



A Message from the Chairman

2023 kicked off with the communities participation in the annual Festival of Friendship games and was followed by our inaugural fundraising hockey tournament. The tournament was an undoubted success with Kenyan Premier Leagues teams gracing the event.

The GWS 29th Anniversary celebrations was held as a Goa Day themed event, and the generosity of our community was evident by those members who have come forward to provide complimentary tickets for fellow members of the community. Immeasurable gratitude from the beneficiaries of your kind gesture who enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

We concluded the year with our annual Christmas Raffle that once again proved to be a global outreach, and was well supported by our diaspora Goans. Congratulations to all the winners.

We would like to appreciate the support and contributions of everyone who has assisted, donated and sponsored GWS events in 2023, without you we would not be able to assist those in hardship.

As we observe this period of Lent we should heed the invitation of The Holy Father Pope Francis who invites every Christian community "to offer its members moments set aside to rethink their lifestyles, times to examine their presence in society and the contribution they make to its betterment."

"We do not learn from experience...we learn from reflecting on experience." – John Dewey



(Top L-R) Piety Goes, Krystle D'Souza, Laura Mascarenhas, Nicole Desa, Que Lopez  
(Bottom L-R) Sheila Lobo, Cedric Nicholls, Elvira Carvalho Blunsum

**FESTIVAL OF FRIENDSHIP WACKY GAMES 10.10.2023**  
TELEMATCH MINI GAMES @ SIKH UNION CLUB, NAIROBI

**CALLING TEAM GOA!**

WE NEED PEOPLE IN THESE DIFFERENT AGE CATEGORIES

7 to 13 M - 2 players	40 to 55 M - 4 players
7 to 13 F - 2 players	40 to 55 F - 4 players
14 to 39 M - 4 players	Over 55 mixed - 2 players
14 to 39 F - 4 players	

FIRST TO REGISTER AND PAY WILL BE GIVEN PRIORITY

CONTACT SHARILA 0722 712486 OR LAURA 0724 585086 TO REGISTER FOR TEAM GOA. LIMITED TEAM SLOTS. INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION FEE: \$50

## FESTIVAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Festival of Friendship was held on 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2023. This year the games were a one day event with telematch style games. Out of a total of 10 Asian Communities Team Goa was well represented and came 5<sup>th</sup>. It was a day filled with team spirit and lots of fun. Well done Team GOA!





# HOCKEY FUNDRAISER

## WINNERS TEAM JAGUARS A

## RUNNERS UP TEAM DUMA



The GWS 5 Aside Fundraiser was held on 10<sup>th</sup> September at the Goan Gymkhana Astro Turf. A total of 10 teams participated for a cash prize of Kshs.50,000/- . The tournament was an overwhelming success with spectators watching on and teams battling it out on the pitch.



## INFOGRAPHICS EXPENDITURE

### 854,917/- YEARLY

As part of our mandate we raise funds towards insurance covers for our welfare cases which accounts for a high percentage of our expenditure. This is vitally important due to the exorbitant costs involved with hospitalization.



MEDICAL INSURANCE PREMIUM

OUTPATIENT MEDICAL BILL



320,000/- YEARLY  
We also cover outpatient medical costs throughout the year for those in need and on request.



### 188,000/- YEARLY

We provide monthly food care packages to our Welfare cases to supplement the high cost of living.

MONTHLY FOOD PACKS

MONTHLY STIPENDS WELFARE

WELFARE



480,000/- YEARLY  
We also provide monthly stipends to our Welfare cases to assist with their basic needs.



49,000/- YEARLY  
We cover National Hospital Insurance Fund premiums for the entire year. This is vitally important due to the exorbitant costs involved with hospitalization.

## MEMBERSHIP

We rely on financial support from well-wishers through voluntary subscriptions and annual fund-raising events. We request members to pay the annual contribution of **Kshs. 1800/- per person.**

Unlike other charitable organizations we are not project based and have monthly costs to cover.





# GOA DAY & 29<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

The 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary was held on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2023 at the Goan Institute and was a celebration of our culture in Goa Day. Celebrations started with mass by Fr. Saldanha & Fr. Sebastian and Agnelo leading the choir this was followed by a delicious traditional lunch and dancing the afternoon away. The Tinto was especially a highlight with lots of tasty treats on sale. All in all it was a day filled with enjoyment with friends and family.



## CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



THE GOAN WELFARE SOCIETY'S  
**Christmas Raffle**  
*For the Season of Giving...*

Funds raised will be utilized towards our welfare cases for:  
 • Monthly upkeep • Monthly care packages  
 • Medical policy premiums • Medical expenses

2 Safarilink Diari/Msa Return tickets,  
 Malindi National Park 1/2 Day Tour for 5,  
 Hisense 43" TV, 5.5Ltr Airfryer, Philips Food  
 Steamer, Electronics, Vouchers, Spa Treatments,  
 Hampers & lots more wonderful prizes to Win!

Draw 1st week February, 2024  
**TICKETS KSHS 500/-**  
 Visit [www.goanwelfarestocietynairobi.co.ke](http://www.goanwelfarestocietynairobi.co.ke)  
 or scan QR CODE to get your ticket

Contact: Cedric 0715 882 256 • Sheila 0726 971 835  
 • Elvia 0733 612 971 • Que 0722 374030 • Nicole 0729 393594  
 • Krystle 0722 666225 • Laura 0724 585 086

Mpesa Payments:  
 PayBill No, 516400 • Account 0080816158001

**Safarilink**  
**GWS**  
 GOAN WELFARE SOCIETY  
 Nairobi, Kenya

**TICKET SALES CLOSE ON 31.01.2024**

The Annual Christmas Raffle came to a conclusion with the draw held on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at the Goan Institute. To all the raffle tickets purchaser, donors of prizes, and those who assisted behind the scenes to make this raffle a success, we truly appreciate you. To the Diaspora Goans from Australia and Canada who once again supported this initiative, your support and generosity will go a long way to assist those in need in the community. Congratulations to all the winners.