



ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE, MAPUSA GOA

Report of Activity conducted in the Academic Year 2025-26

Name of Activity	PAPER PRESENTATION SHIFTING TRADE DYNAMICS: U.S. -INDIA RELATIONS IN THE TRUMP ERA
Date/ Duration	10.10.2025
Venue	St. Xavier's College, Room No. 326
Name of organizing Department/Cell	Department of Economics
In collaboration with	
Name/s of Faculty Co-ordinator	Ms. Ana Andrade e Souza
Stratum of Event	Local
Name & details of Resource Person/s if any	Mr. Ezra Fernandes, student SYBA
Report	Mr. Ezra Fernandes covered the impactful 2025 tariffs imposed by U.S. President Donald Trump on Indian imports. In 2025, the Trump administration imposed steep tariffs on Indian goods, beginning with a 25% tariff on steel and aluminum and later expanding to 50% tariffs on a wider range of products. These measures aimed to protect U.S. industries, reduce the trade deficit, and exert diplomatic pressure on India over its ties with Russia. The tariffs had far-reaching economic and political consequences: • For India, exporters in sectors like textiles, gems, leather, and chemicals suffered as their goods became less competitive in the U.S. market. This led to reduced export volumes and job losses. • For the U.S., while certain domestic industries benefited, companies depending on Indian imports faced higher costs, pushing prices up for consumers. • Diplomatically, the move strained U.S.–India relations, slowing cooperation in other areas. The paper highlights how tariffs are not just economic tools but also instruments of geopolitical strategy. Such trade barriers can protect local industries but also risk trade wars, disrupt supply chains, and increase consumer prices. Ultimately, the 2025 tariffs illustrate the tight link between global politics, trade, and economics, showing how policy decisions in one country can shape economic realities across the world. 17 students benefitted immensely from the session
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