Mandd Sobhann to Host First World Konkani Music Mega Convention; Guinness World Record Attempt to Celebrate Konkani Heritage

12-Day Singing Marathon to Bring Together Konkani Singers from Across the World in a Celebration of Music and Cultural Identity

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Celebrating the richness of Konkani music and strengthening efforts to preserve its cultural heritage, the First World Konkani Music Mega Convention, organised by Mandd Sobhann, will commence on November 3, 2026, in Mangaluru, Karnataka. Dedicated to the legacy of Eric Bab Ozario, the convention will bring together Konkani music enthusiasts and performers from different parts of the world on a common platform.

Setting the stage for a historic musical endeavour, the convention will feature an official Guinness World Records title attempt for the longest singing marathon by multiple singers, targeting an unprecedented 12 days, 12 hours and 12 minutes of continuous Konkani singing. The record attempt is scheduled to begin at 6:00 AM on November 3 and continue until November 15, 2026. The programme will also feature academic seminars on 12 topics, felicitation of 12 prominent artistes, a Hall of Fame, music and cultural exhibition, Konkani food and cuisine, and a special children's programme titled ‘Ful Futola’.

Bringing Konkani culture to a global audience, the convention aims to unite Konkani-speaking communities across the world, celebrate the language through music and strengthen pride in its cultural identity. The 12-day celebration will provide a platform for diverse Konkani traditions, musical forms and artistes, while encouraging the preservation and promotion of the language for future generations. A grand valedictory function is scheduled for November 15, 2026.

The inaugural ceremony will be graced by Chief Minister Dr. Pramod Sawant, who will inaugurate the convention, along with Shri Shivraj Tangadagi, Minister for Kannada and Culture, Government of Karnataka, and Captain Brijesh Chowta, MP, Dakshina Kannada. The programme will also be attended by Most Rev. Dr. Peter Paul Saldanha, Bishop of Mangaluru Diocese; Shri Michael Lobo, MLA, Calangute; Smt. Delilah

Lobo, MLA, Siolim; Smt. Sulakshana Sawant; Dr. Ronald Colaco, Chairman, Reception Committee; and Shri Louis J. Pinto, President, Mandd Sobhann, among other dignitaries.

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