



ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE, MAPUSA GOA

Report of Activity conducted in the Academic Year 2026-2027

Name of Activity	"Alumni Connect: Bridging Generations", an alumni lecture series, as part of the Late Rev. Dr. Nicolau Pereira Birth Centenary Celebrations
Date/ Duration	26 th September 2026, 10:00 am to 11.30 am
Venue	Seminar Hall and PG Block Conference Hall
Name of organizing Department/Cell	NA
In collaboration with	
Name/s of Faculty Co ordinator	Dr Marielou Ferrao, Dr. Larissa Menezes
Stratum of Event	College level
Name & details of Resource Person/s if any	Shri. Sandip J. Jacques, IAS, Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Revenue/Tourism/Law, Government of Goa
Report	St. Xavier's College, Mapusa-Goa, organised "Alumni Connect: Bridging Generations", an alumni lecture series, as part of the Late Rev. Dr. Nicolau Pereira Birth Centenary Celebrations, on 26th September 2026, at the College Seminar Hall. The event involved invited sessions by five Alumni, who were present during the tenure of the birth centenarian. Simultaneous sessions took place at two venues ie. College Seminar Hall and PG Block Conference Hall. The first session began at 10:00 am, with the formal Inaugural programme where Shri Sandip J. Jacques, IAS, an alumnus from the Batch of 1992 (B.Sc.) was the Chief Guest. He is presently serving as Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Revenue/Tourism/Law, Government of Goa. Shri Sandip Jacques was welcomed by Prof. Nelson and presented a memento by Principal Ursula Barreto. Shri Jacques delivered a session titled "Civil Services & Emerging Opportunities for Youth." He shared valuable insights into the Civil Services and the opportunities available to young people in public administration. His own professional journey served as an important source of inspiration for the students. He was among the early aspirants from Goa to clear the Goa Public Service Commission (GPSC) examination and enter government service, subsequently becoming an IAS officer. His career reflects a progression from state-level public service to the higher responsibilities associated with the Indian Administrative Service. During his career, Shri Jacques has served not only the Government of Goa but also the Government of India. His professional experience has

	included assignments in Goa, the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, and Delhi, giving him exposure to administration at different levels and in different geographical and institutional settings. In his interaction with the students, he highlighted the significance of Civil Services as a career opportunity for youth, while also emphasising the responsibilities involved in public administration. The session was particularly meaningful for the 80 students who attended, as Shri Jacques returned to his alma mater and interacted with the younger generation. His journey from being a student of St. Xavier's College to serving in senior administrative positions provided students with a practical example of the opportunities that can emerge through education, perseverance, competitive examinations and public service. The session ended with a formal vote of thanks by the event convenor, Dr Marielou Ferrao.
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Photographs	https://xavierscollegegoa.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/Images-of-Shri.-Sandip-J.-Jacques-Report-1Alumni-Connect-Bridging-Generations.pdf
List of participants with signatures	https://xavierscollegegoa.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/Attendance-of-Alumni-Connect-Bridging-Generations.pdf
Certificate	NA