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REPORT OF THE MOU with GIM

A SESSION ON

“Integrating Sustainable Development Goals into the functioning of Higher Education Institution”

- Department: MOU with Goa Institute of Management
- Date: 6th October 2023
- Platform: Offline, Goa Institute of Management, Sanquelim
- No. of participants: 4 participants (2 males, 2 females)
- **Report in brief:**

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, adopted by all United Nations Member States in 2015, provides a shared blueprint for peace and prosperity for people and the planet, now and into the future. In a step to integrate Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) into the functioning of Higher Education Institution, the M. E. S. Vasant Joshi College of Arts and Commerce signed an MOU with Goa Institute of Management (GIM), Sanquelim and Goa Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCCI) Education Committee. The MOU was signed in the presence of Dr. Ajit Parulekar, Director, GIM and Mrs. Pratima Dhond, Vice-President, GCCCI.

The M. E. S. Vasant Joshi College of Arts and Commerce is selected from South-Goa District to be part of the project initiated by GIM and GCCCI Education committee, in order to map the activities organized by the higher education institutions with the 17 SDGs. Prior to signing of the MOU, a session was held on Integrating SDGs into the functioning of Higher Education Institution. The session was attended by



Dr. Manasvi M. Kamat, Principal, Dr. Champa R. Parab, Coordinator of IQAC, Asst. Prof. Narendra Gaonkar and Asst. Prof. Seltan Gomes.

Objective: The objectives of this session was to integrate the SDGs into the functioning of Higher Education Institution.

The session started with an introduction of the participants. The session was handled by Dr. Sreerupa Sengupta and Dr. Divya Singhal from Centre for Social Sensitivity and Action, Goa Institute of Management. In the beginning of the session, the participants were asked to share their thoughts on sustainability. Principal Dr. Manasvi Kamat highlighted the activities of the institution by categorising the same into four quadrants with reference to sustainability, namely, teaching, research, operations and other institutional activities.

Dr. Divya Singhal highlighted the need for institutions to document the activities in more effective manner by linking the activities with SDGs. She also added that the MOU will help in accelerating the activities that the partner institutions are already conducting. There is a need to put in place the required frameworks and strategies in order to bring concrete and positive impact of the activities with reference to the SDGs. Dr. Divya Singhal informed that sustainability has three dimensions; people, profit and planet.

Dr. Sreerupa Sengupta provided an overview about 'Education for Sustainable Development'. She informed that the SDGs are built upon the Millennium Development Goals. She added that the institution need to lay down action plan for key areas of sustainability involving people, planet, peace, prosperity and partnership. With reference to the adopted villages by the institutions, she stressed on the impact that an activity can create in the adopted villages. 'Impact' is the keyword with regard to the reporting on sustainability. One of the key mantra of sustainability is 'Leave No One Behind'. Sustainability refers to creating and maintaining the conditions where nature and humans are in harmony.

Dr. Sreerupa Sengupta further informed that the UNESCO has developed a framework for 'Education for Sustainable Development'. This framework addresses five areas, namely; advancing policy, transforming learning environment, building capacity of education, empowering and stabilising youth and accelerating local level action.



Dr. Sreerupa Sengupta also informed the participants about the Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME). The Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME) is a United Nations-supported initiative founded in 2007 that aims to raise the profile of sustainability in classrooms through Six Principles focused on serving society and safeguarding the planet. PRME engages business and management schools to ensure they provide future leaders with the skills needed to balance economic and sustainability goals, while drawing attention to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and aligning academic institutions with the work of the UN Global Compact. These principles include, purpose, values, teaching, research, partnership, practice and learning.

The session further concentrated on SDG Integration Process. The SDG Integration Process involves five steps;

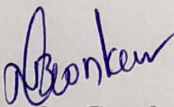
1. Map what you are already doing
2. Build capacity and ownership of SDGs
3. Identify priorities, opportunities and gaps
4. Integrate, implement and embed the SDGs
5. Monitor, evaluate and communicate

Dr. Divya Singhal elaborated further on the option matrix involving focus and delivery mechanisms for the activities of an institution. She added that an institution can either have a narrow focus or broad focus in relation to delivery mechanism which may be an existing or a new structure with regard to the 17 SDGs and its 169 targets.

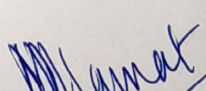
The session concluded with the remarks that an institution must first map the activities that it is conducting at macro level with regard to 17 SDGs or the institution can develop keywords for each SDG. The development of keywords can help in mapping the activities with specific targets of SDGs.

Learning outcome:

The session was an enlightening and through-provoking one. The resource persons provided the required framework for the institution to map the current and future activities of the institution with the SDGs. The specific 169 targets of the SDGs were highlighted during the session for the benefit of the audience.

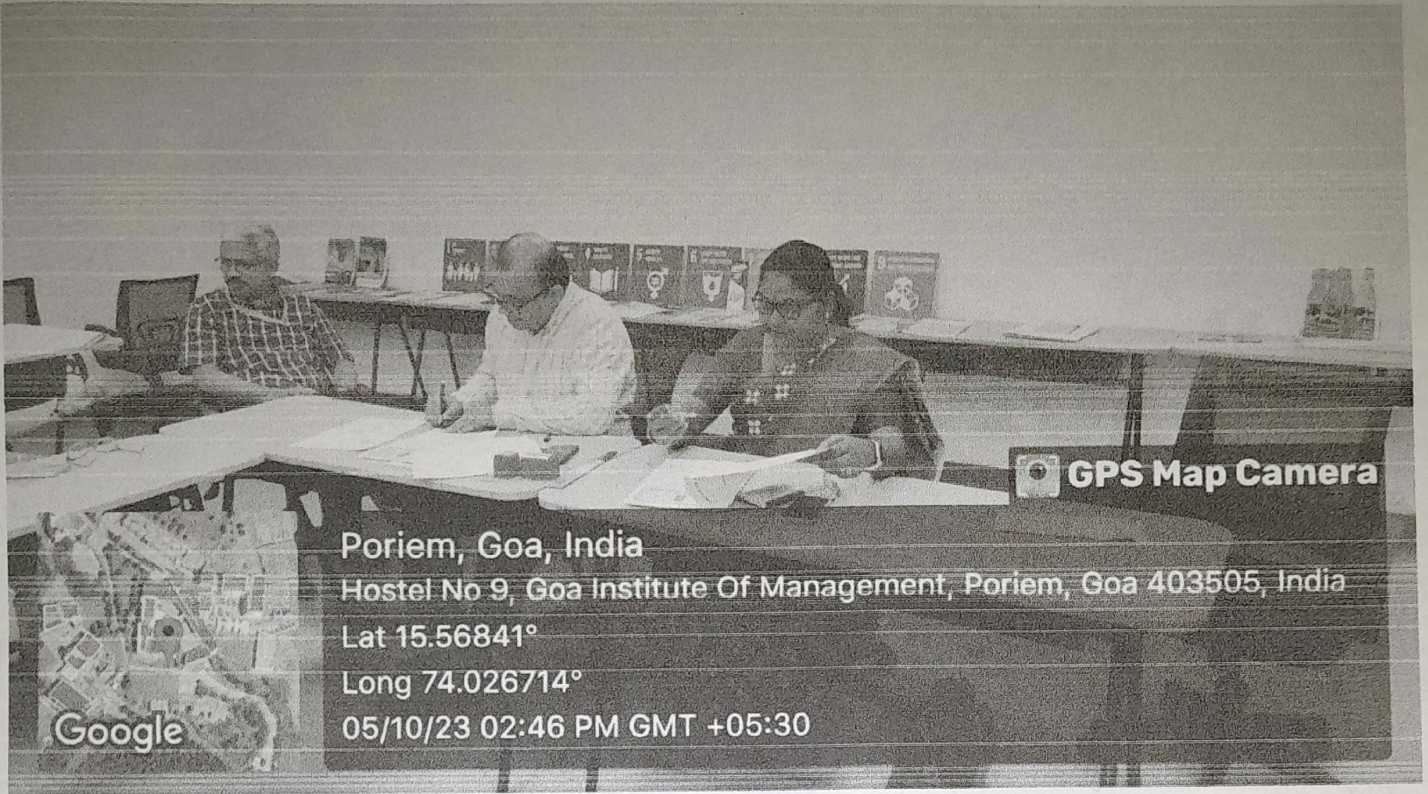

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REPORT OF THE NATIONAL CONCLAVE ON ESG:

‘Lead, Act and Report on Environment, Social and Governance: Dialogue for a Sustainable Future’

- Department: MOU with Goa Institute of Management
- Date: 24th November 2023
- Platform: Offline, Goa Institute of Management, Sanquelim
- No. of participants: 5 participants (2 males, 3 females)
- **Report in brief:**

The National Conclave on ESG titled ‘Lead, Act and Report on Environment, Social and Governance: Dialogue for a Sustainable Future’ was held on 24th November 2023 at Goa Institute of Management, Sanquelim. The conclave was attended by Management Representative Ms. Lalita Joshi, Prof. Manasvi M. Kamat, Principal, M. E. S. Vasant Joshi College, Dr. Champa R. Parab, Mr. Yasser Hussain and Mr. Narendra Gaonkar. In the welcome address, Professor Ajit Parulekar, Director Goa Institute of Management stressed on the need for collaborations to work towards achieving sustainability on various dimensions of ESG. In the Keynote address, Mr. Ratnesh Jha, Executive Director UN Global Compact Network India emphasized that an individual organization should continue to work on the adopted framework on sustainability on a consistent basis. The Plenary had the experts from diverse fields which included Mr. Shrinivas Dempo, President, Goa Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Mr. Manish Chaurasia, Managing Director, Tata Capital Cleantech Limited and Dr. Inderjeet Singh, Partner, ESG and Carbon Markets, Deloitte. The discussion of the plenary focused on the Role of Executives and Business Leaders in driving sustainability-led transition, Insights on building a business case for ESG and Challenges and opportunities for Business leaders.

The Panel Discussion-1 was on ‘Driving the ESG agenda’. The panel included Mr. Sridhar L., Head Sustainability, Bangalore International Airport Limited, Mr. Abhishek Ranjan, Senior Director and Head ESG, Sustainability, Brillio and Ms. Shalini Goyal Bhalla, MD, International Council for Circular Economy. The Panel Discussion-1 held deliberations on Translating ESG vision into action, Creating a sustainability focussed mindset across stakeholder groups, Importance of collaboration with external partner and Best practices and learnings in driving the ESG agenda.

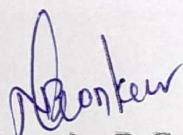


Panel Discussion-2 was on 'Report: Sustainability Tracking & Reporting'. The panel included Ms. Jyotsna Belliappa, Founder and Director, BlueSky Sustainable Business, Mr. Thiruvankateswaran Ramachandran, CEO and Founder, Climeup.AI, Professor Anish Sugathan, Associate Professor of Strategy, Chairperson, and Mr. Arun Duggal Center for ESG Research. The Panel Discussion-2 stressed upon Global ESG reporting standards and alignment with BRSR, Road to readiness for ESG reporting, Role of Technology and SusTech Start-ups in ESG tracking and reporting.

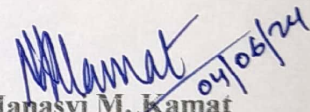
PRME Western Region Roundtable panel members included Prof. Brig. GPS Cheema, Chair, Sustainability and Social Impact, Universal Business School, Dr. Renji George Amballoor, Deputy Director (Academic), Department of Higher Education, Government of Goa, Dr. Prakash Singh, Assistant Professor, GI and Prof. Nilesh Borde, Professor of Management Studies, Goa University. PRME Western Region Roundtable discussed on Role of Management Schools and other HEIs in integrating ESG into their ecosystem. The session also highlighted the need to look out for opportunities for forming partnerships.

Learning outcome:

The all panel sessions were enlightening and through-provoking one. The sessions covered the various dimensions of ESG in detail with insights and experience of each panel member.



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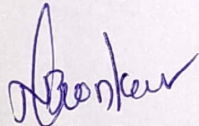
Session – People, Planet and Profit

- **Date:** 12th March 2024
- **Time:** 11.00 am to 12.15 pm
- **Platform:** Prin. M.S. Kamat Seminar Hall
- **Speaker for the Session:** Prof. Divya Singhal
- **Audience:** Teaching Faculty, Students and Public
- **No. of participants:** 103

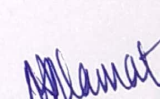
Report in brief:

The Nature Club and Resource Management Cell for Sustainability in collaboration with Foundation for Environment Research and Conservation (FERC) and MOU Partners, Goa Institute of Management and GCCI Education and Skills Committee, organized a session titled 'People, Planet and Profit' as a part of its KASTURI LECTURE SERIES on the issues concerning you and me. The session was conducted on 12th March 2024 at 11.00 am in Prin. M.S. Kamat Seminar Hall.

The resource person for the session was Dr. Divya Singhal, Professor, Goa Institute of Management, Sanquelim. Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Divya Singhal oriented the attendees on the concept of sustainability from the perspective of three main dimensions, economic, social and environmental. She stressed upon the need to infiltrate the sustainability in the thinking process in day-to-day life of each individual. Prof. Divya further highlighted the indicators of dimensions of sustainability in order to provide insights to the students pertaining to the Sustainable Development Goals. The session was attended by total 68 males and 35 females consisting of Teaching Faculty, Students and Public.



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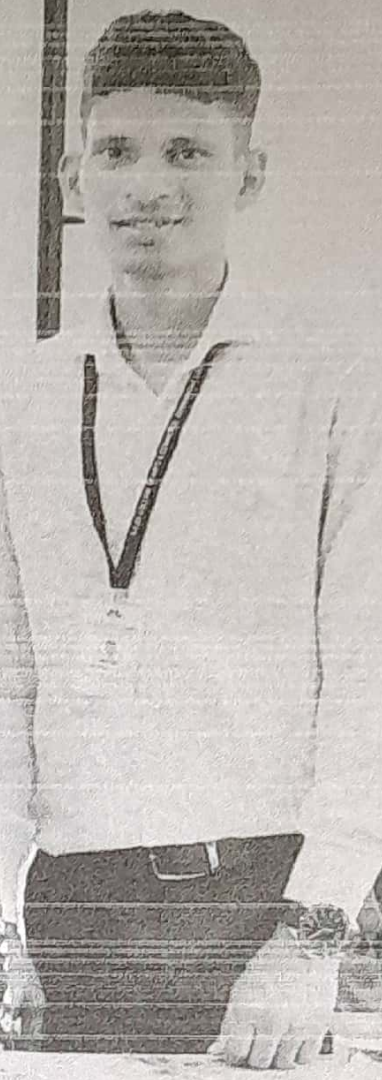
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