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FROM THE DIRECTOR



Dear all,

As we step into the New Year 2026, the 25 years of strategic partnership between India and Germany—marked by deep cooperation in defence, technology, trade, and sustainability—have opened up numerous opportunities for Indian students and skilled professionals.

Proficiency in the German language up to B1/B2 levels, with good fluency, significantly enhances prospects for students aspiring to study in Germany and for professionals seeking eligibility under the EU Blue Card.

Over the years, Goethe-Zentrum Coimbatore has not only strengthened its teaching standards but has also witnessed a steady increase in the number of students keen to learn the German language.

Expanding its horizons further, Goethe-Zentrum has partnered with IDP Coimbatore to support students preparing for IELTS, offering guidance and training to help them achieve strong scores in their examinations.

We at Goethe-Zentrum sincerely thank everyone who has supported us throughout this journey.

We wish you all a successful and fulfilling year ahead.

Let us embrace 2026 with optimism, confidence, and a smile.

Akila Shanmugam

Director

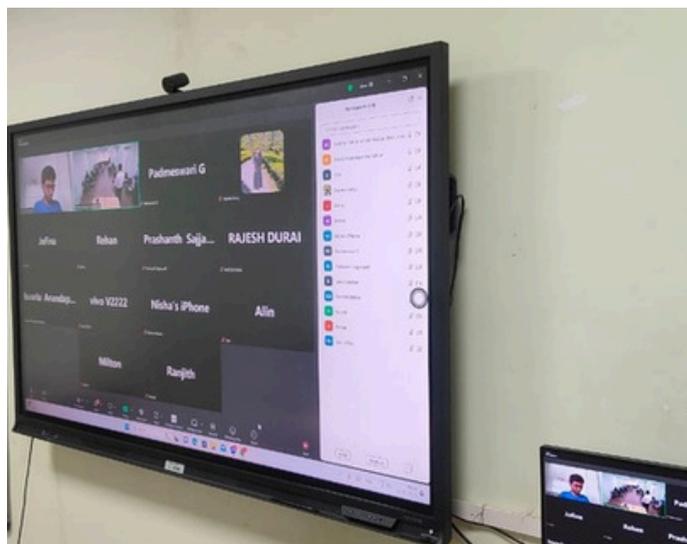
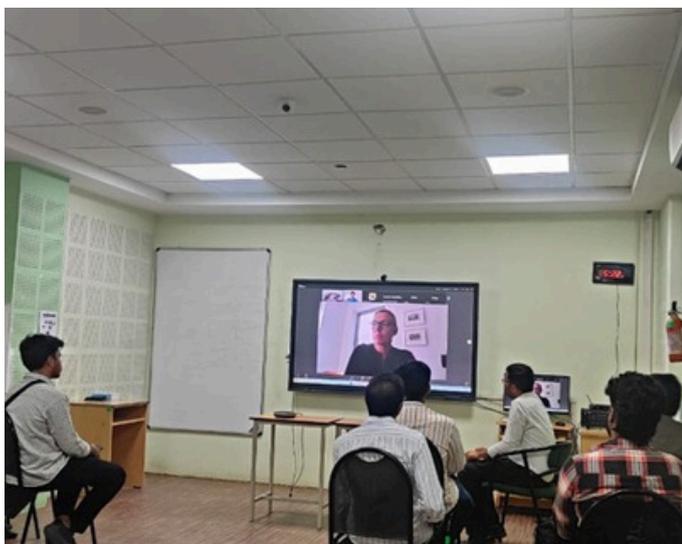
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Orientation Programme- at PSGR Krishnammal College for Women

Goethe-Zentrum Coimbatore conducted an orientation programme at PSGR Krishnammal College for Women, Coimbatore, on 11th July 2025, to highlight the importance of learning German language. The orientation programme engaged approximately 5,000 students from the first, second, and final years, offering insights into German language learning, global career opportunities, and Germany's growing demand for skilled professionals. The programme elicited an enthusiastic response and opened discussions on introducing German language training at the institution.



Ausbildung in Germany – Info Session & Alumni Talk



On 12 July 2025, Goethe-Zentrum Coimbatore organized a hybrid seminar titled “Ausbildung in Germany – Info Session & Alumni Talk”,. This was attended by 60 participants in both online and offline modes. Employers in Germany and alumni of Goethe-Zentrum who are currently in Germany spoke on this occasion. The session offered valuable insights into Germany’s Ausbildung system, reasons to choose Ausbildung, eligibility criteria, application procedures, visa requirements, and career prospects after completion. This was followed by an engaging Q&A session. The interactive programme helped participants understand the concept of earning while learning in Germany and the skills expected by employers.



Panel Discussion –

“Fluency and the Future: Reimagining Language Learning for Global Relevance”

at Kumaraguru Global Language Centre

Mr. Sivanunni, Deputy Director participated representing Goethe-Zentrum as the German language partner in a panel discussion held at the Kumaraguru Global Language Centre (KGLC), Kumaraguru College of Liberal Arts and Science, Coimbatore, on 4 August 2025.



The discussion, titled “Fluency and the Future: Reimagining Language Learning for Global Relevance,” focused on the growing importance of foreign language skills across engineering, science, and technology domains. The panel discussion, hosted by Dr. Deepesh, Principal in-Charge of Kumaraguru College of Liberal Arts and Science (KCLAS), featured experts from Alliance française and ABK-AOTS DOSOKAI, apart from Goethe-Zentrum, and witnessed active student participation, thereby strengthening academic collaboration and promoting global language awareness.

Onam Celebration

A vibrant Onam Fest was held at the Mini Auditorium, bringing together participants to a colourful day with creativity, tradition, and teamwork. The event featured classical and folk dance performances, group dances, Pookalam competition and an Onam Lunch. The event was marked by enthusiastic participation from the students.

The programme created a lively atmosphere of togetherness and cultural immersion. The celebration concluded with a prize distribution ceremony. The event was a joyful blend of tradition and modernity with themes featuring German language and Germany.



Celebration of **Teachers' Day & 18th Anniversary of Goethe-Zentrum Coimbatore**

Teachers' Day and the 18th Anniversary of Goethe-Zentrum Coimbatore were celebrated with warmth and enthusiasm at the Mini Auditorium. The programme featured engaging games, interactive activities, and heartfelt moments of appreciation, creating a joyful atmosphere for the faculty and staff. The celebration underscored the values of gratitude and togetherness while reflecting on the institution's collective journey, making the occasion truly memorable.



Expanding Horizons - Partnership with IDP for IELTS



On 29 October 2025, Goethe-Zentrum Coimbatore formally entered into an agreement with IDP for IELTS test registration. This partnership marks an important step in supporting students aspiring to study or work abroad by providing reliable guidance , training and streamlined registration support for IELTS examinations. Students of Goethe-Zentrum Coimbatore have found this initiative both convenient and highly beneficial.

Visit by Minister of Saxony



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In Coimbatore habe ich das Gede Technical Training Institute (GTI) besucht. Hier wird für junge Menschen eine duale Ausbildung angeboten. Angelehnt an die deutschen Standards und in enger Kooperation mit dem IHK-Netzwerk. Das ermöglicht schnelle Anerkennung, Zertifizierung und direkte Verbindungen zu deutschen Arbeitgebern.

Es war beeindruckend zu sehen, mit welcher Qualität hier gearbeitet wird und wie motiviert die jungen Leute sind. Gerade in technischen Berufen wie der Schweißtechnik sind hier hervorragend ausgebildete Fachkräfte – in Bereichen, in denen wir in Deutschland großen Bedarf haben.

Äußert spannend war auch der Besuch einer der größten

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Herausragend war der Besuch des **Gedee Technical Training Institute (GTI)**, dem Vorreiter der dualen Berufsausbildung nach deutschem Standard in Tamil Nadu. Die hohe Qualität der Ausbildungsgänge Werkzeugmechaniker und Mechatroniker am GTI wird nicht nur durch AHK-Zertifikate belegt, sondern seit April 2025 auch durch die BIBB-Bestätigung. Als Ergebnis dieses neuen Anerkennungsverfahrens entfällt nun die individuelle Prüfung der Abschlüsse durch die FOSA. Die **Saxony Trade & Invest Corp.** hatte das GTI im Prozess dieses neuen Anerkennungsverfahrens unterstützt.

Die Azubis des GTI durchlaufen ihren Bildungsweg in einem besonderen Ökosystem aus technischer Bildung, Deutschvorbereitung sowie Inspiration zu lernen und zu forschen. Neben befindet sich das **Goethe Zentrum**, welches die jungen Menschen sprachlich ausbildet. Des Weiteren befinden sich auf dem Campus das beeindruckende Car Museum sowie das Experimenta Science Center.

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On November 13, Mr. Dirk Panter, State Minister of the Saxony State Ministry for Economic Affairs, Labour, Energy, and Climate Protection, with a delegation, visited Goethe-Zentrum Coimbatore. The Minister was accompanied by Mr. Michael Hasper, Consul General, German Consulate General Chennai. During his visit, the minister interacted with students, faculty members, and staff, sharing insights on education, skill development, and opportunities for international collaboration. The interaction was engaging and informative, offering valuable perspectives to the Goethe-Zentrum community.



CHILDREN'S DAY PAINTING COMPETITION 2025

The Children's Day Painting Competition was held on 23 November 2025, creating a vibrant and creative platform for young artists to showcase their talent. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from 183 school children across different age groups, who expressed their imagination through colourful artworks. The competition fostered creativity, confidence, and artistic expression, making it a memorable celebration of Children's Day.



The topics of the competition were thoughtfully chosen to introduce students to German culture while addressing global themes. Participants were grouped according to age:

- **Group 1 (Classes 1-3): My Dream House**
- **Group 2 (Classes 4-6): Animals of Germany**
- **Group 3 (Classes 7-9): Seasons in Germany**
- **Group 4 (Classes 10-12): Traditional German Farm with Farmhouse**



All participants received certificates of participation, while winners from each category were honoured with certificates, trophies, and exciting prizes during the Christmas Day Celebration held later in December.

The competition encouraged artistic expression, cultural awareness, and creativity among school children, offering them a platform to showcase their talent, build confidence, and connect through the universal language of art.

GROUP 1 (CLASSES 1-3): MY DREAM HOUSE



Group 1: 1st Prize
SAI ADITI. R. G,
(THE ORIGAMI
CONCEPT SCHOOL)



Group 1: 2nd Prize
S. RUFEEENA, (CARMEL GARDEN PUBLIC SCHOOL)



Group 1: 3rd Prize
ABIRAMI. B., (G.D SCHOOL)



Group 1: Consolation Prize
KANI MITHRA. L., (PEEPAL PRODIGY SCHOOL)



Group 1: Consolation Prize
DHANVI. B., (GEDEE PUBLIC SCHOOL)

GROUP 2 (CLASSES 4-6): ANIMALS OF GERMANY



Group 2: 1st Prize
DAKSHA DHANISH,
(THE CAMFORD INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL)



Group 2: 2nd Prize
SAMRITHA SREE. V,
(SUGUNA PIP SCHOOL)



Group 2: 3rd Prize
S. ANDRIYA, (CARMEL GARDEN PUBLIC SCHOOL)

GROUP 3 (CLASSES 7-9): SEASONS IN GERMANY



Group 3: 1st Prize
S.A. ILANILA, (THE B.V.B SCHOOL, ERODE)



Group 3: 2nd Prize
PRAGATHI. P,
(GRD PUBLIC SCHOOL)



Group 3: 3rd Prize
DHARSHINE. SP,
(GEDEE PUBLIC SCHOOL)

GROUP 4 (CLASSES 10-12): TRADITIONAL GERMAN FARM WITH FARMHOUSE



Group 4: 1st Prize
RAHUL HARISH. S. M, (GEDEE PUBLIC SCHOOL)



Group 4: 2nd Prize
HARDIKA. S., (BENGLEN PUBLIC SCHOOL)



Group 4: 3rd Prize
A. V. DHANVI, (GEDEE PUBLIC SCHOOL)

Orientation Programme – at PSG College of Pharmacy

On 26 November 2025, Goethe-Zentrum Coimbatore conducted an orientation programme at PSG College of Pharmacy, Coimbatore, as part of the Pharmacists (Skilled Migration to Germany) Programme. The session introduced students to opportunities for learning German and pursuing careers in Germany. Around 130 students from B.Pharm, M.Pharm, and Pharm.D programmes actively participated in the event. The interactive session highlighted the importance of German language skills for global careers in the pharmaceutical sector and received an encouraging response from the students.



Visit by **Joint Secretary (Passport Seva Programme) and Chief Passport Officer of India, under the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi.**



On 29 November, Mr. B. S. Mubarak I.F.S., Joint Secretary (Passport Seva Programme) and Chief Passport Officer of India, under the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi, along with Mr. Sathish I.F.S., Regional Passport Officer, visited Gedee Technical Training Institute, Gedee Car Museum and Goethe-Zentrum. Mr. Mubarak I.F.S., who had earlier served as Consul General, Indian Consulate, Frankfurt, appreciated Goethe-Zentrum's role in promoting German language learning and fostering cultural exchange.



Visit by the Counsellors of German Embassy, New Delhi

On December 8, Ms. Meike Jäger, Counsellor, Labour and Social Affairs and Dr. Simon Preker, Counsellor, Migration and Mobility, from the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, New Delhi, visited Goethe- Zentrum Coimbatore. During their visit, they interacted with students, faculty members, and staff.



They also attended a teachers' training session, where they interacted closely with the faculty. The counsellors shared valuable insights on skill development and international opportunities. They appreciated the centre's efforts in imparting German language training as well as cultural immersion. The counsellors were apprised of the challenges in skilled migration.

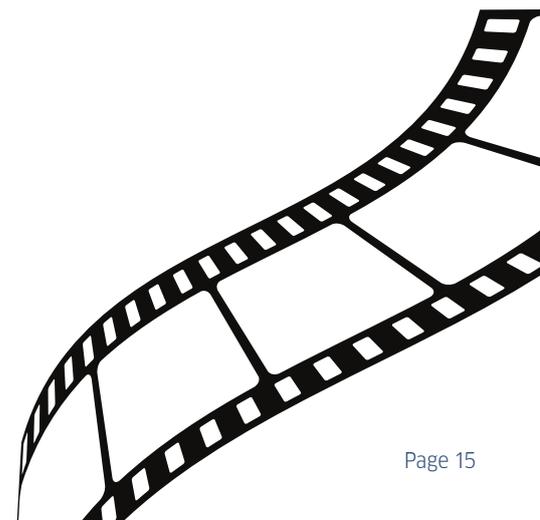


Kino Club

AT GOETHE - ZENTRUM COIMBATORE



Goethe-Zentrum Coimbatore hosts German film screenings on the evenings of the second or fourth Saturday of every month at the Mini Auditorium. These free-entry screenings offer the audience an opportunity to experience the richness of German cinema. Each film explores themes such as courage, love, rebellion, sports and transformation, leaving viewers inspired and sparking meaningful discussions long after the credits have rolled.



Honig Im KOPF

The film, Honig im Kopf, was screened on July 26. The family drama touched the audience with its portrayal of love, dementia, and difficult family choices. It was followed by an engaged post-screening discussion.



Grüße vom Mars

This movie was screened on August 30. The film sensitively portrayed a young autistic boy navigating change through his love for space, resonating with the audience and prompting warm reflections during the post-screening discussion.



Die Wannseekonferenz

The movie was screened on 13th September. The historically intense film offered a chilling insight into the bureaucratic planning behind the Holocaust, leaving the audience deeply moved and reflective, It was followed by some sober discussions.



Cleo

This film was screened on 25 October . The whimsical urban fairytale took the audiences on a playful and romantic journey through Berlin, blending history, fantasy, and a heartfelt love letter to the city.



Sieger sein

This was screened on December 6. The film portrayed Mona's journey as a young refugee finding strength, resilience, and belonging through football.



Team excursion



To celebrate a productive year, the Goethe-Zentrum Coimbatore team went on a day-outing to Thanima Farm Life on December 13. The team took part in various fun and adventure activities such as kayaking, zipline cycling, cycling, adventure drills, nature walks, and farm-to-table meals. The trip provided a great opportunity for team bonding, reflection on achievements, and relaxation. Overall, the outing highlighted the value of teamwork and it left the team refreshed and motivated for the year ahead.



Joyful Christmas Celebration

On December 19, 2025, Goethe-Zentrum Coimbatore celebrated Christmas in a warm and festive atmosphere. The evening featured music, dance, skits, and songs that reflected the joy of Christmas and offered insights into German traditions.

Students impressed the audience with creative performances that showcased their enthusiasm for language learning and teamwork. Performances by school children added a special charm, bringing smiles and cheer to the celebration.

The event also included activities such as making Christmas tree using paper cups and making snowman. The participants were pampered with a festive spread of German Christmas treats like ginger cookies and the German specialty, Glühwein. Overall, the celebration highlighted cultural exchange, community bonding, and the true spirit of Christmas.



Advent Season in Coimbatore

- as seen from Esslingen, Germany

The Mayor's office of Esslingen am Neckar, which is the twin city of Coimbatore, requested for information and pictures of the Advent season and Christmas in Coimbatore, for the purpose of publishing in the city media.



St. Michaels Cathedral Church



"Santa's Social" at Codissia



St. Antony Church - Advent Candles



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These pictures are some of those that have been sent to Esslingen.



Candle light choir service at CSI christ church, NGGO colony



Advent Carol



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