

## ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE, MAPUSA GOA

## **Report of Activity conducted in the Academic Year 2024-25**

	A field trip to the Archaeological Survey of India Museum and several
Name of Activity	renowned churches and temples in Goa
	25 <sup>th</sup> March 2025, 5 Hours.
Data/Duration	23' Watch 2023, 3 Hours.
Date/ Duration	M. C.T. I. D. "
	Maruti Temple, Panjim
Venue	Basilica of Bom Jesus, Old Goa.
	Archaeological Survey of India Museum, Old Goa
	Shree Gomanteshwar Mandir in Brahmhapuri, Old Goa
	Global Village Club - St. Xavier's College
Department/Cell	
In collaboration	Abbe Faria Postgraduate Department of Psychology,
with	Economics Department,
	and Marathi Department
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Faculty	
Co-ordinator	
Stratum of Event	College
Name & details	N/A
ofResource	
Person/s	
if any	
Report	Field Trip Report: Exploring Goa's Cultural and Religious
	Heritage
	On March 25, 2025, the Global Village Club of St. Xavier's College, in
	collaboration with the Abbe Faria Postgraduate Department of
	Psychology, the Economics Department, and the Marathi Department,
	organized a field trip to the Archaeological Survey of India Museum
	and several renowned churches and temples in Goa. The trip
	commenced at 11:00 AM as participants departed from college with 26
	students and two faculty members,
	The first stop was at the Maruti Temple in Panjim at 12:00 PM.
	Located in the quaint neighborhood of Mala, the Maruti Temple is
	dedicated to Lord Hanuman. Surrounded by lush greenery, the temple
	offered a peaceful retreat from the city's bustle. Its simple yet elegant
	architecture, featuring a prominent statue of Lord Hanuman, provided a

serene space for prayer and reflection before the group proceeded to Old Goa.
At 1:00 PM, the group arrived at the Basilica of Bom Jesus, a UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its exquisite Baroque architecture. The church houses the mortal remains of St. Francis Xavier, a revered missionary, and its intricately adorned interior exuded a deep sense of history and devotion. After exploring the church, participants took a break for lunch before continuing their journey.
Next, they visited the Church of St. Francis of Assisi, Old Goa, followed by a tour of the Archaeological Survey of India Museum of Goa, located opposite the Basilica. The museum's vast collection of artifacts, including ancient sculptures, pottery, and coins, provided valuable insights into Goa's historical and cultural evolution from prehistoric times to the colonial era.
The final destination was the Shree Gomanteshwar Mandir in Brahmhapuri, Old Goa. Dedicated to Lord Shiva, the temple's tranquil surroundings and scenic views created a perfect setting for reflection and prayer.
The field trip concluded at 4:00 PM, leaving participants enriched with knowledge and appreciation for Goa's heritage. It was an educational and spiritually fulfilling experience, offering lasting memories of the region's historical and cultural significance.
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