

## Report of Bootcamp on innovation, creativity and start-ups

On 17<sup>th</sup> December 2024 a 'Bootcamp on innovation, creativity and start-ups' was organised by the Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) of St. Xavier's College and Goa State Innovation Council at 9.30am. in the conference hall of the PG block at St. Xavier's College

The Bootcamp had two sessions, Prof. Nelson Lobo welcomed the first resource person, Mr. Haroon Sayed with a potted plant. The talk he delivered was titled 'Journey of a Techno startup Founder and its challenges'. Mr. Haroon Sayed – Founder, CodeRelix, has a background in Computer Engineering he was equipped with a unique blend of technology and business acumen. He highlighted in his talk his fearless transition from a young student, to the corporate world, followed by his journey as an entrepreneur. His message to the students was perseverance, consistency and the need to have a road map. The session was interactive and motivational.

The second resource person, Mr. Shivraj Naik was welcomed by Dr. Wendy F. Xavier Martins. He is a mentor at the Prototyping Laboratory of Goa State Innovation Council. He had a lot of knowledge which he shared regarding prototyping, 3D printing and Robotics. He provided information regarding the facilities available at the prototyping laboratory of Goa state Innovation Council, Fatorda. It was a very informative session.

The program was well attended by students and teachers across different streams. The backdrop was prepared by Ms. Sumina Fernandes and photography by Priyanshu Rai. The vote of thanks was proposed by Prof. Oscar B. De mello (IIC Convenor). The program was compeered by Ms. Ruella D'souza. The program was coordinated by Dr. Wendy F. Xavier Martins.