Nehru Centre
8 South Audley Street
London W1K 1HF
5-14 Jun 2013
Weekdays 10am—5pm

Exhibition

Histories of British-Goan: Past Lives
# Goan Association (UK)

**Oral Histories of British-Goans presents**

**The Exhibition: Past Lives**

*A two-week celebration of our heritage*

5 June—14 June 2013, Closed Sat-Sun

Nehru Centre, 8 South Audley Street, London W1K 1HF (Green Park tube station)

A most fascinating exhibition opens for the first time in London commemorating the cultural and historical heritage of British-Goans. Through a series of pictures, letters, newspaper articles and graphics dating from 1885 to 1980, we follow the journey of an intrepid Goan migration to East Africa, their displacement from Africa as Empire came to an end, and arrival in the UK even as Sixties Britain battled with racism and definitions of identity.

A series of events will be held at the Nehru Centre during the Exhibition. **Admission FREE. OPEN TO PUBLIC Weekdays 8am-5pm. Avoid Lunch hours 1-2pm.**

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| Thursday 6, June | 11:00-12:00am | **Pioneer Days: Goan Pioneers in East Africa**  
Historical Researcher Cliff Pereira holds a talk on Goan pioneers who blazed a trail not just in the townships and coastal areas of East Africa but ventured into the interiors to set up shops, bakeries and tailoring outlets at times ahead of the railway. |
| Friday 7, June     | 11:00-12:00am | **Tour: Love, life and East Africa**  
Selma Carvalho, author of Into the Diaspora Wilderness and Project Manafer has been researching the Goan Diaspora for the past five years, leads you on a guided tour of the Exhibition pictures. **BOOKING CLOSED** |
| Monday 10, June    | 11:00-12:00am | **Recollections: Days of our Lives**  
Drawing from real life experiences, Eddie Fernandes, editor of Goan Voice (UK) leads a tour of the exhibition sharing reminiscences of East Africa and early days in Britain. |
| Tuesday 11, June   | 11:00-12:00am | **Documentary: Past lives**  
Past Lives – The documentary is drawn from the oral histories of British-Goans documenting their arrival in East Africa, their displacement and eventual resettlement in Britain. |
| Thursday 13, June  | 11:00-12:00am | **East African Goans at War: WW1 & WW2**  
Cliff Pereira holds a talk on the role played by Goans both at sea and on land during the two world wars, paying tribute to their courage and loyalty. |
| Friday 14, June    | 11:00-12:00am | **Going Abroad and Getting Ahead: Goan Lives in the Twentieth Century**  
Dr Margret Frenz, a historian at the University of Oxford speaks on migration experiences of Goans in the twentieth century. |

**For event reservations please email:** eddie.fernandes@gmail.com