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MoU Signing Ceremony -VVM's GRKCL & Bailancho Ekvott — 1st September 2026





VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, Margao – Goa, conducted an MoU signing ceremony between Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, Margao – Goa and Bailancho Ekvott, followed by a Sensitization Session on the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013, on 1st September 2026 in the Smart Classroom,GRKCL from 11:30 a.m. onwards. The objectives of the programme was to formalize an institutional collaboration with Bailancho Ekvott for legal awareness, community outreach, and women's rights initiatives, to sensitize students and faculty regarding legal rights, preventive measures, and redressal mechanisms under the POSH Act, 2013 and UGC Regulations 2015.

The Resource person for the ceremony was Adv. Auda Viegas, President, Bailancho Ekvott. The programme commenced with a welcome address by Dr Maria Goretti Simoes, Vice Principal GRKCL , who welcomed the resource person, faculty members and students and highlighted the significance of the programme. The MoU with Bailancho Ekvott aims to strengthen collaboration in the areas of legal awareness, women's rights, community outreach, legal literacy and practical exposure for students.

Following the MoU signing ceremony, a Sensitization Session on the POSH Act, 2013 was conducted by the Women's Cell and the Internal Committee of the College. Adv. Auda Viegas, President, Bailancho Ekvott, was the resource person for the session. She sensitized the participants on various aspects of workplace sexual harassment, including its meaning and forms, preventive measures, statutory rights, institutional responsibilities and mechanisms for reporting and redressal of complaints.

The session emphasised the importance of creating a safe, respectful and gender-sensitive environment in educational institutions and workplaces. It provided students and faculty members with an opportunity to understand the legal and practical dimensions of sexual harassment and the significance of effective prevention and redressal mechanisms.

Ms Nonita Aguiar, TYBALLB student, served as the compère and coordinated the proceedings of the programme. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Asst. Prof. Yamini Dalvi.

Outcome of the Programme:

- Established a formal collaboration with Bailancho Ekvott for legal literacy, practical exposure, and community support.
- Enhanced awareness among participants regarding statutory workplace rights, legal definitions, and redressal procedures for sexual harassment grievances.



7th Session of Campus Voice

3rd September 2026





The 7th session of Campus Voice, an initiative of Voice for Goem News Channel, was conducted for the students of Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, Margao – Goa, on 3rd September 2026 at 10:15 a.m in G. D. Auditorium.The programme focused on contemporary issues relating to democracy, citizenship, free speech, dissent, peaceful protest, political criticism, accountability, social media and constitutional rights. The session commenced with a brief introduction to the initiative by the host Mr. Shwetang Naik, who provided an overview of the purpose and objectives of the programme. The session commenced with a brief introduction to the initiative by the host Mr. Shwetang Naik, who provided an overview of the purpose and objectives of the programme. The objective of the programme was promote awareness on issues concerning Goa, encourage healthy and informed discussions, develop leadership and communication skills among students,Create a platform for responsible youth participation.

The Guest Speaker for the session was Dr. Sangeeta Naik, Executive Director, Digital Goa. The session featured an address by Dr. Sangeeta Naik, Executive Director, Digital Goa, who engaged the students in a thought-provoking discussion on the functioning of democracy and the role of young citizens in a democratic society. She discussed the importance of freedom of speech and expression, the role of dissent and peaceful protest, political criticism, public accountability and the responsible exercise of constitutional rights.

Dr. Naik also referred to George Orwell's 1984 and discussed its relevance to contemporary society, particularly in relation to surveillance, control of information, manipulation of truth, freedom of thought and expression, and the relationship between citizens and power. The reference to the novel encouraged students to critically reflect on the importance of protecting democratic freedoms and independent thought.

This was followed by an interactive discussion with the students. Students actively participated in the discussion and shared their views on democracy, freedom of expression, dissent, political criticism, peaceful protest, accountability and the influence of social media on public opinion. The discussion also touched upon the responsibilities of citizens while exercising their constitutional freedoms and the need for informed and responsible participation in democratic processes.

The students who participated in the discussion included Harshvardhan Gauns Dessai, Vrushank Gaonkar, Bhumika Kejriwal, Nonita Aguiar, Ankit Shirvoikar, Shanayai Pereira, Amalia Noronha, Elma Vadakedom, Rosval Rodrigues, Ethan Lopes and Steven Fernandes. Their participation contributed to a lively exchange of views and encouraged critical engagement with contemporary constitutional and democratic issues.

Mr.Harshvardhan Gauns Dessai, Fourth Year B.A.LL.B., and Ms. Nonita Aguiar, T.Y.B.A.LL.B were appointed as Campus Ambassadors. The programme was coordinated by Asst. Prof. Ashmita Naik.

Outcome of the Programme

- Enhanced students' understanding of democracy, citizenship, freedom of speech and constitutional rights.
- Encouraged critical discussion on dissent, peaceful protest, political criticism and public accountability.
- Helped students understand the contemporary relevance of George Orwell's 1984 in relation to surveillance, information control and freedom of thought.
- Created awareness about the impact of social media on public opinion and democratic discourse.
- Provided students with a platform to express their views, engage in constructive discussion and develop informed perspectives on contemporary democratic issues.







The Master class commenced with a brief introduction by the compere Ms Muskaan Sayed. Vice Principal Dr. Maria Goretti Simoes, Resource person Adv Prasanna Chowdikar and the audience were formally welcomed by the compere. Adv Chowdikar started his session by overview of lecture followed by an insightful and in-depth analysis on the topic- 'Companies Act, 2013: Compliance and Section 137 Complaints' He explained the various provisions under Section 137 of the Companies Act, 2013, relating to the filing of financial statements with the Registrar of Companies. He elaborated on the statutory requirements and timelines for filing financial statements and discussed the consequences of non-compliance. The resource person also explained the penalty provisions, the procedure relating to complaints under Section 137, and the practical difficulties faced by companies and professionals in ensuring timely compliance.

The session further highlighted the importance of maintaining proper corporate records and adhering to statutory filing requirements. Through practical examples and relevant case references, Adv. Prasanna provided the participants with a better understanding of the legal and practical aspects of corporate compliance. The interactive nature of the session encouraged students to clarify their doubts and engage in meaningful discussion.

The Master class concluded with an interactive question-and-answer session, wherein the participants actively interacted with the resource person and sought clarification on various aspects of company law and statutory compliance. The session proved to be informative and enriching, providing the students with valuable practical insights into the working and compliance requirements under the Companies Act, 2013.

The masterclass was organised and coordinated by Assistant Professor Ms. Rozena Correia and Assistant Professor Ms. Yamini J Dalvi.

Outcome of the Programme

The Master Class enhanced the students' understanding of corporate compliance under the Companies Act, 2013, particularly the provisions relating to Section 137 and filing of financial statements. It provided practical insights into statutory requirements, penalties for non-compliance, and the procedure relating to Section 137 complaints. The interactive session helped students connect theoretical concepts with practical aspects of company law and strengthened their awareness of corporate legal compliance.

Teacher's Day Celebration

5th September 2026









The Students' Council of VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law organized Teacher's Day Celebration on Saturday, 5th September 2026 at 11:30 AM in the GD Hall. The celebration was conducted with great enthusiasm and heartfelt gratitude to honour and appreciate the teachers of the institution. The theme of the celebration was "From Roots to Wings – Teachers as the roots that help students grow and eventually fly."

The programme commenced with a warm welcome to the teachers, followed by a prayer service seeking blessings for their continued well-being and success. The celebration also featured a creative "Back to Campus" concept, inviting teachers to relive the spirit of their student days through a fun and nostalgic college-style celebration. A ramp walk, with teachers participating in pairs, added an energetic beginning to the programme.

The cultural segment included engaging performances, interactive activities and games organized especially for the teachers. The games and spot-prize activities encouraged enthusiastic participation and created a lively atmosphere. Students and teachers came together throughout the programme, making the celebration warm, informal and memorable. The event also included the presentation of flowers and tokens of appreciation to the teachers as a gesture of gratitude from the students.

The celebration concluded with a cake-cutting ceremony and a group photograph with the teachers and student volunteers. The event was made possible through the coordinated efforts of the Students' Council, Cultural Committee, student volunteers, performers, games organizers, decoration team, comperes and the students who participated in the various activities. Their collective effort helped create a meaningful celebration that reflected the gratitude and affection students hold for their teachers.









The Students' Council and Cultural Committee of VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, successfully organized a Janmashtami Celebration and Dahi Handi event on Monday, 7th September 2026.

The event commenced at 11:45 A.M. with the welcome address delivered by the compere of the event, Ms. Sharvani Naik from T.Y.B.A.L.L.B. The programme included a Rangoli Competition, dance performance, Matki Hunt, group games namely Krishna Character Hunt & Bombarding the City, spot prizes, Best-Dressed Radha and Krishna competition, ramp walk and performance, and the Dahi Handi student pyramid, followed by prize distribution and a photography session.

The ramp walk for the Best-Dressed Radha and Krishna participants added colour and excitement to the celebration. Students from different classes participated under designated team codes: Team Radha – F.Y. B.A. LL.B.; Team Gokul – T.Y. B.A. LL.B.; Team Vrindavan – Fourth Year B.A. LL.B.; Team Govardhan – S.Y. B.A. LL.B.; Team Mathura – S.Y. LL.B.; and Team Krishna – T.Y. LL.B., creating an atmosphere of enthusiasm and friendly competition.

The Best-Dressed Krishna Competition was won by Chetan Gaonkar of F.Y. B.A. LL.B., while the Best-Dressed Radha Competition was won by Riya Kumarpant of T.Y. B.A. LL.B. The Rangoli Competition was won by the team of Fourth Year B.A. LL.B. The winning team consisted of students from the Fourth Year B.A. LL.B. class and was led by Jitisha Patekar, Manaswi Morajkar and Diya Salgaokar. Spot prizes were also conducted during the event to encourage participation. The Dahi Handi student pyramid was the main highlight of the celebration.

The event ended at 02:00 P.M. At the conclusion of the event, a group photograph was taken with all the volunteers, faculty members, staff, students, organizers and the class representatives, capturing the collective spirit and participation of everyone involved.

Master Class on the Topic of "Dimensions of Forensic Evidence under Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023"

8th September 2026





VVM's G.R. Kare College of Law, Margao under its Criminal Law Club organised Master Class on the Topic of "Dimensions of Forensic Evidence under Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023" on 8th September 2026, from 10:00 am to 11:00 am at the Smart Classroom, GRKCL. The objectives of the programme are to to acquaint students with the dimensions and significance of forensic evidence under the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023, and to develop an interdisciplinary understanding of the role of forensic evidence in the criminal justice process.

The Resource Person for the masterclass was Dr. Madhu Ghodkirekar, Associate Professor & HoD of Forensic Medicine at Goa Medical College.

Dr. Ghodkirekar discussed the importance of forensic evidence in the criminal justice process and its relevance within the evidentiary framework of the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023. The session provided students with an interdisciplinary perspective on the interface between forensic medicine, scientific evidence and criminal law, thereby helping them appreciate the practical significance of forensic evidence in legal proceedings.

- Outcome of the Programme

o Mention the knowledge gained, skills developed, awareness created, or impact of the event.

The participants gained a better understanding of the role and significance of forensic evidence under the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023. The session enhanced their awareness of the importance of scientific and forensic inputs in criminal investigation and adjudication and encouraged an interdisciplinary approach to the study of criminal law and evidence.

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The Students' Council & Cultural Committee of VVM's G.R. Kare College of Law, Margao organized election to the post of General Secretary – Students' Council Election 2026 on 9th September 2026 at 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. – Polling and from 12:45 p.m. onwards – Counting of Votes in respective classrooms and G. D. Auditorium, VVM's G.R. Kare College of Law, Margao.

The objective of the students council election was to facilitate the election of the General Secretary and thereby contribute to the formation of the Students' Council. The election aimed to provide students with an opportunity to participate in the democratic process, exercise their right to vote and elect representatives to contribute to the functioning of the Students' Council and voice the interests of the student community.

The election process for the posts of General Secretary, Cultural Secretary, Sports Secretary and Lady Representative was initiated with the issuance of the election notice. The entire election process was conducted in accordance with Rule 04 of the Goa University Election Rules for Affiliated Colleges.

As per the election schedule, the last date for the submission of nomination forms was on Friday, 4th September 2026, till 12:00 noon. The process of withdrawal of candidature was completed on Saturday, 5th September 2026, till 11:15 a.m. The scrutiny of nomination papers was conducted on Monday, 7th September 2026, till 11:00 a.m., followed by the notification of the final list of eligible candidates at 12:00 noon on 7th September 2026.

The candidates contesting for the post of General Secretary were:

Post	Contesting Candidates
General Secretary	Mr. Rama Faldesai
	Mr. Claydan Barbosa

Prior to the polling, detailed notices regarding the election schedule, campaigning and polling procedures were communicated to the students. A meeting of the designated Polling Officers was conducted by the Chairperson of the Students' Council. The Polling Officers were briefed about their duties, responsibilities and the procedure to be followed on the day of the election.

On Wednesday, 9th September 2026, polling for the post of General Secretary was conducted from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the respective classes. The Polling Officers briefed the students present regarding the necessary polling information and procedure. Students were called roll-number-wise to cast their votes.

The counting of votes commenced from 12:45 p.m. onwards at the G. D. Auditorium. The counting process was conducted by the designated election officials in accordance with the prescribed procedure.

Following the counting of votes, Mr. Rama Faldesai was elected as the General Secretary of the Students' Council. The posts of Cultural Secretary, Sports Secretary and Lady Representative were unopposed

Post	Name of the Student
General Secretary	Rama Faldesai
Cultural Secretary	Varun Adpaikar
Sports Secretary	Harsh Burud
Lady Representative	Zoufishan Shaikh

Outcome of the Programme

The election successfully facilitated the further formation of the Students' Council through the election of the General Secretary and the filling of the other office-bearer posts. The elected representatives will contribute to the functioning of the Students' Council and serve as a link between the students and the college administration.

"Changing the Narrative on Suicide"- Awareness Session 10th September 2026





VVM's G R Kare College of Law, Margao under its Centre for Counseling and Wellness Management and Komalsparsh (MoU Partner) Organized an awareness session on "Changing the Narrative on Suicide" on 10 September 2026 at 10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. in Smart Classroom, GRKCL.

The objectives of the session were to mark World Suicide Prevention Day 2026 and engage with this year' s theme,"Changing the Narrative on Suicide.", to create awareness among students about suicide prevention and the importance of open conversations and support, to encourage students to engage in discussions around emotional well-being, help-seeking and suicide prevention. to strengthen the Counseling Centre as an approachable and supportive space within the college community.

The Resource Person for the session was Mrs. Sharon Rodrigues, Clinical Psychologist, Komal Sparsh – MOU Partner

As part of the observance of World Suicide Prevention Day 2026, the Center for Counseling and Wellness Management organised an awareness session for the FY B.A. LL.B. students. The session was conducted by Mrs. Sharon Rodrigues, Clinical Psychologist and representative of Komal Sparsh, an MOU partner of the college. The session focused on this year' s theme,"Changing the Narrative on Suicide," and aimed to create greater awareness and understanding around suicide prevention. The programme began with Dr. Maria Goretti Simoes, Principal, VVM' s G.R. Kare College of Law, welcoming the resource person, Mrs. Sharon Rodrigues. The session was interactive and engaging, with students actively participating in the discussion and responding to questions and activities facilitated by the resource person. Mrs. Sharon Rodrigues encouraged students to look at suicide prevention through the perspective of openness, understanding and support. The interactive nature of the session provided students with an opportunity to reflect on the importance of conversations around emotional well-being and seeking help when required. The programme

concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Ms. Sandhya Chawan, College Counselor, who expressed appreciation to the resource person for conducting the session and to the students for their active participation.

Outcome of the Programme

The session created awareness among students about suicide prevention and the importance of changing the way suicide and help-seeking are discussed. The interactive format encouraged student participation, reflection and open engagement with the topic. The programme also provided an opportunity for students to become more familiar with the support available through the Counseling Centre and reinforced the importance of seeking help and supporting others.









As part of the observance of World Suicide Prevention Day 2026, the Center for Counseling and Wellness Management of VVM's G R Kare College of Law, Margao, organised "Hear Me Out," an Open Mic programme, on 10 September 2026 at 11:15 a.m. in the Smart Classroom for FY B.A. LL.B. students. The programme provided students with an open and non-judgmental platform to express themselves through different forms of creative and spoken expression. Students were encouraged to share their thoughts and perspectives in a comfortable and supportive environment. A total of 9 participants from different classes came forward to take part in the Open Mic. The participants presented songs, poetry, and their thoughts and perspectives on suicide prevention. The varied forms of expression created an atmosphere of openness and encouraged students to listen to and engage with different perspectives. The programme also served as an opportunity to connect the theme of "Changing the Narrative on Suicide" with the importance of creating spaces where individuals can express themselves, speak openly, seek support, and feel comfortable approaching others when they are going through difficult experiences. The programme concluded with appreciation for all the participants who
came forward and contributed to making the Open Mic a meaningful platform for expression and conversation.

- Outcome of the Programme

The programme provided students with an opportunity to express themselves through music, poetry and spoken thoughts in a supportive environment. It encouraged openness, active listening and awareness around suicide prevention, emotional well-being and help-seeking. The participation of students from different classes also helped create a sense of shared engagement and reinforced the Counseling Centre as an approachable space for students within the college community.





The NSS Unit and Child Welfare Cell of VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, Margao-Goa, in association with Project Pearl, organised an Awareness Programme on Anti Human Trafficking on 11th September 2026 at 11:00 a.m. at the Smartclass, GRKCL. The session was addressed by Mr. Beethoven Fonseca, Project Manager, Project Pearl.

The programme was organised with the objective of creating awareness among the participants regarding the serious social and legal concerns associated with human trafficking and the importance of prevention, protection and awareness. The programme also sought to sensitise participants to the need for vigilance and responsible action against trafficking and exploitation.

The awareness programme provided a platform for discussion on the nature and seriousness of human trafficking and the need for coordinated efforts by educational institutions, civil society and the community. The association with Project Pearl added a focused social-awareness dimension to the programme and reinforced the importance of dignity, safety and protection of vulnerable persons. Mr. Beethoven Fonseca, Project Manager, Project Pearl, served as the resource person for the programme.

The programme encouraged participants to develop greater awareness of the risks associated with human trafficking and to understand the importance of prevention, timely reporting and support mechanisms. It also highlighted the role that students and educational institutions can play in promoting awareness and contributing to a safer and more informed society.

The programme was organised under the guidance of Dr. Maria Goretti Simoes, Associate Professor & Vice Principal. The event was coordinated by Hasrshad Bandodkar Assistant Professor & Programme officer of the NSS Unit and Child Welfare Cell in association with Project Pearl.Overall, the Awareness Programme on Anti Human Trafficking served as a meaningful sensitisation initiative, promoting awareness about trafficking, the protection of vulnerable persons and the collective responsibility of society to prevent exploitation and uphold human dignity.





In commemoration of International Youth Day, the Red Ribbon Club of VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, organised an awareness session on the theme "Understanding HIV/AIDS : Breaking the Myths" on Friday the 11th of September, 2026 at 11:30 a.m. in Hall Number 4.

The programme commenced with the formal inauguration of the Red Ribbon Club for the academic year 2026-27. Ms. Ruby Z. Luis, Convenor of the Red Ribbon Club, welcomed the resource persons and students to the inaugural programme. In her introductory address she provided an overview of the Red Ribbon Club, highlighting its role as a voluntary, on-campus intervention programme for students in educational institutions. She explained that the initiative is undertaken by the State AIDS Control Society (SACS) through multi-sectoral collaboration. She further elaborated on the aims and objectives of the Club, emphasizing its importance in promoting awareness, responsible health practices, and active student participation in addressing issues related to HIV/AIDS and overall well-being.

Ms. Nonita Aguair, a student of Fourth Year B.A.LL.B. Program served as the compere for the awareness talk. She briefly introduced the dignitaries.

The first awareness session was conducted by Dr. Tejasi Joglekar, Medical officer, Urban Health Center, Margao. She provided an insightful overview of the fundamental concepts of HIV and AIDS. The session covered the modes of transmission, preventive measures, and the importance of adopting safe and responsible practices. Dr. Tejasi further addressed common misconceptions surrounding HIV/AIDS and emphasized the need to dispel myths, reduce stigma, and promote greater awareness and understanding of the condition among students.

Mr. Ignatius Xavier, Extension Educator at the Urban Health Centre, Margao, conducted a brief interactive session for the students. He provided information about the AIDS Helpline and the Counselling Centre at Margao, highlighting the support services available to individuals seeking guidance and assistance. He also introduced the students to the TELE MANAS service and explained its significance in providing mental health support.

Pamphlets titled "Know AIDS for No AIDS" and "TELE MANAS GOA" were distributed among the students to enhance awareness and provide them with relevant information and resources.

The session was highly engaging and participatory, with students actively interacting with the resource persons and raising several questions. Their queries were effectively addressed by Dr. Tejasi, ensuring that the students gained greater clarity and understanding of the topics discussed.

The programme concluded with the presentation of token of appreciation to the resource persons in recognition of their valuable contribution and insightful sessions. The event successfully integrated informative discussions with interactive learning, providing students with meaningful insights into HIV awareness, prevention, and related support services. The programme encouraged students to adopt responsible health practices and motivated them to play a proactive role in promoting awareness and reducing stigma surrounding HIV/AIDS.



Master Class in Labour Law

12th September 2026







VVM's G . R. Kare College of Law, Margao in association with the Labour Law Club of the College, organised a Master Class in Labour Law on the topic: Occupational Safety and Health: Understanding the ESI Framework in Smart Class, on 12th September,2026 from 9: 15 to 10: 15 am.

The Objective of the Master Class in Labour Law was to help students learning the subject of Labour Law in 4th Year BALLB(Non-CBCS) and TYLLB Degree (CBCS) understand the importance of the health and safety of the Labourers as per the provisions of the New Legislation, Occupational Health and Safety Code, 2020, and also the provisions of the ESI Act.

The Resource person was Dr Jagdish Anil Cacodcar, Professor & Head, Department of Community Medicine, Goa Medical College (GMC).Ms Skyla Barreto, a TYLLB (Degree) student, was the compere for the programme.

The Resource Person in his address, informed the students that protecting the welfare of labourers in every sector of society is of utmost importance. He dealt with the provisions of the OSH Code, 2020, which has amalgamated 13 previously existing Labour codes from the perspective of Occupational Health and Safety. He also underlined the crucial provisions of the ESI Act. The Master Class concluded with a Vote of Thanks.

Outcome of the Programme:

Through this Master Class, the students gained insight into the protection and welfare provisions off the employees/Labour Class.

Ganesh Chaturthi Celebrations

12th September 2026









The Students Council of VVM's G.R. Kare College of Law celebrated Ganesh Chaturthi on 12th September 2026, in an event filled with activities and cultural significance. It was compered by Riya Komarpant of TYBALLB. Participants were encouraged to wear traditional attire, and various competitions took place, including Ghumat Aarti, Sweet-making, Toran-making, Sacred Strokes and Reel making. The Ghumat Aarti competition featured melodious performances from various classes, enhancing the spiritual atmosphere.

Legal Aid Help Desk at Our Lady of Grace Church Margao 20th September 2026





The Students of VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, Margao, organised a Legal Aid Help Desk on 6 th , 13 th and 20 th September 2026 from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m at Our Lady of Grace Church Margao.The Help Desk was organised with the objective of providing members of the public with an accessible platform where they could discuss their legal concerns, obtain basic legal guidance and become aware of the avenues available for seeking legal assistance. The initiative also provided the students with an opportunity to interact directly with members of the community and apply their legal knowledge in practical situations.

The first session of the Legal Aid Help Desk was conducted on 6 th September 2026, from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. During the first session, members of the public approached the Help Desk and shared their individual legal queries and concerns. The student members of the Legal Aid Clinic listened to their concerns and provided them with basic legal guidance and information regarding the possible avenues available to them. The students sought additional time, to provide appropriate guidance.. The first day therefore served not only as an awareness initiative but also as an opportunity for the public to receive initial guidance regarding their legal concerns.

The second session was conducted on 13th September 2026, again from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.The individuals who had come earlier were back to seek clarification regarding their queries and they continued the discussion regarding their legal concerns. Many new members of the public also approached the Help Desk with their own legal queries. The students accordingly interacted with both the returning attendees and the new visitors and provided them with appropriate basic legal guidance.

The third session was conducted on 20th September 2026, again from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.The third day witnessed the return of the earlier individuals to seek clarification regarding their earlier queries and continue the discussion regarding their legal concerns. The third session therefore provided continuity to the assistance initiated on 13th September while also extending the reach of the Legal Aid Help Desk to new members of the community.

Some of the services and assistance sought by the attendees included:

- Assistance and guidance regarding Senior Citizen Cards for elderly persons.
- Guidance regarding Ration Cards and the procedures relating to the same.
- Legal advice regarding various personal and legal concerns raised by members of the public.
- Assistance and information regarding Employment Cards, particularly for young persons seeking employment opportunities.
- General guidance regarding the appropriate procedure and authority to be approached for their respective concerns.

The three-day Legal Aid Help Desk provided a platform for members of the public to discuss their legal concerns and receive basic legal guidance. The continuity between the sessions, particularly the return of individuals who had attended the earlier sessions, along with the participation of new attendees, made the initiative an interactive and community-oriented activity. The programme also enabled the students of the Legal Aid Clinic to gain practical experience in understanding the concerns of members of the public and guiding them towards appropriate legal avenues.





Student Training on Statewide Disability Survey

22nd & 23rd September 2026







VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law successfully hosted a Training Programme for Students on the Comprehensive Door to Door Survey of Persons with Disabilities in the State of Goa in collaboration with the Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Government of Goa, the State Commission for Persons with Disabilities, Goa, and Mahatma Gandhi Seva Sangh on 22nd September 2026, G.D.Auditorium of G.R. Kare College of Law

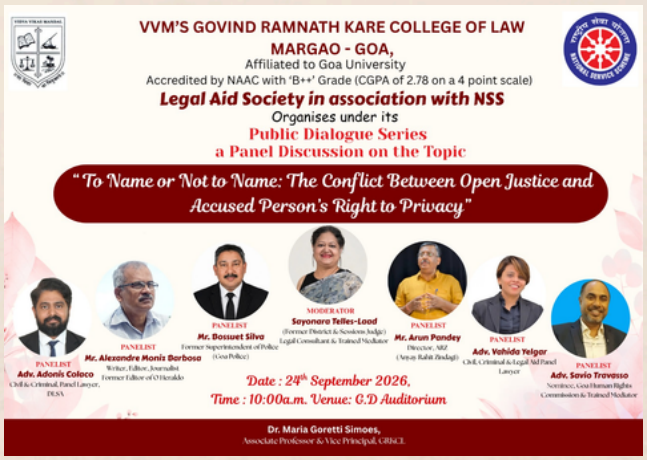
The programme was graced by Mr. Shrikant Pednekar, Deputy Director, Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, as the Guest of Honor, Mr. Sagar Kanhekar Development Director Mahatma Gandhi Seva Sangh and Dr. Maria Goretti Simoes, Associate Professor and Vice Principal of the College.

The training equipped student volunteers with the knowledge and practical skills required to participate in the statewide door to door survey, aimed at identifying persons with disabilities and strengthening inclusive governance and access to welfare services across Goa.

The programme was coordinated by Mr. Sapresh Devidas, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of Project Saksham and the Disability Cell, VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law.

Public Dialogue Series: "To Name or Not to Name: The Conflict Between Open Justice and Accused Person's Right to Privacy"

24th September 2026







The Legal Aid Society, in association with the National Service Scheme (NSS) of VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, organised a intense panel discussion under its Public Dialogue Series on the theme, "To Name or Not to Name: The Conflict Between Open Justice and Accused Person's Right to Privacy" on 24th September 2026 at 10.00 am to 1.30 pm.

The program was facilitated and supported by Dr. Maria Goretti Simoes, Associate Professor and Vice Principal of the Institution and was coordinated and organised under the guidance of Ms. Sonali Naik, Assistant Professor and Vice Principal (Excellence) as an excellence initiative.

The panel discussion was moderated by Ms. Sayonara Telles-Laad, Former District and Sessions Judge, Legal Consultant and Trained Mediator. The panelist comprised Mr. Bossuet Silva, Former Superintendent of Police, Goa Police; Adv. Vahida Yelgar and Adv. Adonis Colaco, Civil and Criminal Panel Lawyer, DLSA; Mr. Arun Pandey, Director of NGO ARZ; Adv. Savio Travasso, Nominee of the Goa Human Rights Commission and Trained Mediator; and Mr. Alexandre Moniz Barbosa, Writer, Editor and Journalist and Former Editor of O Heraldo.

The programme provided a platform for deliberations on diverse perspectives on topics such as open justice, fair-trial rights, victim anonymity, investigative integrity, media transparency, privacy of accused and impact on vulnerable and marginalised suspects, the public disclosure and the right to know as a democratic safeguardand and the Legal and Human

Rights framework for balancing trials. Each session was insightful and came as an immersive learning experience.

Students of LLM, BALLB and LLB Degree program as well as Shree Damodar College of Commerce and Economics were in attendance.

Legal Aid Help Desk at Our Lady of Grace Church Margao 25th September 2026





The Margao Legal Aid Clinic of VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, Margao, in collaboration with the Mobile Legal Aid Clinic and District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), South Goa, organised a Legal Aid Help Desk on 18thSeptember 2026 and 25th September 2026, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Holy Spirit Church Margao.

The Help Desk was organised with the objective of providing members of the public with an accessible platform where they could discuss their legal concerns, obtain basic legal guidance and become aware of the avenues available for seeking legal assistance. A member of the DLSA, Ms. Anitha Bandhi, was present to assist the students and provide guidance during the programme. The first session of the Legal Aid Help Desk was conducted on 18th September 2026, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. whereby the Help Desk was formally inaugurated. During the session, members of the public approached the Help Desk and shared their individual legal queries and concerns. The student members of the Legal Aid Clinic addressed their concerns and provided them with basic legal guidance and information regarding the possible remedies available to them. The interaction allowed the students to understand the practical nature of the legal problems faced by members of the community. The students also sought assistance and guidance from Ms. Anitha, a member of DLSA, South Goa, who was present during the programme. The first day therefore served not only as an awareness initiative but also as an opportunity for the public to receive initial guidance regarding their legal concerns.

The second session was conducted on 25th September 2026, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. It witnessed the return of several individuals who had attended the first session. These individuals came back to provide further information, seek clarification regarding their earlier queries and continue the discussion regarding their legal concerns. Along with these returning attendees, new members of the public also approached the Help Desk with their own legal queries. The students accordingly interacted with both the returning attendees and the new visitors and provided them with appropriate basic legal guidance. The second session therefore provided continuity to the assistance initiated on 18th September while also extending the reach of the Legal Aid Help Desk to new members of the community.

Beach Cleanliness Drive

26th September 2026





The NSS Wing, in association with the Department of Physical Education and Sports of G.R. Kare College of Law, organised a beach cleanliness drive at Majorda Beach on 26 September 2026 at 8:30 to 10:00 am at Majorda Beach, Goa

Guided by the faculty, NSS volunteers actively participated in the cleanliness campaign and helped remove waste from the beach premises.

The programme was organised to promote environmental awareness and community service among students, encourage responsibility towards protecting the environment and maintaining public spaces, and highlight the importance of collective community action in addressing environmental concerns.

The activity provided students with an opportunity to contribute directly to the cleanliness of a public space and to understand their responsibility towards environmental protection. The programme also emphasised the importance of collective community action and demonstrated how small, consistent efforts can contribute to keeping beaches and other public places clean and healthy.

Outcome of the Programme

The programme created awareness among students regarding environmental responsibility, cleanliness and community service. It encouraged civic consciousness, active participation in maintaining public spaces, and a spirit of service among the student community.

Beach Cleaning Drive at Benaulim Beach 28th September 2026







The Beach Cleaning Drive was organised by the NSSS Unit and Department of Physical Education and Sports of VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, Margao, in association with Rotary Club of Margao Midtown, District 3170, and in collaboration with WWF India, Project SAIM (Sustainable Approach to Integrated Waste Management), Saahas Zero Waste, Rotary Phoenix R.C. Club and other associated organisations. The programme poster identifies Project SAIM as a joint initiative of WWF India and Saahas Zero Waste.

The association with Project SAIM was particularly relevant to the programme's focus on responsible waste management. WWF India explains that SAIM was developed in Goa as a decentralised and sustainable approach to integrated waste management, with emphasis on segregation, material recovery, recycling and community participation.

Objective(s)

The primary objective of the Beach Cleaning Drive was to create awareness about the importance of keeping beaches clean and protecting the coastal and marine environment from plastic and other forms of waste. The programme sought to encourage responsible waste disposal, reduce plastic pollution, promote community participation and develop a greater sense of environmental responsibility among the participants.

The programme was especially relevant in the context of coastal waste management in Goa. Benaulim is a prominent fishing beach in South Goa, and the beach has previously experienced the accumulation of waste washed ashore during the monsoon.The Beach Cleaning Drive commenced at 8:00 a.m. at Benaulim Beach with the participation of members and volunteers associated with the organising and collaborating institutions. The participants gathered at the beach and actively engaged in the cleaning activity with the objective of removing waste and improving the cleanliness of the coastal area.

.During the programme, participants collected waste found along the beach and contributed to creating greater awareness regarding the harmful effects of plastic and other waste on the marine environment. The activity highlighted the importance of preventing waste from reaching the sea and encouraged responsible practices relating to waste generation, segregation and disposal.

The programme was conducted in the spirit of the campaign messages "Reduce Waste," "Protect Our Oceans," "Community Action" and "Healthier Tomorrows." The activity also reinforced the message that maintaining clean beaches is a shared responsibility requiring sustained participation from educational institutions, community organisations, environmental groups and citizens.

Outcome of the Programme

The Beach Cleaning Drive created awareness among the participants regarding the importance of maintaining clean beaches and protecting the marine environment. It provided an opportunity for participants to engage directly in an environmental activity and understand the practical challenges associated with coastal waste management. The programme also promoted teamwork, community participation and responsible environmental behaviour.

The initiative reinforced the understanding that environmental protection is a collective responsibility and that sustained community participation is essential for maintaining Goa's beaches. It also complemented the broader objective of promoting sustainable waste management through segregation, responsible disposal and reduction of plastic waste.







The Mobile Legal Aid Clinic & Vasco Legal Aid Cell of VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, Margao, in collaboration with the Village Panchayat Chicalim, organised a Legal Aid Helpline Desk at the Village Panchayat Chicalim.

The initiative aimed to promote legal awareness, guidance and assistance among the local community and to improve access to justice. The services included providing basic legal information and guidance, assistance regarding legal rights and remedies, awareness about government schemes and legal aid services, referrals to appropriate authorities, and support concerning civic and community issues.

Inaugural Programme

The inaugural programme was held on 29th September 2026 at 12:30 p.m. at the Village Panchayat Chicalim.

The dignitaries and faculty members present on the occasion were:

1. Smt. Kamla Prasad Yadav – Sarpanch, Village Panchayat Chicalim.
2. Ms. Marie Mascarenhas – Former Sarpanch, Chicalim Panchayat and present Panch Member.
3. Dr. Shruti Nadkarni – Assistant Professor & Faculty In-charge, Vasco Legal Aid Clinic, VVM's G.R. Kare College of Law.
4. Ms. Ruby Luis – Assistant Professor & Faculty In-charge, Mobile Legal Aid Clinic, VVM's G.R. Kare College of Law.

The programme marked an important collaborative effort between the Village Panchayat Chicalim and VVM's G.R. Kare College of Law to bring legal assistance and awareness closer to the community. The inaugural programme was attended by students of the Vasco Legal Aid Clinic, students of VVM's G.R. Kare College of Law, and villagers of Chicalim. Their participation reflected the collaborative nature of the initiative and the involvement of both the legal aid students and the local community.

Legal Aid Helpline Sessions

Following the inauguration, the Legal Aid Helpdesk was conducted on:

· 30th September 2026 (Wednesday): 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

· 1st October 2026 (Thursday): 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The initiative provided an opportunity for residents to seek preliminary legal guidance, understand their rights and remedies, and receive appropriate referrals wherever necessary. Students of the Vasco Legal Aid Clinic were present and actively assisted during the helpdesk sessions, supporting the faculty in interacting with members of the public and facilitating the provision of preliminary legal information and guidance.

Services Provided

The Legal Aid Helpline Desk aimed to provide:

· Basic legal information and guidance;

· Assistance regarding legal rights and remedies;

· Awareness about government schemes and legal aid services;

· Referral to appropriate authorities wherever necessary; and

· Support and guidance concerning civic and community-related issues.

In addition to legal assistance, the students also assisted the Village Panchayat Chicalim in filling and processing forms relating to the Goa Ujjwala Yojana, thereby helping eligible members of the community access information and assistance relating to the scheme.

To Conclude The Legal Aid Helpline Desk was a community-oriented legal awareness initiative intended to empower citizens, promote access to justice and create greater awareness of available legal aid services. The collaboration between the VVM's G.R. Kare College of Law and Village Panchayat Chicalim demonstrated the importance of connecting legal education and professional guidance with the needs of the local community.



Workshop on "Cracking State-Level (Goa) and All-India Competitive Exam 29th September 2026





The Library and Information Centre, PES's Ravi S. Naik College of Arts and Science, Farmagudi, Ponda-Goa in association with Directorate of Higher Education, Government of Goa organised One-day state level workshop on "Cracking State-Level (Goa) and All-India Competitive Exams" on Tuesday, 29 th September 2026 at Swami Vivekanand Hall, Library Building, PES College, Ponda.

The workshop is designed for First, Second, and Third-year undergraduate students across all General Education and professional colleges who want to kick start their preparation for different competitive exams.

The workshop was categorised in 3 sessions.

Session 1

GPSC, GSSC, Banking and other competitive exams by Dr. Santosh Desai.

Session 2

Framework for Competitive Exam Preparation by Mr. Hemant Bhadauriya.

Session 3

UPSC, Civil Services Examination through different languages and allied exams by Mr. Naguesh Sardessai.

The workshop created awareness among the students and faculty of the 21 participating Institutions about the Framework for UPSC and other allied exams and provided for a platform to address their queries in respect to Competitive Exams. The workshop created awareness among the students and faculty of the 21 participating Institutions about the Framework for UPSC and other allied exams and provided for a platform to address their queries in respect to Competitive Exams.

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The students as also the faculty who are the back bone of the institution have flourished and nurtured this dream of our founding fathers through an array of educational opportunities where we, at GRKCL believes that EVERYONE HERE IS A WINNER IN HIMSELF. Keeping the motto of the college alive, this e-newsletter seeks to project the hardwork, dedication, performance, and sincerity in taking the institution scale greater heights.



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