



INTERNATIONAL DAY
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Our Biodiversity,
Our Food, Our Health
— 22 MAY 2019 —

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“Our Biodiversity, Our Food, Our Health”

Every year ‘22nd May’ is celebrated worldwide as **International Day for Biological Diversity (IDB)** to commemorate the adaptation of the Convention on Biological Diversity at the Earth Summit held in Rio de Janeiro in June 1992. Celebrating IDB every year reaffirms our resolve and reflects on our responsibility to safeguard the precious heritage of bio resources for future generation.

This year’s IDB theme is **“Our Biodiversity, Our Food, Our Health”**.

To mark the celebration of IDB-2019 Goa State Biodiversity Board (GSBB) organized an event of display cum sale on **“Our Food from Goa’s Biodiversity for Our Health”** at stalls put up by active Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) at Mall de Goa, Porvorim, Bardez- Goa on 22nd May 2019 from 10:00 a.m to 09:30 p.m. The purpose of the event was to popularize the theme of International Day for Biological Diversity – 2019 **“Our Biodiversity, Our Food, Our Health”**. In which fourteen active Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) from across Goa displayed locally available biodiversity produce specially varieties of mangoes, bananas, Jackfruit, Pineapple and some rare fruits from across the State of Goa and conducted sale of the same along with food items derived from Goa’s Biodiversity. Very good response was received for this event from the visitors to the Mall. For the first time, GSBB has provided the opportunity to local vendors who generally sell at roadside or village marts got a platform to sell their biodiversity produce in the Mall.



Main State Level celebration is scheduled to be held on 08/06/2019 at “Village Panchayat Hall” Salvador do Mundo, Bardez- Goa.



Inauguration of the stalls on “Our food from Goa’s Biodiversity for Our Health” at the hands of Chairperson’s and Members of BMC’s in the presence of Member Secretary, GSBB, Board Members and Members of Thematic Expert Committee (TECs) of GSBB.



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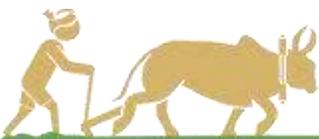




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Director, Directorate of Agriculture during the event at Mall de Goa.



Visitors during the event at Mall de Goa.



Goa's Biodiversity



Pre IDB -2019 event - “YUVA JAGRUTI”, a Youth Festival held on 02nd Feb 2019

Goa State Biodiversity Board (GSBB), in collaboration with Abhivyaktee, Institute Menezes Braganza and support of Department of Environment organized the “**YUVA JAGRUTI**”, a Youth Festival on 2nd February, 2019 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm at “Conference Hall and Main Hall” of Institute Menezes Braganza, Panaji Goa.

This program was conducted as a part of pre- celebration activity of ‘**International Day for Biological Diversity, 2019**’ (IDB-2019). This year festival was organized on 2nd Feb, 2019 which is celebrated as **World Wetland Day**.



Various competitions were conducted, such as Non film Environment Songs competition, Poster making competition, Street play competition and Extempore speech competition. Around 550 young participants took part in various competitions.

- **Non Film Environment Songs competition:**

This competition was held in Main Hall of Institute Menezes Braganza and judges were Shri. Rajendra Naik and Shilpa Dobale





Participants of Non- film Environment Songs competition

- **Poster making competition:**

This competition was held next to Main Hall and judges were Mrs. Kranti and Mrs. Anagha Deshpande.



Participants of Poster Making Competition

- **Street play competition:**

This competition was held on Azad Maidan Panjim and topics for the competition were:

1. **Role of Wetlands in water & Biodiversity conservation**
2. **Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Refuse**
3. **Eco tourism from the Goan Context**
4. **Earth belongs to Everyone: Stop destruction of Biodiversity**

Judges were Mr. Gautam Gaude, Director and Author and Mr. Aniket Nangle, Director and Artist





Street Play Participants

- **Extempore speech competition:** This competition was held at Conference Hall. Each participant was given different topics on the theme “Biodiversity” the judges were Mrs. Reshma Kerkar and Dr. Varsha Hoble



Extempore speech participants

Valedictory and Prize Distribution Function:

The Valedictory and Prize Distribution Function was held at Main Hall of Institute Menezes Braganza at 2:00 pm. Before valedictory function Mime act and street play was performed by Abhivyaktee team. For valedictory function the dignitaries on the dais were Shri. Rajendra Kerkar, Board Member GSBB, Chief Guest, Smt. Ujwala Kamat Tarkar, guest and Saiesh Deshpande. Shri Rajendra Kerkar spoke about natural water source and explained the importance of water through folk poems. He also informed that tribals of Goa and other forest dwelling communities have excellent knowledge of the floristic wealth of their surrounding who make use of plants as their daily needs. Further he



appreciated the work carried out by the GSBB. Smt. Ujwala Kamat Tarkar, Artist Theatre-Drama, praised the Yuva Jagurti team and congratulated winners. Miss Priyanka Verekar, Yuva Jagruti team member shared her experience working with Abhivyaktee. Winners of the various competitions were awarded certificate, cash prizes and mementos. The vote of thanks was proposed by Smt. Anagha Deshpande, Abhivyaktee.



Dignitaries at Valedictory and Prize Distribution Function

Results of 'YUVA JAGRUTI 2019' held on February 2nd, 2019.

<p>STREET PLAY COMPETITION 1st . Goa College of Engineering 2nd .S. S. Angle Higher Secondary Scool 3rd. Mount Mary's Higher Secondary school 4th. St. Xavier's Higher Secondary School 5th. Nirmala Institute of Education</p>	<p>EXTEMPORE SPEECH COMPETITION 1st. Sameer Sheikh 2nd. Veda Dessai 3rd. Jerusha D'Souza 4th. Ronak Soni 5th. Saneeya S. Kalangutkar</p>
<p>POSTER MAKING COMPETITION 1st. Bethany Convent High School 2nd. Sarvodaya Educational High School 3rd. Dr. K. B. Hedgewar High School 4th. People's High School 5th. Mahila and Nutan High school</p>	<p>NON- FILM ENVIRONMENT SONG SINGING COMPETITION 1st. Almeida High School 2nd. L D Samant Memorial High School 3rd. Sarvoday High School 4th. Mushtifund High School</p>
<p>Best New Composition: Infant Jesus High School</p>	<p>Best Lyrics: Bro Lester Cardozo, St. Anthony High School</p>

***** Thank you*****

