



GOA UNIVERSITY

School of Sanskrit, Philosophy and Indic Studies

Report on

TWO DAY NATIONAL IKS CONFERENCE 2026

Title of the Event	Integrating Indigenous Knowledge System with Modern Education: An Interdisciplinary Approach.
Date and Time	13 -14 March 2026 Day 1- 9:00 am to 5:30 pm Day 2- 9:30 am to 4:30 pm
Mode of Conduct	Physical
School/Directorate/Section	IKS Centre, School of Sanskrit Philosophy and Indic Studies (SSPIS)
Number of faculty Attended/Participated	5 (GU)
Number of Students attended/Participated	105 (Colleges under GU)
No. of external Students/faculty/Other participants	96 (Other than GU)
Objectives of the Conference	1. Examine theoretical and practical frameworks for integrating Indigenous Knowledge Systems into modern education. 2. Facilitate interdisciplinary dialogue between traditional scholars and contemporary academics. 3. Promote research that bridges indigenous epistemologies with modern scientific inquiry. 4. Support policy discussions aligned with NEP 2020 and future educational reforms. 5. Encourage pedagogical innovation grounded in experiential and value-based learning. 6. Strengthen academic networks for collaborative research and curriculum development. 7. Document best practices in indigenous knowledge integration. 8. Inspire youth engagement with India's intellectual heritage. 9. Promote culturally informed sustainability and wellbeing frameworks. 10. Create pathways for long-term institutional

	collaboration.
Description of the Activity	The Two-Day National Conference on “Integrating Indigenous Knowledge Systems with Modern Education: An Interdisciplinary Perspective” was organized by the IKS Centre, School of Sanskrit Philosophy and Indic Studies, Goa University, in association with the Goa State Biodiversity Board, Goa State Climate Change Cell, Directorate of Higher Education, Ranchi University (Jharkhand), Goa State Research Foundation (GSRF), Gomantak Ayurveda Mahavidyalaya and Research Centre, and Goa College of Naturopathy and Yogic Science. The conference aimed to promote interdisciplinary dialogue and explore the relevance of Indigenous Knowledge Systems (IKS) in contemporary education in alignment with NEP 2020. It brought together scholars, academicians, researchers, and students from various parts of India. The programme included expert lectures, paper and poster presentations, and interactive sessions. A special highlight of the conference was the “Healing Tastes of Goa” Indigenous Food Competition, which emphasized traditional knowledge related to food and health. The event concluded with a valedictory session, where certificates were distributed, contributions were recognized, and reflections on the conference were shared.
Details of Guest Speaker (Brief Biodata)	Total 7 Guest Speakers 1. Prof. Smriti Singh Dr. Smriti Singh is the Head of the Department of Chemistry at Ranchi University, Ranchi, with over 25 years of teaching experience, including more than 20 years at the postgraduate level. Her academic journey spans esteemed institutions such as Engineering College, Patna, Ranchi Women’s College, and presently the University Department of Chemistry, Ranchi University, where she serves as Head of the Department. Her areas of research include Coordination Chemistry, Bioinorganic Chemistry, Metallurgy, Nano chemistry, and Sustainable Chemistry. Dr. Singh has made significant academic contributions through the publication of more than 30 research papers in national and international journals. She is also the author and co-author of five

books in her field. In addition to her academic excellence, she has held several important administrative positions, including Deputy Director of Career Vocational Studies (CVS), member of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), member of the Women's Grievance Cell (Internal Committee), and member of the Cultural Committee at Ranchi University.

Dr. Smriti Singh is also recognized at the national level as a UGC designated Master Trainer in Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS), serving as a Discipline-Specific Master Trainer in IKS for Chemistry and Metallurgy under the Ministry of Education, Government of India. She currently serves as the Member Secretary of the IKS Cell at Ranchi University.

2. Dr. Sneha Bhagwat

Dr. Sneha Pranav Bhagwat is a senior Ayurvedic physician, wellness entrepreneur, and policy leader with over 20 years of experience in clinical Ayurveda and integrative healthcare. She is the Founder of Oorja Wellness Centre (established in 2002) with centres in India, Russia, and the UAE. She currently serves as Director of Matoshri Padmini Educational Society and CEO of Goa College of Physiotherapy and Goa College of Naturopathy & Yogic Science. She holds key leadership roles with the Government of Goa and national bodies, contributing to healthcare policy, biodiversity, and integrative medicine initiatives.

She is also appointed as a Healthcare Expert for Goa through NITI Aayog. A BAMS Graduated from Goa University, she also holds a Diploma in Business Management from IIM Bangalore and a PG Diploma in Garbha Sanskar from NIA Jaipur. Her recognitions include the Women Leading MSME Award (2024) and Goa Star Women Award (2023). She is fluent in six languages including Russian and German.

3. Prof. Neelesh Korde

An alumni of Government Ayurveda Medical College Bangalore for graduation, Tilak Ayurveda Mahavidyalaya Pune for post-graduation and earned a PhD from Desh Bhagat University Punjab, presently holds the charge of Principal Gomantak Ayurveda Mahavidyalaya and Research centre Shiroda Goa. 32 years of

experience in teaching and private practice at national as well as international levels Awards Best MD thesis Dhanwantari Award by Government of India Best Teacher award for Propagation of Ayurveda at an international level Invited speaker at various conferences and seminars Published various research articles Director Doman India international USA Advisor for Alveda, a Swiss Company.

4. Prof. Vithal Tilvi

Dr. Vithal Tilvi is a distinguished astronomer and currently serves as a Professor at the Centre for Research, Development & Innovation, Goa State Higher Education Council, Directorate of Higher Education, Goa. He possesses extensive academic and research experience across diverse fields including physics, electronics, oceanography, and astronomy. He completed his B.Sc. (Physics) and M.Sc. from Goa University, followed by an M.S. in Physics from Michigan Technological University, USA, and a Ph.D. in Astronomy from Arizona State University, USA. His doctoral research focused on understanding the formation of the first galaxies in the universe.

Dr. Tilvi has had a rich international research career, including positions as a Postdoctoral Research Associate at Texas A&M University and Arizona State University, USA, and as a Scientist at the National Centre for Antarctic and Ocean Research, Goa. He spent approximately 15 years in the United States, contributing to several prestigious projects funded by NASA and the Keck Observatory. His research contributions have led to several significant discoveries. He led the discovery of the farthest known group of galaxies in 2020, which was recognized among the top discoveries of the year by *Astronomy Magazine*. He was also a Science Investigation Team Member for NASA's Roman Space Telescope Mission (2015-2017), scheduled for launch in 2026. In 2017, he contributed to the discovery of one of the earliest black hole candidates in the universe. Earlier, in 2013, he was part of the team that discovered the most distant galaxy known at that time, published in the journal *Nature*, and also led the discovery of three new galaxies.

Dr. Tilvi has authored over 100 research publications in reputed international journals and conferences and serves as a reviewer for multiple international astronomy journals. He has received several

prestigious awards, including the Rodger Doxsey Prize from the American Astronomical Society for an outstanding Ph.D. thesis, the Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award from the American Association of Physics Teachers, and the Roma Verma Trophy for being the best all-round scientist during an oceanography expedition conducted by the National Institute of Oceanography, Goa.

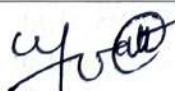
5. Prof. C. D. Sebastian

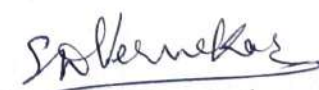
Dr C. D. Sebastian is Professor in Indian Philosophy at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bombay, Mumbai. He holds his MA (*first rank with two gold medals*) and PhD degrees in *Indian Philosophy* from Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi. He did his Postdoctoral Research at the University of Bristol, UK. He has published more than 135 research papers in refereed international journals and five books. He was honoured *three* times with *Excellence in Teaching Award* of IIT Bombay. He was a DAAD Fellow at the University of Erfurt, Germany in 2010, and an Erasmus Mundus (of European Commission) Visiting Scholar at the University of Warsaw, Poland in 2015.

6. Dr. Manoj R. Borkar

Dr. Manoj Ramakant Borkar is currently Professor and Head of the Department at Carmel College of Arts, Science and Commerce for Women, Nuvem Goa, where he has been serving for the last 38 years. He is a Gold Medallist in the subject of Marine Zoology at MSc Examination in 1987, and was awarded PhD in 1998, both from the Bombay University. He also has Post graduate qualification in Ecology and Environment from Indian Institute of Ecology and Environment, New Delhi. A fellow of Indian Academy of Environmental Sciences, He has over 58 Research publications in peer reviewed journals and has completed more than 15 research projects thus far. He has been on the Boards of study of several universities and autonomous colleges and has also served on State Experts Appraisal Committee for EIA, State Wildlife Advisory Board and is currently an Expert Member of Goa State Biodiversity Board. Notably, Prof. Borkar is the first recipient of Goa State ‘Best Teacher Award’ in Higher Education in 2015, and ‘Biodiversity Conservation Award’ in Individual category in

	2022. Currently his research interests include Arachnology and Environmental Toxicology using Spider Models. 7. Prof. Suhash Ranjan Dey Dr. Suhash Ranjan Dey is a Professor in the Department of Materials Science and Metallurgical Engineering and an affiliated faculty member in the Department of Heritage Science and Technology at the Indian Institute of Technology Hyderabad. He obtained his Ph.D. in Materials Science and Engineering from Université Paul Verlaine–Metz, France, and held research positions in Denmark and Germany, including the prestigious Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellowship. At IIT Hyderabad since 2010 (Assistant Professor, Associate Professor from 2016, Professor since 2020), his research integrates advanced materials science with archaeometallurgy. He currently leads a DST-SHRI funded project exploring ancient Indian Pancha dhatu and Ashtadhatu alloying traditions as prototypes for modern High Entropy Alloys, reflecting his strong interest in multidisciplinary research integrating materials science, heritage studies, and Indian knowledge system.
Benefit/Key Outcomes of the event	• Policy insights for IKS integration in education. • Interdisciplinary Research Collaborations. • Documentation of best practices. • Institutional partnerships. • Encouraged critical thinking and research-oriented approach among students and participants. • Provided a platform for academic interaction between scholars, faculty and students. • Increased awareness about sustainable practices and indigenous knowledge traditions. • Motivated participants to explore research opportunities in IKS related fields.
Enclosures with Report	Brochure Schedule Attendance Sheet Photos


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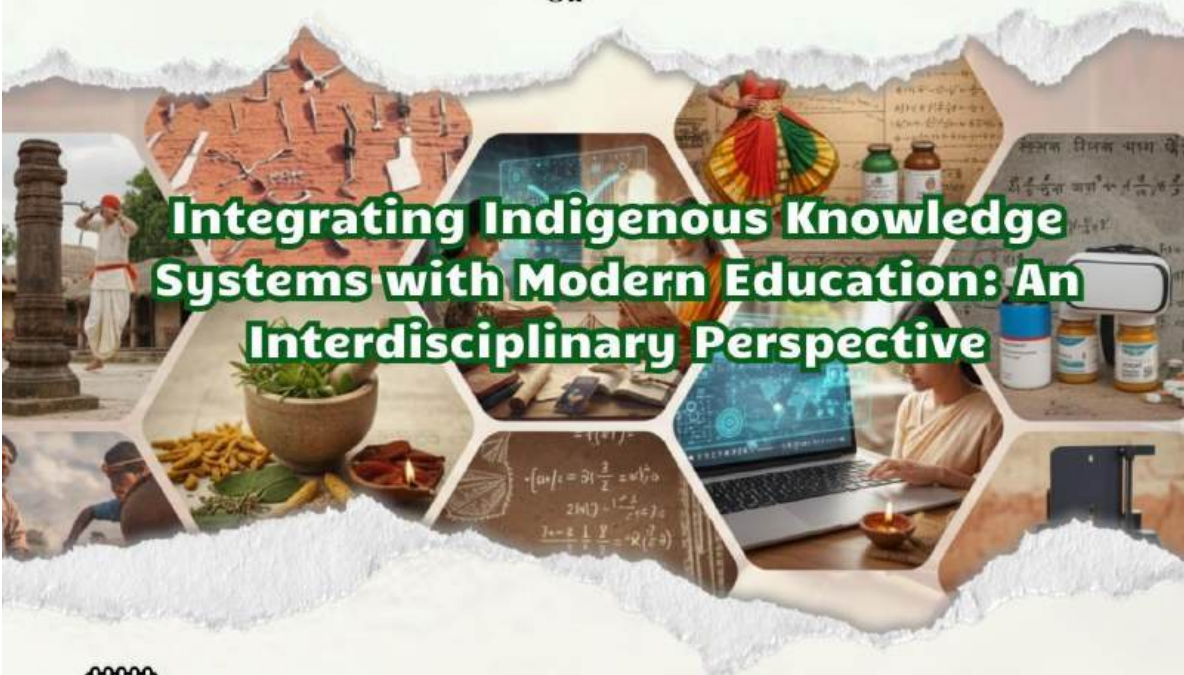

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NATIONAL CONFERENCE
On


**Integrating Indigenous Knowledge
Systems with Modern Education: An
Interdisciplinary Perspective**

**13 & 14 March 2026**
**9:00 am to 5:00 pm**
**Chemistry Auditorium, Faculty Block E,
Goa University**


Scan for Location

The Last Date for Registration is 05 March 2026, 5:00pm

About Goa University

Established in 1985, Goa University stands as the premier institution of higher education in the state of Goa, committed to academic excellence, research innovation, and intellectual development. Nestled on the picturesque Taleigao Plateau, the expansive green campus provides a serene and inspiring environment that nurtures inquiry, creativity, and interdisciplinary collaboration. Goa University is accredited by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) with an A+ grade.

The university offers a comprehensive range of undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral programs across diverse disciplines, including sciences, humanities, social sciences, commerce, management, etc. It serves as a vibrant academic hub where traditional wisdom and modern scholarship converge, encouraging critical thinking, cultural understanding, and research-driven learning.

Goa University actively promotes interdisciplinary research, innovation, and community engagement. Its research centres and academic departments contribute significantly to regional and national/international knowledge systems, while collaborations with institutions, industries, and cultural organisations strengthen its global academic footprint.

With its commitment to quality education, scholarly exchange, and preservation of indigenous knowledge traditions, Goa University serves as an ideal venue for national conferences, intellectual dialogue, and collaborative academic initiatives.

Objectives

To promote interdisciplinary research in Indian Knowledge Systems.

To support NEP 2020 goals through indigenous resources.

To bridge traditional wisdom with modern disciplines.

To document regional and community knowledge systems.

To encourage innovation, entrepreneurship, and sustainability through IKS.

About the Conference

The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 envisions a transformative shift in Indian higher education by positioning Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) as a living and integral part of mainstream academia. Moving beyond symbolic inclusion, this conference seeks to establish IKS as a core epistemic framework that enriches contemporary education through holistic, experiential and value-based learning.

This national conference brings together scholars, educators, researchers, policymakers, practitioners, and students to critically engage with India's indigenous intellectual traditions across disciplines. Drawing inspiration from the expertise of distinguished guest speakers, the conference explores the contemporary relevance of traditional knowledge systems — including Ayurveda, yoga, mental health sciences, metallurgy, and allied domains — in addressing 21st-century societal and scientific challenges.

By fostering dialogue between ancient wisdom and modern knowledge, the conference aims to reclaim and re-contextualize IKS as future-oriented systems of thought, contributing to a new educational paradigm aligned with NEP 2020 and Viksit Bharat 2047 - one that nurtures ethically grounded, socially responsible and ecologically conscious citizens.

Key Highlights

Expert talks by distinguished guest speakers of IKS interdisciplinary perspectives

Young Scholars Research Forum

Regional knowledge documentation workshop

Participation certificates for all delegates and presenters

Best Poster Award

Conference Special Feature
Indigenous Food Competition
"Healing Tastes of Goa"
14 March 2026

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Guest Speakers



Prof. C. D. Sebastian

Dr. C. D. Sebastian is a Professor of Indian Philosophy at IIT Bombay, recognised for his extensive scholarship in classical Indian and comparative philosophy. His work spans Buddhist thought, Vedanta, and philosophy of religion, with a strong focus on interpreting traditional philosophical systems in dialogue with global intellectual traditions. A prolific author with numerous books and research publications, he contributes significantly to advancing philosophical inquiry, interdisciplinary discourse, and the contemporary relevance of India's rich philosophical heritage.



Prof. Suhash Ranjan Dey

Dr. Suhash Ranjan Dey is a Professor in the Department of Materials Science and Metallurgical Engineering at IIT Hyderabad, internationally recognised for his work in electrochemical materials processing and sustainable energy technologies. His research advances green hydrogen production, resource recovery, and next-generation nanostructured materials for clean and efficient manufacturing. With global research experience across Europe and India, he has led numerous high-impact, nationally and internationally funded projects bridging fundamental science with real-world applications.



Prof. Smriti Singh

Dr. Smriti Singh is the Convenor of the Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) initiative, which promotes national integration through academic and cultural exchange. She is the Head of the Department of Chemistry at Ranchi University, with over 14 years of teaching and research experience. Through her teaching, research, and service, she promotes interdisciplinary learning and scientific advancement within the university community.



Prof. Neelesh Korde

Dr. Neelesh Korde is a Principal, Professor, and Head of Rachana Sharir (Anatomy) at Gomantak Ayurveda Mahavidyalaya & Research Centre, Goa, with over three decades of academic and clinical excellence. An award-winning researcher, he is widely recognised for his contributions to Ayurvedic anatomy, education, and integrative healing. An international speaker and consultant, his work bridges classical Ayurveda with modern therapeutic practices. He continues to inspire students and practitioners through teaching, research, and global outreach.



Dr. Sneha Bhagwat

Dr. Sneha Bhagwat serves as the CEO and Executive Director of the Goa College of Physiotherapy, Naturopathy, and Yogic Science, where she is committed to advancing integrative healthcare through the principles of Indian systems of holistic healthcare. As the President of the Goa Council of Ayurvedic and Allied Indian Systems of Medicine, she plays a key role in promoting the meaningful integration of traditional healing systems into contemporary healthcare, contributing to the growth, credibility, and wider acceptance of holistic medical practices.



Prof. Manoj R. Borkar

Dr. Manoj R. Borkar is a zoologist and senior academician with over 38 years of experience in teaching and research. Currently the Professor and Head of the Department of Zoology at Carmel College for Women, Dr. Borkar's influence extends deep into environmental policy. He has held prestigious positions on Goa's State Biodiversity Board, State Wildlife Board, and the State Experts Appraisal Committee for EIA. Notably, he is the founder of the Biodiversity Research Cell. A recipient of the Goa State Biodiversity Award, his expertise spans Arachnology, Climate Change, and Conservation Biology.

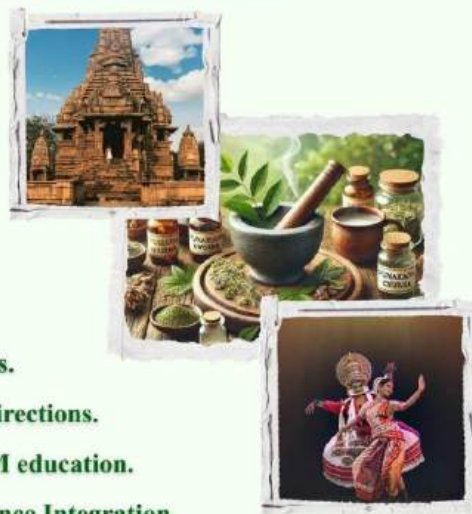


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Themes for Paper Presentations and Poster Competition

- Indian Aesthetics.
- Tribal Knowledge Systems.
- Foundations of Indian Scientific Thought.
- De-colonizing the Mind Across Disciplines.
- Traditional Health and Medicinal Practices.
- Environmental Science and Sustainability in IKS.
- Integrating Indigenous Methods and Methodologies.
- IKS - Inspired Innovations and Future Research Directions.
- Bridging ancient wisdom with contemporary STEM education.
- Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) and Modern Science Integration.



Guidelines for Paper Presentation

- The interested participants must submit an abstract of 500 words, with Times New Roman font, 12 point font, and 4-5 keywords.
- The abstract should be submitted on or before **23rd February 2026, 5:00pm**. Selected abstracts will receive a confirmation email by **24th February 2026**.
- The participants should provide their proper details with Full name, address, contact number, and email id (ikscentre@unigoa.ac.in)
- The abstracts should be submitted through email id provided.
- The word limit for the paper is 5000 words, Times New Roman font, 12 point font, 1.5 spacing.
- Selected paper submission date: **11th March 2026, 5:00 pm** via email id.

Guidelines for Poster Competition

- The interested participants are required to submit a poster in A0 size, portrait format (90cm and 120cm).
- The E-copy of the posters should be submitted by **5th March 2026, 5:00 pm**, via the email id provided.
- The participants are required to submit hardcopy of the poster on the first day of the conference at the registration counter by **9:00 am**.
- One of the themes indicated above should be included on the poster.
- The participants are required to write their names and contact number, on the backside of the poster.

Email id for submissions: ikscentre@unigoa.ac.in



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Registration

Registration Fee

Students: Rs. 300/-

Research Scholars: 500/-

Faculty and Others: 700/-

Inclusive of Refreshments
and Lunch for 2 days

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The Last Date for Registration is 05 March 2026, 5:00pm

TRAVEL & ACCESSIBILITY

Goa University is accessible by air, rail, and road.

Airports

Manohar International Airport (Mopa)—40 km from the university

Dabolim International Airport—36 km from the university

Railway Stations:

Thivim Railway Station- 29 km from the university

Karmali Railway Station – 17 km from the university

Madgaon Railway Station – 35 km from the university

Vasco-da-Gama Railway Station – 26 km from the university

Bus Station:

Panjim Bus Station: 6 km from the university

ACCOMMODATION

Limited on-campus accommodation is available at Goa University for registered participants/delegates, subject to prior confirmation and availability.

Main Guest House

Manager: +91-8669609042

Reception: +91-8669609080

International Guest House

Manager: +91-8669609081

Reception: +91-8669609082

Other nearby Accommodation

1. The International Centre Goa (ICG), Dona Paula
2. Bay 15, Dona Paula
3. Sandalwood Hotel & Retreat, Dona Paula
4. Athome Comforts, Panaji

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SCHEDULE



PROGRAMME SCHEDULE
TWO-DAY NATIONAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE
On
Integrating Indigenous Knowledge Systems with Modern Education:
An Interdisciplinary Perspective
13–14 March 2026

DAY 1 – Friday (13 March 2026)

Venue – Chemistry Auditorium, Faculty Block ‘E’

Time	Agenda
9:00 – 9:30 am	Registration

INAUGURAL SESSION

MC: Dr. Aditi V. Naik (Assistant Professor, SBSB, Goa University)

Time	Agenda
09:28 – 09:30 am	Escorting of dignitaries to the dais.
09:30 – 09:32 am	Opening Remarks by the Master of Ceremonies.
09:32 – 09:35 am	Welcome Address – Dr. Walter Menezes (Co-ordinator / Nodal Officer, IKS Centre, SSPIS, Goa University).
09:35 – 09:38 am	Lighting of the Lamp
09:38 – 09:41 am	Address by Dr. Smriti Singh , EBSB Convenor & Member Secretary, IKS Cell, Ranchi University.
09:41 – 09:47 am	Address by Guest of Honour – Dr Pradip Sarmokadam , Member Secretary, Goa State Biodiversity Board, HOD Nodal Agency, Goa State Wetland Authority, State Nodal Officer Climate Change
09:48 – 09:52 am	Inaugural Address – Prof. Harilal B. Menon, Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor, Goa University & Chief Patron of the Conference.
09:53 – 09:55 am	Presentation of Memento to the Guest of Honour.

09:56 – 09:58 am	Vote of Thanks – Dr. Aditya Samant, Prof., GAM&RC, Shiroda.
09:59 – 10:00 am	Closing announcement by MC & directions for Tea Break .
10:00 - 10:30 am	Tea Break

MORNING SESSIONS: Guest Lectures I (Chemistry Auditorium, Faculty Block ‘E’)

Chairperson: Prof. Koshy Tharakan (SSPIS, Goa University)

Coordinator: Dr. Saachi Paidarkar (Assistant Professor, GCNYS, Goa)

Time	Programme
10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Guest Lecture 1: Prof. Suhash Ranjan Dey , Department of Materials Science and Metallurgical Engineering, IIT Hyderabad Topic - <i>“Revisiting Ancient Indian Technologies through the lens of Materials Science: Scientific Foundations of Indigenous Craftsmanship”</i>
11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Guest Lecture 2: Dr Smriti Singh , Convenor, Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB), HOD of Chemistry Department, Ranchi University Topic - <i>“Dharma as a Design Principle: Reframing AI Alignment through Indian Ethical Epistemology”</i>
12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.	Guest Lecture 3: Dr Sneha Bhagwat , CEO and Executive Director, Goa College of Naturopathy and Yogic Science, Goa Topic - <i>“Digital Rishi: AI and the Future of Indian Knowledge Systems”</i>
12:45 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Question and Answer
1:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Lunch break : Foyer, School of Biological Sciences & Biotechnology (SBSB)

Lunch Break –

AFTERNOON SESSIONS (Chemistry Auditorium, Faculty Block ‘E’)

Chairperson: Prof. Rajendra Gad (Director, IQAC, Goa University)

Coordinator: Dr. Saachi Paidarkar (Assistant Professor, GCNYS, Goa)

Time	Programme
2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	Guest Lecture 4: Prof. Vithal Tilvi , Centre for Research. Development & Innovation, Directorate of Higher Education, Goa

	Topic - “The Sky and Time: Astronomical Genius of Ancient India”
2:45 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Guest Lecture 5: Dr. Manoj Borkar , Expert Member, Goa State Biodiversity Board, Government of Goa. Topic- <i>Climate Change through the prism of Indian Knowledge System: with special reference to the Dynamism and Transdisciplinary Outlook of our ancient Gurukul System</i>
3.30 pm to 3.45 pm	Tea Break: Near Bio-Chemistry Lecture Hall, Second Floor, School of Biological Sciences & Biotechnology (SBSB)

PARALLEL SESSIONS

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Poster Presentation I

Coordinator: Dr. Aditya Samant (Professor, GAM&RC, Shiroda, Goa)

Time- 4.00 p.m. – 5.35 p.m.

Venue- SBSB Seminar Hall (School of Biological Science & Biotechnology), Faculty Block E

Poster Presentation II

Coordinator: Dr. Gandhali Upadhye (Associate Professor, GAM&RC, Shiroda, Goa)

Time- 4.00 p.m. – 5.35 p.m.

Venue- Foyer, SBSB Seminar Hall (School of Biological Science & Biotechnology), Block E

PARALLEL SESSIONS

PAPER PRESENTATIONS

Time - 4.00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Session	Details
Parallel Session 1	Venue: Zoology Class Room, Second Floor, SBSB, Faculty Block E Chairperson: Dr. Smriti Singh (HOD, Chemistry & Convenor EBSB, Ranchi University) Coordinator: Sanket Revankar (SSPIS, Goa University)

Parallel Session 2	Venue: Biochemistry Lecture Hall 9, Second Floor, SBSB, Block E Chairperson: Prof. Suhash Ranjan Dey, Department of Materials Science and Metallurgical Engineering, IIT Hyderabad Coordinator: Sagar Yadav (SSPIS, Goa University)
Parallel Session 3	Venue: GURU/Meeting and Conference Room, Second Floor, SBSB, Block E Chairperson: Dr. Sneha Bhagwat (Dr. Sneha Bhagwat, CEO and Executive Director, Goa College of Naturopathy and Yogic Science) Coordinator: Rajavi Naik (SSPIS, Goa University)

DAY 2 – Saturday (14 March 2026)

Venue – SBSB Hall (School of Biological Sciences & Biotechnology), Faculty Block E

MORNING GUEST LECTURES

Chairperson: Prof. Sanjyot D Pai Vernekar (Dean SSPIS, Goa University)

Coordinator: Dr. Saachi Paidarkar (Assistant Professor, GCNYS, Goa)

Time	Programme
9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Guest Lecture 6: Prof. C.D. Sebastian , Department of Humanities & Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB), Mumbai. Topic - <i>“Indian Philosophical Traditions and Knowledge Systems: Their Significance and Relevance Today”</i>
10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Guest Lecture 7: Prof. Neelesh Korde – Principal, Gomantak Ayurveda Mahavidyalaya & Research Centre, Goa Topic - <i>“Ayurveda: The Future of Mankind”</i>
11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Tea Break

INDIGENOUS FOOD COMPETITION: Healing Tastes of Goa

Coordinators: Dr. Siddanand Kulkarni (GCNYS, Goa), Jonathan Sequeira & Joanira Niasso (SSPIS, Goa University)

Time - 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Venue- Foyer, SBSB (School of Biological Science & Biotechnology), Faculty Block E

Healing Tastes of Goa: Prize Distribution

Coordinators: Dr. Siddanand Kulkarni (GCNYS, Goa), Jonathan Sequeira & Joanira Niasso (SSPIS, Goa University)

Time – 12.30 pm. – 1:15 p.m.

Venue- SBSB Hall (School of Biological Science & Biotechnology), Faculty Block E

Chief Guest: Prof. Malapati K. Janarthanam, Chairperson, GSRF

PARALLEL SESSIONS-FORENOON

Time - 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Session	Details
Parallel Session 4	Venue: Classroom 1 – Zoology, Second Floor, SBSB, Block E Chairperson: Prof. Neelesh Korde, (Principal, GAM&RC, Shiroda, Goa) Coordinator: Sanket Revankar, SSPIS, Goa University
Parallel Session 5	Venue: Bio Chemistry Lecture Hall 9, Second Floor, SBSB, Block E Chairperson: Prof. C. D. Sebastian (Department of Humanities & Social Sciences, IITB, Mumbai) Coordinator: Sagar Yadav, SSPIS, Goa University
Parallel Session 6	Venue: GURU, Meeting and Conference Room, Second Floor, SBSB, Block E Chairperson: Prof. Bishnupriya Mohanty (HOD, Samhita, GAM& RC) Coordinator: Rajavi Naik, SSPIS, Goa University
1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	Lunch break : Foyer, School of Biological Sciences & Biotechnology (SBSB)

AFTERNOON SESSION

Time - 2:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Session	Details
Parallel Session 7	Venue: Classroom 1 – Zoology, Second Floor, SBSB, Faculty Block E Chairperson: Prof Dr Pranav Bhagwat, (HOD, Shalakya Tantra, GAMR&C) Coordinator: Sanket Revankar, SSPIS, Goa University
Parallel Session 8	Venue: Bio Chemistry Lecture Hall 9, Second Floor, SBSB, Faculty Block E Chairperson: Prof Dr Sangram Keshari Das (HOD, Dravyaguna, GAM&RC) Coordinator: Sagar Yadav, SSPIS, Goa University

Parallel Session 9	Venue: GURU, Meeting and Conference Room, Second Floor, SBSB, Faculty Block E Chairperson: Prof Dr Mohan Joshi, Associate Dean and Professor All India Institute of Ayurveda, Goa Coordinator: Rajavi Naik, SSPIS, Goa University
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3.45 pm to 4.00 pm	Tea Break: Foyer, near SBSB Seminar Hall
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VALEDICTORY SESSION

Venue: SBSB Hall (School of Biological Science & Biotechnology), Faculty Block E
MC: Dr Swatika Sharma, SSPIS, Goa University

Time	Agenda
03:58 – 04:00 pm	Escorting of dignitaries to the dais
04:00 – 04:02 pm	Opening Remarks by the Master of Ceremonies
04:02 – 04:07 pm	Brief Report / Summary of the Two-Day National Conference
04:07 – 04:20 pm	Prize & Certificate Distribution
04:20 – 04:25 pm	Valedictory Address – Prof. Sunder Dhuri, Registrar, Goa University (Chief Guest)
04:25 – 04:27 pm	Presentation of Memento to the Chief Guest
04:27 – 04:29 pm	Vote of Thanks – Dr. Walter Menezes (Co-ordinator / Nodal Officer, IKS Centre, SSPIS, Goa University)
04:29 – 04:30 pm	Closing Announcement by the Master of Ceremonies

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Photo 2. Inaugural Function



Photo 3. Auditorium in the morning session



Photo 4. Guest Speaker 1: Prof. Suhash Ranjan Dey



Photo 5. Guest Speaker 2: Dr. Smriti Singh



Photo 6. Guest Speaker 3: Dr. Sneha Bhagwat



Photo 7. Audience interaction with Guest Speakers



Photo 8. Lunch Break



Photo 9. Guest Speaker 4: Prof. Vithal Tilvi



Photo 10. Guest Speaker 5: Dr. Manoj R. Borkar



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Photo 15. Indigenous Cuisine Competition



Photo 16. Paper Presentations



Photo 17. Valedictory Function



Photo 18. A Group Picture with the Participants