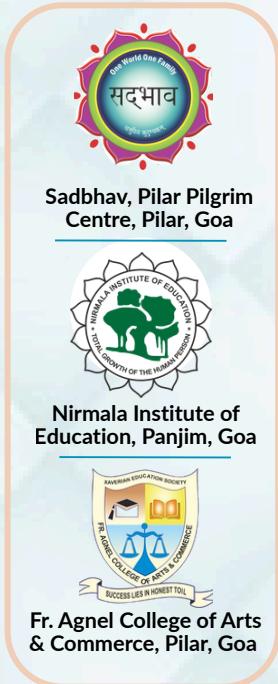


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DAY ONE - 6 February 2026

9.00 - 10.00	REGISTRATION
10.00 - 10.45	<p>INAUGURAL SESSION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lighting of the Lamp • Devotional Dance – Jinu Poonachan and Naina Simepurushkar • Welcome Address – Rev. Fr. Lawrence Fernandes, sfx, <i>Director, Pilar Pilgrim Centre, Goa, India</i> • About the Conference – Rev. Dr. Elvis Fernandes, sfx, <i>Convenor, Sadbhav Sammelan 2026</i> • Address by Guest of Honour - Rev. Fr. Nazareth Fernandes, sfx, <i>Superior General, Society of Pilar, Goa, India</i> • Address by Chief Guest - Dr. Narayan B. Desai, <i>Educator & Researcher, Goa, India</i> • Vote of Thanks - Ms. Janessa D'Mello, Member, Advisory Committee, Sadbhav Sammelan 2026 <i>Fr. Agnel College of Arts and Commerce, Pilar, Goa, India</i>
10.45 - 11.00	TEA BREAK
11.00 - 12.00	<p>KEYNOTE ADDRESS</p> <p>Topic: Together for Peace – Faiths in Action</p> <p>Building Peace through shared compassion: Interfaith Youth Encounters in South-East Asia Dr. Daniele Mazza, <i>Researcher and Scholar, Rome, Italy</i></p>
12.00 - 1.00	<p>PAPER PRESENTATION - 1</p> <p>Moderator - Prof. Koshy Tharakan <i>School of Sanskrit, Philosophy and Indic Studies, Goa University</i></p>
1.00 - 2.00	LUNCH BREAK
2.00 - 3.00	<p>INTERACTIVE SESSION</p> <p>Topic: Balancing Religious Morality with Constitutional Morality</p> <p>Prof. Kishu Daswani, <i>Govt. Law College and St. Xavier's College, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India</i></p>
3.00 - 4.00	<p>GUEST LECTURE</p> <p>Topic: Environmental Stewardship through Faith</p> <p>Rajendra Kerkar, <i>Environmentalist & Educator, Goa, India</i></p>
4.15 - 4:30	BRIEF CULTURAL PROGRAMME
4.30 PM	TEA AND FELLOWSHIP





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DAY TWO - 7 February 2026



9.30 – 10.30	WORKSHOP Topic: Resolving Conflicts through Dialogue Urmi Chanda, Interfaith Peacebuilder, Peace Educator, and Programs Manager, Seeds of Peace, India
10.30 – 11.00	TEA BREAK
11.00 – 12.00	PAPER PRESENTATION – 2 Moderator - Rev. Dr. Agnelo Pinheiro <i>Professor of Philosophy, Good Shepherd Institute of Philosophy & Theology, Rachol, Goa, India</i>
12.00 – 1.00	INTERACTIVE SESSION Topic: Peace Building at the grassroots Facilitators: Bhuvaneshwari Nikam, <i>Education Project Coordinator, Mumbai, India</i> Rachel Hanson, <i>Education Project Coordinator, Jaipur, India (from Preston, UK)</i>
1.00 – 2.00	LUNCH
2.00 – 3.15	PANEL DISCUSSION Theme: Creating Young Leaders for a Non-Violent Future Moderator : Dr. Omkar Bhatkar <i>Educationist and Artistic Director, Metamorphosis Theatre Inc., Mumbai, Maharashtra</i> Panellist : Bojana Brajkov – <i>PhD Scholar in Philosophy at Goa University, (from Serbia)</i> Shakiba Noory – <i>PhD Scholar in Management studies at Goa Business School, Goa University, (from Afghanistan)</i> Sendra Pereira - <i>Assistant Professor DCT's Dhempe College of Arts and Science, President of NGO Uzwaad, Goa, India</i>
3.15 – 4.00	INTERACTIVE SESSION Topic: Development of a toolkit or best practices guide for Peacebuilding Facilitators: Tallulah D'Silva, Ahana Gulwadi & Sohana Sarkar <i>Tambdi Maati Foundation, Goa, India</i>
4.00 – 5.00	CONCLUDING SESSION <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closing Insights Dr. Frederico Rodrigues - <i>Principal, Fr. Agnel College of Arts and Commerce, Pilar, Goa, India</i> Dr. Russell D'Souza - <i>Principal, Nirmala Institute of Education, Altinho, Panaji, Goa, India</i> Address by Guest of Honour Rev. Fr. Bento Rodrigues, <i>Director, Fr. Agnel School, Greater Noida, UP, India</i> Valedictory Brief cultural programme Vote of Thanks : Ms. Irene George, Co-convenor, Sadbhav Sammelan 2026 National Anthem Tea and Fellowship

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