

TRIPURARI POURNIMA FESTIVAL ON NOV 15

Panaji: November 13, 2024

The State level “Tripurari Pournima Festival” which is celebrated on the banks of river Valvonti at Vithalapur, Sankhali, will be held this year on **November 15, 2024** from 7.00 p.m. onwards. Chief Minister, Dr Pramod Sawant will be the Chief Guest for the this annual celebration which is jointly organised by Directorate of Art and Culture, Department of Tourism, Goa Tourism Development Corporation, Department of Information and Publicity, and Deepawali Utsav Samittee, a local cultural organization from Vithalapur, Sankhali. The Guest of Honour will be former Chief Minister of Goa and President of Shree Dev Vithal Panchayatan Devasthan, Shri Pratapsingh Raoji Rane.

Minister for Tourism, Shri Rohan Khaunte, MLA from Sanvordem constituency, and Chairperson of Goa Tourism Development Corporation, Dr Ganesh Gaonkar, MLA of Mayem Constituency and Chairperson of Goa State Horticulture Corporation, Shri Premendra Shet, MLA of Poriem constituency and Chairperson of Goa Forest Development Corporation, Dr Deviya Rane, Chairperson of Sankhali Municipal Council, Smt Siddhi Porob, Sarpanch, village Panchayat Karapur, Sarvan, Smt Tanvi Sawant, President, Deepawali Utsav Samiti, Shri Dinesh Usapkar will be present on the occasion.

The Department of Information and Publicity has organized a Photo Exhibition near Shree Vithal Mandir, Vithalapur, on the theme ‘Swayampurna Goa’ and will showcase inspiring photos of Swayampurna Goa Mission. This exhibition is open to the general public.

The main feature of the festival is the spectacular State Level Boat Competition that is held in the basin of river Valvonti. More than 50 handcrafted creative boats, are likely to participate from different parts of the state, are sailed in the river as a part of the boat sailing competition.

The celebrations will begin at 7.00 pm with procession of Lord Shreekrishna and sailing of traditional lamps in the river Valvonti (Deepdan), followed by Presentation of Cultural programme at 7.30 p.m. and Palkhi procession of Shree Vithal Rakhumai at 10.30 p.m..

The traditional Boat Show / Competition will be held from 10.30 p.m. to 12.00 midnight, and Tripurasur Vadh will be held at 11 p.m. The release of traditional Saranga lamps in the sky will be held at 11.05 p.m.

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