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**- “Getting to Zero” –  
“Zero New HIV Infections,  
Zero Discrimination and  
Zero AIDS Related Deaths”**

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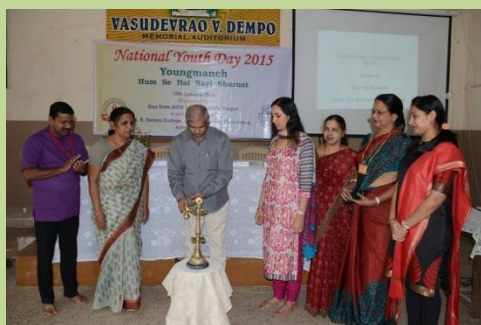
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# NATIONAL YOUTH DAY

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## YOUTH CAN TAKE THE COUNTRY TO THE PINNACLES OF GLORY : SHRI ARLEKAR

Speaker of Goa Legislative Assembly Shri Rajendra Alekar has said that there are about 50 percent and more youth population in the country are stressed and need to be motivated to contribute towards the nation building task and take India to the pinnacles of glory. Shri Arlekar was speaking on the occasion of the National Youth Day on 12 January at a function organized by the Goa State AIDS Control Society in collaboration with S.S. Dhempo College of Commerce and Economics, Altinho Panaji, Goa.



Smt. Pallavi Dhempo, Trustee of Dempo Charities Trust and Shri Arlekar gave away the prizes and certificates to the winners for poster competition on the occasion.

Smt. Pallavi Dhempo stressed the need to create awareness among the students about the AIDS disease.

Dr. Vandana Patankar, Project Director, Goa State AIDS Control Society addressed the gathering on the theme of National Youth Day 2015 'Young Manch': Hum Se Hai Nayi Shurawat" and reviewed the AIDS disease scenario in the state and mentioned that youth can play a vital role to combat the rising of AIDs disease.

The Oath was administered to the entire audience present.



Dr.Preetam Naik Health Officer, Urban Health Centre Panaji delivered the key note address .

Dr. Radhika Nayak, Principal of S.S. Dempo College of Commerce and Economics welcomed the gathering. Shri. Umakant Sawant, D.D (IEC) GSACS proposed the vote of thanks.





## TALK ON HIV/AIDS AWARENESS AT NIRMALA INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION

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**Date:** 5<sup>th</sup> January 2015.

**Location:** Nirmala Institute of Education, Altinho.

As a part of the World AIDS Day awareness program, the Red Ribbon Club of Nirmala Institute of Education, Altinho invited members of the Goa State Aids Control Society (Goa SACS) to have a program on HIV/AIDS awareness.

The program began with a prayer song, followed by the Principal's address and an introduction to Goa SACS. Dr. Denzil Martins, Principal of the Nirmala Institute of Education, emphasized the need for proper awareness and knowledge about HIV/AIDS as teachers, and took into perspective the role of teachers in spreading this awareness to ensure better functioning of society.



## AWARENESS PROGRAM ON HIV/AIDS AT BHARAT PETROLEUM CORPORATION LIMITED.

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**Date: 9<sup>th</sup> January 2015.**

**Venue: Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited, Verna.**

**Time: 11: 30 to 2:00pm.**

An awareness program was conducted at Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited at Verna Industrial Estate, Goa. Dr. Dhaimodkar, Mr. Santosh Kumar Gupta, Coordinator Bharat Petroleum and Mr. Pratik Mhale, Bharat Petroleum, organised the program with The Goa State AIDS Control Society.



Dr.Rahul Ramakrishna,DD I/C (Blood safety), GSACS and Mrs. Asha Vernekar, Team Leader, (TSU) , GSACS and Mrs Ingrid Carvalho , A. D. (Social Protection & Mainstreaming), GSACS.

The session was very interactive the company workers had lot of quires and their myths and misconception were resolved. The total number of participants were 25.

## SENSITIZATION WORKSHOP FOR GOA DAIRY WORKERS AT GOA DAIRY PLANT CURTI –PONDA.

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**Date: 16/1/2015.**

**Venue: Goa Dairy Board Room, Curti Ponda.**

**Timings: 10: 15 am to 1:30 pm.**

A sensitization Workshop was held at Goa Dairy for the workers and office staff of the plant. The program began with a inaugural session. Dr. V. Sawant, Managing Director Goa Dairy who welcomed



everyone and stressed the need to be informed and self aware about HIV/AIDS. This

Was followed by the lighting of the Lamp by, Dr. Nutan Dev, Health Officer, Primary Health Centre Hospital, and Ponda. Dr. Nutan Dev introduced HIV/ AIDS to the trainee's and the need for awareness among the public.







Dr. Narayan Kamat Dalal, I/C D.D (Sur& M&E) presented situation and response on HIV/AIDS 2015. A short film on HIV/AIDS was screened. A session was taken by Mr. Umakant Sawant D.D (IEC) on Stigma and Discrimination.



Later a Magic Show was held by Magician Rama on HIV/AIDS and its prevention. . Ms Sunita Arudra, A. D( Publicity& Documentation), GSACS, Ms Ingrid Carvalho, A. D( Social Protection & Mainstreaming )GSACS were also present.



## RED RIBBON CLUB INAUGURATED AT PES RAJARAM AND TARABAI COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

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A new Red Ribbon Club was inaugurated at Shri. P.E.S Rajaram and Tarabai College of Pharmacy, Ponda on 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2015. The dignitaries present and who graced the function were Dr. Nutan Dev, Health Officer, Health Center, Ponda and Mrs. Jeunesse D. Fernandes, Assistant Director (YA) from Goa State AIDS Control Society, Panaji.



The formal welcome was given by Dr. S. N. Mamle Desai, Principal of the college and the new RRC was inaugurated by the dignitaries along with Principal and Mangirish Deshpande, Asst. Professor and RRC Convenor Incharge. The hall was beaming with 200 young budding pharmacists.

A talk was delivered by Mrs. Jeunesse D. Fernandes, Assistant Director (YA) on the importance of Red Ribbon Club, Aims and Objectives and the various activities to be conducted in the club in campus and community programs to raise awareness. A talk on the topic HIV/ AIDS scenario, prevention and control and services was delivered by Dr. Nutan Dev, Health Officer. She urged students to be aware of how to protect themselves from the dreaded disease and later an audio visual was screened for the students.



The felicitation of the Prize winners of the Poster competition was held and were distributed certificates for their effort and participation. The Ist prize winner is Amrita Kadam and Chetali Prabhu Tendulkar, IInd prize winner is Prabhu Desai Grisma and Thomas Leena, IIIRD Prize winner is Anisha Gokuldas Naik and Kamat Helekar Gaurangi. The Ist Consolation prize winner is Shritaj Shetkar, IInd Consolation prize winner is Dessai Sandeep Sanjeeta and Phaldessai Vibha Devappa and IIRD Consolation prize winner is Apurva Jathar.

The program concluded with the vote of thanks for support from the Primary Health Center, Ponda and Goa State AIDS Control Program and also urged the students to be active RRC Members to conduct more community based programs to create awareness on HIV prevention.

## SENSITIZATION WORKSHOP FOR NSS PROGRAM OFFICERS.

**Date: 29<sup>th</sup> January 2015.**

**Venue: Goa University Conference Hall, Bambolim, Goa.**

**Time: 3:00pm to 5 :00pm.**

A sensitization workshop was held at the Goa University Conference Hall, Bambolim.



Mr.Pradeep Moraskar, State Co-ordinator NSS Dr.Rahul Ramakrishna conducted the workshop; he gave the presentation on HIV/AIDS on Situation and Response 2015. The session was very interactive. The NSS Program Officers has a lot doubts which were resolved.



Dr.Rahul Ramakrishna,I/C (DD)Blood safety, GSACS and Mr.Umakanth Sawant, DD (IEC) , GSACS Mrs Ingrid Carvalho , A. D. (Social Protection & Mainstreaming), GSACS and Mrs. Sunita Arudra A.D.(Publicity & Documentation)GSACS were present. The total number of participants were 30.



## STATE LEVEL MEETING OF INDIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Date: 31<sup>st</sup> January 2015

Location: IMA Hall, Ponda.

A state level function for doctors was organized at IMA Ponda Hall sponsored by GSACS. The speakers for this occasion were Dr. Edwin Gomes (Professor & HOD of Medicine, GMC) & Dr. Savio Rodrigues (Professor & HOD of Microbiology, GMC).



**Dr. Edwin Gomes**



**Dr. Savio Rodrigues**

Dr. Edwin presented a power point on the different drugs used in the treatment of HIV/AIDS.

Dr. Savio spoke about the role of Laboratory Diagnosis in RTI & STI in different health settings and he also spoke about universal precautions and Post Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP).



Project Director of GSACS Dr. Vandana Patankar was also present. The programme was a success with many of the IMA Ponda members present on the occasion



**Dr. Vandana Patankar** addressing the gathering.



## HOARDINGS DISPLAYED BY GSACS

**Industrial Area- Verna; Airport- Vasco; Majorda Beach ; Panaji- Mapusa Highway.**



### Beneficiaries of State Government Schemes for People Living with HIV/AIDS

Sr. No	Name of scheme	Number of beneficiaries
1.	Dayanand Social Security Scheme (DSS)	200
2.	50% Concession in Kadamba Transport Corp.(KTC)	642

**Total number of tests conducted for HIV/AIDS in Goa from 1986 to 2014**

	No. of Blood Samples tested			HIV+ cases			Positivity Rate (%)	No. of AIDS Cases		
Year	Gen	ANC	Total	Gen	ANC	Total		M	F	T
1986	229	-	229	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1987	1,255	-	1,255	3	-	3	0.24	-	-	-
1988	3,822	-	3,822	6	-	6	0.16	-	-	-
1989	10,210	-	10,210	18	-	18	0.18	1	-	1
1990	10,071	-	10,071	18	-	18	0.18	1	-	1
1991	8,603	-	8,603	30	-	30	0.35	2	-	2
1992	8,690	-	8,690	144	-	144	1.66	3	1	4
1993	7,978	-	7,978	123	-	123	1.54	3	-	3
1994	4,533	-	4,533	195	-	195	4.30	3	1	4
1995	2,279	-	2,279	203	-	203	8.91	4	2	6
1996	2,959	-	2,959	327	-	327	11.05	11	3	14
1997	3,526	-	3,526	473	-	473	13.41	12	2	14
1998	4,903	-	4,903	522	-	522	10.65	11	4	15
1999	7,804	-	7,804	750	-	750	9.61	12	2	14
2000	7,813	-	7,813	807	-	807	10.33	11	2	13
2001	7,216	-	7,216	801	-	801	11.10	39	9	48
2002	13,848	-	13,848	999	-	999	7.21	51	17	68
2003	11,682	2,567	14,249	1,016	38	1,054	7.40	105	57	162
2004	11,221	3,717	14,938	956	47	1,003	6.71	139	54	193
2005	11,814	3,068	14,882	1,029	41	1,070	7.19	119	61	180
2006	11,023	7,357	18,380	940	75	1,015	5.52	58	23	81
2007	12,485	10,432	22,917	1,029	65	1,094	4.77	79	38	117
2008	15,684	11,053	26,737	954	65	1,019	3.81	74	31	105
2009	21,220	12,253	33,473	901	58	959	2.86	120	64	184
2010	21,627	11,802	33,429	769	52	821	2.46	102	52	154
2011	25,532	14,609	40,141	630	35	665	1.66	68	38	106
2012	30,500	14,053	44,553	532	22	554	1.24	52	26	78
2013	40,827	16,353	57,180*	505	27	532	0.93	34	17	51
2014	47,003	15,818	62,821*	449	26	475	0.75	28	19	47
	3,66,357	1,23,079	4,89,436	15,129	551	15,680	3.20	1,142	523	1,665

**Gen = General ANC =Antenatal Clinic \* includes tests conducted in FICTCs.**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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SENSITISATION  
WORKSHOP  
FOR  
SCHNEDER  
ELECTRICALS  
INDIA Pvt. Ltd.

WORK PLACE  
INTERVENTION  
FOR  
LIFEGUARDS  
OF DRISHTI IN  
31 BEACHES

TRAINING OF  
TEACHERS FOR  
ADOLESCENCE  
EDUCATION  
PROGRAMME

