## An Exhibition of Archives related to Goa liberation held in Goa University

On the occasion of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav and Sixtieth Anniversary of Goa liberation, the Exhibition of Archives related to the Goa Liberation was organized on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2022, by the Discipline of Marathi, from Shenoi Goembab School of Languages and Literature, Goa University in association with the Archives Department, Government of Goa, to mark the Cuncolim Uprising Day which was held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 1583, in Goan History.

After saluting all the revolutionaries, the exhibition was inaugurated by lighting the traditional lamp by the Registrar of Goa University Prof. Vishnu Nadkarni. The Dean of Shenoi Goembab School of Languages and Literature Prof. Sripad Bhat, Assistant Archivist Publication Krutika Sawant from Archives Department, Director of Marathi program Asst. Prof. Vinayak Bapat, Coordinator of Historical Archives Exhibition Dr. Vinay Madgaonkar was present on the dais.

Chief Guest of program Prof. Vishnu Nadkarni said that, the history of Goan freedom struggle should be reflected in literature. Archives are an important tool in creating such historical literature. The exhibition of such historical documents related to the Goa's freedom Struggle is a commendable initiative, said Prof. Nadkarni.

Chairperson of inaugural session Prof. Shripad Bhat, in his speech, said that this uprising by the people of Cuncolim in Goan history was done to preserve their culture, to maintain their own identity-Asmita. Better digitalization of documents and our historical tools is very essential for the study of history, he said.

While well coming dignitaries, Director of Marathi program Vinayak Bapat said that, the Cuncolim Uprising is an event that should be engraved in golden letters in Indian history. He expressed the hope that in the future there will be literature and research on the history of Goa.

In introductory speech Dr. Vinay Madgaonkar said that, Exhibition of rare Archives related to Goa Liberation, will be an advantageous source for our students in terms of study and research. The aim is to inculcate the spirit of patriotism in the minds of young students through the exhibition of historical records.

Shri Deepak Bandekar, director of the Directorate of Archives, provided special support. DDLI's Assistant Director Sachin Sambhaji, Nitin Patil, Sachin Patil assisted, by video documenting these valuable Archives. Enthusiastic response was received from researcher, curious, professors and students from other disciplines of Goa University.

In evening session, Archivist Publication and Head of Research and Publication from Archives Department Shri Balaji Shinoy explained the importance of historical documents. Shri Balaji said that the exhibition includes very important documents such as pamphlets published by revolutionaries, poems composed during that time, newspaper reports, rare photographs, photographs of weapons used by armed revolutionaries.

Asst. Prof. Purva Vast did pleasant compering of the program and Asst. Prof. Chinmay Ghaissas expressed gratitude. Our Students of Marathi Studies worked hard to make the event a success. The program concluded with the presentation of Vande Mataram.

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