



ST.XAVIER'S COLLEGE, MAPUSA GOA

Report of Activity conducted in the Academic Year 2024-25

Name of Activity	10 th ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF INNOVATION: GOA'S YOUNG INNOVATORS
Date/Duration	13 th February, 2026 Half a day event
Venue	St. Xavier's College – Seminar Hall
Name of organizing Department/Cell	Department of Chemistry in Collaboration with the Institution's Innovation Cell of St. Xavier's College
In collaboration with	
Name/s of Faculty Coordinator	Ms. Sheryl D'Cruz
Stratum of Event	A One-day state level workshop for Schools, HSS and Colleges across Goa
Name & details of Resource Person/s If any	Dr Mahesh S. Majik Professor Centre for Research Development & Innovation, State Higher Education Council (SHEC), Directorate of Higher Education (Govt. of Goa) Porvorim-Goa 403 521, INDIA
Report	<p>The Department of Chemistry, St. Xavier's College - Mapusa in collaboration with the Institution's Innovation Cell, hosted the 10th Annual Festival of Innovation: Goa's Young Innovators on the 13th of February 2026.</p> <p>After the Invocation and watering of the plant, Prof. Afonso Bothelo, In-charge, addressed the gathering which had participants from 26 Institutions across Goa.</p> <p>Prof. Oscar de Mello, IIC coordinator also graced the event.</p> <p>The Chief Guest, Dr. Mahesh Majik, Professor, Centre for Research Development & Innovation, State Higher Education Council (SHEC), Directorate of Higher Education (Govt. of Goa) Porvorim Goa delivered the keynote address. He explained how Innovation and Research are two different aspects. Citing several examples, he explained how simple innovations have led to remarkable utility</p>

innovations for mankind. He sensitized the students on the importance of observing, questioning and analyzing and motivated them to innovate in any small way possible.

This year two competitions were conducted:

1. A one-minute video making competition on the 15th SDG: Life on Land.
2. Scientific model making competition.

The prize winners were:

SCHOOL CATEGORY

One Minute Video making competition:

1st Place: Ijahil Sheikh and Md. Fahad from St. Joseph's High School, Calangute.

2nd Place: Winoska D'Silva and Aestrel Barretto from Fatima Convent High School, Margao.

3rd Place: Parina Rana and Rafael D' Cunha from St. Joseph's High school Arpora.

Goa's Young Innovators competition:

1st place: Aadi Joshi and Devaansh Naik from The Rosary High School, Cujira.

2nd place: Swayam Navnath Narvekar and Amber Fernandes from Lourdes Convent High School.

3rd place: C. Ram Loverly and Sonam Vishwakaram from Santa Cruz High School.

HSS CATEGORY

One Minute Video making competition:

1st Place: Jyoti Patel and Hetvi Kanakhara from Purushottam Walawalka.

2nd Place: Samarth Kenavdekar and Anson Franco from St. Xavier's HSS Mapusa.

3rd Place Ravish Gawas and Ms. Suvidha Veluskar from Shri Bhumika HSS.

Goa's Young Innovators competition:

1st place SHARED BY

*Samir Khan and Pratik Kulkarni from St. Xavier's HSS, Mapusa.
and

*Abhijeet Gawas and Nirbhay Soliyekar from Shri Bhumika HSS.

2nd place: Arya Kulkarni and Sanyog Faterpekar from People's HSS , Panjim.

3rd place: Kingley Monteiro and Jovan Furtado from Damodar HSS, Margao.

	<p>COLLEGE CATEGORY</p> <p>One Minute Video making competition:</p> <p>1st Place: Sunny Sabaji Shetye and Rutvik Raghunath from Ganpat Parsekar College of Education.</p> <p>2nd Place: Riya Kindalkar and Prachi Naik from Carmel College of Arts Science and Commerce for Women, Nuvem.</p> <p>3rd Place: Mohammed Shaikh and Vachas Fatarpekar from Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College and Research Centre Assagao.</p> <p>Goa's Young Innovators competition:</p> <p>1st place: Mr. Siddhant Shailendra Alornecar and Mr. Harish Desai from Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College and Research Centre Assagao.</p> <p>2nd place: Mr. Atharva Mishal and Ms. Saidnya Bordekar from Ganpat Parsekar College of Education.</p> <p>3rd place: Ms. Mehak Shaikh and Manisha Das from Carmel College of Arts Science and Commerce for Women, Nuvem.</p> <p>The valedictory function ended with the prize distribution ceremony.</p> <p>Ms. Sheryl D'Cruz, event coordinator proposed the vote of thanks.</p>
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