SEVA PAKHWADA: Felicitation Programme

Organised by Department of Information Technology, Electronics & Communications and Department of Tourism

As part of the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's nationwide Seva Pakhwada campaign, a felicitation programme was held at the Socorro Panchayat Hall in Porvorim on September 20, 2025. The event aimed to recognise and honour women innovators and entrepreneurs who have made notable contributions to the welfare and inclusive growth of Goa.

This initiative, organised by the Department of Information Technology, Electronics and Communications (DITE&C) and the Department of Tourism, brought together a large group of over 1000 women to celebrate empowerment, innovation and the spirit of service.

The event was graced by Hon'ble Minister for Tourism, ITE&C, and Printing and Stationery, Shri Rohan Khaunte and other dignitaries.

Cybersecurity Presentation and Drone Showcase

An informative presentation on Cybersecurity was delivered by Cyber Cell Commando, Shri Vidyanand Pawar (PI). As part of showcasing the innovative use of drone technology, Ms Kalindi Karpe and Ms Preeti Naik, the State's own Drone Didis, gave a live drone flying demonstration.

Recognition of Women Innovators and Entrepreneurs

The highlight of the event was the felicitation of over 30 women by Hon'ble Minister Shri Rohan Khaunte who acknowledged their efforts to drive change in their communities.

Felicitation of Drone Didis:

- Ms Kalindi Karpe
- Ms Preeti Naik
- Ms Sneha Ulhas Naik

Felicitation of Women Startup Entrepreneurs:

- Ms Ayesha Anil Madgavkar, Founder of Kuva Botanicals
- Ms Maria Victor, Founder of MIH Thematic Trails Private Limited
- Ms Rohini Gonsalves, Founder of Sevarat Healthcare and Nursing Private Limited
- Ms Siya Shaikh, Founder of Goenkart Digital World LLP
- Ms Vijaya Josephine Pais, Founder of Offbeat Goa

Felicitation of Outstanding Lifeguards:

- Mr Krishna Naik
- Mr Paresh Gaude
- Mr Akash Shiya Fulkar

- Ms Ananyaa Bath
- Ms Harsha Gajanan Naik
- Ms Pooja Mahadev Bude

Felicitation of SHG run CSC-VLEs:

- Ms Renuka Sumeet Mandrekar, run by Bhumipurush Olaulim Pomburpa SHG
- Ms Vaidhavi Vinod Kubal, associated with Shree Shivkali SHG
- Ms Rajeshree Rahul Gaude, associated with Siddhuvinayak SHG, Borim
- Ms Dipti Dayanand Gaude, associated with Radhakrishna SHG
- Ms Vickey Aurea Borges, associated with Yeshu SHG, Neura
- Ms Kritika Kishor Naik, associated with Shree Detteshwar SHG
- Ms Amita Abhay Jambhale, associated with Shiv Shakti Krupa SHG
- Ms Kavita Pritesh Bandekar, associated with Shree Dattaguru SHG
- Ms Vidhi Temkar, associated with Aashirwad SHG Chicalim
- Ms Sujata Sandesh Shirodkar, associated with Gayatri SHG
- Ms Vishanka Volvoikar, associated with Annapurna SHG
- Ms Radhika Raju Salunke, associated with Gloria SHG
- Ms Harsha Sanjay Malik, associated with Om Sai Stri Shakti SHG
- Ms Smita Pravin Aigaonkar, associated with Radhakrishna SHG
- Ms Lata Shamrao Raikar, associated with Kamaxi SHG
- Ms Karun Dilip Naik, associated with Shree Durga SHG
- Ms Nutan R Chari, associated with Shree Satteri SHG

Felicitation of CSC-VLEs:

- Ms Subhi Sudesh Satardekar, Porvorim
- Ms Sandhya Shailesh Mahambre, Porvorim

Grant Disbursement to Homestays:

- Mrs Snehal Malkarni, Neerja Residency, Sattari, North Goa
- Mrs Maria Sonia Lourdes Carvalho, Cozy Home, Ponda, South Goa
- Brahmani Self Help Group, Jungle Trails, Sancorda, Dharbandora, South Goa

Felicitation of Lakhpati Didis:

- Ms Priyanka Belgaonkar
- Ms Felicidade Ferrao
- Ms Neha Chondankar
- Ms Reshma Aldonkar
- Ms Shakuntala Shantaram Shirodkar

The felicitation programme showcased the important role women innovators and entrepreneurs play in Goa's economic growth and development. By recognising and supporting these women,

the event reaffirmed the Hon'ble Prime Minister's commitment to empowering women and fostering an inclusive society.

Photo Gallery:



Hon'ble Minister Rohan Khaunte witnesses the innovative Drone Didis in action, showcasing regional tech advancements.



Cyber Cell Commando, Shri Vidyanand Pawar (PI), delivering an informative presentation on Cybersecurity.





Hon'ble Minister Rohan Khaunte addressing the gathering at Seva Pakhwada held at Socorro Panchayat Hall, Porvorim.









Seva Pakhwada celebrated with great success in Porvorim, showcasing community spirit and service.

Hon'ble Minister Shri Rohan Khaunte led a felicitation ceremony as part of Seva Pakhwada.

