



ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE, MAPUSA GOA

Report of Activity conducted in the Academic Year 2025-26

Name of Activity	“NAVRATRI CELEBRATION” - DIVERSITY & INCLUSIVITY (NAVRATRI - CHRISTMAS - EID)
Date/Duration	26th August 2025
Venue	Conference Room, Post Graduate Block
Name of organizing Department/Cel l	Abbe Faria Post Graduate Department of Psychology
In collaboration with	
Name/s of Faculty Coordinator	Dr. Kshipra Vora Ms. Maryjane De Souza Ms. Vaishnavi Ghosarwadkar (In-charge) Ms. Janice Zuzarte
Stratum of Event	State Level
Name & details of Resource Person/s If any	

Report	<p>Objectives of the Event</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To foster awareness and appreciation of religious and cultural diversity among students and faculty. 2. To highlight the significance of Navratri and its cultural, linguistic, and culinary aspects. 3. To promote inclusive participation and experiential learning through traditional attire and themed activities. 4. To set the stage for future celebrations of other festivals such as Christmas and Eid, emphasizing shared values of joy, giving, and reflection. <p>On 26th September 2025, the Department of Psychology organized a Diversity and Inclusivity Celebration centered on Navratri. The event began with a brief session explaining the cultural and spiritual significance of Navratri, emphasizing themes of devotion, discipline, and communal harmony. Students and faculty were encouraged to participate in traditional ethnic attire, creating an immersive experience of the festival's cultural heritage.</p> <p>A themed potluck followed, where participants brought dishes aligned with Navratri traditions, allowing students to explore and appreciate regional culinary practices. The event also highlighted elements such as traditional language expressions, dress codes, music, and rituals, fostering an experiential understanding of cultural nuances.</p> <p>The celebration reinforced the importance of inclusivity, empathy, and mutual respect across religious practices. Faculty highlighted plans for similar upcoming celebrations, including Christmas, focusing on the joy of giving, and Eid, emphasizing self-reflection, thereby creating continuity in experiential cultural education.</p> <p>Outcomes / Learning</p> <p>The event successfully enhanced students' awareness of religious diversity, cultural traditions, and inclusive practices. Through participation in dress, food, and thematic activities, students gained appreciation for heritage, fostered community bonding, and developed respect for multi-religious and multicultural perspectives.</p>
Brochure/Poster	<p>https://xavierscollegegoa.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/poster-of-NAVRATRI-CELEBRATION.jpg</p>

Photographs	https://xavierscollegegoa.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/image-of-NAVRATRI-CELEBRATION.jpg
List of participants With signatures	Postgraduate Students (Part I and Part II)
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