



ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE, MAPUSA GOA

Report of Activity conducted in the Academic Year 2024- 2025

Name of Activity	23rd Shenoi Goembab Kathamal Competition
Date/ Duration	24th August 2024/ Half Day
Venue	
Name of organizing Department/Cell	The Department of Konkani
In collaboration with	Konknni Bhasha Mandal
Name/s of Faculty Co ordinator	Dr. Fr. Luis Gomes
Stratum of Event	State
Name & details of Resource Person/s if any	NA
Report	<p>The 23rd Shenoi Goembab Kathamal Competition, organized by Konknni Bhasha Mandal (KBM), Margao in association with St. Xavier's College, Mapusa, took place on 24th August 2024, at the Seminar Hall of St. Xavier's College. This annual event aims to promote and celebrate the Konkani language among school students through the art of storytelling. Participants were divided into three main categories based on their academic levels: Class 1st to 4th, Class 5th to 7th, and Class 8th to 10th, with each category further subdivided into three sections, making a total of nine distinct groups. A total of 140 students from various schools in the Bardez Taluka enthusiastically participated in the competition.</p> <p>The event began with an inaugural ceremony in which students paid tribute to the revered figure of Shenoi Goembab by garlanding his portrait, honoring his significant contributions to Konkani literature. Following the ceremony, participants, along with their parents and teachers, moved to the designated classrooms to begin the competition. A panel of 27 esteemed judges evaluated the participants' performances, witnessing the students' dedication and passion for the Konkani language.</p> <p>In Category 1 (Class 1st to 4th), Samarth Shettkar from G.S. Amonnkar Vidhyamandir, Mapusa, secured 1st place, while Ansh Naik from Cornerstone Primary School was the 1st runner-up. In Category 2 (Class 5th to 7th), Vyom Pednekar from G.S. Amonnkar Vidhyamandir,</p>

	<p>Mapusa, took 1st place, and Ashweta Sawant from Lourdes Convent High School, Saligao, was the 1st runner-up. In Category 3 (Class 8th to 10th), Priyanka Parab from G.S. Amonnkar Vidhyamandir, Mapusa, achieved 1st place, with Dharmanand Sawant from Assagao Union High School as the 1st runner-up. Other winners across the categories included Sharvari Korgaokar from St. Anne Primary School, Sharvi Naik from Shri Ganesh High School, Krutika Salgaokar from Gyanprasarak Vidhyalai, Mapusa, Varda Lanjekar from St. Francis School, Shreyasi Mahalkar from Shri Shanta Vidhyalai, Siolim, and Nipika Shettkar from Sacred Heart High School.</p> <p>Mr. Dharma Chodankar, the Head of the Department of Konkani at St. Xavier's College, Mapusa, graced the event as the Chief Guest and presented the awards to the winners. His words of encouragement emphasized the importance of continuing efforts to preserve and promote the Konkani language. The event was successfully coordinated by Ms. Prachi Prabhavalkar, an executive member of KBM, alongside Dr. Purushottam Verlekar and Dr. Fr. Luis Gomes, faculty members at St. Xavier's College. Additionally, 26 students from St. Xavier's College volunteered to ensure the smooth execution of the event.</p> <p>The 23rd Shenoi Goembab Kathamal Competition was a resounding success, bringing together young talents from across Bardez Taluka and showcasing their love and dedication to the Konkani language. The event not only celebrated Goa's rich cultural heritage but also inspired the younger generation to continue the storytelling tradition in Konkani. The enthusiasm and support from students, parents, and teachers contributed significantly to the event's success.</p>
Beneficiaries	140
Brochure/Poster	https://xavierscollegegoa.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/Poster.pdf
Photographs	https://xavierscollegegoa.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/Picture2.pdf
List of participants with signatures	https://xavierscollegegoa.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/Registration-of-Shenoi-Goembab-Kathamal-KBM-26-Aug-24-21u23u13.pdf
Certificate	https://xavierscollegegoa.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/Certificate-of-23rd-Shenoi-Goembab-Kathamal.pdf