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GOVERNMENT OF GOA**Department of Captain of Ports****Order**

A-20168/Cr.DCOP/COP/2025/430

Date : 05-Feb-2026

Sanction of the Government is hereby accorded for creation of one post of Deputy Captain of Ports, Group 'A', Gazetted in the Captain of Ports Department, Panaji-Goa in the Pay Scale of Level-11 of CCS (Revised Pay) Rules, 2016.

The expenditure towards the creation of said post shall be debited to the Budget head "3051—Ports & Lighthouses; 02—Minor Ports; 102—Port Management; 01—Port Establishment; 00—General; 01—Salaries".

This is issued with the approval of Administrative Reform Department, Personnel Department, concurrence of Finance (R & C) Department vide their U.O. No. 1400105713 dated 25-12-2025 and Council of Ministers in the XCIIIrd meeting held on 28-01-2026 as conveyed by the General Administration Department, Secretariat, Porvorim-Goa vide letter No. 1/6/2026-GAD-II dated 29-01-2026.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Shri *Octavio A. Rodrigues*, Captain of Ports & ex officio Joint Secretary.

Panaji.

Notification

E-11029/Barge Tax Amendment/2025-2026/107

Date : 02-Feb-2026

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 19 of the Goa Barge Tax Act, 1973 (Act No. 10 of 1973), the Government of Goa hereby makes the following rules, so as to further amend the Goa Barge Tax Rules, 1975, namely:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (1) These rules may be called the Goa Barge Tax (Amendment) Rules, 2026.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. *Amendment of rule 7.*— In rule 7 of the Goa Barge Tax Rules, 1975, hereinafter referred to as the "principal Rules", for the expression "Inland Vessels Act, 1917", the expression "Inland Vessels Act, 2021" shall be substituted;

3. *Amendment of rule 7A.*— In rule 7A, of the "principal Rules", for the letters and figures "Rs. 100/-" the letters and figures "Rs. 1000/-" shall be substituted;

4. *Amendment of rule 8.*— In rule 8, in clause b), after the proviso, of the "principal Rules" the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

c) If the owner fails to pay the tax as specified in clause b) above within the due date, interest @ 1% per month or part thereof shall be charged on outstanding tax payable".

By order and in the name of Governor of Goa.

Octavio A. Rodrigues, Captain of Ports & ex officio Joint Secretary.

Panaji.

Note: The principal Rules, namely, the Goa Barge Tax Rules, 1975 were published vide Government Notification No. 1-440-72-IPD dated 10-04-1975, in the Official Gazette, Series I No. 2 dated 10-04-1975 and subsequently amended vide the following notification, namely:

1. Notification No. IPD-10264-76 dated 28-04-1978, published in Official Gazette, Series I No. 6 dated 11-05-1978.
2. Notification No. ILD/7006/8th Report-C.D.L/78 dated 12-03-1979, published in Official Gazette, Series I No. 51 dated 22-03-1979.
3. Notification No. 1/20/86-ILD dated 29-04-1986, published in Official Gazette, Series I No. 9 dated 02-06-1986.
4. Notification No. 1/20/86-ILD dated 16-10-1986, published in Official Gazette, Series No. 31 dated 30-10-1986.
5. Notification No. E-11029/Barge Tax Exemption/2024-25/3126 dated 30-10-2024.
6. Notification No. E-11029/Barge Tax Exemption/2024-25/3127 dated 30-10-2024.

Notification

E-11029/Goods Tax Amendment/2025-2026/108

Date : 02-Feb-2026

The following draft Rules which the Government of Goa proposes to make in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 22 of the Goa Barge (Taxation on Goods) Act, 1985 (Act No. 22 of 1985) so as to amend the Goa Barge (Taxation on Goods) Rules, 1987, are hereby pre-published as required by sub-section (1) of Section 22 of the said Act, for information of all the persons likely to be affected thereby and notice is hereby given that the said draft Rules will be taken into consideration by the Government after expiry of a period of fifteen days from the date of publication of this Notification in the Official Gazette.

All objections and suggestions to the said draft Rules may be forwarded to the Captain of Ports, Captain of Ports Department, Panaji before the expiry of said period of fifteen days so that they may be taken into consideration at the time of finalization of the said draft rules.

DRAFT RULES

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 22 of the Goa Barge (Taxation on Goods) Act, 1985 (Act No. 22 of 1985) and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the Government of Goa hereby makes the following Rules so as to amend the Goa Barge (Taxation on Goods) Rules, 1987, namely:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (1) These rules may be called the Goa Barge (Taxation on Goods) (Amendment) Rules, 2026.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their final publication in the Official Gazette.

2. *Amendment of rule 4.*— In rule 4 of the Goa Barge (Taxation on Goods) Rules, 1987 before the existing proviso, the following shall be inserted, namely:—

“If the owner fails to pay the tax within the due date, interest @ 1% per month or part thereof shall be charged on outstanding tax payable.”

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Octavio A. Rodrigues, Captain of Ports and ex officio Joint Secretary.

Panaji.

Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities**Notification**

1/79/2024-25-DEPwD/Amen/Sch/1649

Date : 14-Jan-2026

Government of Goa is pleased to supersede the scheme “The Grant of Scholarship for Differently Abled Persons” notified vide Notification No. 50-289-96-97-HC/VOL-I/PART I dated 20-05-2008 and published in Official Gazette, Series I No. 8 dated 22-05-2008 cited by a Scheme viz. ‘The Grant of Scholarship to Students with Disabilities’ the following Scheme and is hereby published for general information of public, which shall come into force with the date of publication in the Official Gazette.

SCHEME TO PROVIDE GRANT OF SCHOLARSHIP TO STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

1. *Short title and commencement.*— This Scheme shall be called Grant of Scholarship to Students with Disabilities. This Scheme shall be applicable throughout the State of Goa, and shall come into force with effect from publication in Official Gazette.

2. *Objective.*— The objectives of the scheme- Grant of Scholarship to students with Disabilities is to encourage students with Disabilities to pursue Higher Education, Technical Education and Professional training which would enable them to overcome financial obstacles that prevent them from pursuing Higher Education.

3. *Applicability.*— The scheme shall be applicable to all categories of the Students with Disabilities viz. as defined under the Schedule as per clause (zc) of Section 2 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and its further amendments. Under this scheme, Scholarship will be given to Students with Disabilities pursuing Higher Education.

4. *Definitions.*— a) Government means the Government of Goa.

b) Director means, the Director, Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Government of Goa.

c) Institute means the school/institute recognized by the Directorate of Education of Goa or any other recognized agency.

5. *Eligibility conditions.*— For the purpose of grant of Scholarship under this scheme the students with Disabilities must fulfill the following criteria:

a) The Student must be regular student of a recognized Board of Education or University.

b) This Scholarship is also extended to pursue education in Music and Vocational Courses through recognized Board of Education or University.

c) Scholarship is open to students with benchmark disability i.e. 40% or more disability as defined in the ‘Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016’.

d) Combined income Certificate issued by Competent Authority not exceeding Rs. 8.0 lakhs p.a.

e) Student should not be in receipt of any other scholarship from any other source.

f) If a family has more than one Child with Disabilities, both will be eligible for the grant of Scholarship under this scheme subject to the conditions that other conditions under these scheme are fulfilled.

g) The Student must have UDID Card, Aadhaar card and Bank Pass book (Bank account should be Aadhaar seeded).

h) The Student shall not be eligible for the grant of Scholarship if he/she happens to be a repeater in a particular standard. However the failure can be condoned at the discretion of the Director.

6. *Other requirements.*— a) Course:- Student with Disabilities must be studying a full time course or correspondence course in an educational institution affiliated to a Board/University, Music Course in an institution affiliated to a University or an organization approved by the State or Central Government or as trainee in a recognized institution or commercial/industrial establishment approved by the Central/State Government.

b) Student with Disabilities who are under any scheme of the Central/State Government has received craft training free of cost, or undergone a course of general education free of cost will be eligible for consideration for scholarship for higher technical training or higher education. The students who want to go in for academic courses after doing craft training and vice-versa shall not however, be considered for scholarship.

c) Student with Disabilities who is in receipt of assistance for free boarding and lodging facilities from any Voluntary or State source will be eligible for the scholarship as applicable to the day scholar, provided he or she had paid tuition fees.

7. *Financial Assistance.*— The eligible Students will be paid Scholarship at the following rates:-

(a) Std IX to XII	Rs. 900/- p.m.
(b) B.A./B.Com./B.Sc.	Rs. 1100/- p.m.
(c) M.A./M.Com/M.Sc. and other Professional courses	Rs. 1300/- p.m.

In the case of Visually Impairment Student reader's allowance shall be paid if it is certified by the head of the institution/establishment that Student has availed the benefit of a reader during the period the allowance is claimed as follows.

(a) Std IX to XII	Rs. 300/- p.m.
(b) B.A./B.Com./B.Sc.	Rs. 530/- p.m.
(c) M.A./M.Com/M.Sc. and other Professional courses	Rs. 600/- p.m.

In case the Student with Disability stays in hostel, he/she shall be paid additional allowance as follows subject to the Certificate issued by Head of the Institution/hostel warden certifying the stay in Hostel during the period the allowance is claimed.

(a) IX to XII	Rs. 400/- p.m.
(b) B.A./B.Com./B.Sc.	Rs. 500/- p.m.
(c) M.A./M.Com/M.Sc. and other Professional courses	Rs. 450/- p.m.

a) The applications received shall be scrutinized by the Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities.

b) One academic year shall be taken as 11 months.

c) The payment shall be disbursed through ECS after furnishing G.A.R 33 from Concern school/institution

d) The Director shall be the sanctioning Authority under this scheme and his decision as regard to the selection or rejection of the grant shall be final.

8. *Cancellation/withdrawal of Financial Assistance.*— a) The scholarship shall be cancelled or withheld for a particular period if a candidate fails to pass in an annual examination or if the progress continues to be unsatisfactory or if the conduct is found to be unsatisfactory.

b) Furnishing incorrect information or suppressing material facts will automatically liable for cancellation of scheme.

c) Every student shall abide by such rules as may be prescribed by the concerned of authority. Failure to do so will automatically be liable for cancellation of scheme.

9. *Mode of applying.*— The applications should be sent to the Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities within the period as may be specified from time to time. Each application shall be accompanied by the following documents:

a) Disability Certificate issued by Goa Medical College Bambolim, District Hospital North and South and Institute of Psychiatry and Human Behavior, Bambolim.

b) Income Certificate issued by Competent Authority not exceeding Rs. 8.0 lakhs p.a.

c) A copy of a Mark Sheet of last annual Examination.

d) A copy of Bank Pass Book (Bank account should be Aadhaar seeded).

e) A copy of Aadhaar Card.

f) UDID card.

10. *Other conditions.*— a) A Student is liable to refund the Scholarship amount at the discretion of the Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, if during the course of the year, the student discontinued the studies for which the Scholarship has been awarded.

11. *Interpretation of the provision of this scheme.*— If any question arises regarding interpretation of any clause, word, expression of the scheme, the decision about the interpretation shall lie with the Government which shall be final and binding on all concerned.

12. *Review and Revamp of the scheme.*— The scheme shall come into force from the date of this notification and shall remain in operation until further orders. However, the scheme shall be reviewed and suitably revamped after a period of three (3) years from the date of its notification, based on performance, feedback, and emerging needs.

13. *Relaxation of the provisions of the scheme.*— a) The Government shall be empowered to relax any or all of the clauses or conditions of this scheme in genuine case(s) for sanction of the grant.

b) The Government shall have the power to modify, amend, or make any necessary changes to the Scheme, as and when required.

This issue with the approval of Finance (Exp) Division vide U.O. No. 1400114818 dated 16-11-2025.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Varsha Naik, Director & Ex officio Addl. Secretary (DEPwD).

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Department of Personnel**Notification**

1/3/2024-PER

Date : 11-Dec-2025

In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Goa hereby makes the following rules to regulate the recruitment to the Group ‘C’, Non-Gazetted, Non-Ministerial post, in the Goa Medical College and Hospital, Government of Goa, namely:—

1. *Short title, application and commencement.*— (1) These rules may be called the Government of Goa, Goa Medical College and Hospital, Group ‘C’, Non-Gazetted, Non-Ministerial post, Recruitment Rules, 2025.

(2) They shall apply to the post specified in column (1) of the Schedule to these rules (hereinafter called as the “said Schedule”).

(3) They shall come into force from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. *Number, classification and level in the pay matrix.*— The number of posts, classification of the said post and level in the pay matrix attached thereto shall be as specified in columns (2) to (4) of the said Schedule:

Provided that the Government may vary the number of posts as specified in column (2) of the said Schedule from time to time subject to exigencies of work.

3. *Method of recruitment, age limit and other qualifications.*— The method of recruitment to the said post, age limit, qualifications and other matters connected therewith shall be as specified in columns (5) to (13) of the said Schedule.

4. *Disqualification.*— No person who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having a spouse living or who, having a spouse living, has entered into or contracted a marriage with any person, shall be eligible for appointment to the service:

Provided that the Government may, if satisfied that such marriage is permissible under the personal law applicable to such person and the other party to the marriage and that there are other grounds for so doing, exempt any person from the operation of this rule.

5. *Power to relax.*— Where, the Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may, by order, for reasons to be recorded in writing, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.

6. *Saving.*— Nothing in these rules shall affect reservation, relaxation of age limit and other concessions required to be provided for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Classes, Ex-servicemen and other special categories of persons in accordance with the orders issued by the Government from time to time in that regard.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Raghuraj A. Faldesai, Under Secretary (Personnel-I).

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SCHEDULE

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Name/ Designation of post	Number of posts	Classifi- cation	Level in the Pay Matrix	Whether selection post or non- selection post	Age limit for direct recruits	Educational and other qualifica- tions required for direct recruits	Whether age & educational qualifications prescribed for the direct recruits will apply in the case of promotees	Period of proba- tion, if any	Method of recruitment, whether by direct recruitment or by promotion or by deputation/ /absorption and percentage of the vacancies to be filled by various methods	In case of recruitment by promotion/ /deputation/ /absorption, grades from which promotion/ /deputation/ /absorption is to be made	If a D.P.C./ D.S.C. exists, what is its composition	Circum- stances in which the Goa Public Service Commis- sion is to be consulted in making recruitment
Optometrist.	10 (2025) (Subject to variation dependent on workload).	Group 'C', Non- Gazetted, Non- Ministe- rial.	L-4.	N.A.	Not exceeding 45 years (Relaxable for Govern- ment Servants upto five years in accordance with the instruc- tions or orders issued by the Govern- ment from time to time).	<i>Essential:</i> (1) Degree in Optometry of minimum four years duration from a recognized University. (2) One year experience as Optometrist in a Government recognized hospital/ /hospital registered under relevant Act. (3) Knowledge of Konkani. <i>Desirable:</i> Knowledge of Marathi.	N.A.	Two years.	By direct recruitment.	N.A.	Group 'C', D.S.C.	N.A.

Department of Revenue**Order**

26/07/03/2021-RD(PF)/172

Date : 05-Feb-2026

In supersession of all the previous orders for creation/revival/redesignation/upgradation of the various posts, the Government is pleased to indicate the final sanctioned staff strength of the Directorate of Settlement and Land Records, Goa, as under for the next five years:

Sr. No.	Designation of the Post	Pay Scale as per the 7 th CPC	Sanctioned Strength
1	2	3	4
Non Ministerial (Non Lapsable Posts)			
1	Director	Level-13	1
2	Additional Director of Settlement and Land Records (South) to be filled by GCS	Level-11	1
3	Dy. Director (Admn.) to be filled by GCS	Level-10	1
4	Superintendent of Survey and Land Records	Level-9	2
5	Assistant Survey Settlement Officer	Level-8	1
6	Inspector of Survey and Land Records	Level-8	15
7	Accountant	Level-6	1
8	Supervisor	Level-7	9
9	Head Surveyor	Level-6	33
10	Draughtsman Grade-I	Level-6	3
11	Field Surveyor	Level-5	157 (DSLRL-125) (Collectorate of North Goa-12) (Collectorate of South Goa-13) (Department of Environment-6) (Department of Tourism-1)
12	Draughtsman Grade-II	Level-5	25
13	Machine Operator	Level-4	1
Ministerial (Lapsable Posts)			
14	Head Clerk	Level-6	3
15	UDC	Level-4	12
16	Junior Stenographer	Level-4	1
17	LDC	Level-2	36
18	Driver	Level-2	3
19	Peon (MTS)	Level-1	20
20	Staff Holder	Level-1	20
	Total		345

As per the recommendations and approval of the High Level Empowered Committee (HLEC) and Administrative Reforms Department, the following posts shall stand abolished, upon superannuation/retirement of the incumbent or upon the post falling vacant (for whatever reasons):

Sr. No.	Designation of the post	Name of the Official holding the post	Remarks
Non Ministerial (Non Lapsable Posts)			
1	Machine Operator	Shri Albano Dias	Superannuation w.e.f. February, 2026.
Ministerial (Lapsable Posts)			
2	Driver	Shri Sandeep A. Sarmalkar	Superannuation w.e.f. 31-05-2028
3	Driver	Shri Nagesh D. Sarvankar	Superannuation w.e.f. 31-03-2034
4	Driver	Shri Pritam D. Mahale	Superannuation w.e.f. 31-01-2046

Note: 1) The above 03 posts of Drivers shall be abolished upon superannuation/retirement of the incumbents/vacancy (for whatever reasons). The requirements of Drivers thereafter shall be outsourced through GHRDC.

2) On vacancy of the post of Staff Holder, the post should be re-designated as Peon (MTS). This should be carried out to such an extent that out of the existing strength of 20 Peons (MTS) and 20 Staff Holders (total 40) the new strength will be 30 Peons (MTS) and 10 Staff Holders. No new Staff Holders should be recruited in future.

This is issued with the approval of the Administrative Reforms Department vide their U.O. No. 8213/F dated 15-03-2025 and Personnel Department vide their U. O No. 1225/F dated 10-05-2025. The Finance (R&C) Department, vide their U. O No. 2936/F dated 29-06-2025 has also concurred the proposal.

The Council of Ministers has approved the proposal in the LXXXIXth Cabinet Meeting held on 07-01-2026 at 12.00 noon under the Chairmanship of Chief Minister.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Agnelo L. D'souza, Under Secretary (Rev-I)/Link.

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Department of Science and Technology and Waste Management

Order

4-138-2025/S&T&WM/1339

Date : 06-Feb-2026

Read order No. (1) 6-39-2021/S&T&WM/869 dated 01-11-2021.

(2) 3-191-2011/14-15/STE-DIR/GSInC/Part/572 dated 24-09-2018.

Government of Goa is pleased to modify the Pattern of Assistance issued vide order at (1) and (2) read above and frame a combined Pattern of Assistance as below.

Sanction of the Government is hereby conveyed to the Pattern of Assistance to incur an annual expenditure of Rs. 65,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty Five lakhs only), as detailed below, as grant-in-aid to the Don Bosco College of Engineering, Fatorda, Margao-Goa.

(i) The grant shall be utilized by Don Bosco College of Engineering as per the following expenditure heads:—

Sr. No.	Description	Total Amount (Rs. in lakhs)
(a)	Monthly remuneration to the staff of Goa State Innovation Council	15.00 per year
(b)	Annual programmes/activities/workshops/camps/sessions/events on innovation, creativity and prototyping for schools, Colleges, Industry, Institutes organized by Goa State Innovation Council to achieve its mandate.	40.00 per year
(c)	Procurement of Lab Equipment/Consumeables for Goa State Innovation Council.	5.00 per year
(d)	VIR Website maintenance/documentation/office consumables and other incidental expenses of Goa State Innovation Council.	5.00 per year
	Total	65.00

(ii) The grants shall be sanctioned and disbursed in two equal half yearly installments under each budget head as detailed below.

3425 — Other Scientific Research;

60 — Others;

800 — Other Expenditure;

06 — State Innovation Council;

00 — General;

31 — Grant-in-aid Rs.50.00 lakhs (in two equal installments).

35 — Grant-in-aid (salaries) Rs.15.00 lakhs (in two equal installments).

(iii) The entire amount of grants should be utilized within a period of one year and only for the purpose for which it is sanctioned. Any portion of the grant, which is not ultimately required, will shall be refunded to the Government. After ‘utilizing/refunding’ the above sanctioned amount, an Utilization Certificate should be furnished to the sanctioning authority as required under Form GFR-12 A.

(iv) The equipment’s purchased with the aid of the grant will vest with the Government. The Grantee shall maintain a register of the permanent and semi-permanent assets created out of the grants. The register shall be maintained separately in respect of the grants sanctioned and an extract from the register shall be furnished to the Government annually with the audited accounts after the close of the financial year. Register shall be maintained in terms of Form GFR-40 and Form GFR-41. Such assets shall not be disposed off, encumbered or utilized for purpose other than those for which the grant was given, without prior approval of the Government. Should be Grantee cease to exist at any time, such assets/properties shall revert to the Government.

(v) The account of the Grantee in respect of this grant should be audited by the Government approved Auditor/Chartered Accountant concerned immediately after the end of the financial year on completion of six months for which the grants is sanctioned. The accounts of the grants shall be maintained separately and properly from its normal activities and submitted as and when required. They shall be open to a test check by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India at his discretion.

(vi) The Audited statement of accounts showing the expenditure incurred by the Grantee from the grants should be furnished to the Government as soon as possible after the close of the financial year/on completion of six months for which the grant is sanctioned together with a certificate from the Auditor to the effect that the grant was utilized for the purpose for which was sanctioned.

(vii) A performance-cum-achievement report specifying in detail the achievements made by the Grantee with the Government grants/amount sanctioned should be furnished to Concerned Department as soon as possible.

(viii) No grants shall be allowed to be paid to any other institutions/voluntary organizations out of this grant sanctioned by the Government.

(ix) The Grantee Institution must exercise reasonable economy, observe all financial rules as issued by the Government from time to time while incurring the expenditure.

(x) In case of misutilisation of grants, the amount so misutilised shall be recovered from the Grantee Institution his grant shall be refunded back to the Government Treasury by Challan within 03 (three) months from the close of financial year.

(xi) The amount shall be drawn from the Directorate of Accounts on presentation of the bill on Form GAR-32 duly countersigned by the Drawing and Disbursing Officer of the Department.

(xii) This grant-in-aid amount shall be increased by 10% every year till financial year 2027-28.

(xiii) The Pattern of Assistance shall be valid for 3 years.

(xiv) The Pattern of Assistance to release the grant-in-aid has been approved by the Finance (Exp.) Department under U.O. No. 1400114813 dated 05-12-2025.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Harish N. Adconkar, GCS, Director (S&T) and ex officio, Jt. Secretary.

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Department of Social Welfare

Directorate of Social Welfare

Notification

61-22-2017-BC/DSW/PART/8046

Date : 03-Feb-2026

Read: (i) Notification No. 61-22-2017-BC-DSW/3536 dated 21-10-2021.

(ii) Notification No. 61-22-2017-BC-DSW/6752 dated 16-03-2023.

(iii) Notification No. 61-22-2017-BC-DSW/Part/7682 dated 18-02-2025.

(iv) Notification No. 61-22-2017-BC-DSW/Part/1563 dated 23-04-2025.

(v) Notification No. 61-22-2017-BC-DSW/Part/2301 dated 26-05-2025.

In partial modification in the scheme “ATAL ASRA YOJANA” at Clause 10 (c) of Notification No. 61-22-2017-BC-DSW/3536 dated 21-10-2021 mentioned above, the Government is pleased to amend the scheme. Accordingly the clause 10 (c) will be read as under.

The applicant shall apply for release of 2nd installment within 02 (two) yrs. from the date of release of first installment along with Utilization Certificate for the amount released under the first installment and photograph of the house with the applicant and photograph of the site of the work undertaken for Repairs/Re-construction/New Construction as the case may be failing which the released amount will be recovered from the applicant as an Arrears of Land Revenue under the Goa, Daman & Diu Land Revenue Code, 1968 & Rules and sanctioned amount will be credited in Government Treasury. This shall include all the cases who had applied before 31st December, 2025 and pending for decision before the Department and Department can consider such cases and give benefit of this amendment.

By order and in the name of Governor of Goa.

Dipak Desai, Director of Social Welfare & ex officio Addl. Secretary (SW).

Panaji.

Department of Tribal Welfare

Directorate of Tribal Welfare

Order

DTW/AD(N)/Circular-TSP/CSS-397/2025-26/5706

Date : 05-Feb-2026

Vide O.M. No. M-11012/03/2013-SJ&SW dated 18-06-2014, the erstwhile Planning Commission (now NITI Aayog) had published 'Revised Guidelines for Implementation of Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) by the States/UTs'. Thereafter, vide O.M. No. M-11011/01/2021-SJE dated 26-08-2021, NITI Aayog clarified that "as the total budget includes allocations for non-plan expenditures like; establishment expenditure and other Central/State sector expenditure etc. Therefore, only the Plan (Scheme) allocations should be considered for allocation of funds for Tribal Sub-Plan in proportion to the Scheduled Tribes population in the respective State/UT".

It has come to the notice of the Government that the TSP allocation is not in line with the aforesaid guidelines of the NITI Aayog. Considering the same the line departments shall ensure that the allocation under Tribal Sub-Plan shall be necessarily in adherence with the guidelines of the NITI Aayog and that there is no diversion of TSP funds for non tribal purpose. The line department shall incur optimum expenditure towards the allocation under the Tribal Sub-Plan so that, benefits reach to the Tribal population of the State. Further, the line Departments shall streamline the schemes to enable the Tribal population to seek maximum benefit.

In pursuance to the above observations, the following directions are hereby issued to bring more accountability into the process of implementation of Tribal Sub-Plan in the State:

1. For any new scheme or amendment to the existing scheme, project and development works under the TSP, the line Department shall take the approval of the Department of Tribal Welfare for proposing works/projects under the Tribal Sub-Plan before the respective Department takes Administrative Approval and Expenditure Sanction in order to ascertain the applicability of expenditure under the Tribal Sub-Plan.

2. The Tribal Welfare Department shall have the liberty to recommend new scheme or amendment to the existing scheme, project and development works under the TSP to the line Department.

3. Upon receipt of proposal from the line Departments on TSP, the Tribal Welfare Department shall convey its decision expeditiously. The Line Departments are advised to submit the details of the projects that the Departments intend to undertake in the next financial year in the preceding year in the month of October–November to ascertain that the proposed projects are benefitting the Scheduled Tribes.

4. The Tribal Welfare Department shall have liberty to call the line Department for discussion on the proposal.

5. The reference number of Tribal Welfare Department wherein the prior approval is obtained shall be mandatorily mentioned in the scheme notification and sanction order by the line Departments for new/amended schemes.

All line Departments shall meticulously follow above directions, and any non compliance will be viewed seriously by the Government.

This is issue with approval of the Government of Goa vide their UO. No. 10427/F dated 15-01-2026.

By order and in the name of Governor of Goa.

Nilesh Dhaigodkar, Director Tribal Welfare & ex officio Jt. Secretary.

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