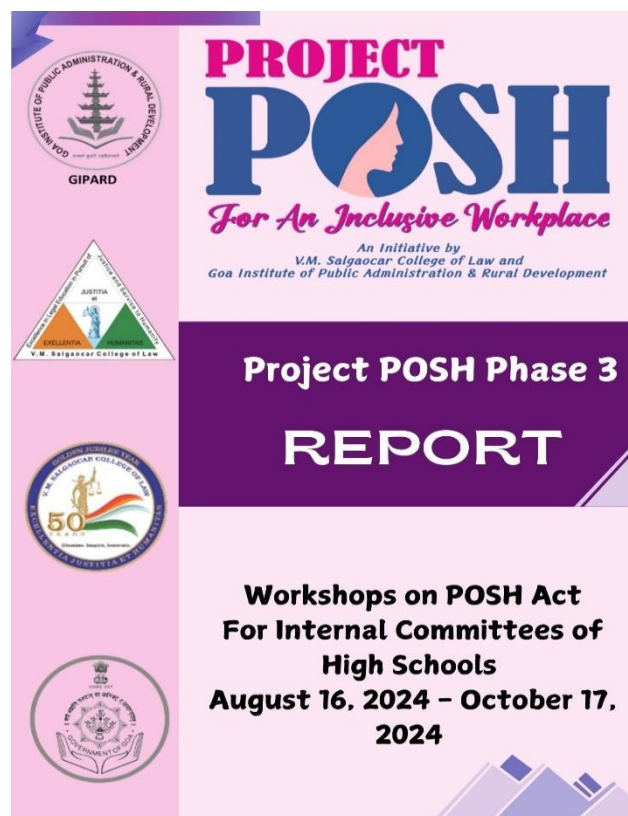
Secondly, Eminent speaker provided knowledge on Legal Framework Under Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam thus focussing on the provisions of the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam concerning electronic evidence. The speaker analyzed the applicability of Sections 3, 39, 61, 62,63, 66 of the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam, which deal with the admissibility of electronic records. The complexities of authenticating AI-generated evidence under these provisions were highlighted, and case laws were discussed highlighting the necessity for analysts to appear in court, emphasizing the right to confront the witness behind scientific reports, emphasized the importance of authenticity in digital evidence, examining the admissibility of photographs and videos from social media platforms where the uploader's identity was in question & how Indian courts have approached such evidence so far.

Also, addressed the practical challenges of presenting AI-generated evidence in courts. Issues such as Data Errors and Bias: AI systems can be prone to errors or biases in data collection, which may impact the evidence's reliability. Transparency: Courts require that AI methods used for evidence

generation be explainable and transparent, ensuring that legal professionals can understand and challenge the process. Legal Standards: The Daubert standard (from Daubert v. Merrell Dow Pharmaceuticals Inc.) is often referenced to evaluate scientific evidence, requiring that methods be tested, peer-reviewed, and generally accepted, the black-box nature of AI models, the possibility of algorithmic biases, and the need for expert testimony were discussed. The session emphasized the importance of maintaining a balance between embracing technological advancements and ensuring fair trials.

The seminar concluded with a discussion on potential reforms in the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam and the Information Technology Act to keep pace with advancements in AI. It highlighted the need for legal scrutiny of emerging AI-generated evidence, such as deepfake detection, blockchain records, and AI-based surveillance. The speaker also explored the future of AI in the Indian legal system, emphasizing possible amendments to accommodate AI-generated evidence. The session ended with an interactive Q&A, encouraging active participation from students and faculty.

IX. Project POSH



Project POSH – Training the Internal Committees of High Schools in Goa

Project POSH is an initiative of V.M. Salgaocar College of Law in association with the Goa Institute of Public Administration & Rural Development (GIPARD). The Project aims at training the members of Internal Committees (ICs) of Higher Educational Institutions in the State with respect to the law and procedure relating to the prevention of sexual harassment of women at workplace.

Coordinators: Prof. Dr. MRK Prasad & Dr. Sandhya Ram S A

Phase 3 of Project POSH specifically focused on strengthening the ICs of High Schools. Building upon the groundwork laid in earlier phases, this phase extended the reach of the project to address sexual harassment prevention

in the high schools across the State of Goa. It received Institutional support from the Directorate of Education and the ADEIs who facilitated in the smooth execution of the training workshops.

Objectives of the Training Programs

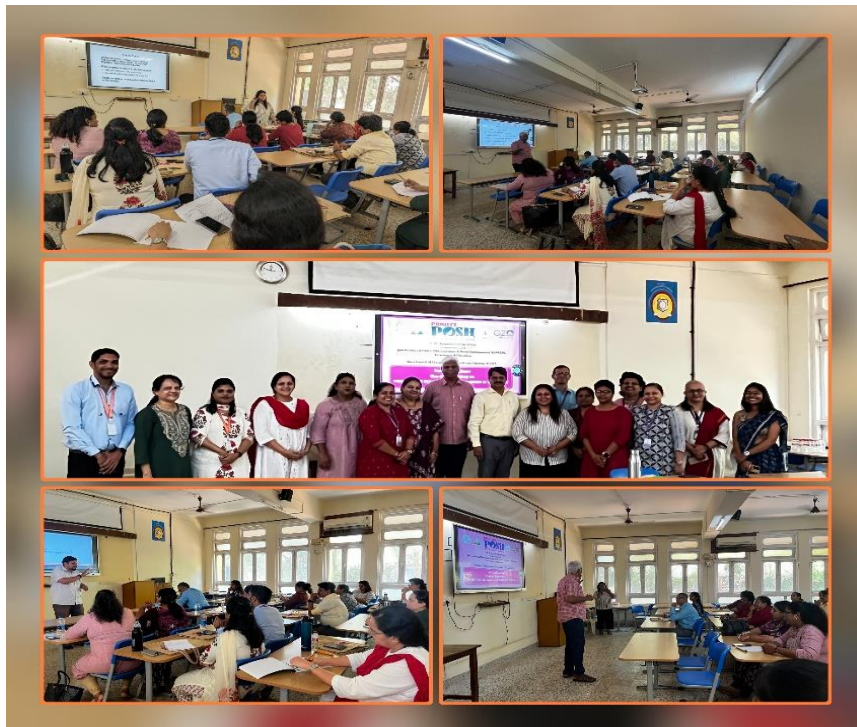
- a) To enable the participants to comprehend the legal concepts, constitutional foundation and the purpose of the law
- b) To make clear the role, functions and responsibilities of the “employer” and the IC
- c) To train the participants meticulously on identifying and effectively redressing sexual harassment at the workplace, and take up measures to prevent such violations at their workplaces
- d) To sensitize the participants on the true ambit of the law and empower them to take up further awareness programs in their home departments/institutions
- e) To conduct an elaborate workshop on the practical aspects of dealing with a complaint of sexual harassment at the workplace

The Intended Outcome

- a) The Members of the IC will understand the statutory responsibilities vested in them and the consequences for breach.
- b) The participants will have clarity on the proper composition of IC.
- c) The IC will comprehend its proactive role under the Act, in preventing sexual harassment at the workplace.
- d) The Members of IC will understand the procedural aspects of dealing with a complaint and be able to handle the complaints.

Resource Persons

Training of Trainers was conducted to train a team of nine faculty members who would be the POSH Trainers and Resource Persons for the Workshops



1. Prof.Dr.MRK Prasad, V.M.Salgaocar College of Law
2. Dr. Sandhya Ram, Associate Professor, V.M.Salgaocar College of Law
3. Adv Emidio Pinho
4. Dr. Kim Couto, Associate Professor & Vice Principal, V.M.Salgaocar College of Law
5. Dr. BS Patil, Associate Professor & HOD, V.M.Salgaocar College of Law
6. Ms. Pearl Monteiro, Associate Professor, V.M.Salgaocar College of Law
7. Dr. Mrunmayi Vaidya, Associate Professor, V.M.Salgaocar College of Law
8. Dr. Aamod Shirali, Assistant Professor, V.M.Salgaocar College of Law
9. Dr. Sonal Sardesai, Assistant Professor, V.M.Salgaocar College of Law
10. Dr. Priya Onsker, Assistant Professor, V.M.Salgaocar College of Law
11. Dr. Bhakti Naik, Assistant Professor, V.M.Salgaocar College of Law
12. Ms. Vaibhavi Rane, Assistant Professor, Goa University
13. Dr. Shruti Sapre, Assistant Professor, G.R. Kare College of Law
14. Ms. Ruby Luis, Assistant Professor, G.R. Kare College of Law
15. Mr. Sapresh Devidas, Assistant Professor, G.R. Kare College of Law

Student Interns



Nine student interns were selected for the project.

1. Asiya Choudhary
2. Ciya Fernandes
3. Eugenia Melo e Granjo
4. Iram Khatri
5. Jinu Ponnachan
6. Sakshi Volvoikar
7. Kalla Chaithrali Naga
8. Anushka Patil
9. Astha

Summary of programs conducted

A total of 19 training programs were conducted; the IC members of 395 High Schools (total 814 participants) from all 12 Talukas were trained. The venue for South Goa Schools was G.R.Kare College of Law and for North Goa Schools the venue was V.M.Salgaocar College of Law.

Inaugural

The third phase of Project POSH was inaugurated on August 16, 2024, simultaneously at V.M. Salgaocar College of Law (VMSCL) and VVM's Kare College of Law.

At VMSCL, the inauguration began with a warm welcome from Dr. Shaber Ali, the Principal. He highlighted its success in training Higher Secondary Schools and Colleges throughout Goa. The Guest of Honor, Dr. Seema Fernandes, Assistant Director of GIPARD, shared her valuable insights on the project's impact. The ceremony concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Sandhya Ram.



Simultaneously, the inauguration at VVM's Kare College of Law was attended by Dr. Goretti Simoes e Moraes, Principal of Kare College. She welcomed the participants and emphasized the importance of the project in fostering safer educational environments. Dr. MRK Prasad gave a brief overview of the Project and its accomplishments.

Valedictory

Project POSH Phase 3 concluded on 23rd September 2024. At the valedictory program held at G R Kare College of Law, Dr. Seema Fernandes, Assistant Director, GIPARD congratulated Principal Shaber Ali, the coordinators Prof.MRK Prasad and Dr. Sandhya Ram, and the entire project POSH team for the successful and effective completion of the programs.



Schedule and Session Themes

Date	North Goa			
	Resource Person			
	Session I	Session II	Session III	Session IV
16 Aug	Ms. Pearl Monteiro	Dr. Kim Couto	Dr. Sonal Sardessai	Dr. Sandhya Ram
19 Aug	Dr. Mrunmayi Vaidya	Dr. Kim Couto	Dr. Bhakti Naik	Dr. Sandhya Ram
21 Aug	Ms. Pearl Monteiro	Dr. Priya Onsker	Dr. BS Patil	Adv. Emidio Pinho
23 Aug	Dr. Mrunmayi Vaidya	Dr. Aamod Shirali	Dr. BS Patil	Prof. Dr. MRK Prasad
2 Sep	Dr. Mrunmayi Vaidya	Dr. Priya Onsker	Dr. Bhakti Naik	Dr. Sandhya Ram
4 Sept	Ms. Vaibhavi Rane	Dr. Priya Onsker	Dr. Sonal Sardessai	Adv Emidio Pinho
17 Sept	Ms. Vaibhavi Rane	Dr. Kim Couto	Dr. Sonal Sardessai	Adv Emidio Pinho
19 Sept	Dr. Mrunmayi Vaidya	Dr. Aamod Shirali	Dr. Bhakti Naik	Dr. Sandhya Ram
21 Sept	Ms. Vaibhavi Rane	Dr. Aamod Shirali	Dr. Bhakti Naik	Prof. Dr. MRK Prasad

Date	South Goa			
	Resource Person			
	Session I	Session II	Session III	Session IV
16 Aug	Dr. Shruti Nadkarni	Ms. Ruby Luis	Mr. Sapresh Devidas	Prof. Dr. MRK Prasad
19 Aug	Dr. Shruti Nadkarni	Ms. Ruby Luis	Mr. Sapresh Devidas	Prof. Dr. MRK Prasad
21 Aug	Dr. Shruti Nadkarni	Ms. Ruby Luis	Mr. Sapresh Devidas	Dr. Sandhya Ram
23 Aug	Dr. Shruti Nadkarni	Ms. Ruby Luis	Mr. Sapresh Devidas	Adv. Emidio Pinho
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I	Gender Discrimination - Constitutional Facets	10.00 am – 11.15 am
II	POSH Act	11.30 am – 1.00 pm
III	The procedure to deal with a complaint	2.00 pm – 3.30 pm
IV	Revising the concepts through Simulation Exercises & Activities	3.45pm – 4.30 pm
Feed Back and distribution of certificates		4.30 – 5.00 pm

Project POSH: V M Salgaocar College of Law adopts best practice

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Project POSH, an initiative of V M Salgaocar College of Law in association with the Goa Institute of Public Administration and Rural Development (GIPARD) to empower all educational institutions in Goa to comply with the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 (commonly called the POSH Act) was officialised by the department of Higher Education, Department of Education and SCERT requiring the participation of the IC members at the training programmes.

Project POSH was launched in September 2022 way ahead of the Supreme Court judgment in Aureliano Fernandes v. State of Goa (May 12, 2024) that directed the governments at all levels to verify whether the committees under POSH Act were duly constituted. Under this project, total of 1334 members of

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Project POSH concluded on September 23. Dr. Seema Fernandes, assistant director, GIPARD in her valedictory address congratulated Principal Shaber Ali G, the coordinators Prof MRK Prasad and Dr Sandhya Ram and the entire project POSH team of V. M. Salgaocar College of Law for completing the task successfully.