No.DE/Acad/Terms & Vac./2017-18/22  
Government of Goa,  
Directorate of Education,  
Porvorim-Goa, 403501  
Dated : 03/01/2017.

CIRCULAR

The terms and the vacation/breaks during the Academic Year, 2017-18 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 -

05th June, 2017 (Monday)

to
14th October, 2017 (Saturday)

(ii) 2nd Term -

06th November, 2017 (Monday)

to
30th April, 2018 (Monday)

(b) VACATIONS & BREAKS:-

(i) Ganesh Break: -

23rd August, 2017 (Wednesday)

to
29th August, 2017 (Tuesday)

(ii) Diwali Vacation: -

16th October, 2017 (Monday)

to
04th November, 2017 (Saturday)

(iii) 'X' Mas Break :-

23rd December, 2017 (Friday)

to
01st January, 2018 (Monday)

(iv) Summer Vacation: -

01st May, 2018 (Tuesday)

to
02nd June, 2018 (Saturday)

(c) PUBLIC HOLIDAYS:-

Public holidays for the year, 2017 is circulated vide this office Circular No. Acad/Public Holiday/2017/3630, dated 16/12/2016.

(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 adjoining to the Public Holidays for Ganesh Chaturthi, and remaining 06 days discretionary holidays are to be declared in consultation with Parent 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-vocational staff shall not be eligible for vacation/Break.

(e) **WORKING DAYS:** The total number of working days including examination days for Primary, Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools shall not be less than 234 days and total number of instructional days shall not be less than 200 days during the academic year, 2017-2018. Second Terms examination should be held only after completion of 200 instructional days.

(f) The 1st Summative/Mid-Term Examination shall be held preferably from 09th October, 2017 and the 2nd Summative/Terminal Examination shall be held preferably before 30th March, 2018. The examination results shall not be declared before 30th April, 2018.

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

(h) 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.

(G. P. Bhat)
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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