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Academic & Cultural Achievements of Students of GRKCL

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Winners and First Runners up of The Actizen Collective Programme, a Initiative of the Desh Apnayen Sahayog Foundation





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ENTREPRENEURSHIP AWARENESS PROGRAMME

6th March 2026



VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, Margao-Goa, in association with the MSME Development and Facilitation Office (MSME-DFO), Margao-Goa, organized a One-Day Entrepreneurship Awareness Programme (EAP) on 6th March 2026 at 10:30 AM at the G.D. Auditorium of the College.

The programme was organized with the objective of creating awareness among students about entrepreneurship opportunities, government support schemes, and the role of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) in strengthening the Indian economy. The event aimed to encourage students to explore entrepreneurial initiatives and understand the institutional support available for starting and developing business ventures.



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The programme was graced by Shri M. K. Meena, Director, MSME-DFO, Margao, who attended the programme as the Chief Guest. Other resource persons present for the programme included:
Shri P. P. Kulkarni, Assistant Director, MSME-DFO, Margao, Shri Tushar Sawant, Faculty, Shri Vikas Singh, Regional Manager, Bank of Maharashtra, Margao

The speakers provided valuable insights into the role of MSME in promoting entrepreneurship, employment generation, and economic growth. They highlighted various schemes and support mechanisms available to entrepreneurs, including assistance in product development, marketing opportunities, export promotion, financial support, and intellectual property protection.

The programme also covered aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and the need to protect innovations and traditional knowledge.

Overall, the programme was highly informative and beneficial for the students. It provided valuable insights into entrepreneurship opportunities, government support systems, and the legal aspects of business development, encouraging students to consider entrepreneurship as a viable and impactful career path.

The programme was coordinated by Shri S. N. Inavalli, Faculty In-charge, and conducted under the guidance of Dr. Goretti Simoes, Officiating Principal.
The event concluded with an interactive session where students clarified their queries regarding entrepreneurship opportunities, government schemes, and the role of MSME in supporting new ventures.

Pratibha'2026

7th March 2026

VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, Margao–Goa, through its Students' Council and Cultural Committee, in association with the Literary Society and the Department of Physical Education and Sports, successfully organized PRATIBHA 2026 – An Intercollegiate Cultural, Literary and Sports Festival on Saturday, 7th March 2026 at the college campus.



The program commenced with the Inaugural Ceremony at the G.D. Auditorium. The trophies for the competitions were formally unveiled, along with glimpses from the previous edition of the festival. The Chief Guest for the inaugural ceremony, Ms. Rati Bhatikar, addressed the gathering and encouraged students to participate with enthusiasm, innovation and a spirit of healthy competition.



The festival was organised around the theme "The Apocalypse: The Last Protocol," symbolizing resilience, creativity and the spirit of rebuilding through talent and collaboration. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from students representing various colleges, who competed across a diverse range of literary, cultural, creative and sports competitions.



The competitions included Debate, Fashion Show, Group Singing, Dance, Pratibha's Got Talent, Treasure Hunt, Street Play, Mascot, Reel Making, Sigil Making, Best Out of Waste, and sports challenges such as Strong Man and Strong Woman and the Thunder Strike Challenge.

The festival concluded with a Valedictory Ceremony, graced by Shri Vijay Sardesai as the Chief Guest, who appreciated the efforts of the organizers and participants and highlighted the importance of such events in shaping confident and creative individuals.

At the culmination of the event, Goa University, Taleigao emerged as the overall Winner of PRATIBHA 2026 and was awarded a cash prize of ₹30,000 along with the Winner's Trophy. Fr. Agnel College, Pilar secured the position of Runner-up and was awarded a cash prize of ₹20,000 along with the Runner-up Trophy.

Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony — 25th March 2026

VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, Margao - Goa, formally solemnized its Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony for the academic year 2025-2026 on 25th March 2026 at the G. D. Auditorium. The proceedings commenced at 10:00 am with a gracious welcome by the Compere, Mr. Leander Fernandes, Assistant Professor, followed by an insightful welcome address delivered by Adv. Pritam Morais, First Vice President of Vidya Vikas Mandal. The morning's agenda included a traditional floral welcome.











This set the stage for the address by the Chief Guest, Smt. Sucheta Dessai, SP (Prisons). In her keynote speech, Smt. Dessai shared impactful reflections on the intersection of law and social responsibility, drawing from her extensive experience within the prison administrative system.

She emphasized the paramount importance of professional integrity, the necessity of maintaining strict personal discipline, and the evolving ethical responsibilities legal professionals hold within the administrative landscape of the state.

Following her address, Smt. Dessai presided over the central segment of the ceremony, where students were formally recognized for their outstanding achievements across various disciplines.The most prestigious awards of the year 2025-2026 include:

- Best All round students of the year in B.A.LL.B program was awarded to Mr. Lleyton Francisco Cruz Colaco
- Best All round students of the year in LL.B degree program was awarded to Mr.Ignatius Praveen.
- Best Student Advocate of the year B.A.LLB program Mr. Lleyton Francisco Cruz Colaco
- Best Student Advocate of the year LL.B degree program Ms. Lisa Maria Abranches

Following which Officiating Principal, Dr. Maria Goretti Simoes, subsequently delivered a comprehensive academic, cultural, sports and administrative report, emphasizing the college's commitment to legal excellence and holistic institutional growth. The ceremony concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Ms. Ashmita Naik, Faculty In-charge of the Student's Council.

Moot Court Competition Participation — 13th to 15th March 2026





VVM's GRKCL Students Shannon D'Souza , Yash Gaunkar and Skyla Barreto participated in the Moot Court Competition held from 13th to 15th March 2026 at R. L. Law College, Belagavi. It was an enriching and intellectually stimulating experience, through which we gained valuable exposure to the practical aspects of law.

GRKCL students secured its position among the Top 10 teams in the Researcher Test and we were listed among the Top 5 teams in the Memorial Round.

The Library and Information Science Department Activities

BOOK EXHIBITION **17th & 18th March 2026**






VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, The Department of Library and Information Science organized a Book Exhibition on 17th and 18th March 2026. The objective of the exhibition was to provide students and faculty with direct access to a wide range of academic books, facilitate the purchase of books at concessional rates, and enable users to recommend titles for the Library collection.

A diverse collection of books covering law, allied subjects, competitive examinations, and general reading such as biographies was displayed. Students and faculty members actively visited the exhibition, explored the collection, and purchased books of their interest. The exhibition also served as a platform for users to recommend relevant and updated titles, which will be considered for future library procurement.

The event witnessed good participation and was appreciated by both students and faculty. It contributed to promoting reading habits, enhancing awareness of recent publications, and strengthening the Library's collection development process through user involvement.

The Book Exhibition was successfully conducted and proved to be beneficial for both academic enrichment and library resource development.

Session on the LexisNexis Remote Access Legal Database

23rd March 2026



VVM's Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, Margao-Goa, Department of The Library and Information Science of organized an online session titled "Effective Legal Research using LexisNexis: Tools, Techniques, and Practical Insights" on Monday, 23rd March 2026 at 5:00 PM via Microsoft Teams.

The session was conducted by Mr. Vikas Mote, Resource Person from LexisNexis, who provided valuable insights into the effective use of the LexisNexis database for legal research. The program aimed to enhance the research skills of students and faculty by familiarizing them with advanced tools, search techniques, and practical strategies for efficient legal information retrieval, as this legal database is already subscribed by library.

The interactive nature of the session allowed participants to clarify their queries and gain hands-on understanding of the platform. The session proved highly beneficial, especially for law students engaged in research projects, moot courts, and academic writing.

The event was well-attended by students and faculty members, reflecting their keen interest in improving digital legal research skills. The initiative aligns with the Library's objective of promoting the use of authentic legal databases and strengthening research competency.

Goa Model Youth Gram Sabha Competition 3.0

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The mock Gram Sabha portrayed by the students addressed several pertinent and contemporary issues, including mega projects, accessibility for Persons with Disabilities (PWD), women's reservation, enhancement of own source revenue, and sustainable development. The students engaged in well informed and thoughtful discussions on these issues.







In addition to securing the first position at the competition, the institution earned several individual accolades. Ms. Padma P. Karmali was awarded the Best Presiding Officer Award. The team also received the Best Video Award. Asst. Prof. Harshad Bandodkar and Asst. Prof. Lariza Gomes were adjudged Best Faculty Coordinators. Furthermore, Mr. Nihal Tendulkar was awarded a prize for portraying an Interesting Character. The team was effectively led and coordinated by Student Coordinator Elijah Carneiro.





The ACTiZEN Collective Programme is a signature initiative of the Desh Apnayen Sahayog Foundation, established in 2015 to cultivate a generation of citizens who are Alert, Informed and active. The program achieves success through a synergistic framework involving three primary stakeholders i.e. the Desh Apnayen Foundation, College NSS Units and the NSS students.

An orientation program to brief the students was held in September 2025 in Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law. Several colleges from all over Goa were invited. Teams were registered at the end of the program. Two teams registered from VVM's G R Kare COllege of Law.

Team 1:
The team members : Edna Dcosta , Disha Bagli , Sejal Naik , Nessy Oliveira.

The project focused on improper garbage disposal in roadside sewage drains, which caused blockage, foul smell, unhygienic conditions, and serious public health risks. A survey of 20 local residents revealed that garbage dumping led to sewage overflow, especially during monsoons, causing flooding and health issues. The main cause was lack of awareness and proper waste disposal facilities.

Students Conducted an awareness and signature campaign with 22 people, educated residents about proper waste disposal, submitted a formal complaint to the Village Panchayat, Proposed Solutions, Installation of waste bins, regular garbage collection, warning signboards, strict penalties for dumping waste. The project improved our communication, teamwork, and social responsibility. It highlighted the importance of community participation and awareness in solving local issues.

Team 2:

The team members: Ronisha Paes, Amisha Badkar, Vinita Costa, Tanisha Tari, Vanya Da Costa.

The project was divided into five stages to ensure measurable community impact and administrative accountability. The first stage required each team to select a basic, low-cost civic issue within close proximity to ensure project sustainability and ease of follow-up. The second stage required the teams to execute a field visit to map the specific issue with photographs and conduct on-ground surveys with at least 10 adults from diverse occupations to validate the severity of the problem.

The next step involved precisely identifying the responsible government department (Ward/Panchayat) and developing tailored awareness materials, such as placards or role- plays, to mobilize community support. The fourth stage was the signature campaign wherein the teams were required to return to the target locality to educate residents on the findings and secure a minimum of 10 signatures to provide the project with a mandate of collective community support.

The final stage was the submission of a formalized survey report and professional cover letter to the relevant authority and securing a signed acknowledgement to ensure the grievance is officially entered into the administrative hierarchy.

Students identified a critical safety hazard: unpainted and unmarked speed breakers on the road stretch from Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium to the KTC Bus Stand in Fatorda. They strategically selected this issue because it represents a "high-impact, low-cost" intervention, making government compliance more feasible. Further, our on ground surveys provided that 75% of the locals who they had interviewed pointed it out to be a major concern. students utilized a data-driven approach, providing five specific locations of concern, each backed by GPS coordinates and Google Maps links. They submitted a formal letter in the Public Works Department (PWD) in Fatorda. They received a reply from the PWD after constant follow up.

Key Achievement: Tangible Government Response

- February 4, 2026: Formal letter submitted to the Executive Engineer (Works Division VI).
- March 25, 2026: The Assistant Engineer-IV (Sub-Division IV) issued a formal written response (No. PWD/WDVI/SDIV/F.70/25-26/489) confirming that necessary estimates have been forwarded for approval.

The Final Jury Round and Competition Results

The culminating Jury Round was held at Goa University on 30th March 2026. 9 shortlisted teams presented their Action Projects. Both teams from G. R. Kare College of Law advanced to the Jury Round.

Official Results: Team 2 were declared as Winners while Team 1 were declared as the 1st Runners-up

"Say No to Plastic" Campaign

March 2026





The NSS Unit of VVM's G.R. Kare College of Law organized a campaign titled "Say No to Plastic" with the objective of creating awareness about the harmful effects of plastic pollution. Under the leadership and directions of Officiating Principal Goretti Simoes, the campaign emphasized the urgent need to protect the environment and encouraged individuals to adopt eco-friendly practices.

Through informative pamphlets and awareness activities, the campaign highlighted the dangers of non-biodegradable plastic, its impact on marine life, and the health hazards it poses. It also promoted practical solutions such as using cloth or jute bags, avoiding single-use plastics, and adopting reusable alternatives.

The initiative was successfully carried out under the guidance of Assistant Professor Harshad Bandodkar Programme Officer NSS Unit. Assistant Professor Yamini Dalvi also assisted the students. Several students participated to spread awareness among shop vendors in Margao city by motivating them to take small but meaningful steps towards a cleaner and greener future. The campaign reinforced the message that collective efforts can bring significant environmental change.

Dear Readers,

V.V.M'S Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law, Margao -Goa aims at achieving excellence always in legal education, with a plethora of activities aimed towards this. The college strives to achieve perfection in this field by exposing its students to a galaxy of novice competitions and creative actions.
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 hard work, dedication, performance, and sincerity in taking the institution scale greater heights.



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