Colonial Periodical Press - Goa Chapter
International Seminar
On
Estado da Índia: Colonial Periodical Press, Politics & Culture

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Call for Papers: 30th June to 30th October


The seminar aims to bring together scholars and professionals working in the area of history of Goa, the history of the Portuguese empire and devoted to study of the colonial periodical press. The seminar seeks to take forward the work currently underway with researchers related to two international groups of studies, that is, the Pensando Goa/Thinking Goa Project (goa.fflch.usp.br) and the IGSCP-PE (https://giepcip.wordpress.com).

The Estado da Índia by the nineteenth century comprised of the territories of Goa, Daman, and Diu and shared links with Africa, Europe, and other parts of Asia. There was a remarkable mobility of peoples and ideas across the realms and territories of the Portuguese empire as well as mobility of peoples and ideas through the territories of other European empires, and as such one needs to understand how the Estado da Índia fits into the cultural and political matrix of various colonial empires. The diversity of the colonial periodical press available particularly for the Estado da Índia is ideally suited to produce new and interesting perspectives.

The seminar seeks to discuss and debate the ideological issues and concerns in the colonial periodical press, as reflective of moments in the political, social, and cultural evolution of the history of the Estado da Índia–as parts of a larger whole. There is a need to understand how different groups—in terms of race, caste, gender, and class—represented themselves, and negotiated identity and politics through the medium of print. In this case, the Seminar would particularly stress the importance of reading the vernacular press and talk about the groups that used these diverse linguistic public spheres.
We invite abstracts (max. 300 words) along with brief bio (max. 100 words) that engage with a reading of the colonial periodical press, with a focus on Goa and the Estado da Índia.

The broad themes identified are:

- Colonial Periodical Press: Concepts and Theories
- Comparative Perspective on the Editorial Comment and Content
- Consumption and Advertising in the Colonial Periodical Press
- Currents in the Freedom Struggle
- Ethnographic Reports and the Colonial Periodical Press
- Food and Cuisine
- Identity Formation and the Press
- Caste and Class in the Colonial Periodical Press
- Linguistic Politics, Literature and the Press
- Migration, Demographics and the Press
- Migrant and Exile Press
- Polemics in the Press
- Popular Culture and the Press
- Religion in the Press
- Sports and Masculinity
- Tradition v/s Modernity Debates in the Press
- Women, Gender and the Colonial Periodical Press

Abstracts may be sent to colonialpressgoachapter@gmail.com. Deadline for submission is 30th October, 2018. Notification of acceptance will be delivered by November, 2018.

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