

**Goa University**



**Visiting Professors Research Programme**

**REPORT  
Year 2019-20**

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### Visiting Chair Research Professors Programme

Goa University launched the Visiting Chair Research Professors Programme (VRPP) from 2013-14 to bring luminaries in the field of liberal arts & Literature, social and natural sciences, and other fields to the University. The visiting professors will interact with students, deliver lectures, offer courses, and work on collaborative research projects, or stimulate the creation of art installations and music performances with faculty and students. It is hoped that while blurring boundaries between traditional disciplines, the visiting professors will generate a creative environment in learning and contemporary knowledge production practices with their intellectual and aesthetic endeavors.

The programme is being supported by Directorate of Art and Culture, Government of Goa through generous grants.

The full list of Visiting Research Professors including the new appointments is as follows:

Ser#	VRPP Chair	Professor
1	DD Kosambi Chair in Interdisciplinary Studies	Prof Romila Thapar
		Dr. Sudhir Kakar
		Prof Madhav Gadgil
		Prof Shahid Amin
		Prof Dhruv Raina *
		Prof Saurabh Dube *
		Prof Ishita Banerjee Dube *
		Prof Kumkum Roy*
		Prof. Peter D'Souza *
		Prof. Ramkrishna Ramasawamy
2	Dayanand Bandodkar Chair in Political Economy	Ms. Niraja Gopal Jayal
		Prof Amit Bhaduri
		Prof Ashok Chandra
		Prof Satish Deshpande*
		Prof Prabhat Patnaik*
3	Kavivarya Bakibaab Borkar Chair in Comparative Literature	Prof Rammanohar Reddy*
		Prof Ashok Vajpeyi
		Prof Jeet Thayil

		Prof Nirmala Jain
		Prof Uday Bhembre
		Prof Kiran Budkuley*
		Prof Githa Hariharan
		Prof Vrinda Nabar*
		Prof Anvita Abbi*
		Sachitanand
4	Mario Miranda Chair in Art, Fine Art	Prof Jyotindra Jain
		Prof Orijit Sen*
		Prof Vidya Dehejia*
		Ms Shebha Chachi
		Prof Raman Sivakumar*
		Dr Subodh Kerkar*
5	Anthony Gonsalves Chair in Western music	Santiago Lusardi Girelli*
		Mark Troop
		Ms. Patricia Rozario
6	Nana Shirgaokar Chair in Indian Music	Smt.Shubha Mudgal
		Ustad Bahauddin Dagar
		Smt.Bombay Jayashri*
		Smt.Vidya Shah*
7	Sant Sohrobanath AMBIYE Chair	Prof B V Nemade
		Prof Somnath Komarpant
8	J.H.Cunha Rivera Chair (Funded Privately)	Prof Hugo Canelas Cardoso ( Active)
		Prof Susana Sardo (Active)
		Prof Amelia Polonia (Active)
		Prof Walter Rossa (Active)
9	Dalai Lama Chair in Nalanda Studies (Funded Privately)	Ven Khenpo Tashi Tsering

\*- Currently active in 2019-20.

#### VRPP – Salient features & achievements

- Internationally reputed personalities from India and abroad provide unique opportunity to Goans to interact.
- All courses/workshops/sessions are open to students as well as general public.
- Integrated into university's choice based curriculum as credit courses as well as available as electives in affiliated colleges.
- Courses/activities are organized not only at University but also in colleges affiliated to university and other locations in Goa benefitting PG/UG students and general public. Certificates are issued to all the participants who complete the course.
- A dedicated website to disseminate all information related to VRPP Programme and online registration facility for all courses.
- Goa University formed its own Western Music Choir and performed at prestigious festivals and places through efforts initiated due to VRPP Professors.
- Documentation of Goan culture, social practices.
- Infused the young researchers in Goa with new ideas by engaging in dialogues
- Brought back interest in liberal art, Indian and western classical music & Literature in the young minds
- Most of the sessions have been video graphed and made available on web or local intranet. This will serve as a source of knowledge in coming years.

### List of activities/courses/workshops conducted under each chair

In its Seventh year, various courses, events, workshops, Conferences and performances were organized under each chair.

#### D D Kosambi Chair in Interdisciplinary Studies

1. Prof Dhruv Raina conducted a Public Lectures on three different topics at Dhempe College Arts and Science and Goa University from 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019.
2. Public Lecture by Prof Peter DeSouza on Decolonizing the mind in the Post Colonial World: Beyond T.B. Cunha on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2019.
3. Mentoring Sessions with young faculty and research scholars of Goa University by Prof Peter D'Souza on a) State and Politics in Goa b) Tribal Studies Group c) ICSSR-IMPRESS Proposal on State and Democracy in India d) Proposed Interdisciplinary Refresher Course in Social Sciences on 'Changing India'.
4. Prof Dhruv Raina conducted a Public Lectures on three different topics at P.E.S College, Ponda , Fr. Agnel College, Pilar and Goa University from 27<sup>th</sup> February to 04<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

#### Dayanand Bandodkar chair in Political Economy

1. Prof Rammanohar Reddy & Prof Prabhat Patnaik jointly conducted a one credit Course on "ECO-501 Development Challenges in Contemporary India" from 28<sup>th</sup> January to 02<sup>nd</sup> February 2019.

### Kavivarya Bakibaab Borkar chair in Comparative Literature

1. Prof. Kiran Budkuley taught four 4 credit regular courses for MA-Konkani students from July to November 18 and November to April 2020.
2. Prof Vrinda Nabar conducted courses on “The Anxieties of Orientalism: India and the Diaspora – One credit course open for students and public by Professor Vrinda Nabar, Kavivarya Bakibaab Borkar Chair in Comparative Literature from 24<sup>th</sup> September to 03<sup>rd</sup> October, 2019.
3. Workshop on Language Documentation and Archiving by Prof Anvita Abbi from 09<sup>th</sup> December to 21<sup>st</sup> December 2019.
4. Department of Konkani had conducted National Symposium on "Contribution and Challenges of Bilateral Translation for Konkani: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow" on 31st January,2020.
5. Department of Hindi had conducted Study tour in collaboration with D-VRPP to various places of B.B.Borkar on 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2019.

### Mario Miranda chair in Art, Fine Art

1. Public Lectures on Introduction to Contemporary Art by Dr. Subodh Kerkar from 13<sup>th</sup> August to 21<sup>st</sup> August 2019.
2. Public lectures on Gandhi through Arts and Introduction to Contemporary Art by Dr. Subodh Kerkar at Institute of Menezes Braganza on 23<sup>rd</sup> January and 24<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

3. Prof Subodh Kerkar conducted courses on “Introduction to Contemporary Art” – Two credit course open for students and public under Mario Miranda Chair in Comparative Literature from 25th February to 04th March, 2020.

Anthony Gonsalves Chair in Western Music

1. Prof Santiago Girelli conducted one credit course namely PRO-424: Singing Course (Theoretical and Practical Course) " from 23<sup>rd</sup> July to 09<sup>th</sup> August, 2019.
2. Goa University Choir performed at National Centre for Performing Art, Mumbai from 27<sup>th</sup> November to 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2019.
3. Prof Santiago Girelli conducted two credit course namely PRO-425 : Choral Singing Course 2 / Foundations of Choral Music: Theoretical and Practical course from 11<sup>th</sup> October to 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2019.
4. Prof Santiago Girelli conducted one credit course namely SOO 218 : Understanding 20th Century Social Processes Through Contemporary Music ( Decolonization Process in Contemporary Music) from 29<sup>th</sup> January to 18<sup>th</sup> February 2020.
5. Prof Santiago Lusardi conducted choir performance with GU Choir and the SOI Chamber Soloists & Maria Meireless ( Portugal ) from 09<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 at Old Goa.
6. Prof Santiago Lusardi conducted International Vocal Training Materclass with GU Choir and the Maria Forsström (Oslo University, Sweden) from 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 at Goa University.
7. Prof Santiago Lusardi conducted International Vocal Training Masterclasses withGU CHOIR and Mr Benjamin Perry (Berkley University – Boston, USA) from 05<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>August 2019 at Goa University.

8. Prof Santiago Lusardi conducted International Music with GU Choir and Maestro Carmona Sarmiento (Seville University, Spain) GU Chamber Ensemble from 10<sup>th</sup> oct to 14<sup>th</sup> Oct 2019 at Goa University.
9. Prof Santiago Lusardi conducted choir performance with GU Choir and Maestro Carmona Sarmiento (Seville University, Spain) GU Chamber Ensemble on 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 at Old Goa.
10. Prof Santiago Lusardi conducted International Symposium on Choral Music with GU CHOIR with Maestro Arial Alonso (Sorbonne University- Paris) GU Chamber Ensemble from 27<sup>th</sup> Oct to 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov 2019 at Goa University.
11. Prof Santiago Lusardi conducted choir performance with GU Choir and Maestro Arial Alonso (Sorbonne University- Paris) GU Chamber Ensemble on 01<sup>st</sup> November, 2019 at Old Goa.
12. Prof Santiago Lusardi conducted choir performance with GU Choir and with soloist from India - Closing concert of the International Symposium on 02 November 2019 at Reis Magos Fort.
13. Prof Santiago Lusardi conducted choir performance with GU Choir at NCPA / National Centre for the Performing Arts (Mumbai) FROM 27<sup>th</sup> November to 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2019.
14. Prof Santiago Lusardi conducted choir performance with GU Choir at GALF / Goa Arts and Lit Festival on 07<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 at ICG.
15. Prof Santiago Lusardi conducted choir performance with GU Choir and Mika Nishimura (Japan) / Parvesh Java ON 11<sup>th</sup> December for Dalia Lama visit at Kala Academy.



16. Prof Santiago Lusardi conducted National Seminar with GU Choir on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at Goa University.

17. Prof Santiago Lusardi conducted choir performance with GU Choir and Karen Schilmp (Frankfurt University, Germany) & GU Chamber Ensemble on 09<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at Moute Festival

18. Prof Santiago Lusardi had Choir Performance along with GU Choir for 32<sup>th</sup> Annual Convocation of Goa University at Kala Academy on 24<sup>th</sup> February.

#### Nana Shirgaokar Chair in Indian Music

1. Prof Vidya Shah conducted a Public Lectures on three different topics at Dhempe College Arts and Science and Goa University from 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019.
2. Prof Vidya Shah conducted a Public Lectures on three different topics at Chowgule College, Margao , Mausem of Goa, Pilerne and Goa University from 31<sup>st</sup> Jan to 03<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2020.

#### Sant Sohirobanath Ambiye Chair in Sant Sahitya

1. Department of Marathi had conducted Study tour in collaboration with D-VRPP to various places of Sant Ambiye on 9<sup>th</sup> August 2019.
2. Department of Marathi had organized Ghumat Arti Competition in collaboration with D-VRPP in Goa University on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2019.

J.H.Cunha Rivera Chair (Funded Privately)  
Activities Year wise (2019)

1. Prof Dr. Susana Sardo conducted courses on “PRO-122 Lusosonia: Post-colonial cartographies on sounds and memories One credit course open for students and public under J.H.Cunha Rivera Chair from 29<sup>th</sup> Jan to 08<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019.
2. Prof Dr. Amélia Polónia conducted courses on “PRO-123 “New Historiographical perspectives on Portuguese Overseas Expansion” One credit course open for students and public under J.H.Cunha Rivera Chair from 21<sup>st</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019.
3. Prof Dr. Ângela Barreto Xavier conducted courses on “PRO-127 “The Government of Difference in the Portuguese Empire (15<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> centuries)” One credit course open for students and public under J.H.Cunha Rivera Chair from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 01<sup>st</sup> Aug, 2019.
4. Prof Dr. Walter Rossa conducted courses on “PRO-125 “Heritage(s) of Portuguese Influence in the Indian Ocean Borders” One credit course open for students and public under J.H.Cunha Rivera Chair from 14<sup>th</sup> July to 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2019.

Dalai Lama Chair in Nalanda Studies (Funded Privately)  
Activities yet to be started in financial year 2020-21

Director, VRPP

VRPP Organizational Structure  
(WEF 2018-19)  
Standing Committee of Executive Council on VRPP

Prof Varun Sahni  
Chairperson

Members

- Shri Srinivas Dempo
- Prof Sita Naik
- Prof Ira Bhaskar
- Prof Shaila Desouza

Director, VRPP & Member Secretary

- Prof Savita Kerkar

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