

## **MOTORCYCLE PILOTS CELEBRATE 38TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ASSOCIATION**

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The Goa Motorcycle Taxi Rider's Association today celebrated their 38<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Panjim.

Information Officer, Department of Information & Publicity, Shri John Aguiar was the Chief Guest while President of Goa Union of Journalist Shri Kishor Naik Gaonkar was the special invitee and key note speaker.

The Association felicitated Bhajan artist Shri Gurudas Shambu Ghadi, Pilot Shri Rohidas Naik, sincere Autorikshaw rider, retired Police Sub-Inspector Shri Tulshidas Gawde and Shri Pandari Kanta Vernekar. The pilots and the office bearers who have been doing good work were also honoured on the occasion.

Shri Kishor Naik while speaking on the occasion stressed on the unity of the organization which he said was important to take up several issues that are pending with them and together they can take them to logical conclusion. He said there was lot of difference with the pilots of few years ago and today. The times are changing fast and therefore new way need to be found out to make the motorcycle business more attractive. He said tourism department can devise a scheme for pilots where the pilots can be trained in guiding and they can take single tourist for a tour of cities and also be a tourist guide to them.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri Aguiar said motorcycle was the best mode of transport during traffic jams and travelling to remote areas and villages where light and heavy vehicles find it difficult to go. He said Goan pilots have been going a great service and there are examples where the pilots have saved the lives by reaching to the place with the doctor where ambulance was not able to go. In this country, this unique mode of taxi service is available only in Goa. He said the two wheeler is an easy moving target on the road and therefore ride carefully, obey traffic rules and work with honestly. God he said is always with those who work hard.

Shri John Aguiar and Shri Kishor Naik Gaonkar were also felicitated on the occasion at the hands of Shri Thakur.

Earlier President of the Association Shri Suresh Thakur outlined the programmes and issues pertaining to the schemes and the Association. Shri Santosh Volvoikar General Secretary compered. Vice President Shri Dyaneshwar Naik and Secretry Shri Vinod Sawant were also present on the days.