

Goa's Development Trajectory

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HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

19 December 1961

Goa was annexed to India. Till then, parts had been under Portuguese rule for 450 years (Old Conquests), & some for lesser yrs (New Conquests).

1987

Goa attained statehood
Konkani in Devanagiri script was recognized as the official language of Goa.

New Economic Policy led to profit-centric development at the cost of the people

2000

Goa's Old and New Conquests

There was no Goa. What now constitutes Goa were parts of various feudatories

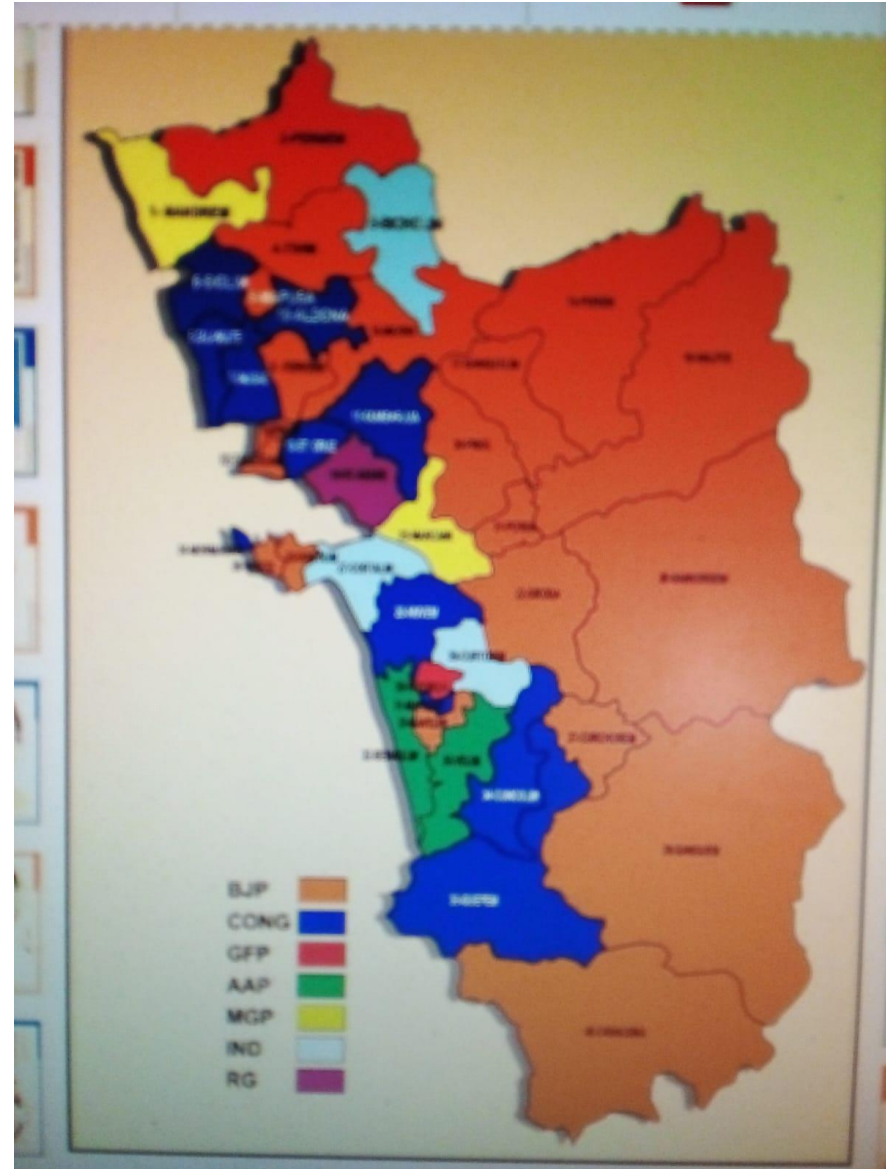
Old Conquests – Conquered first by the Portuguese – the middle portion of the coast.

New Conquests – Conquered subsequently by the Portuguese.

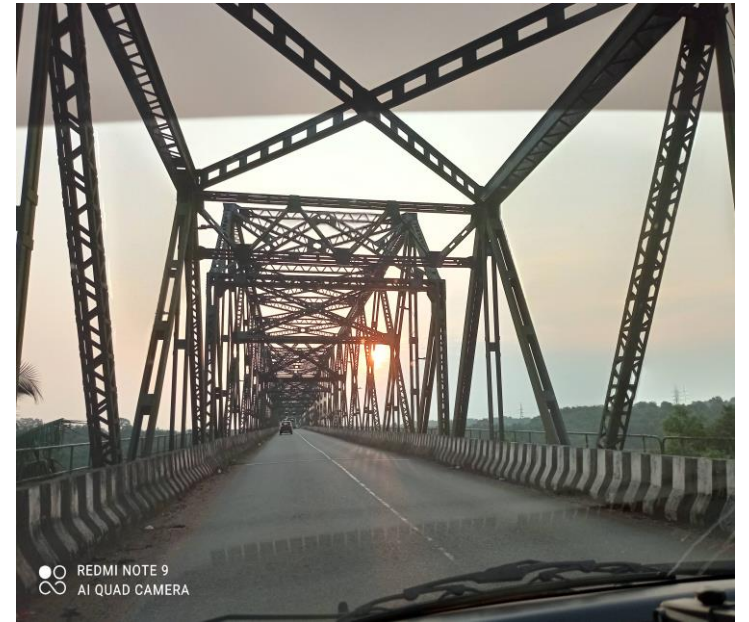
Consequently, there are socio-economic, cultural, environmental consequences



Electoral Results 2022



INFRASTRUCTURE



Invisibilisation of women's work, tribals' presence, biodiversity



Concretisation – One man's meat another man's poison



What would you consider as
development indicators?

GOA'S DEVELOPMENT INDICATORS... AND YET....

GOA'S STATED DEVELOPMENT INDICATORS

Literacy rate 88.70 %

Uniform Civil Code – applicable to all irrespective of religion, sons and daughters have equal right to parental property, concept of matrimonial property exists.

AND YET...

Sex ratio: 973 females per 1000 males

Urban population 62.2%

Area under Agriculture: has declined to 34,698 hectares

UCC - some provisions of the law are equal in discrimination

OUT OF THE AMBIT OF PEOPLE'S SAY IN DECISION- MAKING IN GOA

Area of Goa: 3702 square kms, of which

- (a) area under the jurisdiction of around 16.7 sq kms. for industrial estates
- (b) area under the jurisdiction of Information Technology Corporation for IT Parks
- © area under the jurisdiction of governance framework for SEZs, for Biotechnology Park
- (d) Defence Exposition (now moved to Chennai)
- (e) Highways, Bridges,

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Coastline: 75 sq kms of which

- (a) 23 kms under the jurisdiction of Mormugao Port Trust Authority
- (b) certain area under the jurisdiction of the Inland Waterways Act, for warehousing and other activity apart from 10 inland waterways being under their jurisdiction



Employment Rate

Population 15.60 lakhs (ESTIMATED)

In August 2016, when the coastal state's (Goa's) working-age population was 12.24 lakh, around half or over 6 lakh people had a job. However, by December 2021, its working population had grown to 13.1 lakh, but those who had jobs had slumped to 32% or 4.2 lakh.

Source: [https://scroll.in/article/1016036/in-charts-employment-rate-has-fallen-in-up-uttarakhand-go-and-punjab-since-the-last-polls#:~:text=Uttarakhand%20has%20an%20employment%20rate,%25\)%20and%20Punjab%20\(36.86%25\).](https://scroll.in/article/1016036/in-charts-employment-rate-has-fallen-in-up-uttarakhand-go-and-punjab-since-the-last-polls#:~:text=Uttarakhand%20has%20an%20employment%20rate,%25)%20and%20Punjab%20(36.86%25).)

EMPLOYMENT RATE IN GOA – second lowest in India

Employment Rate in Goa 2016-2021



Source: CMIE 2017-2021

OUT
MIGRATION
and IN
MIGRATION
(Outsider-
insider)

Subaltern Migration to European Union countries
with Portuguese passport (the issue of OCI)

Caste and class issues

Similarly, distinction between rich immigrants from
other parts of India and poor immigrants from
other parts of India

Dependence on poor migrants for services

Second homes of rich migrants

Concerns

Schemes

Lack of Rights Based Approach to Development

Competing interests where corporate interests are prioritised over people's interests

Not meeting Human Rights Standards or sustainable development goals