



EVENT REPORT

SUNDOWNER WITH **S** STARTUP

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Rohan Khaunte,
the Hon'ble IT Minister, Goa

Cordially invites you to

A Sundowner on the Backwaters
with Startup Ecosystem Enablers

CRUISE SAILS

at 4 p.m. from COP Jetty, Panaji
on January 14, 2018

As the sun sets on the Mandovi,
let's welcome a new dawn in Goa.

Sundowner with Startup Ecosystem Enablers

*A precursor to launch
of schemes under
Goa Startup Policy
2017*

1. Event Objective

Ecosystem Sensitization/ Policy Consultations/ Stakeholder Interactions

2. Event Date

January 14, 2018

3. Background

In order to better understand the pulse of the Startups in the State, the Minister for Information Technology, Revenue, and Labour and Employment, Shri Rohan Khaunte hosted 40 startup ecosystem enablers for a sundowner on the backwaters of Mandovi River. The event was a precursor to the launch of various incentive schemes under the Goa Startup Policy 2017. The invitees represented a broad spectrum of startups, incubators, accelerators, co- working spaces, voluntary organizations, industry associations, and evangelists.

Government representatives – Shri Rohan Khaunte – Honourable Minister Information Technology; Shri Ameya Abhayankar – Secretary, Information Technology; Shri Ravi Jha – Director, Department of Information Technology; Shri Praveen Volvotkar – Deputy Director, Department of Information Technology; Shri Prasanna Karthik – OSD to Hon’ble Chief Minister of Goa. A list of attendees is provided in the Annexure.

4. Meeting Proceedings and Key Outcomes

SN	Agenda	Time
1	Welcome note by Hon'ble Minister Shri Rohan Khaunte	1630 Hours
2	Introduction of attendees	1645 Hours
3	Secretary IT Shri Ameya Abhayankar's address	1730 Hours
4	Roundtable on the current state of startup ecosystem in Goa	1745 Hours
5	One-on-one discussion with the Hon'ble Minister	1800 Hours
6	Signing the Wall of Pledge	1900 Hours
7	Vote of Thanks and Conclusion	1915 Hours
8	Networking Dinner	1930 Hours

The Hon'ble IT Minister addressed the invitees and conveyed to them his appreciation of their role in developing Goa as a fertile land for innovation. In keeping with the theme of the event, he emphasized that he wanted those present to help him and the State of Goa to create **"#MoreLikeYou"** – the next wave of entrepreneurs and innovators. He said the hashtag crystallizes his intent and he assured that he would be available for any support that any startup might need. He would be unveiling a mail ID that would allow ecosystem actors to reach out to him directly.

The Hon'ble Minister interacted personally with each guest and discussed how they could contribute in creating a better ecosystem for startups in the State; after which they wrote their commitment on a Wall of Pledge to be housed in the office of Startup Promotion Cell, Goa. The

attendees also shared their perspective on the state of Goan startup ecosystem and ways in which the Government can offer efficient support to startup ecosystem enablers. Issues such as funding, infrastructure, availability of talent, etc. were also discussed.

Shri Ameya Abhayankar, Secretary, Department of Information Technology (DoIT) and Shri Ravi Jha, Director, DoIT introduced the plan for **launch of a telephonic helpline**, along with a physical and virtual presence as part of the **Startup Promotion Cell** to better facilitate interface between the ecosystem and the Government.

With the startup policy in place, DoIT is confident that the startup ecosystem in the State would continue to prosper.



Annexure – Attendees List

S N	Name of Entity	Founder/Representative
1	COUNTERFEITIQ	Mr. Ganesh Faterpekar
2	Planet Earthlings	Mr. Greg Acuna
3	Brushflicks	Ms. Farheen Sayed
4	Smart Klock Inc	Mr. Jason Fernandes
5	Androcid	Mr. Prajyot Mainkar (Chairman IT- GCCI)
6	Dubl'up	Mr. Robin Menezes
7	Intellis Engineering Services Pvt. Ltd.	Mr. Rajendra Manohar Tamba (Amit Tamba)
8	SaleApp Advertising Limited	Nathan
9	Browntape	Mr. Gurpreet Singh & Mr. Piyush Goel
10	FleetRover & Numadic	Mr. Luke Sequeira & Mr. Chris Atkinson
11	Inventrom	Mr. Pranav Pai Vernekar
12	Vacation labs	Mr. Saurabh Nanda
13	Babychakra	Ms. Asha Chaudhary
14	HandyTrain	Mr. Devdas Krishnan
15	Mobiefit	Mr. Sushant

16	TempoGo	Mr. Pranav (Ashish Saraf, CTO)
17	Transerve Technologies	Mr. Amarsh
18	Quartic	Mr. Aron
19	Mungozone/Grandworks	Mr. Siddharth
20	Appler	Mr. Saurabh Sharma
21	Kallows Engineering	Mr. Gajanan Nagarsekar
22	Open Destination (Genora Infotech)	Mr. Milind Prabhu
23	CIBA	Mr. Prashant, Mr. Amey and Mr. Tushar
24	91 Springboard	Mr. Pranay Gupta, Mr. Varun
25	Prototyze	Mr. Gaurav Jaiswal, Mr. Mohan, Mr. Hatim
26	Hashcookies	Mr. Axel
27	Goa Technology Association- GTA	Mr. Sujeet Shetty
28	GCCI	Ms. Pallavi Arondekar (Deputy Director)
29	CII	Mr. Ryan Carvalho
30	GEMS	Mr. Jervis Perera

31	Umang Software	Mr. Mangirish Salelkar
32	Anant Info Media	Mr. Sandeep Vernekar
33	Startup India Foundation	Mr. Anil Chhikara & Co founder
34	PoolyMyRide	Mr. Rajat Talwar & Co Founder
35	GITP	Mr. Vincent Toscano
36	Buoyancy Consultants	Mr. Prasad Sawant