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## Section A: About the Goan Archives-

### What is the Mission of Goan Archives?

The Goan Archives (GAC) mission is to assemble, preserve, organize, and store, publications and documents generated by Goan Community Groups in Canada over the last 40 years. The intent is to facilitate study and understanding of the Community by scholars and researchers in the future.

### When & How was it started ?

On August 5, 2009, Cecil D’Cruz , Claude Gomes, Lazarus Pereira, Uvy Lopes, & John J. D’Souza, met to form a Steering Committee which initiated the organization. In the spring of 2010, Maurice Pinto and Muriel Lucas were invited to join the group.

### What Has Been Achieved to Date?

1. On November 11, 2009 GAC conducted an Open House in the East GTA to inform the public and collect items for archiving..
2. The success of the Open House led to the conduct a similar session on January 2010 for the West GTA, at Square One Mississauga
3. Through the Open House collections and individual donations approximately 450 items were collected covering more than 40 Goan organizations.
4. In April 2010, GAC issued a Phase I Report documenting the items collected and outlining the next steps. This report can be viewed at <https://sites.google.com/site/goanarchivescanada/> and can be downloaded in full.
5. On August 9, 2011 GAC obtained registration as a non-profit corporation in Ontario.
6. In October 2010, GAC met with the Archivists of the Peel Heritage Complex in Brampton and were invited to place the Goan Archives Collection at their centre.

### The Peel Art Gallery, Museum and Archives (PAMA) 2012 Donation

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## Section B About Goa & the Goan Community

### Where is Goa ?



*Goa is India's* smallest state in terms of area and the fourth smallest in terms of population. Located on the west coast of India in the region known as the Konkan, it is bounded by the state of Maharashtra to the north, and by Karnataka to the east and south, while the Arabian Sea forms its western coast. Panaji (also referred to as Panjim) is the state's capital. Renowned for its beaches, temples and world heritage architecture, Goa is visited by hundreds of thousands of international and domestic tourists each year.

Goa encompasses an area of 3,702 km<sup>2</sup> (1,430 sq miles). It lies between the latitudes 14°53'54" N and 15°40'00" N and longitudes 73°40'33" E and 74°20'13" E. Most of Goa is a part of the coastal country known as the Konkan, which is an escarpment rising up to the Western Ghats range of mountains, which separate it from the Deccan Plateau. The highest point is the Sonsogor, with an altitude of 1,167 meters (3,827 feet). Goa has a coastline of 101 km (63 miles).



### Goans in Canada

**Source:** <http://www.multiculturalcanada.ca/Encyclopedia/A-Z/g2/2>

From the mid-nineteenth century on, Goan Christians began migrating in large numbers to territories throughout British India, in search of better job opportunities in cities such as Bombay and Karachi. Because they were Christian, and familiar with European culture, the Goans were acceptable to the British, who also recruited them to work in the British colonies of East Africa and Persian Gulf ports such as Aden, where their vocational training and clerical skills were in demand. Yet, even today, Goans still resent the term "Goanese," which the British used disparagingly to refer to Goan Christians in lower-class service occupations, such as cooks, tailors, butlers, waiters, and ayahs (nannies).

Although Goans started immigrating to Canada in the 1960s, it is estimated that over 90 percent of the community arrived during the 1970s, a large number from East Africa and Pakistan, and a smaller group directly from Goa. Still more recently, there has been an increasing number of Goan immigrants to Canada from Middle Eastern countries. Regardless of what country they may have left, the immigrants and their descendants born in Canada identify as Goans, not with the last country in which they resided (if other than Goa). With regard to Hindus from Goa, only a very few have emigrated; those who are in Canada prefer to identify with Hindu Maharashtrian Canadians from Goa's neighbouring state, Maharashtra. Hence, the discussion about Goans in this entry (and this collection) will focus on the Roman Catholic community.

Since Goans are not listed separately in Canadian census data, no clear immigration and settlement statistics are available. It is estimated that there are approximately 13,000 in Ontario and 10,000 in the rest of Canada. The estimated total population of 23,000 is calculated on the basis of the membership in the Toronto-based Goan Overseas Association (GOA), the Montreal-based Canorient Christian Association (CCA), and Goan associations and clubs in the cities of Hamilton, Ottawa, Winnipeg, Edmonton, Calgary, and Vancouver. END OF SECTION B

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A-3-W-1	Item 179-200-11	179	200-11	Anon	International Goan Convention Mass Souvenir - Aug 1998	G.O.A.	Holy Picture	1988	1
A-3-W-1	Item 180-200-11	180	200-11	Anon	International Goan Convention Conference - Aug 1988	G.O.A.	Ticket	1988	1
A-3-W-1	Item 186-200-11	186	200-11	Anon	International Goan Convention - Liturgy Mass - Aug 1988	G.O.A.	Mass Book	1988	20
A-3-W-1	Item 288-700-3	288	700-3	M-Souza-Marques	Text of Speech Cardinal Cordeiro	International Goan Convention	sheets	1988	4
A-3-W-1	Item 316-700-4	316	700-4	Al Mathias	Proceedings International Goan Convention Proceedings 1988 Aug	G.O.A.	Soft cover	1988	132
A-3-W-1	Item 329-700-4	329	700-4	Al Mathias	PULSE 1988 Jul	G.O.A.	Magazine	1988	34
A-3-W-1	Item 420-700-2	420	700-2	Armand Rodrigues	International Goan Convention 1988 Aug	G.O.A.	Programme	1988	
A-3-W-1	Item 472-700-2	472	700-2	Armand Rodrigues	International Goan Convention 1988 Aug	G.O.A.	News Release	1988	
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A-3-E-1	Item 303-700-4	303	700-4	Al Mathias	Uganda Goans Reunion - Toronto 1992	Uganda Goans 1992 Reunion	Letter size Brochure	1992	52
A-3-E-1	Item 404-700-2	404	700-2	Armand Rodrigues	The Uganda Goans 25th Anniversary 1997	Uganda Goan Association	Programme	1997	8
A-3-E-1	Item 416-700-2	416	700-2	Armand Rodrigues	Konkani Theatr "Kwaheri Goenkar" 1992 Jul	Uganda Goan Association	Programme	1992	16
A-3-E-1	Item 424-700-2	424	700-2	Armand Rodrigues	The Monitor 2005 Jul	Entebbe Goan Institute	Newspaper	2005	8

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A-3-E-2	Item 283-700-3	283	700-3	M-Souza-Marques	Souvenir 20th Anniversary	West End Seniors Club	soft cover letter size	1997	44
A-3-E-2	Item 287-700-3	287	700-3	M-Souza-Marques	Souvenir 30th Anniversary	West End Seniors Club	Brochure	2007	40

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A-3-E-3	Item 105-200-5	105	200-5	Anon	Konkani for Everyone July 1988	Goan Seniors Publication	Booklet	2008	52
A-3-E-3	Item 112-200-5	112	200-5	Anon	International Goan Convention Tri-Fold - July 2008	Goa Netters Association Toronto	Tri-Fold	2008	2
A-3-E-3	Item 411-700-2	411	700-2	Armand Rodrigues	Goanetters Association - GKT - Tiatr Adeus 2008 Jul	Goanetters Association of Toronto -GNAT	Tiatr Programme	2008	16
A-3-E-3	Item 428-700-1	428	700-1	Juliet Rebello	A summary Report of Interviews with Goan Women in the GTA 2009 Oct	Andrea D'Sylva, Halifax Nova Scotia	Study Report	2009	28
A-3-E-3	Item 479-800-2	479	800-2	Anon	Ekvott Souvenir of 2008 International Convention	Goa Netters Association Toronto	Brochure	2008	12

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A-3-E-4	Item 484-800-1	484	800-1	L. Pereira	35 Years Goan Association Calgary 2010	Goan Association Calga	Brochure	2010	44	
A-3-E-4	Item 483-800-1	483	800-1	Anon	25 Years GI San Francisco	GI SF	Brochure	1995	50	
A-3-E-4	Item 482-800-1	482	800-1	M. Pinto	Norman Godinho Commerative Year Book 2008 School Reunion	2008 Reunion	Brochure	2008	40	estimate
A-3-E-4	Item 419-700-2	419	700-2	Armand Rodrigues	Kenya Nite -1991 Sep	Kenya Nite Committee	Brochure	1991	68	
A-3-E-4	Item 51-200-4	51	200-4	Anon	Railway Goan Institue - 100th Anniv - Sept 2009	Rly Goan Inst Centenary Committee Toronto	Souvenir	2009	48	
A-3-E-4	Item 393-700-2	393	700-2	Armand Rodrigues	G.O.A. 1970-1995 C2	G.O.A.	Letter size	1995	52	

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A-3-E-5	Item 110-200-5	110	200-5	Anon	Dr. Ribeiro Goan School - Class of 57 - 50 Years -Sep 2007- Song Book	Dr. Ribeiro Class of 57	Song Book	2007	16	
A-3-E-5	Item 109-200-5	109	200-5	Anon	Dr. Ribeiro Goan School - Class of 57 - 50 years - Sep 2007 - Mass Book	Dr. Ribeiro Class of 57	Mass Book	2007	12	
A-3-E-5	Item 108-200-5	108	200-5	Anon	Dr. Ribeiro Goan School - Class of 57 - 50 Years -Sep 2007	Dr. Ribeiro Class of 57	Brochure	2007	76	
A-3-E-5	Item 107-200-5	107	200-5	Anon	Dr. Ribeiro Goan School 8th Reunion -Sep 1999	Dr. Ribeiro Ex-Students	Brochure	1999	28	
A-3-E-5	Item 106-200-5	106	200-5	Anon	Dr. Ribeiro Goan School 7th Reunion -Sep 1996	Dr. Ribeiro Ex-Students	Brochure	1996	34	
A-3-E-5	Item 16-200-3	16	200-3	L. Pereira	Dr. Ribeiro Goan School Ex-Students 75th Reunion -Sep 2003	Dr. Ribeiro	Brochure	2003	60	
A-3-E-5	Item 15-200-3	15	200-3	L. Pereira	Dr. Ribeiro Goan School 10th Reunion -Sep 2006	Dr. Ribeiro	Brochure	2006	64	



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