

# GCQ TIMES

## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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#### GCQ Times is Here!

Our college Government College of Arts, Science and Commerce is a space for vibrant activities. Every department in our college works actively to expose students to various innovations and techniques of the new world.

At our English Department, we have always strived to document the significant moments of the college. As we come out with the first issue of our college newsletter GCQ Times, we feel that our dream of documenting the vibrancy of the college comes alive.

We are happy that many teachers as well as students have contributed in showcasing the various activities which took place in the first months of new academic year. We also hope that the issues of future will be handled by students and GCQ Times will become a space for their voice.

It gives us pleasure to present to you all the first issue of GCQ Times. We hope you enjoy reading it and get a glimpse of the vibrancy of our institution .

-Dr Tanvi Bambolkar  
Ms Gauravi Khaunte  
(Teacher coordinators)

#### GCQ's Visit to Goa Assembly



Department of Political Science with 40 Students visited the Goa State Legislative Assembly during the recently held Monsoon Session on 7th August 2023.

Students also had a small interaction with the PWD Minister and Curchorem MLA, Nilesh Cabral during this visit.

#### GCQ Gears up for NEP

In view of newly implemented New Education Policy, Principal of the college Prof. Joydeep Bhattacharjee made a short presentation on 'Understanding The NEP Course Structure' on 24th June at 11.00 am in the Conference Room. Several faculty members attended this presentation and got acquainted with the new structure of NEP. Several doubts and queries related to NEP were sorted in this session by the Principal.

#### GCQ Welcomed Monsoon with Vanmahotsav

Botany Department of the college organised Vanmahotsav on 29th July 2023 in the college campus. Several plants were planted during this plantation drive by the faculty members and the students of the college.



Pic 1: Principal, Prof Joydeep Bhattacharjee speaking on the occasion of Vanmahotsav. Pic 2: Prof Bhattacharjee planting a sapling.

#### WRITE FOR GCQ TIMES

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# FRESHER'S PARTY IN THE MCOM BLOCK!

Fresher's Party is an auspicious event in any student's life. Every student eagerly waits for fresher's party from the time of their admission. The 29th of July was a very memorable day for every fresher of Part 1 MCom batch 2023-2025 at Government College Quepem.

Our Fresher's day was filled with excitement joy, music, laughter and happiness. As the dress code for the party was 'theatre' we all decided to be different characters from our favourite show 'Taarak Mehta Ka Oolta Chasma'. It was the first time ever in the history of the college that fresher's had done something unique; which was something that made all of us proud. Right from the welcome we knew something really special was going to happen. For the entry seniors had organised a formal introduction round for each student in different stages which set a very good mood for all the students right from the start and at the same time made shy freshers express themselves in a new environment. As soon as we entered the hall we were mesmerised by the decoration, specially the backdrop.

The opening ceremony was done in a traditional way which was nice and cheerful at the same time. It was nice to see that we had the opportunity to express ourselves in front of Principal Prof. Joydeep Bhattacharya, HOD Satish Sir and all other faculties present.

Then came the most interesting part of the party which were dares. It made all of us do the stupidest of the things but at the same time they were the funniest moment of all. After the introduction round of Mr. and Ms. Freshers as planned we acted out all our characters. Interestingly we hadn't prepared any dialogues yet we figured out everything and went with the flow and acted our heart out which was surely the best moment of the whole party.

One moment which really touched our heart was the lunch as we all sat like one family to have lunch, we all prayed together before eating and also had great conversations meanwhile. The dances and songs which were performed by seniors were too good and gave us the idea of the amount of talent our seniors had. The games in between were very joyful and we all were enjoying no matter who won and who lost. Although they were nervous every fresher in the talent round was on their toes to showcase their talents.

The moment when Mr. Freshers and Ms. Freshers were going to be announced we were all excited and eager to know the results. As predicted by many Messias was favourite to win Mr. Freshers but still the competition was too good and eventually he was the one who won it. The competition for Ms. Freshers kept everyone on their toes with all three finalists on same line but eventually Anjali won it. We were cheering for them and celebrating.

Then sir Satish gave a very good speech which enlightened about what really MCom department is and told us the real purpose of this fresher's party. Then as it happened the official programme ended with vote of thanks by Farid but the fun didn't. We all stayed for photos and until that time we had developed such a bonding that right until the end we were all enjoying. At that moment no one was senior and no one was fresher but all were one family. Then at a certain moment although we didn't wanted but it ended and we all went home but the memories we made will stay in our hearts forever. It was an experience which will cherish for our lifetime.



Report by Deep Bhatikar  
M Com Part I



## UNLEASHING ACADEMIC BRILLIANCE VIA A SUCCESSFUL ONE-DAY WORKSHOP ON RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND DISSERTATION WRITING

The Post Graduate Department of Commerce at Government College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Quepem, organised a highly anticipated one-day state-level workshop titled 'Research Methodology and Dissertation Writing - A Guidance to Guide.' The event proved to be a remarkable success as prominent speakers shed light on key areas of academic exploration.

The inaugural technical session on research methodology was led by the esteemed Prof. Rajendra Kumbharjuvenkar, Principal, Narayan Zantye College of Commerce. Dr. Narayan Parab took centre stage for the subsequent two technical sessions. The second session delved into the intricacies of research design, while the third session revolved around the essential practice of content analysis.

The concluding technical session, presented by the highly regarded Sr. Prof. Dr. Purva Hegde, focused on report writing, research paper composition, and referencing. Throughout the day, participants actively engaged in insightful discussions, fostering an atmosphere of collaborative learning and intellectual exchange. The workshop was successfully concluded and garnered a positive response from the participants.

## Students Get Hands On Training on Aquarium Fabrication

On July 10, 2023, the department of Zoology organised 'Hands-on Training on Aquarium Fabrication' to commemorate National Fish Farmer's Day, which is celebrated every year on this date. The event was conducted in collaboration with Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Margao, and was held in the college conference hall at 2 p.m. The programme was open to the science students of the first and second years who have opted for the paper 'Aquarium Fish Keeping' as a Skill Enhancement Course. The event was organized by Dr. Sandesh Gawas, Assistant Professor of Zoology, and was attended by the HOD of the Department of Zoology, Dr. Rajender Rao Kulkarni, faculty members Miss Suveni Gomez and Miss Anthea Baracho, along with 32 students. The speakers, Dr. Hrishikesh Pawar and Dr. Laxman Sawant, were introduced by Miss Suveni Gomez, who then went on to conduct an enriching session and enlighten the attendees on ornamental fish culture, its advantages, and its scope. They also provided hands-on training on aquarium fabrication and explained the various requirements to set up an aquarium and how to maintain an aquarium. The programme lasted for 90 minutes and concluded with a vote of thanks, delivered by Miss Anthea Baracho, and a group picture.

## Department of Zoology Celebrates International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking

The International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, or World Drug Day, is marked on 26 June every year, to strengthen action and cooperation in achieving the goal of a world free of drug abuse. Hence on June 26 2023, the Department of Zoology in association with Police Department, Quepem organized an event to raise awareness of the major problem that illicit drugs represent for the society. The event was held in the college conference hall at 11 p.m. The program was open to students across all the streams. The event was organized by Dr. Rajender Rao Kulkarni, Associate Professor of Zoology and Ms Rupali Pandit, Assistant Professor of Zoology. The programme started with Dr. Rajender Rao Kulkarni delivering the welcome address. The speaker, Shri. Deepak Pednekar, Sub Inspector Quepem Police station was the resource person. Ms Rupali Pandit introduced the speaker who then went on to deliver the lecture on drugs and drug abuse in our society. Ms Annie Gomes, Convenor Student Welfare Committee, also marked her presence for the occasion. The programme lasted for 90 minutes and concluded with a vote of thanks, delivered by Ms Shradda Borkar, and a group picture. The session successfully generated awareness amongst the students of Government College, Quepem.



# Achievements and Activities of Department of Physical Education and Sports

## GCQ VERSE-The Poetry Corner



### Dear Diary

Dear diary, I want to burn.  
When oh when will I ever learn?

It's me who's always blinded by the sun.  
When will the tables turn?

In this world I get no concern.  
When will it be something I learn?

Dear diary, why am I so impossible?  
When oh when will I be discern?

~Dale Louis

### The Silent Battle

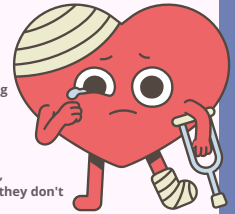
Surrounded by the crowd  
where everyone is laughing and giggling  
I pretend like everything's fine  
Even when my heart is silently crying

These people are my mains  
Infront of them I can cry my heart out,  
But instead I try to hide my dark circles so that they don't doubt

My mind has taken over my heart  
That's why I feel there's betrayal everywhere,  
Even after having close friends around when it comes to my problems  
I don't really share

This battle is of mine  
So involving others is of no use  
I'll fight till the end  
I don't care even if I lose

- Ulfat Sunkad



1. Ten days Physical Fitness Programme was organised for staff and students.
2. Winners at Cross Country Race (men) organised by Rosary College Margao.
3. Winners at Cross Country Race (Women) organised by Rosary college Margao.
4. Parasharam Ghadi bagged 2nd place for Inter Collegiate Cross Country Race (men) organised by Rosary College, Margao.
5. Siya Naik Bagged 2nd place for Inter Collegiate Cross Country Race (women) organised by Rosary College, Margao.
6. Ankita Velip Bagged 3rd place for Inter Collegiate Cross Country Race (Women) organised by Rosary College, Margao.

### Intramural Activities

5th July 2023 : Table Tennis Tournament (Men & Women)

12th & 13th July 2023 : Chess Tournament (Men)

8th & 10th July 2023 : Inter Class Badminton Tournament (Men & Women)

19th July 2023 : Inter Class Cross Country Race (Men & Women)

### Extramural Activities

19th July 2023 : Participated in Inter Collegiate Table Tennis Tournament (Men) organised by Goa University.

25th July 2023 : Participated in Inter Collegiate Badminton Tournament (M&W) organised by Fr. Agnel Coll. Pillar.

29th July 2023 : Participated in Inter Collegiate Cross Country Race (M&W) organised by Rosary College Margao.

4th August 2023 : Inter Collegiate Swimming Championship (Men) organised by Goa University.



Participants of Table Tennis Tournament



Inter-Collegiate Cross Country Race Team

### HEALTHY PRACTICES

- College Team played Practice matches/ Exhibition matches before the Inter Collegiate Tournament with higher Secondary & Colleges.
- 15th July 2023: Team: GCQ v/s Damodar College Margao  
Event: Table Tennis (Men) Venue: GCQ
- 22nd July 2023: Team: GCQ v/s Damodar College Margao Event: Badminton Venue: Borimol Sports Complex



Cross Country Tournament Team

### Only You, My Love

Only you my love, only you do,  
You make me see the stars around me,  
You shine so loving it makes me smile,  
Your voice so beautiful it echoes in my heart,  
If only you say 'yes' to me forever

I wait for you like a hungry man for food,  
I pray for you like a skylark for rain,  
If only my prayers were answered!  
Would it prove my love for you? Or,  
Would it prove the existence of heaven?

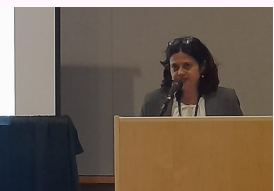
Look at yourself with eyes,  
I'm afraid anyone would fall for you!  
Say yes to me even is it's meant to break me, for you my love,  
I can live a thousand lives;  
Only if it means I'll find you again and again

- Munazza

### The Fab Faculty

- Brenda Coutinho from Department of English attended and presented at the Association for the Study of Literature and the Environment (ASLE) and Association of Environmental Studies and Science (AESS) joint conference, held at the Oregon Convention Center, Portland, Oregon, USA, from July 9-12, 2023. Coutinho's paper, entitled "Rabindranath Tagore's Santiniketan and Sriniketan Projects at Bolpur - West Bengal, India: Models of Eco consciousness and Sustainable Growth" was presented on the panel "Public Environmental Humanities Across Continents" held July 10.

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Ms Brenda Coutinho Presenting her paper

- Ms. Gail Pires, Asst Professor in commerce, attended and presented a research paper at IIM Calcutta.



## Sustainable Future Through Environment Friendly Economic Activities

The students of T.Y.B.A studying Environmental Economics and F.Y.B.A and F.Y.B Com. students studying Sustainable Development celebrated the “World Nature Conservation Day” on 28th July 2023 by creating awareness about “The need towards a sustainable future through environment friendly economic activity”. The students exhibited various articles made by them to inspire the visitors to shift to natural items such as renewable cloth sanitary pads, natural medicines, beauty products and handicraft made from natural products , cloths bags, doormats from old clothes etc. The students and staff were motivated to shift to environmental friendly approach. Altogether 116 students participated in the exhibition held in the college premises. The Co-coordinators for this event were Ms. K.Sangeeta , Ms. Poonam Naik and Ms.Karuna Ballikar.



## In the Spirit of Research

Department of Botany in association with Research and Development Cell organized a talk on ‘Guidance on Project Writing’. Dr. Mithil Fal Desai, Assistant Professor in Chemistry, Shree Mallikarjun and Shri Chetan Manju Desai College, Canacona, Goa was a guest speaker for this session. Prof. Mehtab Bukhari, Head of Botany department. and Director of RDC introduced the guest speaker. Dr. Prajyoti Dessai, Assistant Professor in Chemistry and member of RDC proposed the vote of thanks. The session was co-ordinated by Dr. Sankrita Gaonkar, Assistant Professor in Botany.

Ragi Cultivation programme was held in the college campus by the Department of Botany on 5th August 2023. Here are some glimpses of the day!



MCom students brought accolades to the college by presenting research papers at PES College, Ponda for a national conference for faculty and students. 26 students participated in an event that had a total participation of 38. Their efforts were highly appreciated and they were guided effectively by Dr Sohani.



## Proud Moment for GCQ!



Dr Tanvi Kamat Bambolkar, Assistant Professor of English at GCQ was awarded the Yuva Sahitya Akademi Puraskar in Konkani for her collection of short stories titled *Shots*. Konkani Department of the college felicitated her for this achievement followed by an interview conducted by Mr Deepraj Satardekar, faculty of Konkani Department.