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Manohar Parrikar School of Law, Governance and Public Policy
Report On “Workshop on Exploring the Intersection of Law and Society
Theme on Rights of Indigenous People and Sustainable Livelihood
Protection”.

1. Title of the Event/Activity/program	Workshop on Exploring the Intersection of Law and Society theme on Rights of Indigenous People and Sustainable Livelihood Protection
2. Date and Time	27 th February 2026, Time: 09.30 am, Venue: Kalyan Ashram Goa's Panchasheel English High School, Ponda- Goa.
3. Mode of conduct (Physical/Online)	Physical
4. School/ Directorate/ Section	Manohar Parrikar School of Law, Governance and Public Policy and UGC Centre for the Study of Social Inclusion of D. D. Kosambi School of Social Sciences and Behaviourial Studies.
5. Collaborating Agency/School/Directorate	1. Directorate of Equal Opportunity Cell 2. Kalyan Ashram Goa's Panchasheel English High School, Ponda- Goa.
6. Detail of the Resource Person (Brief biodata)	Chief Guest Mr. Pritesh Gaonkar Zilla Panchayat Member South Goa Zilla Panchayat Guest of Honour Nilkant Ganaba Gaonkar Headmaster Kalyan Ashram Goa's Panchasheel English High School, Ponda- Goa. Mr. Vittal Myakalwad Sanghatan Mantri for Kalyan Ashram Goa. Resource Person Mr. Ravaji Gaunkar, Assistant Professor

	Mr. Keval K. Naik, Assistant Professor Mr. Anand Velip, Social Worker Dr. Vijay Madhu Gawas, Assistant Professor, MPSLGPP, Goa University Mr. Saprem Shrivoikar, Assistant Professor, MPSLGPP, Goa University
7. Number of Faculty attended/participated	05 faculty members
8. Number of Student attended / participated	81
9. No. of external students/faculty/other participants	86
10. The objectives of the Program/activity/event	Workshop on Exploring the Intersection of Law and Society theme on Rights of Indigenous People and Sustainable Livelihood Protection has the following objectives: 1. To promote awareness of constitutional and legal safeguards To enhance understanding among indigenous communities and stakeholders regarding constitutional provisions (Articles 15, 21, 46, 244, Fifth & Sixth Schedule) and key legislations such as the Forest Rights Act, 2006 and PESA. 2. To strengthen knowledge of land and resource rights To educate participants about individual and community forest rights, including procedures for claiming Community Forest Resource (CFR) rights and ensuring their effective implementation. 3. To examine challenges to traditional livelihoods To critically analyse the impact of displacement, mining, tourism, environmental degradation, and

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land-use changes on indigenous livelihood systems.

4. **To promote sustainable livelihood models**

To identify and encourage livelihood strategies rooted in indigenous knowledge systems, such as agro-ecology, forest-based enterprises, eco-tourism, and traditional crafts.

5. **To build capacity for legal empowerment and advocacy**

To equip indigenous communities with the knowledge and confidence to engage with legal frameworks, government institutions, and policy processes.

6. **To address administrative and policy gaps**

To highlight issues in the implementation of tribal welfare laws and recommend measures for better coordination among government departments and institutions.

7. **To encourage community participation in governance**

To promote active involvement of indigenous communities in decision-making processes related to land, resources, and development planning.

8. **To preserve socio-cultural identity and traditional knowledge**

To emphasise the importance of protecting indigenous cultural practices, languages, and customary governance systems.

9. **To foster collaboration and institutional networking**

To build partnerships among community organisations, NGOs, academic institutions, and



	government agencies for sustained action and advocacy. 10. To develop actionable strategies and follow-up mechanisms To formulate practical recommendations, community action plans, and monitoring frameworks for ensuring long-term protection of indigenous rights and livelihoods.
11. Description of the Program/activity/event	The workshop on “<i>Rights of Indigenous Peoples and Sustainable Livelihood Protection</i>” was organised as an academic-cum-community engagement programme aimed at promoting awareness, dialogue, and capacity-building on issues concerning indigenous and tribal communities. The event served as a platform for meaningful interaction among diverse stakeholders, including community representatives, academicians, legal experts, civil society organisations, and government officials. The programme focused on enhancing understanding of the constitutional and legal safeguards available to indigenous peoples, particularly in relation to equality, life and dignity, educational and economic interests, and governance in scheduled areas. Special emphasis was placed on key legal frameworks such as the Forest Rights Act, 2006, the Panchayats (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act (PESA), and relevant constitutional provisions. The discussions highlighted the importance of securing land and resource rights, protecting community forest resources, and ensuring effective implementation of welfare legislation. The workshop also examined the challenges faced by indigenous communities in sustaining their traditional livelihoods due to factors such as land alienation, displacement, environmental degradation, and changing economic conditions. Participants deliberated on the impact of mining, infrastructure development, and tourism on local ecosystems and community life, while also exploring



	sustainable and community-driven livelihood alternatives. A key feature of the programme was its focus on integrating indigenous knowledge systems with modern sustainable development practices. Various livelihood models—such as agro-ecology, organic farming, eco-tourism, and value-addition to forest produce—were discussed as viable pathways for achieving economic resilience while maintaining ecological balance. The event further underscored the importance of participatory governance and the involvement of indigenous communities in decision-making processes affecting their lives and resources. Interactive sessions, group discussions, and experience-sharing enabled participants to voice concerns, share best practices, and collectively identify solutions. Overall, the workshop contributed to strengthening awareness, fostering community empowerment, encouraging policy dialogue, and building collaborative networks. It laid the groundwork for continued advocacy and action towards protecting indigenous rights and promoting sustainable, inclusive development.
12. Benefit/Key outcomes of the Program/activity/event	1. Enhanced awareness among participants regarding constitutional provisions, the Forest Rights Act, 2006, PESA, and UNDRIP. 2. Strengthening of capacity to claim and protect individual and community forest rights. 3. Empowerment of indigenous communities through increased confidence in engaging with government authorities. 4. Formation of local committees and promotion of participatory decision-making at the grassroots level. 5. Identification and promotion of sustainable livelihood models such as agro-ecology, eco-tourism, and value addition to forest produce. 6. Policy recommendations for effective implementation of FRA, recognition of



	CFR rights, and establishment of monitoring mechanisms. 7. Strengthened collaboration between NGOs, academic institutions, and government departments. 8. Development of a follow-up framework, including documentation, reporting, and community action planning. 9. Promotion of a holistic approach integrating legal rights, environmental sustainability, and socio-cultural preservation.
13. Enclosures with report	Geo-tagged photos, Attendance Sheet and Flyer, acceptance Letter



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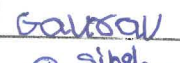
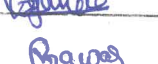
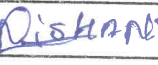
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WORKSHOP ON EXPLORING THE INTERSECTION OF LAW AND SOCIETY THEME ON "RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOOD PROTECTION".

Date: 27th February 2026 Time: 9.30 am,

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Guest of Honour

**Mr. Nilkant Ganaba Gaonkar
Headmaster
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Dated: 26/02/2026

To
The Director,
Directorate of the Equal Opportunity Cell,
Goa University,

Sub: Acceptance Letter for organizing workshop

Respected Madam,

With reference to your letter dated 20th February 2026 regarding organizing a Workshop on exploring the Intersection of Law and Society- Theme on 'Rights of Indigenous Peoples and Sustainable Livelihood Protection' in our school, we are pleased to inform you that we grant permission to conduct the said program in our institution.

We appreciate your initiative to collaborate with our school for the benefit of our students. We believe that this program will be highly informative and beneficial for them.

Kindly coordinate with our staff Mr. Gurudas Palkar, Mobile No-9923853396 regarding the schedule, venue arrangements, and other necessary requirements to ensure the smooth conduct of the program.

We look forward to a successful collaboration.

Thanking you.

(Mr Nilkant Gaonkar)
Headmaster

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