



SPORTS SECTION

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PRESS NOTE

Goa University's Annual Sports Awards for the Academic Year 2025–26

Goa University awarded the recipients of its prestigious Annual Sports Awards for the Academic Year 2025–26, recognising outstanding achievements of affiliated colleges and student sportspersons for their exceptional performances in inter-collegiate, inter-university and national competitions. The awards were presented during the Goa University's 42nd Foundation Day celebrations held on 30th June 2026.

Best College in Sports - Women

Rosary College of Commerce and Arts, Navelim won Best College in Sports (Women) 2025-26 for its exceptional overall performance. The college secured championship titles in Taekwondo, Football and Hockey, besides finishing runners-up in Cross Country, Judo, Athletics and Handball.

V.M. Salgaocar College of Law, Miramar secured the Second Place with championship titles in Table Tennis, Judo and Powerlifting, while St. Xavier's College, Mapusa finished Third, winning championships in Swimming and Volleyball, along with podium finishes in several other disciplines.

Best College in Sports - Men

In the Men's category, St. Xavier's College, Mapusa emerged as the Best College in Sports, delivering an outstanding performance by winning championships in Badminton, Best Physique, Handball, Hockey and Basketball, along with additional podium finishes.

Don Bosco College of Engineering, Fatorda secured the Second Place through championship victories in Swimming and Tennis, while Shree Mallikarjun and Shri Chetan Manju Desai College, Canacona claimed the Third Place with title wins in Cross Country and Kho-Kho.

Best Sportswoman 2025-26

Ms. Blessica Rodrigues of Don Bosco College, Panjim was awarded the Best Sportswoman of Goa University for 2025–26. She represented Goa University at the Khelo India University Games 2025 in Women's Football, secured Third Place at the West Zone Inter-University

Women's Football Championship, participated in the All India Inter-University Women's Football Championship, and actively represented her college in seven inter-collegiate events.

Best Sportsman 2025-26

The Best Sportsman Award has been conferred on Mr. Prabal V. Sawant of Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College and Research Centre, Assagao. His achievements include winning the Silver Medal in Beach Volleyball at the Khelo India University Games 2025 and representing Goa University at the West Zone Inter-University Volleyball Championship.

Dr. Jayesh Churi Memorial Best Sportsman and Best Sportswoman Cash Awards

Beginning with the academic year 2025–26, Goa University has instituted the Late Dr. Jayesh Churi Memorial Best Sportsman Cash Award and Late Dr. Jayesh Churi Memorial Best Sportswoman Cash Award in memory of Late Dr. Jayesh Churi, former College Director of Physical Education and Sports at Sridora Caculo College of Commerce and Management Studies, Mapusa. The awards have been established to honour his immense contribution to sports and physical education while recognising exceptional sporting excellence among Goa University students. Each award comprises a cash prize of ₹4,800 and a Certificate of Merit.

The Annual Sports Awards reflect Goa University's continued commitment to promoting sporting excellence, encouraging student participation in competitive sports, and recognising institutions and athletes who have brought laurels to the University at the state, regional and national levels. The University congratulates all awardees and wishes them continued success in their future sporting endeavours.



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St. Xavier's College, Mapusa