

DIP INVITES ENTRIES FOR STATE LEVEL PHOTO CONTEST-2025

September 10, 2025

The Department of Information & Publicity invites entries under the Goa State Photo Contest and Exhibition Scheme -2014.

The Photo Competition has two categories. For category-1 the topic is **Viksit Goa- Overall development of the State** while for category-2 **Forests and Wildlife of Goa - Showcase Goa's natural beauty including its stunning landscapes, mountains, lakes, rivers, etc.**

Each entry should carry the photographer's Name, Nationality, Postal address, Mobile / Telephone numbers, E-mail address on the back of the photographs in Block letters. Technical details such as camera used, should be sent along with the entry. Mobile and Drone images shall not be considered for the entry. A brief of the photographs and bio-data of the photographer not more than 100 words each should be attached with the entry. Certificate that all photographs are the works of original nature and taken by the entrant himself/herself has to be enclosed by the entrant. Entrants are required to send a soft copy (pendrive) along with a photograph of high resolution.

The entrants need to submit Colour prints in 12 x 8 size and can send a maximum number of 4 different photographs in either one or both categories. There is no entry fee, no age bar and no qualification required for participation in the contest. Pictures shot with drones will not be accepted.

Individuals who are born and resident of 15 years in Goa shall be given preference under this Scheme, though the Scheme does not bar others, who are residents of the State of Goa for at least 15 years prior to the application under this Scheme. Latest resident certificate will be the proof document which will be required to be submitted by the entrants.

First Prize in each category carries a cash prize of Rs. 20,000/-, Second Prize - Rs. 16,000/- and Third Prize of Rs.12, 000/- along with certificates. Besides, five Consolation Prizes of Rs. 2,000/- each and certificate in each category.

The photographs will become a property of DIP and would be used for exhibition and other publications of the Department and Government of Goa.

The last day for submission of entries is up to 5.00 pm of October 10, 2025. The Photo Exhibition will be held on the National Press Day and the prizes to the winners will be presented at the National Press Day function on November 16, 2025.

The entries should be super scribed with the words: "Entries for The Goa State Photo Contest and Exhibition" and to be addressed to the **Director of Information and Publicity, 3rd Floor, Udyog Bhavan, Panaji, Goa.** Entries received after the last date will not be entertained.

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