

# GOA DIALOGUES

THE INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, GOA

**On**  
***EDUCATION***

**HUMAN CAPITAL AND DEVELOPMENT IN GOA**  
**Issues of Higher Education**

Organized by  
The International Centre, Goa

Venue:  
*Mandovi Hall*  
The International Centre, Goa  
Dona Paula, Goa INDIA

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The “**GOA DIALOGUES**” is a new initiative to promote and strengthen peace, stability, freedom, independence, and sustainable development in Asia and the world through dialogue, interaction and mutual cooperation among civilizations. This initiative will be a synthesizer and transmitter of ideas and activities that will contribute to building a resurgent Goa, a progressive India, a better Asia, and a safer world. The Dialogues stand firmly on the four pillars of **CULTURE & CIVILIZATION, SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND COSMOPOLITANISM, ASIAN SECURITY, and INDIA AND GLOBAL ASIA.**

The flagship projects, research and training activities, and fellowship exchange programmes with the peoples and institutions in the pan-Asian region and the Indian Ocean area will promote the building of a better Asia with Goa as a centre of radiating influence for ideas, development, and freedom.

The “**GOA DIALOGUES**” are centred at The International Centre, Goa, India. The International Centre, Goa (ICG) was founded in June 1987 under the Societies Act (1860) “to promote understanding and amity between parts of the country and with different communities of the world” through a multiplicity of activities. These include:

- Conferences, seminars, training programmes and lectures;
- Research on cultural, social, economic and political matters;
- Interaction and affiliation with national and international professional and educational bodies;
- Dissemination of information through reports, journals and books;
- The provision of fellowships and scholarships;
- Study-in-India training for foreign students.

The ICG maintains residential facilities for scholars, intellectuals, researchers and trainees, and maintains a fund from contributions from government and non-government institutions.

The Centre is an autonomous institution. It relies on grants and donations from local and international institutions as well as individuals to fund its programmes. Residential and non-residential conferences, seminars and training programmes are also organized by local, national and international organizations.

The ICG’s facilities are located on 14 acres of land on the Taleigao Plateau at Dona Paula, Goa. The plateau overlooks the confluence of the famous Zuari river and the Arabian sea. The Centre has 44 guest rooms, 3 seminar halls, a restaurant, and several lawns of different sizes that are used for private functions, which could range from small get-togethers to elaborate parties.

## PROGRAMME

- 10:00 am – 10:40 am Introduction to ***GOA DIALOGUES*** by  
**M Rajaretnam**,  
Director/ Chief Executive, The International Centre, Goa
- Introductory Remarks by  
**Yatin Kakodkar**, Trustee, The International Centre, Goa &  
Director, Apex Packaging Products Pvt. Ltd.
- Remarks by Chairperson  
**P X F D’Lima**,  
Former Director, Goa Institute of Management
- 10:40 am – 11:20 am Presentation on ***HUMAN CAPITAL AND DEVELOPMENT IN GOA: Issues of Higher Education***  
by **Prof. A Sreekumar**,  
Dean, Faculty of Management Studies, Goa University
- 11:20 am – 11:45 am Tea/ Coffee Break
- 11:45 am – 1:30 pm **Discussion**
- 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm Lunch
- 2:30 pm – 5:00 pm **Discussion**
- 5:00 pm Conclusion
- 5:30 pm END
- High Tea
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## **ABOUT PROF. A SREEKUMAR**

Prof. A Sreekumar is currently Dean of Faculty of Management Studies at Goa University and an advisor to DC School of Management and Technology at Kerala. Prof. Sreekumar, a Bachelor of Science (Engineering) from University of Kerala , is a Fellow of Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad. He is teaching currently Strategic Management and Economics of Strategy at the Goa University .

Prof. Sreekumar, with 29 years of experience as a management educationist, has taught fresh students as well as practicing managers. He is Visiting Faculty to many institutions including IIM, Kozhikode . He was involved in introducing education programmes in Goa University such as the BBA and in collaborating with Universities in Germany and Portugal for research and teaching. Currently he is implementing Course Management Software in preparation for introducing E-Learning as a dominant pedagogy in the MBA programme. He is a member of the Executive Council as well as other Academic bodies of Goa University .

His research interests are in areas such as Tourism, Education, etc. Prof. Sreekumar is the coordinator of the first in the series of the ***GOA DIALOGUES***.

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