

**GOVERNOR VISITS EDUCATIONAL TRUST & OLD AGE HOME
PROVIDES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OF RS 1.00 LAKH EACH**

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The Governor, Shri P. S. Sreedharan Pillai paid courtesy visits to Gujarati Samaj Educational Trust and Special School, Margao and later at Dr. Alfredo Antao Home For Aged, Chandor and extended a financial assistance of Rs 1 lakh each to both the institutes.

Former Chief Minister and MLA, Margao, Shri Digamber Kamat, Shri Mukesh Saglani, Chairman of the Trust and others welcomed the Governor by presenting flower bouquet.

Others present were Shri M. R. M. Rao, IAS, Secretary to Governor, Shri Mihir Vardhan, Special Officer, Shri Ajit Panchwadkar, Director, Social Welfare and Mrs. Varsha Naik, Director. P. W.

Earlier, Shri Mukesh Saglani, Chairman of the Trust welcomed the guests and briefed about the activities of Gujarati Samaj Educational Trust and Special School.

During the address the Governor said that the Constitution of India mandates that people of India are supreme. "MLAs, Ministers or myself, we all are here, to serve the people of Goa," the Governor added.

Governor further said, "I feel privileged to contribute to the State by the grace of God. Service to people is a way to realise God, and I aim to continue service oriented initiatives through Raj Bhavan, which I believe should be a 'Lok Bhavan'." The Governor invited the people of Goa to visit Raj Bhavan to foster a heart to heart connection.

Addressing the function, Shri Digamber Kamat said, the Governor Shri Sreedharan Pillai is a unique Governor, who has travelled all over Goa and acquainted himself with the problems faced by the Goans. He has communicated with the people for which he is extending his support to the needy people in the State, Shri Kamat added.

Speaking further, Shri Digambar Kamat assured all possible help to the Trust and said Gujarati Samaj Educational Trust is continuously working to help children and give them the affection and love of parents.

Shri Mihir Vardhan, Special Officer spoke about the various activities conducted by Raj Bhavan and informed that more than Rs. 6.26 crores have been handed over as financial assistance to needy patients and 97 institutions across the State.

Governor handed over financial assistance to the Chairman of Gujrati Samaj and also to Shri Santosh Polkar, Shri Devidas Survant, Shri Zahir Shaikh and Sunita Fernandes.

On his arrival at Chandor Shri Yuri Alemao, Leader of Opposition, Shri Jacinto Fernandes, Chairman, Dr. Alfredo Antao Home For Aged and others welcomed the Governor by offering flowers.

Shri Eugenio Dias, Sarpanch and panch were present on the occasion.

Speaking at function at Chandor, Shri Yuri Alemao said, Governor has a golden heart and has been using his funds for upliftment of the poor people. "It's always wonderful to hear about Raj Bhavan initiatives for using their resources to uplift the poor," Shri Alemao added.

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