

Release of Konknni Cholchitram at Doha, Qatar

A cultural programme was staged by members of the Goan community on September 30 to mark World Goa Day celebrations

Goans worldwide observe August 20 as World Goa Day to commemorate the inclusion of Konkani in the eighth schedule of the Indian constitution.

The local organizers, Goans Welfare Association (GWA) decided to postpone the event to September 30 owing to Ramadan, said GWA president Simon D'Silva.

The celebration was followed by launching of two books: "Into the Diaspora Wilderness" by Selma Carvalho at the hands of Fr. Anand Castelino and "Konknni Cholchitram" by Isidore Dantas was unveiled by Eric Ozario. Both the books are now available with the GWA committee members for the general public.

Konknni Cholchitram is a book by Isidore Dantas on Konkani films from 1950 to 2009. Selma Carvalho is the author of Into the Diaspora Wilderness. On World Goa Day, Goans remind themselves of the need to work to preserve their culture, music, history, language, cuisine, and art for their children, the non-Goan community and for posterity, said D'Silva.

