

Chapter 1

Proactive Disclosure under Section 4 (1) (b) (i) of the Right to Information Act, 2005

Particulars of Organization, Functions and Duties

Government of Goa
DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION
Alto, Porvorim-Goa

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I. Name and Address of the Public Authority

Directorate of Education

Alto-Porvorim, Bardez-Goa. Pin. Code 403 521

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Office Timings:

Morning: 9.30 a.m. to 1.15 p.m.

Afternoon: 2.00 p.m. to 5.45 p.m.

Lunch Break: 1.15 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.

II. Vision, Mission and Key Objectives of the Public Authority.

1. Vision of the Directorate of Education

Capacity building of every student enabling him / her to face the world confidently by educating every child in the State empowering him / her to be a good citizen of this nation and in turn build a healthy & a peaceful society.

2. Mission of the Directorate of Education

To provide quality education leading to holistic development of the child and to foster scientific temper & patriotism amongst student community and society in general.

3. Aims and Objectives of the Directorate of Education

- To implement National Education Policy 2020 and to provide universal access to quality education at all levels namely foundational, preparatory, middle and secondary.
- To promote lifelong learning opportunities through skill-based and vocational education and to prepare students to achieve their goals in life.
- To improve quality of teaching and learning through curriculum reforms, teacher training and use of modern technology.
- To develop students holistically, fostering intellectual, moral, emotional, behavioural changes towards inclusiveness and social growth.
- Ensure universal enrolment and retention of children in schools.
- To provide standard school infrastructure with modern digital tools.
- Encourage every student for research, innovations, creativity, building love and passion for the Country.

III. Brief History and Context of Formation of the Directorate of Education

Goa enjoys a place of pride in the Country by becoming a 100% literate State. It was liberated from Portuguese Rule in 1961 and has registered impressive progress in the field of education since then.

The Government of Goa considers education as the foundation for human development and a source of cultivation of traits for responsible citizenship. In

keeping with the directive principles incorporated in the Constitution, it has worked towards the objective of Universalization and inclusive Education.

The Education system in Goa is effectively streamlined in keeping with the National Policy on Education 1986, modified as Plan of Action in 1992 - to upgrade the quality of education at all levels. The State had already enacted the Compulsory Education Act, 1995 and had enforced it from 05.09.1996 to ensure that no child in the age group of 6-14 years remains out of school.

The Directorate of Education deals with the Organization, Development and Regulation of School Education in the State of Goa under the provisions of the Goa, Daman & Diu School Education Act, 1984 and Rules, 1986 made there under. The Educational Structure of the State consisted of Pre-Primary, Primary, Middle, Secondary and Higher Secondary Education.

With the implementation of National Education Policy 2020, from the Academic Year 2023-24 switched over to 5+3+3+4 structure namely foundational stage, preparatory stage, middle stage and secondary stage.

The Headquarters of the Directorate of Education is located at Porvorim, Goa. It is headed by the Director of Education who is Ex-officio Joint Secretary (Education) and is supported by Group 'A' Gazetted Officers viz. Director (Administration), Joint Director of Accounts, Deputy Director(s) of Education / Asst. Director(s) of Education.

Goa has two districts viz. North Goa and South Goa. For educational purpose, the State has however, been divided into three Educational Zones each comprising of four Talukas/Blocks. The headquarters of these zonal offices are

at (a) Panaji for the Central Educational Zone covering Tiswadi, Ponda, Dharbandora and Sanguem Talukas/Blocks, (b) Margao for the South Educational Zone covering Canacona, Quepem, Salcete and Mormugao Talukas/Blocks; and (c) Mapusa for the North Educational Zone covering Pernem, Bardez, Bicholim and Sattari Talukas/Blocks. Each Zonal Office is headed by Deputy Director(s) of Education (DDEs) and supported by an Assistant Director of Education (ADE) and Deputy Education Officer(s) (DEOs) who look after academic/administrative matters.

At every Block Level, the Assistant District Educational Inspector(s) (ADEIs) look after the work of Inspections, administration, supervision, co-ordination, monitoring, etc. under the supervision and guidance of the Deputy Director of Education in charge of the respective zones.

All the ADEIs belong to the same rank and generally the senior most ADEI manages the Block Level Education Office and also functions as a Drawing and Disbursing Officer (DDO) for all Government Primary and Middle School Teachers and office staff.

Seventy Eight (78) Government High Schools spread across the entire State cater to the needs of students in Grade V – X and each is headed by a Headmaster, who is a Group 'B' Gazetted Officer. Further, Nine (09) Government Higher Secondary Schools cater to the needs of Grade XI and XII, and each is headed by a Principal who is a Group 'A' Gazetted Officer.

IV. Best Practices of the Directorate of Education

- The Directorate of Education is spearheading the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

- Implementation of Guidelines on School Safety and Security.
- Government and Aided High Schools offer computational thinking and programming curriculum for students from Grade VI to VIII through Coding and Robotics Education in Schools (CARES) Scheme from the year 2021-22.
- Seamless integration with UDISE + ensure up-to-date official data.
- Timely disbursement of all Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) Educational Schemes.

V. Functions and duties of the Directorate of Education

- Upgradation and qualitative improvement of education.
- The orientation of teachers to keep them abreast with modern techniques in the teaching-learning situation.
- Strengthening of administrative machinery for effective implementation of policies.
- With rolling out of National Education Policy (NEP), 2020 the long term goal is configuring the perspective and overall vision, for Integrated Education.
- To make all the Secondary and Higher Secondary schools NSQF (National Skill Qualification Framework) compliant.
- Planning and Implementation of Apprenticeship Training and On-Job-Training programmes catering to the Industry needs.

VI. Organisational Structure of the Directorate of Education

ORGANISATION CHART OF DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION

