



# SARE JAHAN SE ACCHA!

Since joining independent India in 1961, Goa has blossomed into a vibrant mosaic of cultures. From native Goans and Konkani-speaking communities to settlers from across India—and even the world—Goa has welcomed diversity with open arms. Artists, entrepreneurs, doctors, and dreamers have all found a home here, drawn by its charm and openness. This mix has enriched Goa's identity, blending tradition with modernity, and creating a space where heritage and progress walk hand in hand. Goa isn't just a place—it's a shared experience.



# LIVING THE MOMENTS



## Hello Fellow Members

I am happy and proud to present the first issue of Mog Asa - our Internal Newsletter on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2025. Mog Asa - simply means 'Love is' in Konkani. To us, it is all about the love to serve and deliver. This initiative is for all of us - to share important developments and to keep us all together. We have thought of a structure which will be improved progressively.



Please enjoy reading and share your valuable thoughts and contributions which we will publish for the benefit of everyone. In the time to come, we will endeavour to make this Newsletter as a pivot for communicating everything of importance related to the Goa Gymkhana Club. Happy reading!

*Yours Sincerely,*

**Santosh Kumar**  
President  
Goa Gymkhana Club

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# THE GOANS - THE WORLD LOVES



Mario Miranda

- Field: Cartoonist & Illustrator
- Legacy: Known for his whimsical depictions of Goan life, Miranda's work appeared in The Illustrated Weekly of India and Economic Times. He was awarded the Padma Vibhushan.



A take on Konkan Railway



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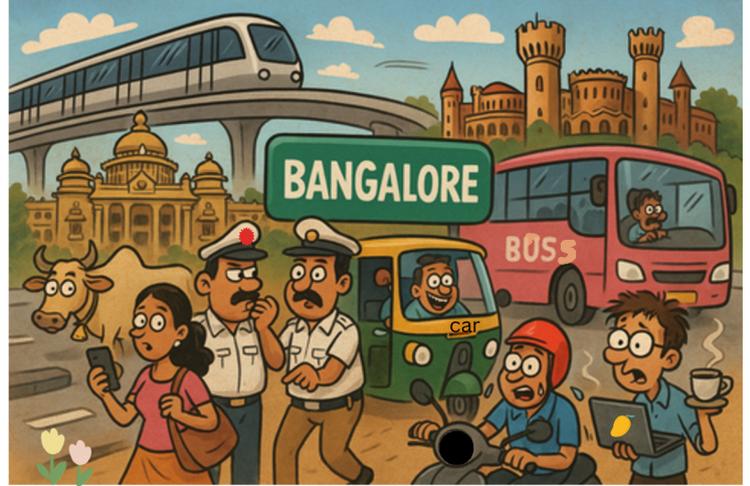
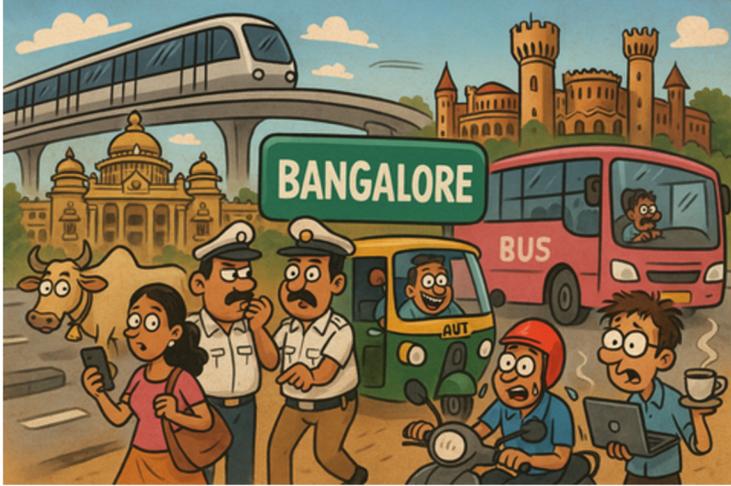
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Can your eye spot it? Find the differences in the photos below



How many could you spot? 8 - Wow! You got them all. 7 - Awesome! 6 - Good Going 5 - Nice try

## Happenings at GGC



## Membership Referrals

We are delighted to offer our members a special way to welcome new members to our GGC Family!



- 1 converted referral earns - 2 nights free stay at Goa Gymkhana Club
- 2 converted referral earns - 4 nights free stay at Goa Gymkhana Club
- 3 - 5 referrals earns - Fully sponsored travel & stay for a family of 4 to GGC in Goa
- Above 5 referrals - All the above benefits

### 🌴 Fun Facts About Goa

#### 🌍 Geography & Nature

**Smallest State, Big Personality:** Goa is the smallest state in India by area, yet it packs a punch with its vibrant culture and biodiversity.

**Lush Green Cover:** About 33% of Goa is forested, and it includes parts of the Western Ghats, making it a biodiversity hotspot.

**Mollem & Mahavir Parks:** These national parks are home to exotic flora and fauna, perfect for nature lovers.

#### 🏰 History & Heritage

**Portuguese Legacy:** Goa was a Portuguese colony for over 450 years until 1961. This influence is still visible in its architecture, cuisine, and culture.

**Asia's First Printing Press:** Installed in Goa at St. Paul's College in 1556—yes, even before many European countries had one.

**India's First Medical School:** Established in Panaji in 1842, though it was later demolished.

#### 🎨 Culture & Community

**Mario Miranda's Whimsical World:** The legendary cartoonist captured the essence of Goan life with humor and charm. His art gallery in Porvorim is a must-visit.

**Two Official Languages:** Goa uniquely recognizes both Konkani and Marathi as official languages.

**Uniform Civil Code:** It's the only Indian state with a Uniform Civil Code, a legacy from Portuguese governance.

#### 🎉 Quirky & Cool

**Two-Wheeler Taxis:** Known as "Pilots," these motorcycle taxis are a fun and fast way to get around.

**Bars Galore:** Goa has over 7,000 licensed bars—cheers to that!

**Floating Casino:** The Big Daddy Casino on the Mandovi River is Asia's largest floating casino.



Which European country colonized Goa for over 450 years?

What is unique about Goa's legal system compared to other Indian states?

What is the name of the floating casino on the Mandovi River, known as Asia's largest?

Which national park in Goa is known for its rich biodiversity?

What is the name of the legendary Goan cartoonist known for capturing the essence of Goan life?

What is the official language of Goa?

Which unique mode of transport is commonly used in Goa and is called 'Pilots'?

Which printing milestone is associated with Goa?

Which river is the longest in Goa?

What percentage of Goa is covered by forests?

## Ring in the New Year in a New Way!



MERRY  
CHRISTMAS  
AND  
HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

*Christmas Celebrations*  
*Musical Night + Cocktails Party +*  
*Firedance + Gala Dinner*

*New Years - Karaoke Night + New*  
*Year's Ball + Fireworks + Gala Dinner*

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*Let's Celebrate!*