

## Directorate of Art and Culture

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### PRESS NOTE (FOR PUBLICITY)

#### “Kala Vriddhi Award” recipients for the year 2024-25 of the Directorate of Art & culture

Government of Goa, Department of Art & Culture, implements various schemes, projects, programmes for the benefit of the Goan artists and institutions working in various fields of Art and Culture. Department also honors the artists from the field of Music/ Dance, Drama/Tiatr, Folk Art, Creative Photography/Painting, Craft, Sculpture, Bhajan/Kirtan, Literature, Film etc. with different awards.


From this year department has implemented new award scheme i.e ‘Kala Vriddhi Award’ under which Goan personalities who have excelled and given extraordinary contribution in their respective field of Art & Culture shall be honored with Kala Vriddhi Award. Artists above the age group of 40 and below 60 years of age are considered for this award.

Total 11 (eleven) personalities from the field of Art & Culture have been selected for the Kala Vriddhi award during the year 2024-2025. The awardees shall be honored with a memento, certificate of appreciation and a financial purse of Rs.25,000/- per awardee.

The list of the artists who will be presented the Kala Vriddhi Award for the year 2024-25 is enclosed herewith the press note:

The Kala Vriddhi Award will be presented to the awardees at a special function to be organized by the Department of Art & Culture. The date of the function will be declared by the Department shortly.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Sagun R. Velip)  
Director of Art and Culture

Encl: List of awardees with photos



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**Selected list of Kala Vriddhi Award for the year 2024-2025**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Field</b>	<b>Taluka</b>	<b>Photo</b>
1	Uday Saji Tilve	Drama	Ponda	
2	Yogesh Gajanan Kapadi	Drama	Bardez	
3	Minal Damodar Kamat	Drama	Ponda	
4	Avinash Kunkolkar	Literature	Tiswadi	
5	Pradeep Anand Naik	Tiatr	Tiswadi	

6	Vishnu Dhana Naik	Bhajan	Ponda
7	Ana Luella D'Souza e Fortes	Music	Salcete
8	Ulhas Narayan Kerkar	Folk-Art	Ponda
9	Girish Ratan Navelkar	Craft	Ponda
10	Kalidas Kashinath Satardekar	Painting	Bardez
11	Vijay Shridhar Desai	FOLK ART	Quepem

