

Goans in Canada

Goans in Canada, like their fellowmen spread all over the world, formed their G.O.A. in Toronto in 1970. Their idea was to give "The Sons of their Land" an occasion to unite. Every G.O.A. member which I believe there are 400 of, is a child of this family, and like every family has a goal in life to have its own home, so does the G.O.A. They have a special fund committee to try and make this dream materialise.

In the Social and Sports field they have done tremendously well. The G.O.A. Men's hockey team entered the J.F. Kennedy Hockey tournament in Washington, U.S.A. The Cultural Sub-Committee is in the process of organising Konkani lessons and the teaching of Goan folk songs, dance, drama, cooking, etc. Very recently a Goan opened a grocery store to cater for the Indian community. The cooking lessons the store holds, attract many Canadians. Another Goan has a food store selling Goan delicacies such as sausages, sorpatel, pickles and sweets.

Goans are more fortunate than the other Indian communities here since their culture has some common elements of both, the East, and the West. Hence they do not find much difficulty blending in with Canadian society. Of course, the pace of life here is something that takes a longer time to get accustomed to. Goans in Toronto are spread all over the City, and do not tend to cluster in one particular locality. This encourages mingling with people from other countries who also live in this great and fastest growing city in the North American continent.

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WANTED

" POPULAR GOAN GROUP

seeks versatile lead guitarist and organist. (Own instrument and transport).

Konkanim Konso

Ix-tan-dum, Na-ta-lam-chi pro-ob
sog-lo sou-sar car-tat vod-da
do-ba-zaan noich Chris-taum pun
coc-nem pas-sun, am-chesa gau-ant
Goem sog-lo loc bo-bau-tat to-ca
-ri cor-unc Na-ta-lam-chi vo-dic
cor-un cus-var cor-unc ani tos-
seoch heri vos-tu, hem sog-lem
po-louno sog-lo loc anir vod-ic
cor-un bur-guim za-tat da-dos-borit
Na-tal-anc cus-var dar-tat eca-meca
geur da-counc ap-lo moi-pas.

Anga Londonac hem fest vor-tou-ta
ek-vot fa-mi-li mo-dem an-ga
Christmas-ac fa-mi-li ec-tai za-tat
pois as-le-lim pas-sun gara etat
aple fa-mi-li mo-dem sa-runc
Na-ta-lam-chem fest pois cor-un
qui-tei ve-itt dis-lam za-lear
aple bi-tor vi-sor-tat ani ko-xeal
kaen sar-tat him co-xe-chim
vor-ram. Pun stem mat-se tam-bo-ia
ani chin-tun pol-ou-ia as-sat mun
an-ga tore am-che Go-em-car bau
ek-su-ra tan-cheo fa-mi-li an-ga
nam vo ca-za-ri noi auc-var
bur-ge chodd gor-je-chem tan-cam
fam-il as-le-lea-nim apo-uno ar-dunc
sa-runc Christmas tan-che mod-dem
anm di-unc tan-cha cal-zac
ko-xeal-cai hea dis-sa.

At-am sog-le-anc tun-cam mag-tam
dev-an diu-che-ac ko-xe-al bor-it
Na-ta-lam ani da-dos-borit No-ven
vo-ros 1974.

G.O.A. NOTICES

- 1.G.O.A. CONSTITUTION:** The Managing Committee has decided to propose amendments to the Constitution at the next A.G.M.
Any member who has any proposals for Amendments to the Constitution should send them to the General Secretary, to reach him not later than 15th January, 1974. All proposals will be collated and circulated to all members nearer the date of the A.G.M.
- 2.G.O.A. ANNUAL DINNER:** The first G.O.A. annual dinner/dance will be held in February, 1974. All those interested please forward names to the General Secretary (by telephone if you prefer) by 15th January, 1974. Full details will only be submitted to interested parties. Members submitting their names for the "first list" are under no obligation to attend.
- 3.G.O.A. CHARTER FLIGHT:** Negotiations are in progress for our own charter