

REPORT ON GOA YUVA TOURISM MEET 2026

Organised by the Department of Tourism, Government of Goa

Title of the Event	Goa Yuva Tourism Meet 2026
Date and Time	24th September 2026
Venue	S. Z. Qasim Auditorium, NIO, Dona Paula, Goa
Mode	Offline
School/Directorate	Goa Business School, Goa University
Organised by	Department of Tourism, Government of Goa
Theme	Digital Agenda and Artificial Intelligence to Redesign Tourism
Detail of the Resource Person / Key Dignitaries	Shri Rohan A. Khaunte, Hon'ble Minister for Tourism, Information Technology, Electronics & Communications and Printing & Stationery, Government of Goa; Shri Kedar Naik, Director of Tourism; senior officials and representatives of Goa Tourism, DITE&C, GTDC, GEL and the tourism industry; content creator/influencer Scarlett Rose and other session speakers.
Participants	MBA (Integrated) Hospitality and Tourism students of First Year and Fourth Year, accompanied by faculty.
Faculty attended	1 – Dr. Sujal Naik
Student attended	First-Year and Fourth-Year 30 IMBA students
No. of external participants	Not applicable – the programme was a State-level tourism meet attended by students, creators, tourism stakeholders and invited participants from across Goa.
The objective/description of the activity	The Goa Yuva Tourism Meet 2026 was organised by the Department of Tourism, Government of Goa on 24 September 2026 as part of the World Tourism Day 2026 celebrations. Goa University Yuva Tourism Club, "Taleigao Trailblazers" were invited to participate in the event. Dr. Sujal Naik accompanied students of the First and Fourth Year of the MBA (Integrated) Hospitality and Tourism Programme, Goa Business School, Goa University. The programme focused on the theme "Digital Agenda and Artificial Intelligence to Redesign Tourism" and exposed students to contemporary developments shaping Goa's tourism sector. Major components included the launch of the Goa Tourism AI Chatbot; discussions on Goa's hinterland tourism and a sustainable digital agenda; deliberations on the future of coastal tourism and AI; sessions on digital storytelling and the use of AI by young creators; the launch of the Goa Creator Circle 2026; recognition of young Goan digital creators and influencers; Yuva Tourism Club Pitch Competition awards; and the launch of the State-level Tourist Facilitator Certification Programme. Students also explored experiential technology through the AR/VR zone and observed creator-oriented media and digital storytelling activities.
Benefit/Key outcome of the event	• Students gained direct exposure to the emerging role of artificial intelligence, digital platforms and immersive technologies in destination management and visitor services. • The sessions helped students understand how technology can support hinterland tourism, coastal tourism, verified visitor information, local enterprises and sustainable destination development. • Interaction with tourism professionals, government representatives and digital creators broadened students' understanding of tourism careers, entrepreneurship, content creation and destination storytelling. • Participation in the AR/VR and creator-focused activities provided experiential insight into technology-enabled tourism interpretation and promotion. • The meet connected classroom learning in tourism management with current policy and industry initiatives being undertaken in Goa and encouraged students to view themselves as future tourism professionals, innovators and responsible tourism ambassadors.



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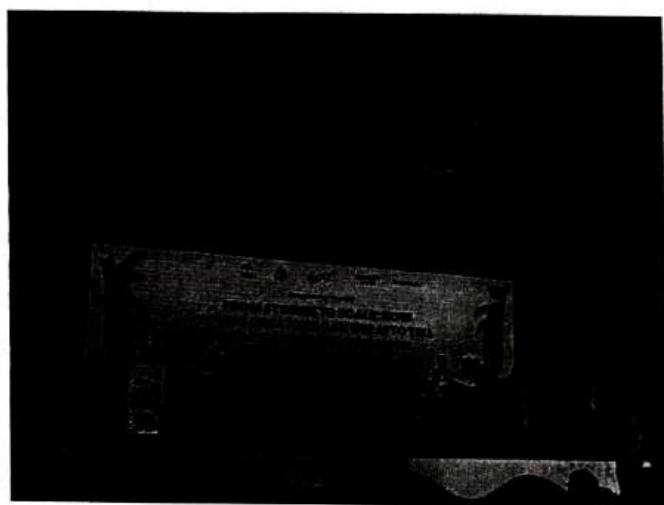


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IMBA students at the Goa Yuva Tourism Meet 2026 venue.

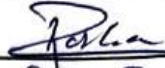
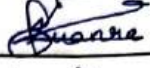
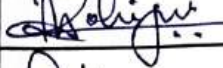
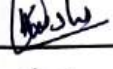
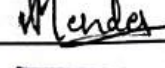
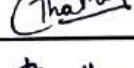
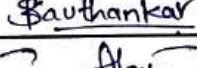
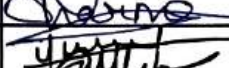
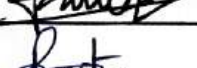
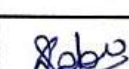
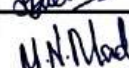


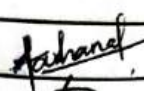
Students attending the main sessions at the S. Z. Qasim Auditorium.

Attendance for the Yuva Tourism Meet

held at NIO, Donapaula

Date- 24th September 2026

Sr. No.	Name of the student	Batch	Signature
1	ROSHAN MACKWANZI	2026.	
2	Shruti Kuanra	2026	
3	Kartik Krishna Anjiceni	2026	
4	Laxmi Parigyan	2026.	
5	Malasha Rodrigues	2026	
6	Deepika Thapa	2026	
7	Samudhi Manohar	2026	
8	Aramita Mendes	2026	
9	Madhura Pai	2026	
10	Chaitali Thakur	2026	
11	Shravani Kauthankar	2026	
12	Samantha Kozgonkari	2026	
13	Janshyn Bhanganga	2026	
14	Conrad Ferrao	2026	
15	Siddhi Sharma	2026	
16	Yuvraj Kulk	2026	
17	Ronit Veluskar	2026	
18	Mylyni Fernandes	2026	
19	Angelica Pacosta	2026	
20	Caroline Lobo	2023.	
21	Bhoomi Veluskar	2023	
22	Manasvi Madhikar	2023	
23	Shubhangi Gashkar	2023	
24	Smyrna Paul	2023	
25	Leander D'Souza	2023	

26	Valen Fernandes	2023	
27	Kyran Fernandes	2023	
28	Ayra Hussain.	2023	
29	Aashana Bhatti	2023	
30	Ayushi Korgaonkar	2023	
31	Dr. Sujal L. Naik	2023	
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Students attending the main sessions at the S. Z. Qasim Auditorium.



IMBA student participating in an interactive session.



Student experiencing the AR/VR Zone.



Panel discussion on Goa's hinterland tourism and sustainable digital agenda.



Participation in the Goa Creator Circle media activity.