CIRCULAR

As per Rule 21 of Goa School Education Rules 1986 the terms and the vacation/breaks during the Academic Year, 2019-20 are notified as under. All the Heads of Educational Institutions in the State of Goa shall take note of the same and plan their activities accordingly during the ensuing year.

(a) TERMS:
   (i) 1st Term - 6th June, 2019 to 23rd October, 2019 (Thursday)
   (ii) 2nd Term - 11th November, 2019 to 30th April, 2020 (Monday)

(b) VACATIONS & BREAKS:
   (i) Ganesh Chaturthi Festival Break: 2nd September, 2019 to 7th September, 2019 (Monday)
   (ii) Diwali Vacation: 24th October, 2019 to 9th November, 2019 (Thursday)
   (iii) 'X' Mas festival Break: 24th December, 2019 to 2nd January, 2020 (Tuesday)
   (iv) Summer Vacation: 1st May, 2020 to 3rd June, 2020 (Friday)

(c) PUBLIC HOLIDAYS:
   Public Holidays for the year, 2019 is circulated vide this office Circular no. Acad/Public Holiday/2019/3478, dated 21/12/2018.

(d) DISCRETIONARY HOLIDAYS:
   (i) The Heads of the Schools are authorized to declare 10 Discretionary Holidays. Out of 10 Discretionary Holidays, the Heads of School shall declare 04 discretionary holidays on 4th, 5th, 6th & 7th September, 2019 for Ganesh Chaturthi festival and remaining 06 days discretionary holidays are to be declared in consultation with Parents Teachers Association/Village Education Committee.

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ii) The non teaching staff of the School will be entitled for the above discretionary holidays, however, they are not entitled for restricted holidays. Non Vactional Staff shall not be eligible for vacation /Breaks.

(e) **WORKING DAYS**: The total number of working days including examination days for Primary, Secondary and Higher Secondary School shall not be less than 220 days and total number of instructional days shall not be less than 200 days during the academic year 2019-2020.

(f) The 1st Summative/Mid-Term Examination shall be held so as to end on 23rd October, 2019 and 2nd Summative/Terminal Examination shall be held preferably before 30th March, 2020. The final annual examination results shall not be declared before 29th April, 2020.

(g) The formative examinations shall be conducted as per the convenience of the School and remaining hours of the days should be utilized for regular classes after formative examination is over.

The School instructional hours shall not be less than 5 hours 30 minutes per day, exclusive of School recess. Accordingly, the timing of the School is to be adjusted without altering the total number of periods.

(Nagaraj Honnekeri)
Director of Education

To,
All Heads of Government/Government Aided & Unaided Primary/Middle/Secondary/Higher Secondary & Special Schools in the State of Goa.

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6. The Principal, Govt. Technical High School Centre, Panaji/Mapusa -Goa
7. The Director, Directorate of Sports & Youth Affairs, Campal-Goa.
8. The Director, Directorate of Art & Culture, Panaji-Goa.
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