

SADBHAV SAMMELAN 2024

THEME: DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION



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Government College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Sanquelim, Goa

Fr. Agnel College of Arts and Commerce, Pilar, Goa

1st - 2nd March, 2024

VENUE : PILAR PILGRIM CENTRE, PILAR GOA

SCHEDULE

DAY ONE – 1st MARCH 2024

9.00 a.m. – 9.45 a.m. - Registration

9.45 a.m. – 10.30 a.m. - INAUGURAL SESSION

Invocation - Kum. Sejal Dicholker and Kum. Yogita Gawande

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Welcome Address – Dr. Elvis Fernandes, *Convenor, 'Sadbhav Sammelan 2024'*

A Symbolic Act of Diversity & Inclusion

Address by the Special Guests

Rev. Fr. Nazareth Fernandes, *Superior General, Society of Pilar, Goa*

Rev. Fr. Lawrence Fernandes, *Director, Pilar Pilgrim Centre, Pilar, Goa*

Address by the Chief Guest - Shri. Jaspal Singh, *IPS, DGP, Goa*

Vote of Thanks – Prof. Soniya Sirsat, *Co-Convenor, 'Sadbhav Sammelan 2024'*

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10.30 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. - **Keynote Address - Diversity And Inclusion: A Mind-set For Inter-religious Co-existence and Harmony**

Dr. A. K. Merchant - *General Secretary, Temple of Understanding India Foundation (A Global Interfaith Association), Delhi.*

11.00 a.m. – 11.15 a.m. - **Tea Break**

11.15 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. - **SESSION TWO**

Panel Discussion: Challenges to Inter-religious Harmony in our Times

Moderator – Rev. Dr. Ivon D Almeida, *Director, Shantidhyana Meditation Centre, Agacaim, Goa*

Panelist 1 – Ar. Tallulah D'Silva, *Educator, Environmentalist and Activist*

Panelist 2 – Shri. Taha Haaziq - *Secretary, Office of the commission for persons with disabilities*

Panelist 3 – Dr. Sajith S. J. Sasi, *Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Hindi, Sree Narayana College Sivagiri, Varkala, Kerala*

Panelist 4 – Shri. Sandeep Singh Gill – *President, Goa Sikh Youth, Panjim, Goa*

1.00 p.m. – 2.00 p.m. - **Lunch Break**

2.00 p.m. – 4.15 p.m. - **SESSION THREE - Workshops**

WORKSHOP 1 – Managing Conflicts – Prof. Kishu Daswani

Professor, Government Law College and St. Xavier's College, Mumbai, Maharashtra

WORKSHOP 2 – Exploring Unconscious Biases – Prof. Andy Silveira

Assistant Professor, Goa Institute of Management, Sanquelim, Goa

4.15 p.m. – 4.30 p.m. - **Tea Break**

4.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m. - **Cultural Programme**

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DAY TWO – 2nd MARCH 2024

9.45 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. SESSION FOUR – **Paper Presentations**

Moderator – Prof. Gervasio S. F. L. Mendes

Principal, Government College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Sanquelim, Goa

1 – **From 'Othering' to 'Belonging and Bridging'**

Dr. Victor Ferrao – *Professor of Philosophy,*

Rachol Seminary, Goa and Jnana Deepa, Pune

2 – **Beating the hate: Strengthening Inter-Religious Trust and Respect**

Prof. Amita Valmiki – *Professor and Head, Department of Philosophy,*

Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Mumbai, Maharashtra

3 – **Inter-Religious Action for Peace and Communal Harmony**

Dr. Tabassum Sheikh, *Principal, G.M. Momin Women's College Bhiwandi, Maharashtra*

1.00 p.m. – 2.00 p.m. – **Lunch Break**

2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. – SESSION FIVE – **Samvaad Sabha – Discussion**

TOPIC: **Celebrating the Culture of Co-Existence and Communal Harmony**

FACILITATOR – Dr. Omkar Bhatkar

Co-founder and Head, St. Andrew's Centre For Philosophy and Performing Arts, Mumbai, Maharashtra

4.00 p.m. – 4.30 p.m. – **Cultural Programme**

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4.30 p.m. – 5.00 p.m. **Weaving threads of Peace and Unity – Poems of Kabir and Gorakhnath, Seekers, Goa**

5.00 p.m. – 5.30 p.m. – **CONCLUDING SESSION**

Closing Insights

Prof. Gervasio S. F. L. Mendes

Principal, Government College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Sanquelim, Goa

Dr. Frederico Rodrigues

Principal, Fr. Agnel College of Arts and Commerce, Pilar, Goa

Vote of Thanks

Smt. Irene George

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5.30 p.m. – **Tea and Fellowship**

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