

Capital: Panaji

Formation / statehood: 30 May 1987 (statehood; liberated from Portuguese rule in December 1961)

Official language(s): Konkani (Marathi used for official purposes)

Public Service Commission: GPSC (Goa)

Flagship exam: Goa Civil Services / Combined exams

OVERVIEW

Goa is India's smallest state by area and lies on the Konkan coast of the Arabian Sea. Panaji is the capital, and the state is known for Portuguese-era heritage, tourism, and Konkani culture.

FOCUS TOPICS

- Liberation and statehood timeline
- Konkan coastal geography
- Konkani language and culture
- Tourism and port economy
- Goa Public Service Commission exams

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. What is the capital of Goa?

Answer: Panaji

2. In which year did Goa become a state of India?

Answer: 1987

3. Goa was liberated from Portuguese rule in which year?

Answer: 1961

4. Which sea coast does Goa border?

Answer: Arabian Sea

5. Which language is the official language of Goa?

Answer: Konkani

6. Which historic city in Goa was the former Portuguese capital?

Answer: Old Goa (Velha Goa)

7. Which river is associated with the Mandovi bridge and Panaji region?

Answer: Mandovi river

8. Which Public Service Commission conducts Goa civil services exams?

Answer: Goa Public Service Commission

9. Which neighbouring states border Goa?

Answer: Maharashtra and Karnataka

10. Which basilica in Old Goa holds the relics of St. Francis Xavier?

Answer: Basilica of Bom Jesus

NOTE

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