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To,
The Heads of all recognised
Secondary & Higher Secondary Schools,
within the Jurisdiction of this Board

Sub:- Regarding MOU with Goa State Biodiversity Board (GSBB) to involve the Academic consisting of Educational institutions under the jurisdiction of Goa Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education (GBSHSE) for creation of awareness on Biodiversity issues among the students.

Sir/Madam,

1. With reference to the above cited subject I am directed to inform you that Goa Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education (GBSHSE) and Goa state Biodiversity Board (GSBB) has signed MOU with a objective of spreading awareness among the students about Biodiversity and its importance for Human well being.
2. The Fundamental duties under article 51 A of our constitution includes that all citizens to "Protect and improve the natural environment including forests, lakes, rivers and wildlife and to have compassion for living creatures".
3. The Students and Teachers will be able to help the Statutory Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) under Biodiversity Act, 2002 in their Village Panchayats/Municipalities and other areas through this initiative of the Board.
4. In order to fulfill the above goals and objectives, GSBB will conduct various training programmes, seminars, awareness drives, rallies, street plays and such other activities through its designated Biodiversity Coordinator.
5. GBSHSE will provide necessary support to the institutions under its control for the programmes as well as to the student volunteers by setting up new or suing existing nature/ecology/environment related clubs, eco-clubs, committees etc. throughout the State of Goa.

6. The GBSHSE will also assist GSBB through their Teachers and Students in their field work and/or research work as and when mutually decided without affecting existing educational targets / commitments/ time bound activities of GBSHSE in preparation of Peoples Biodiversity Registers and other Biodiversity related projects, initiatives etc.
7. GSBB will provide all type of support to the programmes organised by GBSHSE within existing pattern of assistance and available resources with GSBB as well as share the knowledge and expertise of each other's constituents.
8. The GSBB will also support the Teachers and Students of GBSHSE in conducting empirical research in the field of Biodiversity.
9. The GSBB will provide all kinds of support to the awareness programmes organised by GBSHSE. In turn, GSBB will provide logistic support and human resource for the programmes.

The Heads of Institutions are therefore, to motivate Students and Teachers to participate in the programmes identified by GSBB to project our State as a progressive and forward looking state concerned to develop good future citizens to cope with a world facing the impacts of climate change.

The content of this Circular should be brought to the notice of all concerned.

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(Geraldina L. Mendes)
Secretary

Copy to:-

1. The Director, Directorate of Education, Porvorim-Goa.
2. The Secretary, Goa State Biodiversity Board, C/o Department of Science, Technology and Environment, Opp. Saligao Seminary, Saligao, Bardez-Goa
3. P.A. to Chairman, GBSHSE
4. The Director of SCERT, Porvorim-Goa
5. All the Section Heads of this Office.