C I R C U L A R

The terms and the vacation/breaks during the Academic Year, 2016-17 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 - 06th June, 2016 (Monday)
to 26th October, 2016 (Wednesday)

(ii) 2nd Term - 15th November, 2016 (Tuesday)
to 29th April, 2017 (Saturday)

(b) VACATIONS & BREAKS:-

(i) Ganesh Break :- 05th September, 2016 (Monday)
to 10th September, 2016 (Saturday)

(ii) Diwali Vacation :- 27th October, 2016 (Thursday)
to 14th November, 2016 (Monday)

(iii) X' Mas Break :- 23rd December, 2016 (Friday)
to 02nd January, 2017 (Monday)

(iv) Summer Vacation :- 01st May, 2017 (Monday)
to 03rd June, 2017 (Saturday)

(c) PUBLIC HOLIDAYS:-

Public holidays for the year, 2016 are also being circulated vide this office Circular No. Acad/Term & Vac./2014-15/3237, dated 02/12/2015, enclosed herewith.

(d) DISCRETIONARY HOLIDAYS

i) The Heads of the Schools are authorized to declare 08 Discretionary Holidays. Out of 08 Discretionary Holidays, the Heads of School shall declare 04 discretionary holidays adjoining to the Public Holidays for Ganesh Chaturthi, and remaining 04 days discretionary holidays are to be declared in consultation with Parents Teachers Association/Village Education Committee.
The non teaching staff of the School will be entitled for the above discretionary holidays, however they are not entitled for restricted holidays. Non – vacation 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 236 days and total number of instructional days shall not be less than 200 days during the academic year, 2016-2017. Second Terms examination should be held only after completion of 200 instructional days.

(i) The 1st Summative/Mid-Term Examination shall be held preferably after 15th October, 2016 and the 2nd Summative/Terminal Examination shall be held preferably before 30th March, 2017. The examination results shall not be declared before 28th April, 2017.

(f) 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.

(j) 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 )
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Government of Goa,
Directorate of Education,
Porvorim-Goa.
Dated :-O 2- /12/2015.

CIRCULAR

The Government of Goa Vide Notification No.2/1/2015-GAD-H, dated 03/11/2015, has declared the following days as Public Holidays as per Annexure I and the days specified in the Annexure II as Special holidays for all the Educational institutions in the State of Goa for the Year, 2016.

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ANNEXURE – I

LIST OF PUBLIC HOLIDAYS FOR THE YEAR 2016

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<td>Republic Day</td>
<td>January, 26</td>
<td>Magha, 06</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Holi</td>
<td>March, 24</td>
<td>Chaitra, 04</td>
<td>Thursday</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>Good Friday</td>
<td>March, 25</td>
<td>Chaitra, 05</td>
<td>Friday</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>Gudi Padva</td>
<td>April, 08</td>
<td>Chaitra, 19</td>
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<td>5.</td>
<td>Birth Anniversary of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar</td>
<td>April, 14</td>
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<td>May Day</td>
<td>May, 01</td>
<td>Vaisakha, 11</td>
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<td>7.</td>
<td>Id -Ul Fitr*</td>
<td>July, 07</td>
<td>Ashadha, 16</td>
<td>Thursday</td>
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<td>8.</td>
<td>Independence Day</td>
<td>August, 15</td>
<td>Sravana, 24</td>
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<td>9.</td>
<td>Ganesh Chaturthi (1st Day)</td>
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<td>September, 13</td>
<td>Bhadra, 22</td>
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<td>Gandhi Jayanti</td>
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<td>Feast of St. Francis Xavier</td>
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<td>16.</td>
<td>Goa Liberation Day</td>
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<td>Christmas Day</td>
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<td>March, 07</td>
<td>Phalguna, 17</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Milad-Un-Nabi or Id-e-Milad (Birthday of Prophet Md.)</td>
<td>December, 14</td>
<td>Agrahayana, 23</td>
<td>Wednesday</td>
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N.B.

1. The Educational institutions in the State shall treat these Special Holidays as Public Holidays.
2. Special Holiday mentioned at Sr.No: 2 is subject to appearance of moon.
3. Special Holiday can be prefixed or suffixed to the Leave.

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