

ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE, MAPUSA GOA

Report of Activity conducted in the Academic Year 2024-25

Name of Activity	STATE LEVEL AWARENESS GENERATION PROGRAM
	Internationals Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD)- 2024
	December 6 , 2024
Date/ Duration	9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
	Seminar Hall of the Secretariat
Venue	
Name of organizing	The event was conducted in collaboration with AYJNISHD (D)-Mumbai,
Department/Cell	the Manohar Parrikar School of Law, Governance & Public Policy, the
In collaboration	D.D. Kosambi School of Social Sciences and Behavioural Studies, and
with	the Office of the State Commissioner for Disabilities, Goa
Name/s of	Vibhav Vinayak Naik
Faculty	
Co ordinator	
Stratum of Event	College
Name & details of	Prof. Sanskruti Aiyer, Dr. Raju Arakh, Mr. Sunil Sahastrabudhe, Miss.
Resource Person/s	Shilpi Kapoor, Ms. Josefina Conceicao, Mr. Arun Kalbage
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Report

The State Commission for Person with Disabilities in Goa organised a State Level Awareness Generation Program to commemorate the International Day of Personal with Disabilities (IDPD – 2024) on December 6, 2024. The program emphasized "Accessible Media Technology for Inclusive Education Vis-à-vis the National Educational Policy 2020". The event was conducted in collaboration with AYJNISHD (D)-Mumbai, the Manohar Parrikar School of Law, Governance & Public Policy, the D.D. Kosambi School of Social Sciences and Behavioural Studies, and the Office of the State Commissioner for Disabilities, Goa. It also included professionals and academicians with expertise in rehabilitation and media. The event took place at the Seminar Hall of the Secretariat, where key discussions and presentations were held to address the importance of accessible education and inclusive policies. Through this initiative, stakeholders highlighted the necessity of incorporating modern media technologies to bridge the gap for persons with disabilities and align with the goals of the National Educational Policy. Session 1: Inaugural Session; The inaugural session began with the welcome address delivered by Prof. Sanskruti Aiyr, Assistant Professor of Public Administration at the Manohar Parrikar School of Goa University. It was followed by an overview of the program presented by Dr. Mathew Martin PJ, AYJNISHD (D)-Mumbai. The key-note address was given by Dr. Raju Arakh, Officer In-charge EC-Goa of AYJNISHD (D)-Mumbai, who highlighted the importance of leveraging media technologies for inclusive education. The session

continued with addresses by:

Shri Idrees Haaziq, Secretary, Office of Commissioner for Disabilities-Goa.

Shri Gurudas Pawaskar, State Commissioner of Persons with Disabilities, Goa.

Session 2: Introduction to Accessible Media Speaker: Ms. Sunil Ashtabandhu Prasad.

This session explored accessible media content, with specific references to NEP 2020. Practical examples of creating and using inclusive media for educational and social purposes were demonstrated.

Session 3: Media Accessibility

Speaker: Ms. Shilpi Kapoor, MD.

Key discussions revolved around the role of technologies in designing accessible websites, testing media content, and ensuring validation. The session provided actionable strategies to make media inclusive for differently-abled individuals. Lectures & Practical Sessions Topics Discussed:

Barrier Break Technologies: The integration of assistive technologies in education.

Role of Support Skills: The importance of support systems in using accessible technologies effectively.

Specific Areas of NEP: Practical applications and demonstrations led by Dr. Asavari Shinde (AYJNISHD).

Hands-on training to familiarize participants with various accessible tools and their applications.

6. Concluding Session

Facilitator: Mr. Ann Kalbage.

Certificates were distributed to attendees who successfully participated in the sessions. Feedback was collected, and a post-test was conducted to evaluate the knowledge and skills acquired during the program.

Key Takeaways

Inclusive Technologies: The importance of implementing media accessibility in the field of education was emphasized, with real-world examples and tools being shared.

NEP 2020 Goals: The program aligned its objectives with NEP 2020, focusing on inclusivity as a key aspect of educational reform.

Practical Applications: Hands-on training sessions were instrumental in equipping participants with the skills to use and promote accessible media resources.

Collaboration and Networking: Attendees had the opportunity to build professional connections and discuss

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Conclusion; The program successfully highlighted the critical role of media accessibility in education and society. By combining theoretical lectures with practical sessions, participants gained a comprehensive understanding of the topic. The workshop underscored the necessity of embracing inclusive technologies to foster a society that values and practices equity in education.

Brochure/Poster	NA
Photographs	https://xavierscollegegoa.ac.in/wp- content/uploads/2025/01/IMG 2816.pdf
List of participants with signatures	NA
Certificate	NA