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HON. GOVERNOR OF GOA INAUGURATES AUSHADI VATIKA

HON. CHIEF MINISTER INAUGURATES WILDLIFE WEEK CELEBRATIONS



AUSHADI VATIKA INAUGURATED AT RAJ BHAVAN



The Hon. Governor of Goa Shri Bhagat Singh Koshiyari inaugurated the relocated Aushadi Vatika (garden on medicinal plants) in the campus of the Raj Bhavan, Dona Paula on 18th December 2020.

Principal Secretary (Forests) Shri Puneet Kumar Goel, IAS, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Shri Subhash Chandra, IFS, Secretary to Governor Shri R. Mihir Vardhan, IAS, ADCs to Governor and others were present on the occasion.

The Aushadi Vatika is developed by the Goa State Medicinal Plant Board and Raj Bhavan and maintained by the Forest Department. The Hon. Governor also interacted with students of Goa College of Pharmacy, Panaji who paid a visit to the Vatika. Officials of Raj Bhavan and Forest Department were present on the occasion.



Left:
Hon. Governor planting a
tree at the Aushadi Vatika

Below:
Hon. Governor released a
brochure on Aushadi
Vatika at the Raj Bhavan



WILDLIFE WEEK CELEBRATED THROUGHOUT GOA

The Wildlife Week was celebrated throughout Goa on a low key in view of the pandemic situation. Many activities like essay writing competition, photography competition were organised on line while Webinar by prominent conservationists were also organised. Awards to deserving individuals in Wildlife Rescue were also presented.

A short documentary film on Goa's forest wealth was also released on the occasion.



Above:

Hon. Chief Minister Dr. Pramod Sawant presenting award in recognition of outstanding work in the field of wildlife rescue and rehabilitation.



Above: Hon. Chief Minister releasing photograph of Kingfisher

Below: Hon. Chief Minister flagging off a Walkathon





Above: Cleanliness drive at Bondla Wildlife Sanctuary

Below: City Mangroves – Forests of Life Organized by Goa Forest Department in association with Imagine Panaji Smart City Development Ltd . the Project Urban Living Lab CEE Centre For Environment Education





Above: Teachers Exposure Visit Mangrove Boardwalk, Behind Central Library, Patto – Panaji

Below: A four day Exposure visit for in-service and preservice teachers to understand the significance of mangroves to urban biodiversity and the very important goods and services these ecosystems provide the city's residents





Goa Forest Department has organized the Beach Cleaning Drive at Morjim and Agonda Turtle Nesting Beaches on 06/10/2020 as part of wildlife week celebration -2020 with the aim to create mass awareness



VALEDICTORY FUNCTION OF WILDLIFE WEEK 2020





WILDLIFE WEEK CELEBRATIONS



Wildlife Week celebration begins in Goa with contests

THE GOAN NETWORK

PANAJI

With the theme 'Sustaining all life on Earth' the Wildlife Week celebration began in Goa on October 2 and will continue till October 8. The State Forest department is organising various events and activities to spread the message of conservation and to create awareness among stakeholders, school and college students, as well as the public at large on the occasion of Wildlife Week 2020 in association with Morjim Sea Turtle Trust.

The weeklong event-chain kick-started with a bicycle rally in Panaji while various competitions, webinars and workshops on forest and wildlife topics will be held through the week. There would be a drawing competition with the theme - Wildlife of Goa (kids up to 8), Save Wildlife - Save Humanity (9-12 years), Forest and biodiversity (Differently abled children). There will be a 'Build a nest'

RULES OF THE CONTESTS

- Best of 3 entries would get prizes
- Best 25 participants will get certificates
- For drawing - white paper 14x11 size to be used for all categories
- Free use of any painting material
- Online submission is compulsory
- Poster size A3
- Video less than 25 MB and photograph size less than 10 MB
- Original photograph taken from any forest area in Goa

competition (children up to 14) where the participants have to submit a 3-minute video on the preparation of a birdhouse. The

photography contest is in the open category where 'Shades of Goan Forest' is the theme. There is an essay competition in English for children aged 11-16 on 'Marine Ecosystem of Goa and its importance'. A quiz competition will be conducted online (age 13-18) and registration is on Google forms. The debate competition (age 15-18) will be on 'Communities living in and around wildlife reserves and their participation in wildlife conservation'. A poster competition will also be held for children aged 5-12 years on 'Stop pollution, save environment'.

The entry for quiz, debate and storytelling competition can be registered and for more details, one can contact on <https://www.forest.goa.gov.in> or call DCF Wildlife Eco-Tourism (North) Panaji on 0832-2229701 or email - dcfwl-north-forest@nic.in. To contact Morjim Sea Turtle Trust call 9819572544 or email saritafernandes@morjimseaturletrust.com.



PRESENTATION OF AWARDS BY HON. CHIEF MINISTER

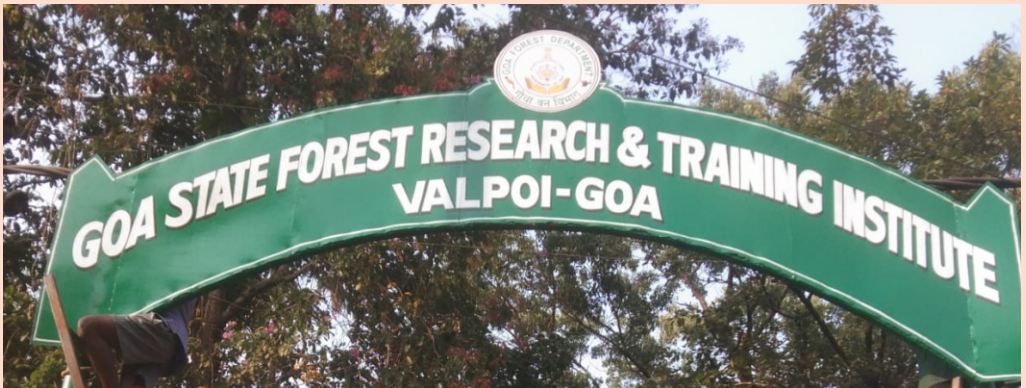




4TH BIRD FESTIVAL DATES ANNOUNCED



FOREST TRAINING SCHOOL REDESIGNATED



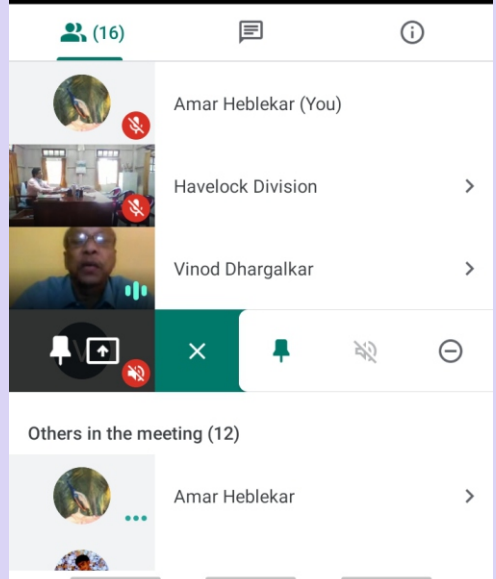
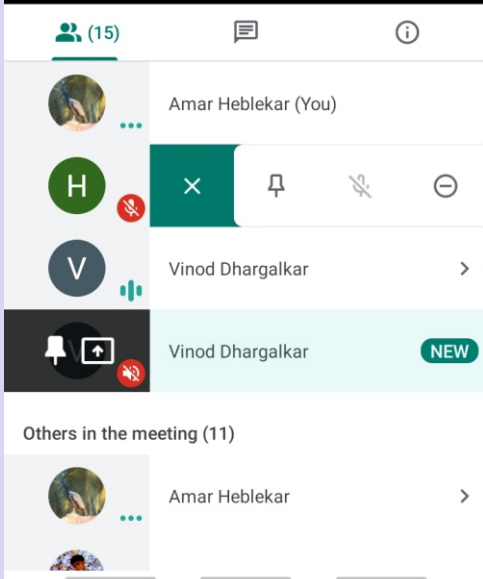
The Forest Training School, Valpoi has been redesignated as the Goa State Forest Research and Training Institute, Valpoi vide a notification dated 5th October 2020 published in the Government Gazette.

This is in view of the increased sphere of activities that the Institute has taken up in the field of Forest Research and Education. The revised Constitution has been submitted for approval of the Government.

WEBINAR ON MANGROVES OF GOA

The Goa State Forest Research and Training Institute, Valpoi organised a Webinar on Mangroves of Goa on 6th October 2020 for the Officers of the Goa Forest Department. The webinar was presented by Dr. Vinod Dhargalkar, an ex-scientist of CSIR- National Institute of Oceanography, Dona Paula, Goa.

Dr. Dhargalkar worked on marine coastal vegetation and Antarctic biology and has published 92 research papers in National and international journals. He has 62 technical reports and 3 books and has filed 6 patents and has developed technology on sea weed bio-fertiliser.



GIANT CROCODILE RESCUED



A 9 feet long crocodile weighing 450 kg was rescued from Keriya, Khandepar by the RFO Ponda and his staff on 22nd October 2020.

TIMBER SEIZED



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South Goa Division of Forest Seized illegal Timber worth Rs 6 Lakhs from Curtorim. A case for illegal stacking/ transportation/ felling has been booked in Range office mobile squad Margao against unknown person



HON. CHIEF MINISTER PRESENTS AID

मृताच्या वारसदारांना ऑक्सिस बँकेडून अपघाती विमा

प्रतिनिधी। गोवन वार्ता

मुख्यमंत्री डॉ. सावंत यांच्याहस्ते धनादेश सुपूर्द

पणजी : वन खात्यात नोकरीस असलेल्या आणि वर्षभरापूर्वी अपघाती मृत्यू झालेल्या सावडें येथील प्रशांत नातोशे यांच्या वारसदारांना ऑक्सिस बँकेने मंगळवारी २० लाख रुपयांच्या अपघाती विम्याचा लाभ दिला. पणजी-आलिनो येथील सरकारी बंगल्यावर मुख्यमंत्री डॉ. प्रमोद सावंत यांच्या हस्ते प्रशांत नातोशे यांच्या वारसदार शामी भायरो नातोशे यांना विम्याचा धनादेश सुपूर्द करण्यात आला.

सार्वजनिक बांधकाम मंत्री दीपक प्रभू पाऊस्कर, प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक सुभाष चंद्रा, ऑक्सिस बँकेच्या गोवा विभाग प्रमुख कार्मेन व्हिएगस, बँकेच्या साखळी शाखेचे प्रमुख दत्तप्रसाद गावकर,



शामी नातोशे यांच्याकडे विम्याचा धनादेश सुपूर्द करताना मुख्यमंत्री डॉ. प्रमोद सावंत, सोबत कार्मेन व्हिएगस, मंत्री दीपक प्रभू पाऊस्कर, मंगेश पावसे, सुभाष चंद्रा, सुनील सातार्डेकर व दत्तप्रसाद गावकर. (नारायण पिसुर्लेकर)

वेतन विभागाचे प्रमुख सुनील सातार्डेकर, जनसंपर्क व्यवस्थापक मंगेश पावसे आदी उपस्थित होते.

एसबी गव्हर्नमेंट योजनेअंतर्गत ज्या सरकारी कर्मचाऱ्यांनी ऑक्सिस बँकेत खाते उघडलेले असते. त्यांचे वेतन त्या खात्यात जमा होत

असते, अशा सरकारी कर्मचाऱ्यांना बँकेकडून अशाप्रकारचा अपघाती विमा दिला जाते, अशी माहिती दत्तप्रसाद गावकर यांनी दिली.