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Former Goa State Information Commissioner, Writer and Journalist

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- Former Goa State Information Commissioner, Writer and Journalist.
- Education: B.Com., B.C.J. (Degree in Journalism), M.A.(Political Science), L.L.B.
- Started career in journalism in 1988 from 'Kesari', Pune.
- Worked with Maharashtra Times for 12 years, 4 years in Mumbai and 8 years in Goa as Senior Correspondent.

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Shri. Sanjay N. Dhavalikar



- Former editor of Gomantak and GOA 365.
- Founder editor of Dainik Herald (2012) and Goan Varta (2015).
- Recipient of 'Jagan Fadnis Memorial Investigative Journalism Award' by Jagan Fadnis Trust, Kolhapur (2002).
- 'Bharat Patrakarita Puraskar' by Maharashtra Journalists Foundation, Pune (2009).
- 'Editor of the Year' award by Goa Chamber of Commerce and Industries (2016).

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Shri. Sanjay N. Dhavalikar



- Author of 4 books in Marathi.
- Completed 3 year term as State Information Commissioner, in 2024.
- As State Information Commissioner, Shri Sanjay N. Dhavlikar was involved in hearing and deciding appeals and complaints received under the RTI Act, 2005. Decided more than 650 cases during the tenure.
- Shri. Sanjay N. Dhavalikar is currently working as an Advisor to the Fomento Group.

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Shree Damodar College of Commerce & Economics

Felicitees - Founders Day 2025

SDCCE Retired Staff

Dr. RODNEY PATRICINO D'SILVA, Associate Professor



- Dr. Rodney Patricino D'Silva joined VVM's Shree Damodar College of Commerce & Economics in the year 2000.
- Retired on 30th November 2024 after 24 years of glorious service
- Dr. Rodney D'Silva has eight years of experience in Sales and Marketing within the Pharmaceutical Industry, the last position held was Manager of Marketing Services.

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SDCCE Retired Staff

Dr. RODNEY PATRICINO D'SILVA, Associate Professor



- Coordinator and Counsellor of IGNOU's Margao, Goa study center. Counsellor for MBA, M.Com and BDP programs since 1993.
- Served as a committee member for PhD Viva-Voce examinations at Anna University, Chennai and Sandip University, Pune, and as a sub-committee member of Goa University's Academic Council for Entrepreneurship Development from 2015 to 2017.

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SDCCE Retired Staff

MR. PRAKASH RAGHUNATH TENDULKAR, ACCOUNTANT



- Served as Accountant from 26 March 1991 to 9 May 2001 at VVM's R.M. Salgaocar Higher Secondary School, and from 10 May 2001 to 31 January 2025 at VVM's Shree Damodar College of Commerce & Economics.
- Officially retired on 31 January 2025, marking the conclusion of a distinguished career in academic financial administration.
- Completed 33 years, 10 months, and 6 days of continuous service under Vidya Vikas Mandal.

Felicitees - Founders Day 2025

SDCCE Retired Staff

MRS. MARIA ESTER ABRANCHES



- Maria Ester Abranches had a remarkable journey at V.V.M.'s Shree Damodar College of Commerce & Economics family for 35 years which began in 1975 and concluded with her retirement in May 2010.
- She holds a B.Sc. in Physics, an M.Sc. in Mathematics, and a Post Graduate Diploma in Computer Science from Bombay University.

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SDCCE Retired Staff

MRS. MARIA ESTER ABRANCHES



- Her passion for knowledge also extends to languages, where she achieved top honors in Portuguese in 2000.
- She has authored mathematics books on three separate occasions.
- She served as a Coordinator of the National Service Scheme (NSS), In-charge of the Centre of Foreign Languages, organized several workshops and seminars for mathematics and as a visiting faculty at various institutions.

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SDCCE Retired Staff

MRS. MARIA ESTER ABRANCHES



- She is the recipient of numerous accolades :
 - **Shikshak Bhushan Award** in 2001, conferred by the State and National Awardee Teachers' Association
 - **Prof. D. B. Wagh Memorial State Level Award** in 2009, also from the State and National Awardee Teachers' Association
 - **Government of Goa's "State Award"** in 2009, for her meritorious service in the field of mathematics.

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SDCCE Alumni

CA BALAJI BHAT



- An Alumni of SDCCE, Batch of 1981 -83 and has secured a state rank in the Goa Board HSSC exam and has cleared his CA on the first attempt during his articleship.
- Established Gnanoba and Bhat in Bangalore in 1986 before founding Indusage Advisors in 2000, a boutique corporate finance firm.
- Mentors over 20 CEOs, serves on executive committees of more than 20 companies overseeing strategy and operations, and holds significant investments in listed entities, private enterprises, and startups.

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CA BALAJI BHAT



- Currently, he is a member of the Executive Council of Goa University and the Governing Council for startups at Nitte Engineering College, Karkala.
- Active in Goa's education, sports, and cultural scenes. As an SDCCE Alumni he sponsors various activities and owns the Gomanchal Warriors, a veteran's cricket team.

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SDCCE Alumni

SP HARISHCHANDRA V. MADKAIKAR, SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE



- Graduated from Shree Damodar College, Margao in 1989; joined NCC and earned 'A', 'B' and 'C' certificates for excellence; joined Goa Police as Sub Inspector in 1991.
- Promoted to Inspector in 2003, Dy. Superintendent of Police in 2020, and Superintendent of Police in October 2024; currently posted at Konkan Railway, Margao.

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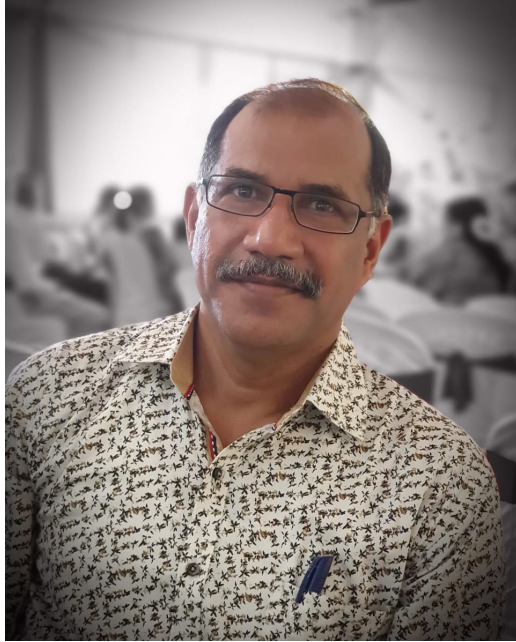


- Trained Commando from NSG Haryana (1994) and Rapid Action Force, Taloja; served as Officer In-Charge at 21 Police Stations across Goa and held key roles at Anti-Narcotics Cell, Margao & Panaji Sub Divisions, Coastal Security, and Police Training School, Valpoi.
- Honored with DGP's Insignia (2018), Chief Minister's Police Medal (2021), President's Police Medal (2023), Bharat Swabhimani Award (2019), and Samaj Mitra Award (2024).

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SDCCE Alumni

SHRI. PANDURANG S PATIL

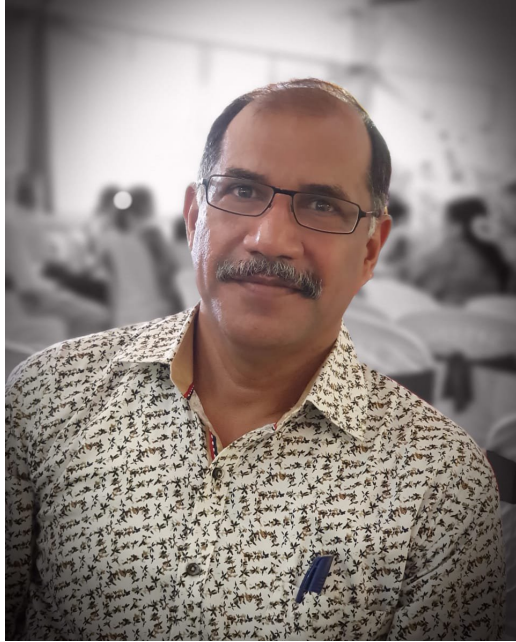


- Served as State Sales Head for JK Tyres, Goodyear International, and Cummins for over 30 years, demonstrating leadership and industry expertise.
- Managed Utkarsh High School, Rivona for 14 years. Core team member of Urja Foundation, aiding ~650 SSCE students annually with financial support.

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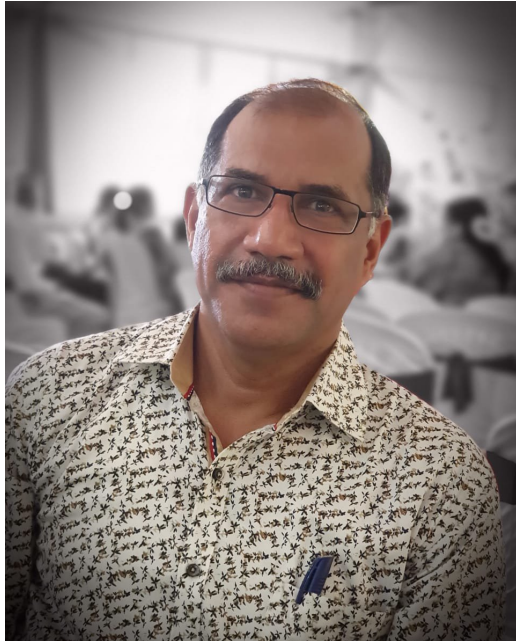


- Member of Goa's Amritkal Agriculture Policy Drafting Committee and the Coir Board under the Ministry of MSME. President of Bhartiya Kisan Sangh (South Goa) and Director of Goa Bagayatdar Society (₹650 crore cooperative).
- National and state awards: Krishi Vibhushan, Goa Star Farmer, Innovative Farmer (ICAR).
- Innovator behind India's first NutMag Jam brand; owner of Rishivan Farm and NutMag Hut culinary experience.

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SDCCE Alumni

SHRI. PANDURANG S PATIL



- Runs a YouTube channel and WhatsApp group to support and educate farmers with innovative practices and updates.
- Trekking enthusiast with 12 high-altitude Himalayan treks. Core team member of Eco Treks Goa (176 completed treks). Passionate about sailing and promoting eco-tourism



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**Ramacrisna Madeva Salgaocar Higher
Secondary School**

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RMS Retired Staff

Shri Prakash K. Borkar, Library Attendant



- Shri Prakash K. Borkar joined VVM's Ramacrisna Madeva Salgaocar Higher Secondary School, Margao on 17th June 1991.
- He played a crucial role towards the smooth functioning of the Library.
- He served the institution for 33 years.
- Shri Prakash K. Borkar served as a Library Attendant and retired on 31st August 2024.



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Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law

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GRKCL Alumni

SHRI . CHANDRAKANT SHETKAR



- Completed B.A. Degree from PES College, Farmagudi Ponda in the year 1998.
- Completed LLB Degree from G.R. Kare College of Law, Margao in the year 2001.
- Practice Civil and Criminal Law in Civil and Criminal Courts in the State of Goa from 2001 to June 2003.
- Completed 22 years of service as Mamlatdar/Jt. Mamlatdar, Junior Scale Officer and Senior Scale Officer.

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GRKCL Alumni

SHRI . CHANDRAKANT SHETKAR



- Managing Director, Goa State Scheduled Caste and O.B.C., Finance and Development Corporation, Panaji.
- Presently posted as Director, Directorate of Settlement & Land Records, Panaji.



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Vidya Vikas Academy

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VVA Retired Staff

MRS. MEREXI D'SILVA, TRAINED GRADUATE TEACHER



- Mrs. Merexi D'Silva joined Vidya Vikas Academy in the year 2009 as a Trained Under Graduate Teacher.
- Mrs. Merexi D'Silva retired on superannuation as a Trained Graduate Teacher on 31st May 2025
- She served the institution for 16 years.
- She taught English & Social Studies in the Primary as well as Secondary section.

Felicitees - Founders Day 2025

VVA Retired Staff

MRS. TANIA MONTEIRO, VICE PRINCIPAL (PRE-PRIMARY TO CLASS 5)



- Mrs. Tania Monteiro joined Vidya Vikas Academy in the year 1996 as a Pre-Primary Teacher.
- Mrs. Tania Monteiro retired on superannuation as the Vice Principal (Pre-Primary to Class 5) on 20th June 2025
- She served the institution for 29 years.
- She taught in the Pre-Primary, Primary as well as the Secondary section.

Felicitees - Founders Day 2025

VVA Retired Staff

MRS. SUCHITRA C. PHALDESAI, ACCOUNTANT



- Mrs. Suchitra C. Phaldesai joined Vidya Vikas Academy in the year 1999 as an Office Assistant.
- Mrs. Suchitra C. Phaldesai has voluntarily retired as an Accountant on 31st July 2025.
- She served the institution for 26 years.
- She took charge as the Head of the Administrative office, while serving as an Accountant.

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VVA Retired Staff

MR. LAU BABU SHIRSIKAR, ATTENDANT



- Mr. Lau Babu Shirsikar joined Vidya Vikas Academy in the year 2006 as an Attendant.
- Mr. Lau Babu Shirsikar retired on 31st August 2023, and was subsequently given an extension of service until 30th April 2025.
- He served the institution for 19 years.

Felicitees - Founders Day 2025

VVA Alumni

MR. KEDAR UDAY SINGBAL , DOCTOR



- Senior Resident, Department of Internal Medicine, Goa Medical College
- Completed post graduation in February 2025.
- Awarded Gold Medal by Goa University for securing 1st rank in MD Medicine

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VVA Alumni

MS. KIMBERLY PANDEY, CHEF



- Creative Entrepreneur | Food Business Strategist, Chef & Visual Storyteller Founder, Zayo (Cabo De Rama)
- Food entrepreneur with 6+ years of experience launching innovative F&B concepts, from cloud kitchens to food trucks to fully functioning concept restaurants.
- She is known for creating high-impact branding and sustainable operations that scale.

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VVA Alumni

MR. NATHAN GRACIAS FLOR, DOCTOR



- M.S in General Surgery.
- He is currently pursuing a super specialization degree, Mch Urology at Goa Medical College



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