

## Goa University Shenoi Goembab School of Languages and Literature Discipline of French and Francophone Studies Report on Tête-à-Tête with Ari Gautier

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1. Title of the Event/Activity/program	Tête-à-Tête with Ari Gautier
2. Date and Time	16/02/2024 from 10:30am to 12:00pm
3. Mode of conduct (Physical/Online)	Physical
4. School/ Directorate/ Section	Shenoi Goembab School of Languages and Literature
5. Collaborating Agency/School/Directorate	N.A.
6. Detail of the Resource Person (Brief biodata)	Described as one of the greatest storytellers of our time by award-winning French writer Alain Mabanckou, French author/poet Ari Gautier, born of a Malagasy mother and an Indian father, spent his childhood in the former French colony of Pondicherry. After a few years spent in France, he currently lives in Oslo.
The objective of this workshop was to introduce the students to the world of Judo Proncephone Interature. The event was in the form of an interaction between Mr. Art Gautier and Ma. Kahama Dharwadan, Assistant Professor of French. The questions posed to Mr. Gautier centered mainly around his novel The Thinnai and Pondicheny.	Ari Gautier is the author of Carnet Secret de Lakshmi, Le Thinnai and Nocturne Pondichéry, three French-language books that creatively blend several languages including French, Tamil, Sanskrit, Pondicherry Creole and English. Nominated for the prestigious French literary award Le Prix du Printemps du livre du forum

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7. Number of Faculty attended/participated	09
8. Number of Student attended / participated	34
9. No. of external students/faculty/other participants	03
10. The objectives of the Program/activity/event	The objective of this workshop was to introduce the students to the world of Indo Francophone literature.
11. Description of the Program/activity/event	The event was in the form of an interaction between Mr. Ari Gautier and Ms. Kshama Dharwadkar, Assistant Professor of French. The questions posed to Mr. Gautier centered mainly around his novel The Thinnai and Pondicherry.

12. Benefit/Key outcomes of the Program/activity/event	The attendees learnt about the scenario of Francophone literature in India, how the situation was in India and France while growing up for the author.
13. *Enclosures with report	Poster, Notice, Geo-tag photos, Attendance of students/faculty/external participants

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# Tête-à-tête with Ari Gautier

Date: 16th February, 2024 Time: 10:30am-12pm Venue: Conference Hall, Admin. Building, Goa University

> Ms. Kshama Dharwadkar Coordinator & PD B.A. French (Honours)

Prof. Anuradha Wagle **Dean - SGSLL** 

### **Attendance Sheet**

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