STUDENTS FETED FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS AT CELEBRATION OF YOUNG ACHIEVERS OF GOA – 2026

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The Project Management Unit (PMU) of the Coding and Robotics Education in Schools (CARES) Scheme, Directorate of Technical Education, recently organised "Celebration of Young Achievers of Goa - 2026" at the Conference Hall, Directorate of Education in Porvorim to felicitate the State-Level Winners of ATAL NIRNAY – Goa Codes 2026 and Tech Makhar 2026 – Where Tradition Meets Innovation competitions. The event recognised the students for their creativity, innovation, teamwork and technological skills. The function was graced by Shri Bhushan K. Savaikar, Director of Technical Education, Dr. Vijay Borges, Project Director, and Ms Deepali Raikar from PMU-CARES.

The first competition 'ATAL NIRNAY – Goa Codes 2026', was organised in collaboration with the Goa Waste Management Corporation (GWMC), where the students developed innovative tech-based solutions focusing on sustainability, waste management and environmental awareness. The GWMC offered technical and logistical support for clearing the various garbage hot-spots identified. GWMC supplied garbage bins, gloves and picking equipment to the participants.

The first prize was awarded to Parse High School, Parcem, Pernem, followed by GHS Morpila, Quepem, in second place, and GHS Dayanandnagar, Dharbandora, won the third place.

Three consolation awards were also presented Best Re-Innovation Product to Corner Stone High School, Karaswada; Saviour of the World High School, Loutolim, and the Public Choice Award (Digital Platform) was bagged by GHS Mulgao, Bicholim.

'Tech Makhar 2026 – Where Tradition Meets Innovation' competition was created to celebrate the fusion of Goa's cultural traditions with technology through innovative, eco-friendly Makhars incorporating coding, robotics, sensors and automation.

The first prize was awarded to GHS Dayanandnagar, Dharbandora. Parse High School, Parsem, Pernem secured second place, while Dr. K. B. Hedgewar High School, Cujira, Tiswadi, bagged the third place. The Digital Popular Choice Award went to Shrimati High School, Velguem, Bicholim.

Both these competitions highlighted CARES Scheme's commitment to nurturing computational thinking, creativity and problem-solving among students. Ms. Shwetha Sawant, TFG-PMU-CARES, compered the function.

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