

ST. XAVIER'SCOLLEGE, MAPUSA GOA

Report of Activity conducted in the Academic Year 2024-25

	DEBATE: Natural Habitat vis-à-vis Built (Concrete) Habitat
Name of Activity	
	11th March 2025
Date/Duration	8.30 to 9.30 am
Venue	Arts Block, St. Xavier's College, Mapusa, Goa
Name of organizing	Department of Psychology
Department/Cell	
In collaboration	
with	
Name/s of Faculty	Fr. Dr Ramiro Luis
Coordinator	
Stratum of Event	Class wise
Name & details of Resource Person/s	Fr. Dr. Ramiro Luis
If any	
Report	Debate on Environmental Concerns: Natural Habitat vis-à-vis Built (Concrete) Habitat
	On the afternoon of 11th March 2025, the Classroom buzzed with intellectual energy as the Department of Psychology hosted a thought-provoking debate on the topic Natural Habitat vis-à-vis Built (Concrete) Habitat. This engaging discussion brought together students eager to delve into the complexities of environmental sustainability and urbanization.
	The debate began with an introduction by the moderator, highlighting the significance of balancing nature and development in modern society. Students were divided into two teams—one

	advocating for the preservation of natural habitats and the other supporting the expansion of built environments to accommodate growing human needs.
	The proponents of natural habitats emphasized the importance of biodiversity, ecological balance, and the psychological benefits of green spaces. They argued that excessive urbanization leads to habitat destruction, climate change, and a decline in mental wellbeing. In contrast, those in favor of built habitats highlighted the necessity of infrastructure, economic progress, and improved living standards. They discussed advancements in sustainable architecture and eco-friendly urban planning as solutions to minimize environmental harm.
	The debate was marked by well-researched arguments, critical thinking, and passionate discussions. Students actively engaged in rebuttals, countering opposing viewpoints with logical reasoning and real-world examples. The session not only enhanced their awareness of environmental concerns but also sharpened their analytical and public speaking skills.
	In conclusion, the debate left a strong impression on participants, encouraging them to reflect on the need for a balanced approach to development—one that integrates sustainability with progress. The event successfully fostered a deeper understanding of environmental responsibility and the role individuals play in shaping a sustainable future.
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