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<b>Nature of Event</b> (Workshop, Guest Lecture, Add-on Course, Seminar, etc.)	National-level Seminar
<b>Name of Department</b>	Microbiology
<b>Faculty In-charge</b>	Dr. Trelita de Sousa
<b>Stratum of Event</b> (College, State, Regional, National)	National
<b>Title of Event</b>	National-Level Seminar cum MBSI Meet on 'Expanding the Horizons of Microbiology'
<b>Date of the Event</b>	06-07 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023
<b>Venue</b>	Seminar Hall, St. Xavier's College, Mapusa
<b>Resource Person details</b>	Dr. N. Ramaiah, Scientist Emeritus, National Institute of Oceanography, Dona Paula, Goa Prof. Savita Kerkar, Ex-Dean, School of Biological Sciences and Biotechnology, Goa University Ms. Heena Momin, Assistant General Manager of Quality Control and Head of the Microbiology Section at Encube Ethicals Ltd. Capt. Dr. Mahindra K. Ranjekar, Consultant and Rtd. Professor in Biology Dr. Prashant Wakte, D.S.M. College, Parbhani, Maharashtra Dr. Girish Patade, Ex-Principal of H.V. Desai College Pune
<b>Objective/ Scope of Event</b>	To provide a platform for microbiologists to share their research findings and deliberate emerging trends and entrepreneurship avenues in Microbiology.
<b>Particulars of Event</b>	The Seminar garnered the participation of over 150 attendees from various states across India including Goa, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, and Delhi. Dr. N. Ramaiah, Scientist Emeritus, National Institute of Oceanography, Dona Paula, Goa was the Chief Guest and Keynote Speaker at the inaugural function. The Guests of Honour were Dr. Arvind Deshmukh, MBSI National President, and Mrs. Marina Monteiro, Ex. Vice Principal and Former Head of Microbiology, St. Xavier's College, Goa. The audience comprised students, researchers, faculty members, education professionals, eminent scientists, and industry experts, including officials from Encube Ethicals, and Himedia Laboratories, Ltd. Through interactive technical sessions, the seminar allowed deliberations from renowned

	<p>scientists with profound experience, including Prof. Savita Kerkar, Ex-Dean, School of Biological Sciences and Biotechnology, Goa University, Ms. Heena Momin, Assistant General Manager of Quality Control and Head of the Microbiology Section at Encube Ethicals Ltd., and Capt. Dr. Mahindra K. Ranjekar, Consultant and Rtd. Professor in Biology. The MBSI meeting comprised engaging sessions on the National Education Policy and Entrepreneurship by Dr. Prashant Wakte and Dr. Girish Patade. The participants presented their novel ideas and exciting research through vivid artistic posters, interactive scientific posters, and oral presentations. The winners were awarded cash prizes, trophies, and merit certificates at a grand valedictory function at the hands of the Chief Guest, Mr. Sandip Jacques (IAS), an Alumnus of St. Xavier's College, Goa in the presence of the Administrator, Rev. Fr. Antonio Salema and the Principal, Prof. Blanche Mascarenhas of St. Xavier's College. The students of the four organising colleges of Goa (St. Xavier's College, in association with Government College of Arts, Science &amp; Commerce, Khandola, P.E.S.'s R.S.N. College, Farmagudi, and St. Joseph Vaz College, Cortalim, also showcased Goa's rich and vibrant Indo-Portuguese culture through a spectacular cultural programme comprising a mix of folk songs and traditional dances culminating into a thematic fashion show on extremophilic microorganisms.</p>
<p><b>Outcome of Event</b></p>	<p>The Seminar provided a robust platform for microbiologists to come together, discuss various aspects of microbiology, share research findings, deliberate on emerging trends, and explore entrepreneurship avenues in Microbiology and Biotechnology.</p>
<p><b>Feedback</b></p>	<p>The Seminar turned out to be an enriching learning experience for all the participants allowing collaborations, networking, and an exchange of innovative ideas in the field of microbiology.</p>
<p><b>Total No. of Participants</b></p>	<p>150</p>
<p><b>Photographs</b></p>	



