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Department of Urban Development

(Municipal Administration)

Order

No. 10/1043/2026-DMA/Appointment of Administrator/4621

Date : 31-Mar-2026

Whereas, the General Elections to the six Municipal Councils, namely, the Municipal Councils of Bicholim, Curchorem-Cacora, Canacona, Pernem, Cuncolim and Valpoi is to be held in the month of March, 2026.

And whereas, the term of the abovesaid six Municipal Councils is expiring as mentioned below:

1. The term of Municipal Councils of Bicholim, Curchorem-Cacora, Canacona and Pernem is expiring on 31-03-2026.
2. The term of Municipal Councils of Cuncolim and Valpoi is expiring on 05-04-2026 and 08-04-2026 respectively.

And whereas, the Government has approved the proposal of the Goa State Election Commission to hold the election of above Municipal Councils in the month of May, 2026.

And whereas, in view of above, a situation has arisen whereby the administration of the said six Municipal Councils cannot be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Goa Municipalities Act, 1968 (Act 7 of 1969).

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Clause (d) of sub-section (1) of Section 298 of the Goa Municipalities Act, 1968 (Act 7 of 1969), the Government of Goa hereby appoints the officers specified in Column (2) of the Table below as the Municipal Administrators of the Municipal Councils specified against the corresponding entries in Column (3) of the Table below with effect from dates mentioned in Column (4), in addition to their own duties until further orders.

Sr. No.	Name of the Officers	Name of the Municipal Council	Date of appointment with effect from
1	2	3	4
1	Shri Akshay Potekar, Director (Admn.), Office of Director General of Police	Bicholim M.C.	01-04-2026
2	Shri Sagar Gaude, MD, Goa Education Development Corporation	Curcholem–Cacora M.C.	01-04-2026
3	Shri Shankar Gaonkar, Member Secretary, Kala Academy	Canacona M.C.	01-04-2026
4	Shri Shrikant Pednekar, Assistant Commissioner of Excise-I	Pernem M.C.	01-04-2026
5	Shri Vikas Kamble, CEO, South Goa Zilla Panchayat	Cuncolim M.C.	06-04-2026
6	Shri Raju Dessai, Forest Settlement Officer, North	Valpoi M.C.	09-04-2026

The Officers appointed above shall take charge as per date of appointment and submit compliance.

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

Brijesh Manerkar, Director of Municipal Administration/Urban Development/ex officio Joint Secretary.

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