

Goa University

D.D. Kosambi School of Social Sciences and Behavioral Studies

Social Work Programme

Report on Connect, Learn, Transform: Exploring Rural Healthcare & Governance

1. Title of the Event	Connect, Learn, Transform: Exploring Rural Healthcare & Governance	
2. Date and Time	17 th February 2025 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM 10.30 AM – 11.30 AM 12.30 PM – 3.30 PM	
3. Mode of Conduct	Physical	
4. School / Directorate/ Section	D. D. Kosambi School of Social Sciences and Behavioural Studies (DDKSSSBS), Goa University	
5. Collaborating Agency	Anganwadi, Char Rasta Community Health Centre, Canacona Cotigao Panchayat	
6. Detail of the Resource Person (Brief biodata)	 Dr. Divakar Velip Shardha Warik 	
7. Number of Faculty attended/participated	2	
8. Number of Student Attended / Participated	13	

9. No. of external students/faculty/other participants	Not Applicable	
10. Objectives of the Event	 To explore the role of Community Health Centres (CHCs) in providing essential healthcare services in rural areas. To gain insights into local governance mechanisms and Panchayat-led development initiatives. To understand the demographics, socio-economic conditions, and livelihoods of rural communities, particularly in areas with a predominantly Scheduled Tribe population. To examine agricultural practices, land use, and rural economy, shaping the livelihood strategies of tribal communities. 	
11. Description of the Event	As part of Rural Camp 2025, students visited two key institutions—Community Health Centre (CHC), Canacona, and Cotigao Panchayat Office—to develop a practical understanding of rural governance, public health systems, and local socio-economic structures. Visit to Canacona Community Health Centre (CHC): At CHC, students interacted with Dr. Divakar Velip and healthcare staff, gaining valuable insights into public health service delivery. Discussions covered: • Primary healthcare services, including maternal and child health programs, immunization, and emergency medical care. • Challenges in rural healthcare, such as limited access to specialists, disease prevention efforts, and community health awareness. • The role of community health workers in preventing diseases, supporting mental health, and conducting rural outreach initiatives. Visit to Cotigao Panchayat Office: The visit to Cotigao Panchayat provided students with a comprehensive overview of rural governance,	

demographics, and socio-economic conditions.

- Demographics & Tribal Population It was highlighted that 95% of Cotigao's population belongs to Scheduled Tribes, shaping the unique governance and policy focus in the region.
- Agricultural Practices & Livelihoods Students learned about traditional farming techniques, dependence on monsoonal agriculture, and challenges related to irrigation, market access, and sustainable land use.
- Waste Management & Sustainability Panchayat officials discussed segregation of wet and dry waste and community-driven initiatives for a cleaner environment.
- Community Participation in Governance Emphasizing active engagement in decision-making, officials encouraged students to reflect on how grassroots governance can drive rural development and welfare programs.

The visit provided a holistic understanding of the interplay between healthcare services, governance, and socio-economic realities in rural settings, reinforcing the importance of context-driven social work interventions.

12. Benefit/Key Outcomes of the Event

- Enhanced Understanding of Rural Healthcare

 Students gained practical insights into challenges and healthcare services in tribal-dominated communities.
- Exposure to Local Governance & Rural Demographics Strengthened awareness of tribal communities' governance structures, agricultural practices, and socio-economic challenges.
- Bridging Theory with Practice Offered realworld exposure to rural governance, development policies, and social work

	interventions.	
13. Enclosures with report	Geo tag Photos Attendance Sheet	

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Date: 24th February 2025









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