

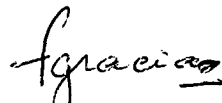
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I hereby state that the research work carried out by me for the Ph.D. thesis entitled Health and Hygiene in Goa 1510-1961 is my original work. I am also to state that I have not been awarded any degree or diploma or any other academic award by this or any other University or body for the thesis to be submitted by me.

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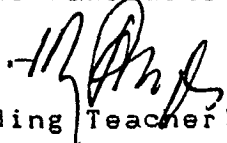
This thesis on "Health and Hygiene in Goa, 1510-1961" contains an historical inquiry into the conditions and problems of health and hygiene during the period of the Portuguese colonial rule in Goa. I have gone through the existing and relevant published works related directly and indirectly to different aspects of this theme, but the substance of the present research is drawn from archival documentation and from published contemporary reports. This has enabled to provide for the first time a comprehensive picture of the Goan Society from the perspective of health and hygiene and related issues. In the process much documentary evidence is also made available for understanding the socio-economic conditions of life in Goa during the period covered by this study.

It is hoped that the contribution made by this thesis will enable those concerned about improving the quality of life in Goa to understand better the necessary background that has influenced and shaped many social attitudes and institutional strengths as well as handicaps. Hence, far from being a purely antiquarian exercise, this research is aimed at assisting in the present day and future efforts at implementing policies and programmes that do not perpetuate the past colonial and discriminatory approaches.



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