

## **SAVIO CARVALHO: A BRIEF BIO**



Savio Carvalho, Director of the Demand Dignity Programme, Amnesty International, International Secretariat, is based in London. Savio has worked for over 16 years in the Development and Human Rights sector. He has worked in South and Central Asia, East Africa, Europe and now leads a global campaign of Amnesty International. He has lived in 8 different cities across 5 countries and calls himself a global citizen.

Before joining Amnesty International, he was the Southern Climate Change Campaign Advisor at Oxfam International, where he was leading and coordinating the campaign on Climate Change across the regions of Africa, Latin America and Asia. Savio represented Oxfam at various major events including United National negotiations on Climate Change.

Prior to that he worked in two different continents as Oxfam GB Country Director viz. Uganda and Tajikistan. Savio has managed several developmental, humanitarian and advocacy programmes in different countries. He was actively involved in policy and advocacy work around conflict and human rights in Uganda and Tajikistan. He has managed several humanitarian projects including Gujarat earthquake, Rajasthan drought, Indian Tsunami, Kashmir earthquake and conflict responses in Uganda.

He read Psychology for Bachelors degree from St. Xavier's Mumbai, where he was also awarded the Student of Year. He read development studies for his Masters at the Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS). He was the Students Union President at TISS and was involved in several extra and co-curricular activities. He has also earned certificates in Gender Policy and Planning (University College London), Human Rights Law (Oxford University) and Humanitarian Assistance (University of Liverpool).

Savio was a "Games Maker" in the London 2012 (<a href="http://tinyurl.com/om4xx8a">http://tinyurl.com/om4xx8a</a>). He sits on the external advisory board of The Sheffield Institute of International Development (SIID), Sheffield University. He is interested in current affairs, environment, travelling and in other voluntary causes. His love for the environment took him to Sirsi (near Goa) in the Western Ghats, where he spent over 3 years working on a large environment programme for Oxfam. Being so close to Goa was one of the motivations of staying in Sirsi, he admits.

Savio is a proud Goan and enjoying listening and signing to Goan music. He also enjoys Goan cuisine – both cooking and eating it. Savio Carvalho, was born in Mapusa Goa to (Late) Mr Anthony Carvalho and Georgina Carvalho (nee Sequeira) from Ucassaim. Savio is the 3rd born of four children and has spent most of his early years in Mumbai

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