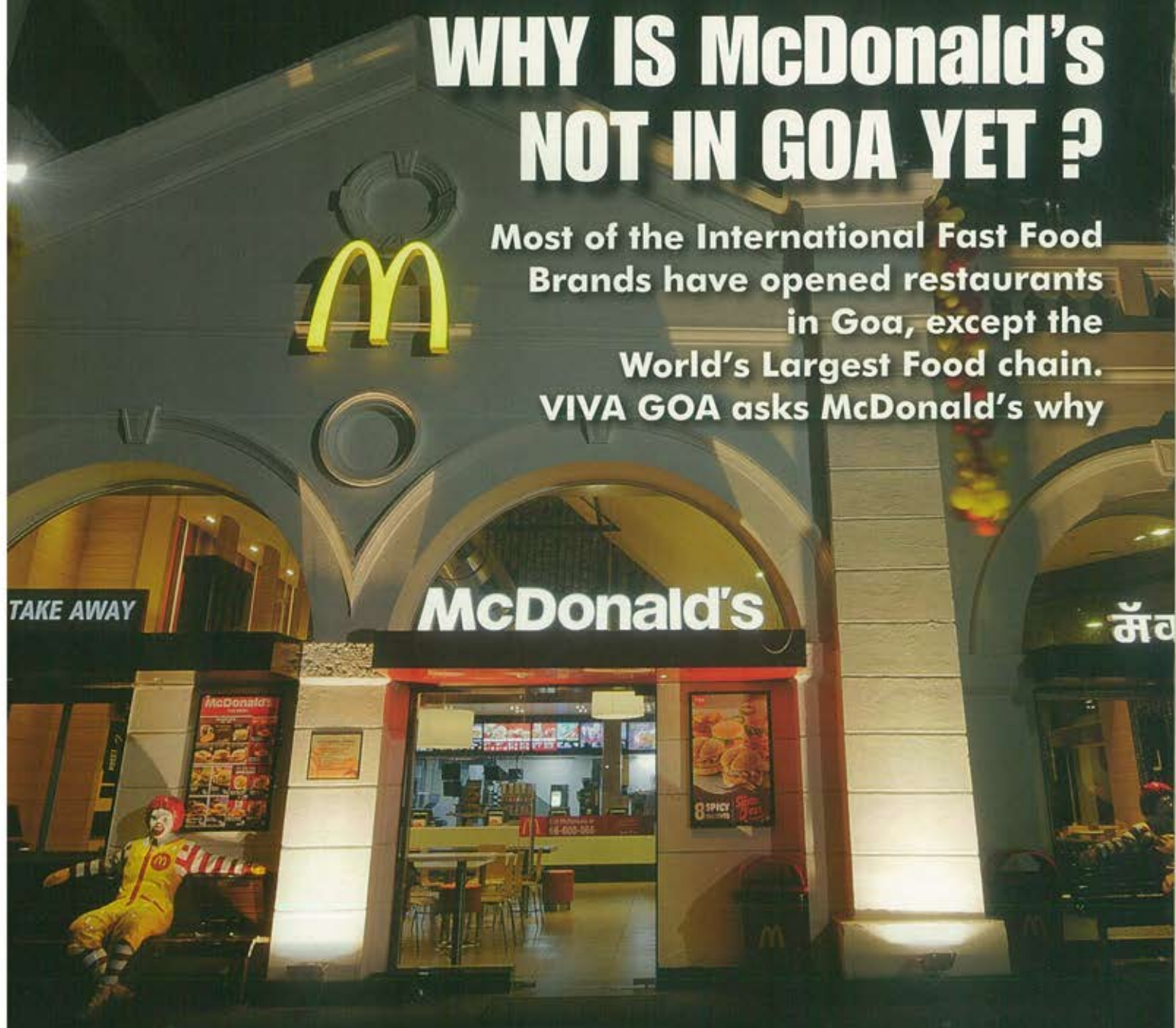


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Rahul Deshpande designed Valpoi Bus Stand & Community Hall wins 'BEST Architectural Design' for 2013



The Valpoi Bus Stand & Community Hall developed and constructed by GSIDC for Department of Transport and Kadamba Transport Co. Ltd (KTC) has won the Best Architectural Design in the Recreational Design category at the prestigious Architectural and Design awards 2013. The project is designed by Rahul Deshpande and Associates, a Goa-based architectural firm.

The Chief Minister of Goa Manohar Parrikar, who is also the Chairman of GSIDC, along with the

Transport Minister Sudin Dhavlikar and the Managing director of GSIDC Sanjit Rodrigues congratulated Rahul Deshpande and his team for this outstanding design and the award. The Chief Minister mentioned that this award for the GSIDC project only shows that we have enough talent in Goa which can design and execute projects of such high quality that can compete at any international platform and win. The leader of the opposition Pratap Singh Rane also expressed his satisfaction on the design and

congratulated the designer.

The complex set in Valpoi houses a Bus stand, a Community hall, a Children's play park and a jogger's path. The design is inspired by the magnificent mountains and the accompanying clouds which hover over them at the Western Ghats where Valpoi is located, which the designer has attempted to capture in his design. The walls are fashioned in laterite stone, designed to replicate the mountains while the roof has been conceived as a floating cloud.

First Matanhy Saldanha Memorial Lecture to be held on 24th October at Panaji

The first ever Matanhy Saldanha Memorial Lecture will be held at Kala Academy on October 24, at 5:30 pm to commemorate his 65th birth anniversary. Organised by the Matanhy Saldanha Memorial Foundation, the lecture will be delivered under theme of 'A Better World is Possible'. The Union Minister for Rural Development, noted economist & IIT alumni Jairam Ramesh, will deliver the inaugural lecture on the topic of 'Environment: A gift from the creator, to be protected, sustainable used and passed on to the next generation'.



'Swaramangesh' to be held at Kala Academy

'Swaramangesh', a popular music and dance concert organised in the honour of Goa's music legend Master Dinanath Mangeshkar, is scheduled to be held in Kala Academy A.C. Auditorium on 27th October 2013.

This popular music festival was inaugurated in the first year by Bharat Ratna Lata Mangeshkar in whose father's memory this concert is being held.

Master Dinanath Mangeshkar was born on December 29, 1900 in Mangueshi in Goa. He was a giant of the Marathi stage, a renowned Natya Sangeetkar and an exceptional Hindustani classical vocalist.

Now in its 3rd year, Swaramangesh will be a musical tribute to the legend



Bharat Ratna Lata Mangeshkar being felicitated by Pundit Prasad Sawarkar at the first Swaramangesh in the presence of her sister Usha and brother Pt Hridayanath, the then Chief Minister Digambar Kamat & then speaker Pratapsingh Rane

and will be open to all music lovers. Participating this year will be Pt. M. Vyanktesh Kumar (Vocal), Ms. Padma Shankar (Violin), Vijay Ghate (Tabla), Vishal Krishna (Kathak Dancer), Brajeshwar Mukherjee and Debarshi Bhattacharya (Vocal Jugalbandi) and Ustad Rashid Khan (Vocal Recital).

The Government of Goa has assured support to this concert. VIVA GOA is the media partner for the event.