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**ORDER**

As per amended Rule 21 of Goa School Education Rules 1986 the terms and the vacation/breaks during the Academic Year 2026-27 are notified for **Class VI to X and Class XII** 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:-**

<b>Ist Term -</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> April, 2026 to 10 <sup>th</sup> October, 2026	(Wednesday)  (Saturday)
<b>II<sup>nd</sup> Term -</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> October, 2026 to 24 <sup>th</sup> March, 2027	(Monday)  (Wednesday)

**(b) VACATIONS & BREAKS:-**

<b>(i) Ganesh Chaturthi Festival Break :</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> September, 2026 to 19 <sup>th</sup> September, 2026	(Monday)  (Saturday)
<b>(ii) Diwali Vacation :</b>	02 <sup>nd</sup> November, 2026 to 21 <sup>st</sup> November, 2026	(Monday)  (Saturday)
<b>(iii) Christmas Break :</b>	24 <sup>th</sup> December, 2026 to 02 <sup>nd</sup> January, 2027	(Thursday)  (Saturday)
<b>(iv) Summer Vacation :</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> May, 2027 to 5 <sup>th</sup> June, 2027	(Saturday)  (Saturday)

**(c) PUBLIC HOLIDAYS:-**

List of Public Holidays for the year 2026 has been circulated vide this office Circular No. Acad/ Term & Vac/2021-22/3455, dated 23/10/2025.

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**(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 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> September 2026 for Ganesh Chaturthi festival and remaining 06 days discretionary holidays are to be declared in consultation with Parents Teachers Association/School Management Committee.
- (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-Vacational Staff shall not be eligible for vacation /Breaks.

**(e) WORKING DAYS:-**

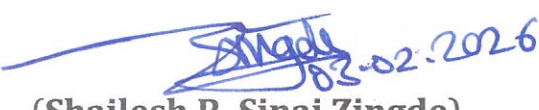
The total number of working days including examination days for Primary, Secondary and Higher Secondary School shall not be less than **220** days and total number of instructional days shall not be less than **200** days during the academic year 2026-27.

- (f) The 1<sup>st</sup> Summative/First-Term Examination shall be held so as to end on **10<sup>th</sup> October, 2026** and 2<sup>nd</sup> Summative/Second Terminal Examination shall be held preferably by **13<sup>th</sup> March, 2027** The final annual examination results shall not be declared before **31<sup>st</sup> March, 2027**.

- (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.

**For Class I to V and Class XI:** As per Amended Rule 21 of Goa School Education Rule, 1986 the school will re-open on 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2026 for the academic year 2026-27. Terms, vacations and breaks will remain the same as that for Class VI to X & Class XII.

  
(Shailesh R. Sinai Zingde)  
Director of Education

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

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4. The Principal, D.I.E.T., Porvorim- Goa.
5. The Director, G.S.C.E.R.T., Alto Porvorim-Goa.
6. The State Project Director, Goa Samagra Shiksha, Porvorim-Goa.
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