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Mr. Speaker Sir,

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2. When the great Goan poet Bakibab Borkar, penned these lines, Goa was not even liberated. As we celebrate 50 years of Goa's Liberation, much water has flown across River Zuari and River Mandovi. Seven lakh Goenkars have now gone upto fifteen lakh. But I want to express the same feelings, as that of Bakibab, and say - we the fifteen lakh Goenkars, shall create a new Goa. A Goa where there will be no pains and sorrows and only happiness and happiness alone.

3. Speaker sir, I consider it my great fortune to present the Annual Budget of the State of Goa, in this Golden Jubilee year of Goa's liberation. While my heart is filled with joy on this occasion, my shoulders are heavy, with the responsibility, which I have to carry along. Past memories bring nostalgic moments, which have paved the way for this great day. The last phase of Goa's Liberation began, as you all know, with Dr. Ram Manohar

Lohia, leading the movement on 18th June, 1946, at the ground now named as Lohia Maidan in Margao, the city I was born. The great Freedom Fighters who relentlessly fought with the Portuguese rule, ultimately succeeded, with the Indian Army liberating Goa on 19th December, 1961. We all, Goans, are grateful to our first Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, who liberated Goa, then saying, "*Freedom of India is now complete in true sense of the term*". Then came Opinion Poll, 1967; an opportunity given to all the Goans by our late Prime Minister Smt. Indira Gandhi to decide our fate, and we decided to retain our unique identity and a separate entity of our motherland. 30th May, 1987 saw Goa getting the status of a full fledged State of the Union of India, for which we are indebted to our Late Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

4. Speaker Sir, as we enter the 50th year of Goa's Liberation, we look for a vision for Goa. We look for that vision of Goa, which T. B. Cunha and Luis de Menezes Barganza saw, Dr. Pundalik Gaitonde and Vishwanath Lawande saw, Peter Alvares and Sudatai Joshi and hundreds of other Freedom Fighters saw.

5. Sir, during my Budget presentation for the year 2010-11, I had proposed to establish a Goa Golden Jubilee Development Council under the Chairmanship Dr. Raghunath Mashelkar. I am happy to announce that the Council has already been constituted consisting of, eminent Scientists

like Dr. Anil Kakodkar, Agricultural Scientist Dr. Raj Paroda, Arch. Charles Correa, Dr. Satish Shetye, Dr. P. S. Ramani eminent Neurosurgeon, Environmentalist Prof. Madhav Gadgil, IT Experts Shri. Vijay Bhatkar and Shri. Ashank Desai, Chairman of 13th Finance Commission, Dr. Vijay Kelkar, IIM Professor Errol D'souza, Dr. Ligia Noronha of TERI, Prof. Deelip Deobagkar, Vice Chancellor Goa University, Professor Vithal Sukthankar of Goa Institute of Management and Mr. Caesar Menezes, Chairman, Goa Chamber of Commerce and Industries. The Council has already met thrice during the course of the year, various sub-groups of the Council have met frequently and some have submitted their reports. It is expected that the Final Report would be submitted by 30th June 2011. The Report of the Council will be the 'Goa Vision Document-2035' along with a road map to achieve the same. It is my wish that this Vision Document shall guide the policy and development of future Goa; irrespective of which Political Party rules the State.

6. The great German scholar Max Mueller once said, *"If you were to look over the world to find out the country which is most richly endowed with all the wealth, power and beauty, that nature can bestow – in some parts the paradise on Earth – I should point to India"*

Speaker Sir, I have no doubt that Max Mueller had the impression of this lovely State of Goa and Konkan region in his mind. Visitors and

Tourists carry an immortal memory of the experience of their stay in Goa. Our Goa is called as God's own abode formed after the receding of sea consequent upon the arrow shot by Lord Parshuram from His bow, has an unbreakable bond with Mother Nature and my Government will ensure that the cosmic order, majesty, severity, graciousness of this State, shines perennially.

7. Sir, this is my third budget in succession. This is nothing short of reflection of a deep vision, concern and love for my people, not just the protection of their economic interest, but in the utilitarian calculus, namely; the valuation of what conduces to the permanent well being of the Goan Public as also, the larger human race.

8. During this period, the global economy has seen a lot of turbulence. The period 2008-10 was a period of global recession and Goa was not spared from its effects. Our revenue receipts, as well as growth were adversely affected. This is primarily due to the various external economic factors, on which Goan economy relies upon. However, the year 2010-11 has shown signs of global recovery. This in turn, has directly impacted our economic growth in the current financial year. As a result, we have been able to achieve greater fiscal consolidation this year, which is evident from the revised estimate figures.

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9. As you are aware, I have already placed the Economic Survey 2010-11 before the House, which has provided a detailed analysis on the performance of the various sectors of the economy. To summarize, the Gross State Domestic Product at constant prices grew at 13.03 percent as against 9.46 percent in 2008-09 (at 2004-05 base year prices), during the year 2009-10. The high GSDP growth rate is indeed encouraging, given the fact that the economy was reeling under sluggishness, due to global recession during the fiscal year 2008-09. I expect the GSDP growth rate to be in the vicinity of 14 to 15 percent even for the year 2010-11. And, further, I am hopeful that the economy will not look back and achieve a respectable growth of 15 percent during the next fiscal year 2011-12.

10. Sir, the sectoral growth rates of GSDP at constant prices have been 6.49, 6.57 and 20.08 percent during the year 2009-10 vis-a-vis 3.63, 5.86 and 14.32 percent during the year 2008-09 for Primary, Secondary and Tertiary sectors respectively. This clearly indicates that all the sectors of the economy have grown and made due contribution to the growth of the State's economy.

11. Under Primary Sector, Agriculture and Fishing which had witnessed negative growth of (-) 5.89 and (-) 5.02 percent during the year 2008-09 have turned around and shown a positive growth of 0.04 and 1.35 percent during the year 2009-10. Under the Secondary Sector, Manufacturing grew by 6.39 percent in 2009-10 as against 5.85 percent in 2008-09.

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Speaker Sir, lots of members have been saying that announcements are made in the budget and sometimes they are not implemented. In order to put the facts straight on record, I am starting this practice by which all the budgetary announcements made in the earlier budget will be put up before the House in the form of Action Taken Report as what are the decisions announced whether they were implemented, what was the reasons if there were delays in implementation.

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12. Sir, I am happy to inform this August House that during this fiscal year, we have been able to achieve fiscal consolidation through prudent fiscal management. As per the Revised Estimate of the year 2010-11, the Revenue Expenditure, which consists of Interest Payments and Expenditure on account of Plan and Non-Plan, was ₹4335.64 crores, while Revenue Receipts was ₹4661.14 crores. Thus we have achieved a Revenue Surplus of ₹ 325.49 crores, as against a Revenue Deficit of ₹ 127.20 crores during the year 2009-10 (actual). This is indeed is a great achievement, particularly in view of higher outgo due to implementation of 6th Pay Commission and higher spending on Infrastructure. The Fiscal Deficit during the current year 2010-11 is estimated to be ₹ 690.27 crores, as against ₹ 1242.03 crores during the year 2009-10 (actual).

13. Sir, I have the pleasure to introduce a new practice for the first time in this Legislative Assembly, of placing before this August House, the Action Taken Report of the announcements made in the previous Budget Speech. This is a step towards transparency and accountability of my administration.

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14. As per the Budget estimates for the year 2011-12, the Revenue Receipts are estimated to be ₹ 5061.39 crores as against ₹ 4661.14 crores (Revised Estimates 2010-11). For the same period, the Revenue Expenditure is estimated to grow from ₹ 4335.64 cores to ₹ 5233.42

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crores. The Revenue Deficit is estimated to be ₹ 172.03 crores and the Fiscal Deficit is estimated to be ₹ 707.28 crores.

15. Sir, I am happy to inform this August House that the Thirteenth Finance Commission has given a special Goa specific grant of ₹ 200 crores. This includes ₹ 100 crores for installation of sea barricades to enhance tourist safety and ₹ 100 crores for Mopa Greenfield Airport. The total grant-in-aid awarded by the Thirteenth Finance Commission is ₹ 516.2 crores as against ₹ 135.39 crores during the Twelfth Finance Commission, thereby showing an increase of over 300%. This has been achieved due to my constant persuasion with the Central Authorities. This is a sure indicator that the Central Government is sensitive to the needs and aspirations of the people of the State. Today, I join people of Goa in thanking the UPA Chairperson Smt. Sonia Gandhi and Honourable Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh, for giving special attention to people of Goa.

16. Speaker Sir, in 1961 Goa was liberated from foreign dominion, but certainly the process of liberation cannot stop there. It is continuous and moves with the process of development. Significant development and progress in any sphere of life liberates us from inadequacies and hardships. Now we have pledged ourselves to make the Golden Jubilee Year - a year of liberation from worries and apprehensions about the future, by making

our State stronger economically, socially and culturally; while assuring to all the people of Goa safety, security and happiness. In the words of Gurudev Ravindranath Tagore, we wish to make the State a place “*where the mind is without fear and the head is held high*”

17. Sir, you are aware that the Centre has initiated an innovative project under UID Mission to provide ‘Adhaar Numbers’ to all its citizens. Once the Adhaar Numbers are given to the citizens, it will bring improved service delivery, accountability, and transparency in governance and administration of various schemes. This effort of mine will surely help in improving the reach of financial services and benefits directly to the poor. For implementation of the UID project, I have made a provision of ₹ 700 lakh in the Budget.

Part I

Agriculture

18. Sir, one of the great thinker of 6th century B. C., said “*if you are late in doing one thing in Agriculture, you are late in doing everything everywhere else*”. What was said as early as the 6th Century is very much relevant even today.

19. Speaker Sir, the Members of this August House may recall that in my last Budget Speech 2010-11, I had laid much emphasis on the development

of Agriculture and Horticulture by increasing the Plan Outlay from ₹ 23.94 crore in 2009-10 to ₹ 51.57 crore in 2010-11 under the Agriculture sector. I am happy to inform this August House that this initiative has helped the farmer community in a big way and has helped them to reap rich benefits. It gives me immense pleasure in informing this August House that the efforts of my Government have led to boosting the morale of the farmers and has shown a marked increase in vegetable cultivation. An additional area of 1000 hectares has been brought under cultivation.

20. The initiatives announced last year, shall be continued for the year 2011-12. Further, I propose to involve Self Help Groups (SHG's) in cultivation of vegetables. For this purpose, I propose to provide a onetime grant of ₹ 80,000/- per hectare, to all such groups to encourage them to take on vegetable cultivation in a big way. The grant will include expenditure towards seeds, fertilizer, water pump, pipeline, fencing etc. I am providing ₹ 200 lakh for the same.

21. Further the increased subsidies on modern agriculture machinery from 50% to 70% have helped farmers to adopt modern implements and machines and reduce dependence on manual labour. This has helped in availability of machines of different types from mini-power tillers to combine harvesters. For the first time, our State could see paddy combine

harvester, harvesting paddy in a very short span and at a lesser cost. To give further impetus to the Agricultural growth, I propose to unify the subsidy rates on farm equipments and place them at 75 percent of the cost of the implements. I have made a budget provision of ₹ 750 lakhs.

22. Our Minimum Support Price Scheme has indeed helped the farmers increasing the area under paddy cultivation, as the marketable paddy produce has gone by 38 percent i.e. from 2755 metric tonne in 2009-10 to 3800 metric tonne during this year. In an effort to keep the growth momentum in Agriculture Sector going on; I propose to increase the Support Price for Coconut from present ₹ 5 to ₹ 6 while keeping the number of eligible coconuts unchanged. I propose to provide 75 percent subsidy on the fungicides at source to the growers of Arecanut subject to a maximum of ₹ 8000. I also propose to introduce price incentives of ₹ 10 per kilogram of 'Alsande' sold by the farmers to Government at the approved procurement centres. A provision of ₹ 150 lakhs has been made in the budget.

23. In the last Budget, my Government had introduced a scheme of providing organic manure and micro-nutrients for increasing productivity of cashew. Under the scheme an area of 1000 hectares was covered, results of which will be evident in next 02 years. I extend the scheme to the coconut plantations as well and expect that an area of 500 hectares to be

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brought under the scheme. An outlay of ₹ 75.00 lakhs is made in the Budget 2011-12.

24. Sir, under the existing Solar Power Battery Fencing Scheme, 70 percent and 90 percent subsidy was provided to the farmers belonging to the General Category and Scheduled Caste Category respectively. The Scheme received good response from the farmers. While appreciating the Scheme, the farmer community has requested my Government for a uniform subsidy of 90 percent to all the farmers. Accordingly, respecting the demand of the farmers, I announce a uniform subsidy rate of 90 percent on the Solar Power Battery Fencing Scheme in the overall interest of the farmer community.

25. Since, response to the 'Jalkund' scheme has been ^{extremely} very good, I propose to increase the outlay from ₹ 40 lakh to ₹ 60 lakh, in order to create additional irrigation capacities to the small vegetable growers. ^{specialy} those who grow vegetables on the hilly place.

26. Further, I propose a 75 percent subsidy on digging of wells and subject to the maximum cost of digging a well at ₹ 1.00 lakh. A provision of ₹ 100 lakh is made in the budget.

27. We all are aware of the constraints faced by the farmers in terms of size of the land holdings, cost of labour and opportunity cost of the capital

employed in agriculture. Despite all odds, the farmer tries to produce as much as possible, by using best practices and innovations. My Government believes that a logical step forward is to recognize the contributions of all such outstanding farmers for their innovative farming. The recognition will be in the form of three State level Awards.

I, therefore, propose three '*Chief Minister Awards*' for the Farmers, in Agriculture and Horticulture, to be given to self cultivating farmer. The Awards will be '*Krishi Ratna*' which will carry a cash prize of ₹ 2.00 lakh (Rupees two lakhs only), along with a citation; '*Krishi Vibhushan*' which will carry a cash prize of ₹ 1.00 lakh (Rupees one lakh only) along with a citation; and '*Krishi Bhushan*' which will carry a cash price of ₹ 50,000 (Rupees fifty thousand only) along with a citation. A provision of ₹ 3.50 lakh has been made in the Budget 2011-12.

28. The Goa State Horticultural Corporation through its 362 outlets is supplying the vegetables at subsidized prices to the people of the State, thus providing much relief against the price rise. In order to increase vegetable production in the State and an assured market for them, I intend to put in place a system of procurement of vegetables from the farmer's place at pre-fixed prices and sell them at subsidized prices. For this purpose, I am making a provision of ₹ 10 crores in the Budget 2011-12.

29. In the backdrop of the fact that agriculture is prone to damages due to vagaries of nature, I intend to put technology to use by encouraging the farmers to adopt construction of Green houses and polyhouses for cultivation of vegetables and flowers. The Government of India under National Horticulture Mission provides 50 percent subsidy. My Government likes to complement the same with another 40 percent, thus, making the total subsidy of 90 percent. I am making an initial provision of ₹ 75 lakh in this Budget.

30. I also propose to increase the subsidy on construction of Bio-Gas Plants for the benefit of agriculturist by increasing the subsidy to 90 percent.

31. To provide further thrust to agriculture, I propose to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Krishi Vidyapeeth, Dapoli and Agricultural University, Dharwad for Research and Development in the field of Agriculture.

Animal Husbandry, Poultry and Fishing

32. Sir, in an effort to supplement the agricultural income of the farmers and availability of eggs in the State; I propose to encourage the farmers to take up poultry farming on a small scale. For this purpose, I propose to

provide a cash subsidy of ₹ 1500 for purchase of 100 birds and a cage during the year 2011-12. For this purpose, I have made a provision of ₹ 200 lakh. The farmers shall be encouraged to breed local calves and I propose to provide a 50 percent subsidy on the fodder to take care of the local breed calves. A provision of ₹ 500 lakh is made in the Budget.

33. In order to provide traditional fishermen some respite in the changed circumstances, where they are facing intense competition from the mechanized fishing operators, struggling from the rise in the prices of basic material inputs such as Kerosene, Outboard Motors, Fibre Canoes, and such other inputs necessary for the fishing, I propose the following modifications in the existing schemes, in the Budget 2011-12:

- a. Increase the subsidy on Kerosene from present ₹ 18,000 to ₹ 30,000;
- b. Increase in subsidy on Outboard Motors from ₹ 20,000 to ₹ 40,000;
- c. Increase in subsidy for purchasing the fishing Nets from ₹ 8000 to ₹ 20,000;
- d. The traditional fishermen will be entitled to avail the subsidy on purchase of nets at least twice in his lifetime; and
- e. Further, construction of Slipways at various places will also be given priority to reduce the hardships to the traditional fishermen.

For the above initiatives, a total provision of ₹ 750 lakh has been made.

34. Sir, as we know that the fishing community of the State was badly hit by the cyclone 'Phyan' and as many as 67 people lost their lives; I had declared ₹ 1.00 lakh ex-gratia payment, to the next of kin of victims. A part payment of ₹ 50,000 each has been already made, the balance ₹ 50,000 shall be made shortly for which I have provided the requisite funds under the budget.

Mining

35. Speaker Sir, from the year that has gone by, my Government has taken a number of initiatives to ensure a sustainable framework for the mining related issues in the State. The balance between Environmental Protection and Development Activities including Mining and Infrastructure; housing etc., could only be maintained by strictly following the Principle of 'Sustainable Development'. The Right to a Clean Environment is a guaranteed Fundamental Right. This is a development strategy that caters to the needs of the present without negotiating the ability of upcoming generations to satisfy their needs. Strict observance of sustainable development means a path that ensures development while protecting the environment; a path that works for all people and for all generations, with a guarantee to the present and bequeath to the future.

36. Speaker Sir, the Mining Sector which has become a subject matter of many ongoing agitations and protests, emanated out of genuine sufferings

of the villagers concerned, need to be attended to on priority. This very Mining Sector which used to earlier contribute hardly ₹ 25 Crores as revenue to the State exchequer has this year, subsequent to revised rates of Royalty announced by the Central Government, generated Revenue of nearly ₹ 800 Crores; a substantial increase in Revenue directly to the State Treasury, while conferring indirect benefits of employment generation, rural development and creation of effective demand in the Consumer Sector.

37. Bearing this in mind, the Government has now imposed a complete ban on any new mining areas to be opened up, unless and until the State Mineral Policy is in place. Further, the State Government has conferred a drive against all types of illegal mining and has intimated to the Central Government not to permit or grant any Environmental Clearances pending finalisation of the Mineral Policy by the State, which has been accepted by the Ministry of Environment and Forests and a moratorium has been imposed. Indeed, to the extent the exigencies of law permit me, I have directed the Goa State Pollution Control Board to withhold the granting of any 'Consent to Establish' or 'Consent to Operate' to any new Mines. In the past three years, not more than 18 (eighteen) Renewals have been granted, only for existing operational leases, whereas 46 (forty six) applications for renewal have been rejected; while at the same time realising the importance of the Mining Sector in its economic contribution,

the Government has decided to follow the Principle of Sustainable Development, so as to work out a fine balance between all sections of society; whilst ensuing that no inconvenience or suffering is faced by the people affected by Mining.

38. My Government in October 2010, introduced a unique methodology through the Office of the Captain of Ports and with due co-operation from the Mormugao Port Trust with the objective of curtailing illegal sale of ore. As Goan ore is an 100% export commodity, my Government verified the sale of minerals at its last point of delivery through the introduction of a NOC to be given by the Directorate of Mines and Geology, confirming that the cargo being loaded on a particular vessel is compliant and has paid all statutory duties. This has created a barrier for illegal sale of ore.

I am happy to say that the Government would be further improving upon this system with the Directorate of Mines and Geology issuing a requisite royalty challan and NOC at the same time which will not only make it administratively more fluent but payments more regulated and expedient.

39. Sir, during my last budget, the first unique initiative under the private-public partnership for implementation of two mining corridors between Uguem to Guddemol and Guddemol to Capxem at a cost

exceeding ₹ 200 crores, has been approved. It has been agreed between the industry and the Government that the industry shall fund the developments of this mining corridor with the nodal agency being the Goa State Infrastructure Development Corporation with other conditions like maintenance etc, factored in. Once these corridors are commissioned, the earlier routes that were being utilized will be declared as non-mining routes, which will ease the traffic in populated areas. We are proud of such initiatives as it gives a clear indication that with the right intention and ideas, the economy, environment and society can co-exist effectively.

40. Speaker Sir, My Government will be tabling before this August House an amendment to the Goa Stamp Act, for renewal of registration of subsisting mining lease areas, for which substantial revenue of at least ₹ 100 crores would be realized. Mining is a significant part of the Goan economic landscape and it is our responsibility to regulate it to ensure that it achieves its optimum potential without being detrimental to any strata of society and above all the environment.

41. Although Mining has contributed to the economic development of the State, it has caused severe environmental damage particularly in the four talukas of Sanguem, Quepem, Sattari and Ponda. People in these areas have been bearing all the ills associated with this Industry. I am concerned about their health and welfare.

42. Speaker sir, when the State is celebrating its Golden Jubilee, we need to recognize the pain and agony of these people in the mining belt who had to suffer arduously all these years. I intend to implement various village oriented schemes in consultation with the Gram Sabhas' of the mining affected areas. I desire to spend an amount of ₹ 500 crores for this initiative over the next two years. Initially an amount of ₹ 100 crores has been made in the budget. I would like to mention here that the money generated through the royalty is being utilised to causes of common good and to subserve greater public interest. I am aware that this is in no way a compensation of the sufferings but just a modest beginning to partly mitigate the rigours of mining, as Lord Buddha taught us, that " *No one saves us but ourselves. No one can and no one may. We ourselves must walk the path.* "

Health

43. Speaker sir, Benjamin Disraeli said, "*the Health of the people is really the foundation upon which all the happiness and all the powers of a State depends*". Health is the priority area of my Government, because I believe a Healthy State is a Happy State.

44. As I continue all earlier initiatives in the health Sector, I specifically wish to cover an area of concern especially for the 'Elders' of the State. The improvement in quality of life has increased the Life expectancy and

with that the rising number of elders in the State, due to which we are facing a serious challenge of increasing number of Alzheimer's patients.

This is an area of concern. Alzheimer's is an incurable, degenerative and terminal disease also known as Dementia. The patient suffering from this disease is faced with inability to acquire new memories, confusion, irritability, aggression, mood swing, language breakdown, and long term memory loss. The people over 65 years of age are the most vulnerable to this disease. Worldwide, there are more than 28 million people suffering from this terminal disease. It is predicted to affect 01 in 85 people globally by the year 2050. In the State of Goa alone, according to a rough estimate, there are around 10,000 people suffering from this incurable disease.

45. Given the incurable and degenerative nature of the Alzheimer's disease, the management and care of patient becomes utmost essential. The role of the main caregiver is often taken by the spouse or a close relative and the Alzheimer's disease is known for placing a great burden on the caregivers; the pressures can be wide ranging, involving social, psychological, physical and economical.

46. My Government, therefore, felt that in this year of Golden Jubilee of our liberation there is a need for establishing 'Alzheimer's Home' in the State so as to take appropriate care of these vulnerable elderly people

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suffering from this terminal and incurable disease. This 'Alzheimer's Home' shall be suitably designed to cater to the special needs of the people with dementia and will be located at Monte Hill, Margao. The Home shall have Residential care, Day care, and respite care facilities. For this purpose, the Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) having sufficient experience in providing services in this area shall be engaged in managing the Alzheimer's Home. I have made a provision of ₹ 100 lakh for the purpose in the budget.

47. Sir, many cases have come to my notice where people have lost their limbs due to accidents etc. Such people find it difficult to spend huge amount of money to purchase artificial limbs. My Government proposes to provide assistance to the tune of maximum 50% of the cost or two lakh rupees, whichever is less, for this purpose.

48. Sir, the 108 Ambulance service operating in the State is functioning quite successfully. It has been instrumental in saving several precious lives, since its inception. I now propose to expand its services by providing additional assistance for procurement of additional ambulances, so as to cover new operational areas, especially rural areas.

Social and Women & Child Welfare

49. Sir, one of areas of concern for the State at present is the declining Sex-ratio. Sex ratio is the ratio of males to females in a population. The

Sex ratio was 1000: 1071 in 1961 as against 1000: 961 in 2001. To address the falling Sex-ratio and issues of Gender inequality in the State, I believe that a multipronged strategy requires to be adopted for an early correction. I, therefore, propose the following strategy:

- a. Incentivizing the mother with a financial assistance immediately on delivery of a Girl child provided it is not her 3rd child;
- b. Opening a Fixed Deposit Account in the name of the Girl Child and depositing a specified amount in it;
- c. Providing free School uniforms (two Sets) and School Text Books up to 12th Standard; and a chair, a table and table lamp; and
- d. Providing Financial Assistance to the parents for Marriage of the Daughters.

50. Accordingly, my Government is happy to announce a scheme for the mothers who deliver a Girl Child (maximum two deliveries). Under the Scheme a financial incentive of ₹ 5000 shall be provided to the mother soon after delivery of the child so that her post delivery nutritional requirements are taken care of. A provision of ₹ 5.50 crores has been made in this Budget

51. Further, I announce another Scheme called "Chief Minister's Girl Child Security Scheme" under which a Fixed Deposit Account shall be opened in the name of the Girl Child with an initial deposit of ₹ 25,000 (to

be withdrawn only on attaining the age of 18 years). A provision of ₹ 27.50 crores has been made in this Budget

52. My Government is also happy to announce yet another Scheme for the Girl Child wherein the Girl child shall be provided ₹ 1000 for purchase of School Uniforms (two sets), Text Books at the beginning of the Academic year up to Standard XII. The girl child shall also be provided a cash incentive of ₹ 1000 for purchase of a chair, and a table with table lamp from V Std. to XII Std. To support this scheme, I am making a provision of ₹ 15 crore in the budget.

53. I also propose to enhance the financial assistance provided under the present Kanyadaan Scheme, from ₹ 15,000/- to ₹ 25,000/- and also rename the Scheme as "Chief Minister's Kanyadaan Scheme". For this Scheme an appropriate provision of ₹ 8 crores is made in the Budget 2011-12.

54. Accordingly, a total provision of ₹ 56 crore has been made in the Budget, for all above schemes. The resource mobilization for the above schemes will be made through adjustment in VAT rates which, I will discuss in Part-II of my speech.

55. Sir, I propose to enhance the present onetime benefit at retirement of the anganwadi workers and anganwadi helpers to ₹ 2,00,000 and

₹ 1,00,000 respectively from the existing ₹ 1,00,000 and ₹ 50,000 respectively.

56. Sir, "Bhadels" i.e. traditional trustworthy ladies, belonging to the ST community, who work tirelessly and give their services to the shopkeepers and business community, is an age-old institution by itself. During Golden Jubilee celebration year, I want to recognise their selfless services rendered to the society by honouring them with a onetime honorarium of ₹ 25,000/-, to those who have put in atleast twenty five years of service. My Government will constitute a panel comprising traders, representatives of NGO's and social workers, who will identify and shortlist such 'Bhadels' to be honoured.

57. Sir, under the centrally sponsored scheme Indira Aawas Yojana, my Government had enhanced State share by an additional ₹ 10,000/- ^{in the last budget} during the year 2009-10. Due to increased cost of construction, my Government proposes to further enhance the same to ₹ 25,000/-.

58. Sir, as you are aware the UPA Government under the able leadership of Honourable Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh, has recognised the importance of senior Citizens in our society, in the Union Budget 2011-12. I too desire to extend our helping hand to their Associations in Goa, by providing a onetime assistance of ₹ 2.00 lakh each.



In addition to that, we are also providing some more benefits to Anganwadi workers. A commitment which was given to us to them.

59. During the Golden Jubilee celebration of our liberation, I propose to extend a helping hand to assist the Government recognized registered Associations viz., Motor Cycle Pilot Association, Auto Rickshaw Association and Private Bus Operators' Association by providing onetime Grant of ₹ 1.00 lakh to supplement the schemes implemented by them for the benefit of their members.

60. Sir, in order to provide some benefit to the small time auto-rickshaw owners, I intend to enhance the subsidy from 20,000/- to 40,000/- for purchase of new auto-rickshaws. Further, in order to support the bus operators, I propose a subsidy on replacement of two tyres. *A demand which has been continuously put by the rickshaw owners and the bus operators.*

61. To provide impetus to the women empowerment the Women Self Help Groups shall be provided loan facility at the concession rate of interest of 4 percent to take up productive activities. Further, efforts shall also be made to provide a marketing platform in each of the taluka place so that the SHGs become financial strong over a period of time. The Goa Handicraft Corporation shall also be asked to support these groups. A provision of ₹ 200 lakh has been made in the budget for this purpose.

62. Sir, Martin Luther King Junior, has rightly said that, "*Almost always, the creative dedicated minority has made the world better*". The State of Goa is known for plurality of its culture. Various minority groups have contributed immensely to the development of the state. For the

development of minority community, I propose to establish a Goa Minorities Finance Development Corporation with an initial corpus of ₹ 500 lakh.

Tribal Welfare

63. As the Honorable Members of this August House are aware that in my last Budget 2010-11, I had announced setting up of a separate Department for Scheduled Tribe, I am happy to inform this August House that the Tribal Welfare Department has been set up and has become functional. I propose to increase the present outlay of ₹ 17.38 crores to ₹ 25 crore for effective and efficient implementation of various welfare oriented schemes. By doing this we would be moving one step closer to the implementation of the ST Sub-Plan as mandated by the Central Government. I have no doubt in my mind, that the Department though presently at a nascent stage, would go a long way in fulfilling the aspirations and expectations of the ST population of the State.

64. Sir, to reduce incidence of unemployment among the SC / ST / OBC communities and assist them establish their own small and tiny enterprises and create self employment for themselves, I intend to provide a onetime grant of ₹ 500 lakh each to the following Corporations:

1. SC / OBC Development Corporation
2. ST Development Corporation

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The Corporations shall be asked to formulate innovative schemes for self employment generation, providing concessional loans at the rate of 4 percent for house repairs and new house construction, and such other schemes for the welfare and benefit of the people belonging to SC, OBC and ST so that their economic and social status in the society could be enhanced.

65. I am also concerned of the issues of Dhangar communities in Goa for whose development, I am enhancing the provision under budget to ₹ 150 lakh. *in this year.*

Unemployment Subsistence Allowance

66. A large number of young people after completing their education do not find gainful employment for themselves for various reasons and require a long waiting. This interim period is very crucial for these young minds as they are idle, it may lead to frustration, loss of confidence level and be prone to unacceptable and unhealthy social habits, and thereby falling prey to anti-social elements.

67. With this premise in mind, my Government consciously felt that there is ^a need to provide an 'Unemployment Subsistence Allowance' to these young people for at least three (3) years from date of registration in

Employment Exchange so that they can take care of their day-to-day minimum requirements.

My Government, therefore takes a considerate view and proposes a monthly unemployment subsistence allowance of a maximum of ₹ 1200, based on their educational qualifications.

Accordingly, I have provided ₹ 50.00 crore in the Budget 2011-12.

Infrastructure Development

68. The Power scenario in the State as it stands today indicates to the fact that there is an acute shortage vis-a-vis its demand. At present there is a shortfall of 100 Mega Watt during the peak period. Needless to say, the requirement would continue to increase as the economy would grow. A conservative estimate indicates that the peak demand power requirement would be 1100 MW by the terminal year of the Twelfth Five Year Plan period (2012-17). A part the power requirement may be coming forth by way of commissioning of the Gas based Power Plant which is in the pipeline. A Memorandum of Understanding to this effect has already been signed between the State and the Gas Authority of India Limited (GAIL). Some of the power may also be coming forth from generation of thermal Power from the use of Coal Block allocated to the State at Chhattisgarh. However, there still exists a Power shortage, which could be bridged by resorting to use of Non-Conventional Sources of Energy.

The GAIL gas pipeline is proposed to reach Goa by March 2012. I am to announce that my Government would explore the possibility to setting up of at least one gas based power station of a minimum of 250 mega watts. Assistance from GAIL would be obtained in this regard. Further I also propose to form a Joint venture with GAIL for undertaking the distribution of Gas to consumers.

69. I would also like to announce that my Government would like to explore the possibility of alternate energy modules in industrial estates. Accordingly, I propose to conduct a study so as to tap solar and wind energy in these areas to form an alternate source of power and avail funding under Central Schemes like the Jawaharlal Solar Mission.

Likewise I, propose to invite power generating companies for setting up of Non-Conventional Power Generation Plants in the State by using available Bio-mass as well as Solar Power. Accordingly, I have made a provision of ₹ 100 lakh in the budget.

70. To enhance security measures at the important and key installations of the State to safeguard them from any untoward incidents of terrorist attacks and such other intrusion of anti-social elements, I thought it appropriate to increase the security of such important and key official building and premises by installing 'Electric Perimeter Security Fencing'

with integrated surveillance system. In the first phase of the initiative the Legislative Assembly and Secretariat Complex shall be taken up for which I am providing ₹ 500 lakh in the budget.

71. Sir, the Infrastructure is *sine qua non*, of Economic Development of any State and more so for Goa. I believe, the infrastructure development of this territory shall provide an impetus to development of hinterland. With this objective in mind I propose to undertake construction of connecting bridges at Terekhol. A proper vehicular bridge is proposed between Rua-de-Ourem and Patto Plaza to provide an alternate access to Panaji city.

72. Sir, last year the New Govt. College of Commerce commenced its academic sessions in Margao. This institution is set up largely for the benefit of Tribal population. I propose to construct a complete College building in the next financial year.

73. Sir, Mormugao and Canacona Talukas do not have any facilities in aquatic sports. I propose construction of swimming pools in these two talukas. Besides, a Construction of Community Hall and a Stadium at Santacruz and construction of a new bus stand and Joggers park at Mapusa is proposed.

74. Sir, the Police Station buildings at Mapusa and Bicholim require immediate attention. I propose to undertake construction of new buildings for both these police stations.

75. Sir, as part of the heritage conservation which can provide a boost to heritage tourism, I propose to undertake the renovation of Chapora Fort.

76. Sir, for the benefit of pilgrims going for Haj, I propose to construct a new Haj House, which will facilitate better administration and greatly help people going on the pilgrimage.

77. Sir, my Government is aware of the need for better sewerage connectivity and sewage treatment facilities in growing urban areas. Presently work at Margao has commenced and work at other parts in the State would also be taken up in due course. The Government has provided a funding of ₹ 36 crores including Additional Central Assistance of ₹ 15 crores for sewerage projects in the State. Government intends to provide and make available sufficient additional funds for undertaking the sewerage works in other important urban areas. Any further additional fund will be provided by my Government, as and when required.

78. Sir, as the Honorable Members are aware, I had announced creation of Swarnamahotsawi Area Development Fund during my last budget.

Though the Government had made provision of ₹ 20 lakh per constituency, the scheme could not take off on the intended date due to several administrative reasons. I have discussed this matter with my colleagues from all parties and they have agreed that the implementation should be done through the BDOs for panchayat areas and the Chief Officers in Municipal areas. The MLAs would be able to take up small time works as per the demands of their constituents. Accordingly, I am making a full provision of ₹ 50 lakh per Constituency.

Solid Waste Management, Monitoring and Awareness.

79. Speaker sir, my Government is concerned about the problem of efficient solid waste management in the State. The feedback received from tourist and others is not encouraging. While biodegradable waste can be taken care through measures of good practice, it is the plastic and non-biodegradable waste and its litter, which gives an unclean look and spoils the scenic beauty. My Government has taken up this issue in right earnest and under the Rural Garbage Disposal Scheme an amount of ₹ 25,000/- to each Village Panchayat is provided. This amount is not even sufficient to take up solid waste collection programmes. I therefore propose to enhance the amount to ₹ 50,000/- per Village Panchayat under this Scheme. I have made additional provision for this scheme in this Budget.

80. On collection of the non-biodegradable waste, safe disposal is another issue of concern. My Government, through the Department of Environment, is presently working out modalities with ACC Cement Plant at Wadi, who have agreed to consume plastic collected and other related waste in their cement kiln. This measure on long-term basis will help the State to get rid of the plastic waste problem.

81. Speaker Sir, cleanliness begins at home. Whilst cleaning one's house, care should be taken, not to dirty somebody else's, by recklessly dumping waste by the roadside. Children and their Parents are the key stakeholders to successful implementation of segregation-based projects in the state. I therefore propose to provide some incentives to the Educational Institutions, to set up a plastic and related product collection center within the school premises, where the student will be encouraged to bring in clean plastics, plastic bottles and other plastic recyclable products from their home to be deposited in these collection centers, which in turn will be picked up by the Contractor engaged by Directorate of Panchayats, for collection of plastic waste. I have provided additional budget provisions for this purpose under the Department of Environment.

82. Sir, my Government has fully supported the citizen's initiative for creating awareness on good practices of solid waste management and conducting clean up drives. A Monitoring Committee has been set up at

Government level with representatives of various NGO's, to further strengthen the enforcement mechanism and provide better support for the awareness programmes. I have provided additional budget provisions for this purpose under the Department of Environment.

83. The Bhaba Atomic Research Centre (BARC), Mumbai has developed a State of the art technology for treatment of garbage, preservation of fruits and food grains, etc. There are also various other technologies developed by them which are of use to mankind. I propose to sign a MOU with BARC for technology transfer to the State of Goa.

84. To spread a sense of hygiene and cleanliness amongst the people of the State, I propose to constitute Awards for Adarsh Nirmal Gram and Adarsh Nirmal Ward each in South Goa and North Goa Districts. The Award will carry a Special onetime grant of ₹ 10 lakh to the Village Panchayat and Municipality (to be used for the development and upgradation of infrastructure of the Village & Ward) and exemption of House tax to the residents of that Village and Ward for one year. Accordingly a provision of ₹ 40 lakh is made in the budget 2011-12.

Education, Science & Technology

85. Even while the overall literacy rate in the State has been placed at 82.02 percent, the quality of primary education in the State remains an area of concern for us for various reasons.

* We are taking care of the students even though students last year who are
* studying in 11th now and who will come in the 11th now. So, both the years
* students there will be no gap.

86. Sir, I believe in Nelson Mandela, that "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world". Primary education is the foundation of the future of this country, which plays an important role in nurturing the child at elementary level. I desire to undertake a complete revamp of the primary education system in Goa. A panel will be constituted to study all the aspects and give a roadmap. I also want to release non-salary grants to all aided primary institutions, imparting education in vernacular language who at present are receiving only salary grants.

87. Sir, Honorable Members of this August House may recollect that in my Budget Speech 2010-11, I had indicated that the EDUNET Scheme will be revisited. Having revisited the Scheme, I propose to withdraw the present EDUNET Scheme from the next financial year 2011-12 and introduce a new scheme called as LAPTOP-11. Under the scheme, all the students entering Eleventh (11th) standard in the next academic year and those studying in eleventh Standard, in this academic year will be provided with a mini-laptop with open source operating system, at the beginning of the academic year so that students can derive maximum benefit of these modern gadgets in their studies.

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* For this purpose, a provision of ₹ 46 crores is made in the Budget 2011-12, which includes ₹ 11 crores for clearing backlog cases. of last year.

88. The education system around the world has undergone tremendous change in its teaching methodologies and has adopted the use of modern computer and information technology for teaching the students. India too, has not fallen behind in this initiative with as many as 4500 progressive schools in the country having adopted the concept of Smart Class for teaching its students. The concept of Smart Classes is a digital initiative, new age technology driven movement that is fast becoming an imperative for schools/colleges. Soon it will touch every class and every technology savvy school in India. Smart class is transforming the way teachers teach and students learn in schools. Further newer initiatives are being introduced such as Smart Class O3 (One-On-One computing) Program wherein all the students are provided with a laptop, and a Classmate PC (CMPC). Even the teachers are provided with the laptops. This has revolutionized the teaching-learning methodology in classrooms.

Having said that, it would be the endeavour of my Government to introduce students to this innovative teaching-learning initiative during this year. For the purpose, my Government likes to announce procurement of necessary hardware and software to select schools and colleges. Initially, 100 schools, 25 higher secondary schools, and all colleges would be considered for implementing this scheme on pilot basis. Accordingly, I am making a provision of ₹ 200 lakh in the budget 2011-12.

89. Sir, Mark Twain once said, "*Don't let schooling interfere in your education*". I feel regular schooling should not come in way of anybody's desire to take up education.

There is a large number of students who drop out at Std. VIII and Std. IXth for various reasons, one being the subjects like Maths, English, Science which are difficult for them. Such of the students at later stage join National Institute of Schooling (NIOS) popularly known as "Open School". It is proposed to establish the Goa Institute of Open Schooling (GIOS) wherein all such students who otherwise seek admissions in National Level Institute would be provided quality facilities in the State under State Open Board. Establishment of this Board would require a seed capital of ₹ 100 lakh which are provided in the budget.

90. The Goa Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary education has completed 35 years of its fruitful existence. Its infrastructure requires a facelift. I have made a provision of ₹ 2.8 crores for this purpose.

I also propose to provide a token grant of ₹ 25 lakhs per annum to the Goa Board to meet its contingent expenditure.

91. Sir, my Government is always concerned about the welfare of the teachers, who are instrumental in facilitating the moulding of our young, to

be righteous citizens of the country. My Government has recently implemented the VI Pay AICTE pay scales for the teachers in Degree and Diploma Technical Institutions in the State. I have noticed that while the Grant-in-Aid Institutions, in School Education and Higher Education are being provided 100% salary grant, the Grant-in-Aid Institutions in Technical Education, are provided with only 90% salary grant. I propose to do away with this disparity and provide full 100% grant for the Grant-in-Aid Institutions, in Technical Education. I have made enhanced provisions in this respect in this Budget. These Institutions will continue to retain the amount of tuition fees collected by them, for contingency expenditure.

92. Sir, the Teacher Associations have been continuously representing to implement the Part-B recommendations of the VI Pay Commission for the School Education teachers. The State Government had implemented Part-B scales under V Pay commission. After detailed discussions with the various Teacher Associations, I propose to consider this demand, and accordingly propose to make applicable the Grade Pay under Part-B scales to various categories of Teachers, prospectively with effect from 01.07.2011, without notional fixation in the pay band concerned.

93. Speaker sir, during my interaction with Gomant Vibushan Dr. Anil Kakodkar, he stressed the need for creating an environment that nurtures

and addresses curiosity among children, popularises science and initiates young students into good quality research. High performers in science education also need to be rewarded and provided with career opportunities. Their activity and reach needs to be tracked and incentives provided.

For this purpose, I intend to implement such schemes on the concept of "Catch them Young". Under this scheme, for popularizing and providing support to young science enthusiasts, I propose to grant scholarships to help students pursue higher education in science, create and develop ideas on science related projects and pursue research. The scheme is also open for science teachers. For this purpose, I have provided enhanced support under the budget provisions of Department of Science and Technology. Assistance will be in the form of grants to be provided to the Institution where the student learns or the faculty concerned teaches. Grants can be utilized for purchase of equipments, leading to upgradation of laboratories and other facilities and learning materials, which will not only be useful for the researcher but also for the Institutes and the students at large. My Government wishes to sustain research that meets the challenges set out by industry and society i.e. research should be relevant to the need of the industry and society and push research excellence to high levels.

94. Sir, things which interest the child in Science would lead to inciting that spark, that passion for exploration, sowing the seed for research. The Child needs to learn hands on, for which adequate learning and working models should be provided for the child to explore for himself/herself. Since this year is being celebrated as the '*Year for Chemistry*', I propose to provide a onetime Grant of ₹ 2 lakh each to the Science Laboratories in the colleges and ₹ 50,000 each for all Science Higher secondary Schools. A provision of ₹ 30 lakhs is made in the budget.

95. Sir, the Government of India has constituted a National Innovation Council. On the same lines, I propose to start the State Innovation Council under the Chairmanship of Dr. Satish Shetye, Director of National Institute of Oceanography for which, I propose to provide ₹ 100 lakh for this purpose. I also propose to start a Research and Technology Park in the Goa University.

96. There are some students who are orphaned of both parents. They are deprived of higher education for want of financial resources. I therefore propose to support such orphaned children who could take care of their education right up to Graduation/Post-Graduation level. I wish to announce '*Dayanand Bandodkar Scheme for Higher Education for Orphans*', for which a budget provision of ₹ 30 lakhs is made.

97. Due to several historical reasons the Children belonging to SC and ST groups find it difficult to reach the corridors of institutions of Higher learning. In order to provide free access to every SC / ST student, I propose to provide Free Higher Education leading to Under Graduate and Post Graduate Degree. This would be a 100% fee waiver scheme for SC / ST students.

98. Sir, Parent Teacher Associations perform a crucial role in the schools and an important stakeholders in the educational system. I wish to recognize their efforts and provide a one time grant of 5,000/- for student programme activity.

99. Sir, I announce the Goa State Golden Jubilee Best Scientist Award, in order to encourage Goans in the field of physical sciences, mathematics, Biology and bio-technology, environment, marine science, engineering, medical and pharmaceuticals, agriculture, horticulture and Information technology. A provision of ₹ 5 lakh is made in the budget.

Tourism

100. Goa has immense potential for Helicopter tourism in the State. It is felt that Helicopter tourism, will be ideal for the development of tourism in the hinterlands as this is a need of the tourists and also demand of the high net-worth individuals for faster and speedy transport service. This can be

effectively used for emergency services and air-ambulances. It has a huge potential for revenue generation.

I, therefore, propose to set up helicopter services in the State of Goa in association with the private operators. For this purpose the Central Government assistance of ₹ 75 lakh shall be utilized for the construction of Heliports/Helipads.

101. It would be an overemphasis here if I mention that the tourism sector is the mainstay of the State economy. For the development of tourism my Government will be making concerted efforts by taking new initiatives such as:

- a. Commencing a sunset cruising from Panaji to Cortalim, for which I make a provision of ₹ 200 lakh;
- b. Commencing river cruise in the River Sal by taking up the work of de silting, beautifying both its banks and also construction of leisure fishing points/decks for those tourists and residents of State who enjoy fishing. I, therefore, make a provision of ₹ 300 lakh for the purpose;
- c. To encourage countryside tourism, and encourage local enterprising residents to construct self contained rooms for the stay of the tourist serving bread and break-fast, I propose to provide them with a soft

loan at the rate of 8 percent interest through EDC and a onetime grant of ₹ 50,000 per room constructed. Under the scheme, a maximum of five (5) self contained rooms shall be entitled for this benefit. A provision of ₹ 500 lakhs is made in the budget.

- d. The development and beautification of Baina beach shall also be taken up for which I am providing ₹ 50 lakhs in the budget.

Art, Culture & Sports

102. Sir, we have recently concluded Birth Centenary of great Goan poet Bakibab Borkar. I intend to establish permanent Memorial of this legendary poet, who wrote excellent poetry in Konkani & Marathi. A permanent Memorial will be established in Ponda Taluka which will become an attraction for the artists' fraternity as well as for the art loving visiting tourists.

103. Sir, I want to institute an annual fellowship in memory of Gyanpeeth Awardee Late Ravindra Kelekar. A Fellow will be chosen from among the top brass Indian writers who will be required to live in Goa, for one year, and produce a new work of literature. The fellowship will offer an honorarium of ₹ 5 Lakh, to the selected writer.

I also propose to institute a Fellowship in the name of Late Manoharai Sardesai, the celebrated Goan poet. This Fellowship will be

awarded to an accomplished Goan writer for visiting other states, for the purpose of research required by him/her for a creative work. The fellowship amount will be maximum ₹ 3 Lakh.

104. Sir, in the words of Blessed Mother Teresa, *“Being unwanted, unloved, uncared for, forgotten by everybody, I think that is a much greater hunger, a much greater poverty than a person who has nothing to eat”*.

Speaker Sir, as we celebrate the Golden Jubilee year of Goa’s liberation this year, I thought of making a small but a pious beginning towards making a difference in the lives of ‘not so lucky children’ namely destitute, orphans, children of broken homes and special children. As children are the gift of God and are future of our nation, it will be my bounden duty to provide for their basic right to food, clothing, shelter, education, medical care and a clean environment. Similarly the old and the aged persons too need support to make their living meaningful. Similarly, I am also concerned about the plight of the aged, destitute, and disabled who too need a helping hand.

Instead of creating a separate mechanism to support such people, I feel it will be appropriate to recognize the services rendered by some of the reputed Institutes/NGOs like Snehamandir, Ponda; Lokvishwas Pratishtan, Ponda; Sanjeevan, Ponda; Matruchhaya, Ponda; Kasturba

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Matoshri Trust, Panaji; Children's Rights in Goa, Panaji; Sangat, Panaji; Jan Ugahi, Margao; Positive people, Panaji; Sethu, Panaji, Disha Charitable Trust, Panaji; Mother Teresa Sisters', Panaji; Gujrati Samaj Educational Trust for Handicapped, Margao; Caritas; Saint Francis Xavier's Academy, Old Goa; Daddy's Home, Margao; Asha Deep, Vasco; Arz, Vasco; Chetana Cheritable Trust, Churchorem; Navjot Rehabilitation, Thivim; Shanti Avedna Ashram, Loutolim; Nitya Seva Nikatan, Rivona; Keshav Seva Sadhana's, Narayan Zantye School for special children; Caritas Asro, Thivim; Jyot Society, Margao; Mother Mary Heaven, Calangute; Divine Providence, Benaulim; Indian Red Cross Society; Lar Santa Margarita, Diwar and Lar de Santa Teresa, Margao; working for children, old, sick and disabled. During this Golden Jubilee year, I recognize the services rendered by them by providing onetime golden jubilee grant in the memory of Blessed Mother Teresa of ₹ 25 lakhs each to strengthen their activities. Further, I propose to enhance this grant for specific proposals received from these NGOs on case to case basis.

Sir, this is not an exhaustive list and certainly efforts shall be made to reach out to other NGOs too who are rendering commendable services to humankind.

I propose to provide ₹ 25.00 crore for the same in the budget 2011-12. I would like to inform that the requisite fund for this benevolent

cause shall be mopped up from VAT on Petrol and diesel which I shall be dealing in detail in Part II of my Budget Speech.

To provide such assistance on continuous basis, I also propose to establish a Fund viz., *Blessed Mother Teresa Benevolent Fund* with an initial corpus of ₹ 500 lakhs and appeal the Corporate world and the public at large to contribute generously towards the fund.

105. Sir, as we celebrate the Golden Jubilee of our liberation, my Government thought it appropriate to provide onetime Golden Jubilee Grant to the villages and cities for creation of basic amenities and developmental projects. Accordingly, I am making a provision of ₹ 20.00 crore for the village Panchayats and ₹ 30.00 crore for the Municipalities and the City Corporation of Panaji the budget 2011-12.

106. Sir, I desire to construct a state-of-the-art Ravindra Bhavan at Mapusa for the benefit of the people of Bardez Taluka. But due to problems involved in identification of suitable land for the purpose, the project is getting delayed and would certainly be taken up once the land is identified. At the same time, I do not want the people of Bardez to be deprived of the art and cultural activities. Therefore, I intend to provide ₹ 30 lakh for upgradation and refurbishment of Hanumaan Natyagrah at

Mapusa. Similarly, I intend to provide grant of ₹ 50 lakh for upgradation and reconstruction of Shri. Damodar Vidyabhuwan, Margao; which is one of the oldest and historical auditoria in Goa.

107. To take Goan art and culture beyond the boundaries of the State, I shall be taking appropriate steps to develop bilateral ties with other States and also other countries. Similarly, I want to give utmost thrust on cultural tourism and steps towards the same shall be initiated with proper coordination between Department of Art and Culture and Department of Tourism.

108. Sir, large number of pilgrims from Goa visit various religious places like Shirdi, Pandharpur, Kuravpur, Vailankini, Ajmer etc. These pilgrims find it extremely difficult to get accommodation in these places especially during festive season. I propose to provide a maximum grant of ₹ 25 lakhs to those registered organizations who take initiative to build such facilitation centres at such places. I am making a provision of ₹ 100 lakh in the budget.

109. Sir, in the words of John F. Kennedy, "*Geography has made us neighbours. History has made us friends. Economics has made us partners and Necessity has made us allies. Those whom God has joined so well together, let no man put asunder*".

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The Goans are known to be the Phoenicians of modern world. A large number of them are settled in various parts of the world for various historical reasons. While it will be my endeavour to start centres at various places, to promote cultural bonding, to start with, I propose to launch three such centres- '*Runanubandh- a Goa Centre*', one each in the State of Karnataka, Kerala and Maharashtra where Goan Diaspora live in large number. The proposed centres are intended to initiate programs for developing stronger socio-cultural bonds between those communities and Goa, so that the State is benefited from their association. These centres may also act as information-cum-facilitation centre for the tourists. These centres will be established by taking help and assistance from the respective associations of Goan origin in that State by providing them necessary grants. Based on the success of these centres, Government will consider opening such centres in other States as well.

110. Sir, Youth are our biggest asset, they are the pillars of our economic growth and in them lies the future of Goa. Therefore, there is a felt need to inculcate in them good values, and provide exposure to them in order to broaden their vision. For this cause, I declare a Golden Jubilee grant to all Colleges, to conduct lectures of eminent personalities, seminars, workshops, and such other programmes, throughout this year. For this purpose, I have made a provision of ₹ 100 lakhs in the budget.

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111. Sir, football has always been close to the heart of all Goans. Goan Football teams, such as Dempo Sports Club, Churchill Brothers, Salgaocar sports Club etc. have excelled at the national and international level. Hence, as the State celebrates its Golden Jubilee this year, I feel, that Goans should get a Golden opportunity to witness some of the world's leading football teams in action in the State of Goa. Incidentally, the Goa Football Association celebrated its Golden Jubilee last year. I thought it would be a good idea to hold few friendly matches with some foreign football teams in collaboration with Goa Football Association. Accordingly, I am making a provision of ₹ 50 lakh in the budget.

112. Sir, you are aware Margao Cricket Club, known as MCC, which owns Rajendra Prasad Stadium and which created the first indoor badminton hall; is one of the oldest cricket clubs in the State. It has done great service to the youth and sports persons of the State. The only test cricketer from Goa, late Dilip Sardesai, started his cricket career at MCC. The club has also produced several football and cricket players who made a mark in the State. In order to recognize its services and to enable the club to create a better infrastructure, I propose to provide a onetime grant of ₹ 50 lakh.

113. To commemorate Golden Jubilee, I thought it appropriate to build Golden Jubilee Commemorative Monuments at three major entry points of

the state. I am making a provision of ₹ 10 crore in the budget. I intend to float a competition to design these monuments.

114. As I had mentioned in the House earlier that the State will have a state-of-the-art Central Library which will be one of its kind in the entire country. I am happy to inform this August House that we will be inaugurating the library during the Golden Jubilee year of our liberation and will be named after the first Goan writer Krishnadas Shama.

115. Sir, it has been the endeavour of my Government to strengthen the local languages Konkani and Marathi. Likewise, I now propose to support the Mother of all languages 'Sanskrit' by providing financial support to the institutions promoting Sanskrit.

116. Sir, in the recent past my Government has celebrated birth centenary years of great Goans D.D Kosambi and B.B. Borkar. We are now celebrating birth centenary of another great Goan visionary Late D.B. Bandodkar. During this Golden Jubilee year of Goa's liberation, I am happy to provide grants to Goa University for constitution of the three different Chairs in the names of these great Goan legendary personalities which will be funded by my Government. An adequate provision has been made in the budget.

117. Sir, there are several religious institutions/Trusts which have difficulties in raising resources to provide for security arrangements and other administrative expenses relating to the places of worship. During the year 2011-12 as many as 50 such institutions/Trusts would be identified for providing such benefit under the scheme for which ₹ 250 lakhs have been provided in the budget.

Industries

118. Sir, It has always been the aim of my Government to foster sustainable economic growth by balancing development of industry and protecting our environment and natural resources. With this in mind, we have managed to give a thrust to the Micro, Small & Medium sector in a big way.

Sir, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, have played a vital role in the Economic Development of the State. My Government firmly believes that encouragement to such enterprises will go a long way in development of non-polluting, environmental friendly, industries in the State of Goa, and generate employment so as to ensure the progress and prosperity of the State.

119. In order to facilitate Micro, Small and Medium industries to access easier, adequate and timely credit from the banking sector, it would be

prudent to encourage such units to go in for a comprehensive credit rating through a transparent and reliable mode. To encourage this, I have proposed to introduce the “Benefits for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises To Obtain Credit Scheme” whereby these units would be encouraged to go in for an independent credit rating having affiliation with agencies SIDBI or IDBI and reimburse the actual expenditure incurred by Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises for obtaining credit rating service from any approved credit rating agency. However, these units would have to be categorized under green and orange category only.

120. My Government’s commitment to environmental management is unequivocal. I propose to introduce the “Environmental Management Certification - ISO 14000 Scheme” whereby we would encourage industrial units as well as other institutions like hospitals recognized by Directorate of Health Services and educational institutions approved by the Government, etc. to go in for such a Certification to boost excellence in environmental management thereby making Goa a model to emulate.

121. Sir, in order to promote occupational health and safety at the work place, I propose “The Occupational Health and Safety (OHAS) Certification Scheme” for Micro, Small and Medium enterprises in green and orange category to encourage health and occupational safety, thereby leading the way for safe and unpolluted industrial growth.

122. Sir, to further provide impetus to such enterprises, I propose to introduce, the following measures.

- a) A scheme for allotting small industrial plots at 20% concessions to the budding entrepreneurs, in Micro and Small category. Further, some of these plots will be exclusively reserved for women & SC / ST categories,
- b) A scheme for setting up of Industrial & Enterprises Research and Managerial Counseling Centre and conduct of Managerial Counseling Programmes,
- c) A scheme for State Awards for the best Entrepreneurs of the State in recognize their efforts in achieving global standards of product quality in order to compete in the globalised market environment.

123. Sir, the Preferential Purchase Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises is running well and has been a boon to Micro and Small enterprises in Goa. As per the Scheme, Micro and Small enterprises having a turnover of ₹ 6.00 crores are eligible for enrolment in this Scheme. This turnover limit was fixed way back in 2003. I propose that the eligibility clause on turnover to be enhanced to ₹ 10.00 crores instead of the present ₹ 6.00 crores. This will extend the benefit of the Scheme to many more Micro and Small Enterprises thereby benefiting the Micro and Small Enterprise sector at large.

124. Sir, Entrepreneurial Resource is a crucial input in the process of economic development. The role of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises contribute much to employment generation, economic growth and development of the region. I intend to conduct as many as 10 entrepreneurial development programmes in association with Industry associations and other technical institutions during the year 2011-12. I also intend to support Fr. Agnel Charities, in setting up a Entrepreneurship Development Institute at the land identified by them at Assagao in North Goa, through suitable grants.

125. Sir, there is a need to provide for common effluent treatment plants and small captive power plants, including hybrid systems, in the industrial estates, to enhance the integrated facilities in these areas; for which my Government will take appropriate steps, through GIDC.

126. Sir, the Handicrafts products produced by the Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes needs to be marketed in the local and National market. This requires infrastructure which is to be created for opening of outlets by the Co-operative Societies. I propose to introduce a scheme to provide marketing assistance to the co-operatives belonging to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes for this purpose.

* Further, to encourage the artisan entrepreneurs, I intend to provide them with improved or upgraded machines to produce superior quality

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THE SPEAKER : Would you like to extend the time? Under Rule-16 I move that the sitting of the House be extended by another 15 minutes.

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products required in the urban and semi urban areas. A subsidy to the extent of 50% of the value of machine is proposed and a suitable scheme in this regard will be worked out. This will be supplemented by organizing technical workshops to upgrade the product profile of Goan Handicraft. .

To give a boost to handicrafts in the State, necessary support would be given for establishing a Handicraft Sourcing Hub at Margao under Urban Haat Scheme of the Government of India. Necessary land and the balance funding would be provided to the project over and above the assistance which would be availed from the Ministry of Textiles, Government of India. The sourcing hub would benefit Goan artisans and provide them an excellent opportunity to display their art and provide a marketing platform to both artisans and buyers.

127. The Goa Industrial Policy 2008 and the Schemes announced within the same are in force upto 31/03/2011. I announce the extension of Goa Industrial Policy 2008 which was extended upto March 2011, for a further period of three years upto March 2014. In the interim, I propose to engage professional help and consultancy to frame a new Industrial Policy for the State to replace the existing one, taking into account all changes which have taken place till date and considering the progress which Goa would desire in the future in this sector. All stakeholders would be taken into confidence in framing the new Policy.

128. Sir, my Government has taken firm steps to implement Rain Water Harvesting and Ground Water Recharge measures at Verna Industrial Estate, both within plots held by industrial units as well as in open and common areas in the Verna Industrial Estate. As on date, ₹ 60 lakhs has been spent on these measures and it is estimated that considerable amount of water will be recharged through these measures. Various measures undertaken professionally would definitely yield positive results in the years to come. Constant monitoring of the ground water table has also been initiated in Verna. I propose to expand such intensive Rain Water Harvesting and Ground Water Recharge measures in two other industrial estates of the State and complete them in this financial year. Adequate financial support for rain water harvesting and Ground Water Recharge would be given and strict monitoring would be undertaken through the Directorate of Industries, Trade & Commerce with the help of the Water Resources Department and the Goa State Pollution Control Board.

129. In order to alleviate the acute scarcity of industrial land, I propose to consciously expand the existing industrial estates in line with the Regional Plan for Goa 2021. Backward talukas of Pernem, Canacona, Quepem and Sanguem would be given priority to boost industrial growth in these areas.

130. Sir, I propose to create a technology development fund, to provide loans for MSME industrial units and other institutions attempting

developments and commercial applications of indigenous technologies or adapting imported technology for wider domestic application. Financial assistance up to ₹ 50 lakhs would be made available in the form of soft loan and appropriate guidelines for managing the same would be formulated.

131. Sir, to provide impetus to the Goan Gold and Silver Jewellery Entrepreneurs, I propose to constitute Goa Gold Jewellery Promotion Board and provide one time grant of ₹ 10 lakh.

132. Sir, as the Honorable Members of this August House are aware, that I had announced a scheme for traditional occupations and trades such as Khajekar, Render, Fougeri, Chanekar, Poder, Padeli etc.; but it could not be implemented due to certain technical issues while framing the scheme. Now since those issues are resolved, my Government will implement the scheme during 2011-12 for which I have kept a provision of ₹ 500 lakh in the budget.

Regulation of Casinos

133. In my last Budget speech, I had informed this August house that Casinos have been brought under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act. I am happy to inform the House that a Committee under Director, Financial Intelligence Unit, Ministry of Finance,

Government of India has examined the issue in great details and has submitted its recommendations to the Government. The Committee has recommended a comprehensive legislation and setting up of an autonomous Gaming Commission to regulate the Casinos in the state. It has also recommended use of standardized software to calibrate the gaming machines, in order to provide better MIS as also to improve revenue collection. I propose to introduce these recommendations, after examining international best practices, in this financial year. It is estimated that implementation of these measures will lead to an increased revenue collection of at least ₹ 50 crores.

134. Sir, as you are aware, we had started online lottery last year after a gap of seven years. I am happy to announce that this measure has yielded revenue of about ₹ 18 crores during last ten months and another ₹ 2 crores are expected in next two months. This is highly encouraging in view of economic recession last year. Similarly, I want to take further steps as regards commencing the Online Gaming, which I had announced in my last year's budget Speech, the "Goa Online Gaming Act" is being drafted. Once completed, a Bill to that effect shall be introduced in the Legislative Assembly. Simultaneously we will be placing internationally accepted *e-gaming* regulations for the same.

Unorganised Sector

135. There are several marginal income earners and people from economically disadvantaged sections of the society, who do not have financial security in the old age. Such people include farmers, labourers, fishermen, taxi drivers, motorcycle pilots, Anganwadi workers etc. My Government cares for the "Aam Admi". In order to provide them with security in old age, I propose to announce a special pension scheme for the people of unorganized sector called "Rahat", wherein Govt. of Goa will provide ₹ 2,400/- per person per year. This together with Govt. of India contribution of ₹ 1000 per person will give an assured monthly pension of at least ₹ 2000 per month after the age of 60 years. This will greatly help vast majority of poor people, who are silently contributing for the development of the state. Towards this end a provision of ₹ 1000 lakh is made in the budget

Food Security

136. Hunger is the biggest crime against humanity. In this Golden Jubilee year of liberation, we declare a total war against hunger. My Government resolves that not even a single person will go without food even for one single day in the entire State of Goa. To achieve this objective, I propose to introduce Food Security Bill shortly. The proposed Bill will take special care of Priority groups, including pregnant women,

single women, infants and children upto the age of 14, homeless children, disabled and destitute. For this purpose, I am setting up a Committee under noted Social Activist and Member of National Advisory Council Shri. Harsh Mander. For the effective functioning of the Committee, I am making a token provision of ₹ 200 lakh for incurring initial administrative expenses. I am sure and I believe that the liberation will be complete in true sense of the term, once freedom from hunger is achieved.

Recognition of Armed Forces

137. As we celebrate the Golden Jubilee year of our Liberation, I would like to recall the great sacrifice made by the Indian Army for the Liberation of Goa. In order to recognize their contribution I propose to incentivize the youth of Goa to encourage them to join the Armed Forces and take some welfare measure for the Goa's Ex-Servicemen. I propose to provide monetary incentive to encourage youth of Goa to join Armed Forces in the following manner:

(a) The Government will provide ₹ 1,00,000 as an incentive to Goan youth who are commissioned in Armed Forces through Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) as Permanent Commissioned Officer from National Defence Academy (NDA), Indian Military Academy (IMA), Naval Academy or Air Force Academy.

(b) The Government will provide ₹ 50,000 as incentive to Goan youth who are commissioned in Armed Forces through UPSC as Short Service Commissioned Officer from Officers Training Academy, Naval Academy or Air Force Academy.

(c) The Government will provide ₹ 25,000 as an incentive to Goan youth who join Indian Army, Indian Navy or Indian Air Force in any rank below commissioned officer.

138. The Ex-Servicemen and their widows of Goan origin or permanent residents of the State who fulfill the domiciliary requirements of 15 years continuous residence after retirement in the State shall be fully exempted from paying VAT on purchase of Motor Vehicles (4 wheelers/two wheelers) for their personal use other than for commercial activities from dealers located in the State.

Part-II - Tax proposals

139. Sir, as I discuss tax proposals, I recall a saying of Kautilya, *“Just as one plucks fruits from a garden, as they ripen, so shall a King have revenue collected as it become due. Just as one does not collect unripe fruit, he shall avoid taking revenue that is not due because that will make the people unhappy, which will spoil the very source of revenue.”*

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Sir, I submit my tax proposal as follows.

140. To increase the use of jute and jute products which are bio degradable in nature I, propose to revise the present Entry at Sl. No (57) under Schedule 'B' to read as Fibres of all types and fibre wastes excluding coconut fibre but including Jute and other Textile based fibres.

141. To rationalize the stamp duty on conveyance of immovable property, I propose to cover the Co-operative Housing Societies under the 2 percent slab.

142. To discourage smoking-a killer addiction, I propose to increase the VAT rate on Tobacco products including Cigar and Cigarette (except Goods notified at Entry (66) under Schedule 'D') from 12.5 percent to 20 percent.

143. To provide a relief to the dairy farmers, Entry at Sl No.(4) Under Schedule 'D' appended to the Goa Value Added Tax shall be suitably modified to clearly spell out the inclusion of Cotton Seeds Oil Cake in it. This modification will help the dairy farmers avail VAT free Cotton Seed Oil Cake as Cattle Feed.

144. As referred in Part-I of my speech regarding the resource mobilization for the Scheme for orphaned / destitute / Autistic / physically

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challenged & special children and children of broken homes; I propose to unify the rates on petroleum products such as Aviation spirit, aviation turbine fuel, high speed diesel oil, light diesel oil, motor spirit/petrol etc and increase the rate by 2 percent from the present level. This measure will provide additional revenue of ₹ 100 crore approximately. It is worth noting here that this enhancement shall have a small pinch but a great satisfaction of supporting most needy section of the population.

Luxury Tax

145. Recently, the Union budget has proposed levy of service tax on hotel rooms charging Rs. 1000/- for each room per day.

Sir, in my last budget, I had proposed a levy of 5% of tourism cess on hotel rooms in addition to luxury, but in subsequent discussion with the tourism industry, I restricted this levy at 2% only. Since, Goa is international tourism hub, to support the local hotel industry who has been representing time and again; I would like to reconsider the additional levy imposed in the last budget and propose to rationalize the levy of luxury tax as follows:

Luxury tax on room accommodation

Upto Rs. 300/- per room per day	exempt
Rs. 300/- to Rs. 1500/-	5%
Rs. 1500/- to Rs. 3000/-	8%
Rs. 3000/- to Rs. 5000/-	10%
Exceeding Rs. 5000/-	12%

Luxury tax on accommodation for commercial purposes will be charged at 5%.

Accommodation with Luxuries provided for other purposes

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| (i) Rent upto Rs. 10000/- per event per day | exempt |
| (ii) Rent exceeding Rs. 10000/- but not exceeding
Rs. 30000/- per event per day | 10% |
| (iii) Rent exceeding to Rs. 30000/- per event per day | 15% |

Value Added Tax

146. For augmentation of tax revenue on sale of goods, I propose to revise some of the VAT rates as follows:

Schedule 'B'

I propose new entry at Sr. No. (34) Declared goods as specified in Section 14 of CST Act 1956 (Central Act 74 of 1956) excluding LPG for domestic use. This amendment is proposed in line with Government of India proposal of increasing the rate of tax on Declared goods from 4% to 5% from the new financial year 2011-12.

Schedule 'C'

- (i) Entry No 13 to include bath tub.
- (ii) Entry No 14 to be amended as 'Goods, other than Declared goods, involved in the exhibition of works contract'.
- (iii) The existing Entry at Sr. No (16) is proposed to be deleted.
- (iv) New entry proposed at Sr. No (19) Marble & Granite, including tiles of marble and granite - taxable at 15%
- (v) New entry proposed at Sr. No (20) Footwear costing Rs. 2000/- and above taxable at 15%

Schedule 'E'

- (i) Entry at Sr. No. (3) Hotel restaurants eating house- refreshment room, boarding establishment serving food and non alcoholic beverages other than starred category of hotels. The rate of composition is proposed to be increased from 4% to 5%

- (ii) Entry at Sr. No. (6) The composition fee for Shacks allotted by Tourism Department Rs. 10000/- per annum.

147. I also propose to rationalize the tax on screening of films. Tickets up to Rs. 50/- shall be exempt from levy of entertainment tax and all the tickets exceeding Rs. 50/- shall attract levy of entertainment tax @ 25%. With this revision, all small theatres will be relieved of tax payments.

Infrastructure Tax

148. I propose one time Infrastructure Tax hereafter on purchase/ construction of independent Bungalows; houses in Gated communities / Housing Complexes and flats in apartments in the following manner:

₹100 lakh to ₹ 200 lakh	1 percent of the cost
₹ 200 lakh and above	2 percent of the cost

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Similarly, I propose to put one time Infrastructure Tax on purchase of new luxury Cars at the time of registration in the following manner:

₹ 10 lakh to Rs 20 lakh	₹ 10,000
₹ 20 lakh to Rs 40 lakh	₹ 30,000
₹ 40 lakh to Rs 60 lakh	₹ 50,000
₹ 60 lakh and above	₹ 1.00 lakh

149. The other items which I intend to bring under tax net and broaden the tax base is the Barges, Heavy Construction equipments, and Earth Moving Machines, Vehicles, and Equipments used for mining or for any other purposes. I propose an Infrastructure Tax of ₹ 50,000 per annum.

Excise

150. Sir, this year with a few rationalization measures the Excise Department has been able to net in nearly ₹ 140 crores, which is a remarkable performance. I further propose additional measures.

In order to increase the revenue for the Excise Department, it is proposed to revise the excise duty / fee structure on Indian Made Foreign Liquour manufactured in State of Goa and imported from rest of India and Foreign Liquour imported from outside India or transported from the

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Customs Station into the State of Goa, by further rationalizing the duty structure as per revised slabs of MRP, as under:

- a) Whose Maximum Retail Price (MRP) is above ₹ 75/- upto ₹ 125/- per 750 ml and strength is below 80UP, the excise duty / fee is proposed to be increased from ₹ 36.50 per BL to ₹ 40/- per BL,
- b) Whose Maximum Retail Price (MRP) is above ₹ 125/- upto ₹ 225/- per 750 ml and strength is below 80UP, the excise duty / fee is proposed to be increased from ₹ 36.50 per BL to ₹ 45/- per BL,
- c) Whose Maximum Retail Price (MRP) is above ₹ 225/- upto ₹ 350/- per 750 ml and strength is below 80UP, the excise duty / fee is proposed to be increased from ₹ 45 per BL to ₹ 50/- per BL,
- d) Whose Maximum Retail Price (MRP) is above ₹ 350/- upto ₹ 500/- per 750 ml and strength is below 80UP, the excise duty / fee is proposed to be increased from ₹45 per BL to ₹ 55/- per BL, and
- e) Whose Maximum Retail Price (MRP) is above ₹ 500/- upto ₹ 750/- per 750 ml and strength is below 80UP, the excise duty / fee is proposed to be increased from ₹150 per BL to ₹ 155/- per BL.

151. Further, I propose to enhance the excise duty on IMFL manufactured in State of Goa and imported from rest of India and Foreign Liquour imported from outside India or transported from the Customs Station into the State of Goa, whose strength is above 80 UP and sold in the State of Goa from existing ₹ 11 per BL to ₹ 13 per BL.

152. It is proposed to revise the excise duty / fee structure on Beer manufactured in State of Goa and imported from rest of India and also imported from outside India or transported from the Customs Station into the State of Goa as under:

- a) Whose Maximum Retail Price (MRP) is less than ₹ 50/- and strength is 5%, the excise duty / fee is proposed to be increased from ₹ 11 per BL to ₹ 12/- per BL,
- b) Whose Maximum Retail Price (MRP) is above ₹ 50/- and strength does not exceed 5%, the excise duty / fee is proposed to be increased from ₹14 per BL to ₹ 15/- per BL,
- c) Whose Maximum Retail Price (MRP) is upto ₹ 50/- and strength exceed 5% but is less than 8%, the excise duty / fee is proposed to be increased from ₹16/- per BL to ₹17/- per BL,
- d) Whose Maximum Retail Price (MRP) is above ₹ 50/- and strength is above 5% but below 8%, the excise duty / fee is proposed to be increased from ₹ 25 per BL to ₹ 26/- per BL.

153. Sir, as a measure to support the local country liquor manufacturers who utilize rectified spirit or Extra Neutral Alcohol as base material or for blending, I propose to reduce the excise duty from ₹ 15/- per BL to ₹ 12/- per BL.

154. Further, I propose to impose additional manufacturing license fee equivalent to the license fee of that unit, for IMFL and Wine and also impose an additional manufacturing license fee equivalent to 50% of license fee in case of Beer.

Also, I propose to enhance the export or import permit fees or fees for NOC from existing ₹ 300/- to ₹ 500/-. In case of cancellation of the permit, the cancellation fee is proposed to be increased from ₹ 300/- to ₹ 1000/-.

Further I propose to enhance an additional label-recording fee of ₹ 5,000/- and renewal fee of ₹ 2,500/-, for each label irrespective of the MRP.

154. Speaker sir, for the pharmaceutical units who import alcohol from outside India or from within the country, I propose a minor increase in excise duty from existing ₹ 1/- per BL to ₹ 2/- per BL.

Further, I propose to enhance the excise duty on IMFL manufactured in the State of Goa, below 80 UP and above 80 UP and exported outside Goa, from existing ₹ 0.75 to ₹ 1/- per BL.

154. Sir, many Bar and Restaurants operate late beyond 11:00 p.m. I intend to enhance the surcharge in addition to the license fee as below:

- a) Upto period of 30 days, the surcharge, is proposed to be enhanced from ₹ 10,000/- to ₹15,000/-.
- b) For the period from October to March, the surcharge, is proposed to be enhanced from ₹ 20,000/- to ₹ 1,00,000/-.
- c) For the period from October to March, for any two months the surcharge, is proposed at ₹30,000/-.
- d) For the period from April to May, the surcharge is proposed at ₹ 20,000/-.
- e) For any concurrent period of above 08 months in a year, the surcharge shall be ₹ 1, 50,000/- with validity of licence.

This facility shall not be allowed for 5 star and above and 'A' category hotels.

155. Sir, I propose to introduce a new occasional licence for retail sale of liquor upto 11:00 p.m. for special occasions, events in clubs, open space or enclosed premises where entry fee is charged for the guest. I propose the licence fee as below:

- a) upto 100 guests ₹ 5,000/- per day,
- b) 101 to 500 guests ₹ 10,000/- per day,
- c) 501 to 1000 guests, and ₹ 20,000/- per day,
- d) 1001 and above ₹ 40,000/- per day.

156. Sir, in case of possession of Rectified Spirit and ENA by industrial units, other than liquor manufacturing units, I propose to enhance the license fee from ₹ 10,000/- to ₹ 20,000/-.

157. Further, I propose to enhance the fees for transfer or sale of alcohol, spirits, grain spirit and all other spirits, for the purpose of manufacture of IMFL, country liquor etc. form existing ₹ 0.50 to ₹ 2/- per BL, and for High Bouquet spirit, concentrated scotch for the manufacture of IMFL or country liquor within the state, the rate is proposed to be enhanced from ₹ 0.50 to ₹ 3/- per BL.

158. To protect the local industry I propose to increase the application fee for import of Beer / IMFL / bottled wine / Foreign liquor from existing ₹ 4/- per BL to ₹ 5/- per BL.

159. Sir, as a measure to further prevent environmental degradation and litter, I propose to ban all plastic pouches used for packaging of liquor with effect from 01st April, 2011.

Port Charges

160. As part of my revenue generation proposals during the year 2009-10, I had increased marginally the cargo charges related

to port dues. I propose to further increase the cargo related charges as below:

- a) For Bauxite, Iron ore, manganese ore, calcinated bauxite, clay china and others coal and coke, gypsum, limestone, phosphates, sand ore ballast, Iron ore pellets, ferro manganese and for all other mineral / bulk cargoes, the following rate shall be levied:
- (i) Vessel upto 59,999 DWT, from ₹ 6.00 per ton/per entry to ₹ 9.00 per ton / per entry,
 - (ii) Vessel from 60,000 DWT upto 99,999 DWT, from ₹ 7.00 per ton / per entry to ₹ 10.00 per ton / per entry,
 - (iii) Vessel for and above 1,00,000 DWT, from ₹ 8.00 per ton / per entry to ₹11.00 per ton / per entry.
- b) Transhippers and all allied crafts used for loading/unloading, from ` 1.00 per ton/ per entry to ` 3.00 per ton / per entry.

Transport

161. I propose to revise the rates on Green tax and other transport taxes provided in the Schedule-I annexed. This is done since these fees have not been revised since 1999. I also propose to enhance the existing rates of Road Tax by 1 percentage point under individual and also Company, Institutions, and Corporations etc., under Schedule appended to the Goa Motor Vehicle Act.

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Fees for Consents under Air Act and Water Act for Mining Industry

162. Sir, I have been receiving a lot of representations especially from the small scale industries as well as hotel industry, that the rates for consent of fees for water and air consent issued by the Goa State Pollution Control Board, are disproportionate to the environmental or pollution load.

I have studied the issue and observed that the collection for consent fees is based on the Gross Fixed Assets, which is much less in case of some industry like mining industries. The amounts being paid are not commensurate to the environmental damage, taking place.

As a measure of additional revenue generation, proceeds of which will be ploughed back for the welfare of the people in mining affected areas; I propose to further amend the Goa Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Rules, 1988 and the Goa Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Rules, 1989. The amendment will be applicable only for mining industry and the operating mining units, wherein they will be charged a fee, based on production capacity of ore extracted and overburden generated, separately for Air Consent as well as Water Consent. An appropriate scheme shall be formulated for the purpose.

I also propose to look at the entire matter concerning the fees being charged on the Gross Fixed Asset and have the said Rules, appropriately amended for other Industry, to include the assessment on the parameters of production, environmental load etc. Necessary care would be taken to protect MSE sector.

Water Tariff

163. Speaker Sir, water is the most precious resource, it needs to be conserved. It is seen that the treated water is being misused for non-consumptive purposes. In order to reduce this misuse there was need for rationalizing the tariff rates based on volumetric usage. Though I was supposed to implement the revision last year, I withheld the same till the water supply position in the State improved. This year, while marginally enhancing the tariff rates, I have taken due care not to touch the existing rate of ₹ 2.50 per M3 up to 25 M3 applicable for the domestic consumers. The revised tariff rates is provided in the Schedule-II annexed

164. Speaker sir, the ultimate goal of my Government is the development of human life. Creating new facilities, providing better amenities and satisfying the needs of the people, has always been the endeavour of my Government. We have been constantly striving to achieve a higher level of human development. My Government, wants every Goan to be strong, independent, and self-respecting and towards that Goal, the Government wants to create a social environment; in which

....no one will remain Illiterate,

....no one will remain unemployed,

....no one will remain without a shelter,

....no one will be exploited by others,

....no one will be deprived of opportunities to develop his inherent artistic and intellectual qualities.

Sir, this is our "*Panchasheel*" dedicated to the People of the State.

165. Sir, Mahatma Gandhi said and I quote, “*Democracy is the Art and Science of mobilizing the entire physical, economic, and spiritual resources of various sections of the people in the service of the common good of all.*”

This is precisely what we are trying to do. With strong hearts, and enlightened minds, and willing hands, we will have to overcome all the odds and remove all obstacles to create a new brave Goa of our dreams.

Mr. Speaker Sir, with this few words, I humbly present the budget containing the Annual Financial Statement before this August House, commending its expense and support, by the Treasury as well as the Opposition Benches cutting across party lines, rising above the redefined limits of any limitations in the interest of making Goa a unique, fully developed, self-sufficient, economically progressive and vibrant State.

Sir, as I conclude, I would like to say that it is my dream to wipe out every tear from every eye. I am aware that it is difficult yet challenging. This is just a modest beginning - a journey towards complete liberation, where each and every Goan shall be happy.

दुरितांचे तिमिर जावो
विश्व स्वधर्मे सुर्ये पाहो
जो जे वांछील तो ते लाहो
प्राणीजात ...

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Schedule-I

Sr. No.	Particulars	Existing Fee	Proposed Fee
1.	Green Tax		
	M/cycle	Rs.250/-	Rs.500/-
	L.M.V	Rs.500/-	Rs.1000
	Commercial Vehicles	Rs.1000/-	Rs.2000/-
2.	Revision of existing tax structure	Goods vehicles not covered under clause II of which the gross vehicle weight (i) is upto 1000 kgs..... Rs.1000/- (ii) exceeds 1000 kgs. But does not exceed 2000 kgs Rs.2000/- (iii) exceeds 2000 kgs. But does not exceed 3000 kgs Rs. 2500/- (iv) exceeds 3000 kgs but does not exceed 4000 kgs.... Rs.3000/- (v) exceeds 4000 kgs. but does not exceed 5000 kgs.... Rs.3400/- (vi) exceeds 5000 kgs. but does not exceed 6000 kgs.... Rs.4000/- (vii) exceeds 6000 kgs. but does not exceed 7000 kgs Rs.4300/- (viii) exceeds 7000 kgs. but does not exceed 8000 kgs.... Rs.5125/- (ix) exceeds 8000 kgs. but does not exceed 9000 kgs... Rs.5750/- (x) exceeds 9000 kgs. but does not exceed 10000 kgs.... Rs.6125/- (xi) exceeds 10000 kgs. but does not exceed 11000 kgs. ... Rs.6625/-	One time tax for Goods Vehicles compulsory (i) is upto 1000 kgs..... Rs.7000/- (ii) exceeds 1000 kgs. But does not exceed 2000 kgs Rs.14000/- (iii) exceeds 2000 kgs. But does not exceed 3000 kgs Rs. 17500/- (iv) exceeds 3000 kgs but does not exceed 4000 kgs.... Rs.21000/- (v) exceeds 4000 kgs. but does not exceed 5000 kgs.... Rs.23800/- (vi) exceeds 5000 kgs. but does not exceed 6000 kgs.... Rs.28000/- (vii) exceeds 6000 kgs. but does not exceed 7000 kgs Rs.30100/- (optional) @ (viii) exceeds 7000 kgs. but does not exceed 8000 kgs.... Rs.10250/- (ix) exceeds 8000 kgs. but does not exceed 9000 kgs... Rs.11500/- (x) exceeds 9000 kgs. but does not exceed 10000 kgs.... Rs.12250/- (xi) exceeds 10000 kgs. but does not exceed 11000 kgs. ... Rs.13250/-

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	(xiii) exceeds 12000 kgs. but does not exceed 13000 kgs.... Rs.7625/-	(xiii) exceeds 12000 kgs. but does not exceed 13000 kgs.... Rs.15250/-
	(xiv) exceeds 13000 kgs. but does not exceed 14000 kgs....Rs.8000/-	(xiv) exceeds 13000 kgs. but does not exceed 14000 kgs....Rs.16000/-
	(xv) exceeds 14000 kgs. but does not exceed 15000 kgs. Rs.8625/-	(xv) exceeds 14000 kgs. but does not exceed 15000 kgs. Rs.17250/-
	(xvi) exceeds 15000 kgs.but does not exceed 16500 kgs..... Rs.9375/-	(xvi) exceeds 15000 kgs.but does not exceed 16500 kgs.....Rs.18750/-
	(xvii) exceeds 1000 kgs.or part thereof in excess of 16500 kgs....Rs.800/-	(xvii) exceeds 1000 kgs.or part thereof in excess of 16500 kgs...Rs.1600/-

@ the following is an alternate option available in place of annual Payment of Tax as mentioned above

- (viii) exceeds 7000 kgs. but does not exceed 8000 kgs.... Rs.35875/-
- (ix) exceeds 8000 kgs. but does not exceed 9000 kgs... Rs.40250/-
- (x) exceeds 9000 kgs. but does not exceed 10000 kgs.... Rs.42875/-
- (xi) exceeds 10000 kgs. but does not exceed 11000 kgs. ... Rs.46375/-
- (xii) exceeds 11000 kgs. but does not exceed 12000 kgs.... Rs. 50750/-
- (xiii) exceeds 12000 kgs. but does not exceed 13000 kgs.... Rs.15250/-
- (xiv) exceeds 13000 kgs. but does not exceed 14000 kgs.... Rs.16000/-
- (xv) exceeds 14000 kgs. but does not exceed 15000 kgs. Rs.17250/-
- (xvi) exceeds 15000 kgs. but does not exceed 16500 kgs. ...Rs. 18750/-
- (xvii) exceeds 1000 kgs. or part thereof in excess of 16500 kgs...Rs.1600/-



Schedule-II

A (1) Domestic Consumers

- (i) Rs. 2.50 per M3 upto 25 M3
- (ii) Rs. 7.00 per M3 above 25 M3 upto 35 M3
- (iii) Rs. 10.00 per M3 above 35 M3 upto 50 M3
- (iv) Rs. 15.00 per M3 above 50 M3

Minimum Charges shall be Rs. 40/- per month.

In respect of registered Co-operative Housing Societies and as well as non-register Co-operative Housing Societies/Colonies which have been given single Water Supply connection covering more than one number of residential flats, the basis for the tariff shall be number of flats in the Housing Society depending on the single house service connection. For example, in case one house service connection feeds say 50 Nos. residential flats in the Co-operative Housing Society ($50 \times 25\text{M3} = 750\text{M3}$) shall be charged at the rate of Rs. 3.00 per M3 and above ($50 \times 25 = 1250\text{M3}$) shall be at the rate of Rs. 7.00 and so on as indicated above for the Domestic Consumers Category at Sl. No. A(1).

2) Students, Hostels, Hospitals/Dispensaries and Educational Institutions and recognized charitable Trust Institutions.

Rs. 7.00 per m3 (Flat Rate)
Minimum charges Rs. 70/- per Month

3) Students, Hostels/Hospitals/Dispensaries Business/Profession which are not falling within the purview of Goa, Daman & Diu, Shops and Establishment Acts, Educational Institution.

(i) Rs. 15.00 per M3 for first 250 M3
(ii) Rs. 18.00 per M3 above 250 M3
Minimum charges Rs. 140/- per month.

B I) Small Hotels having

No. of restaurant attached to Hotel and number of rooms less than 15 with A/c rooms numbering three or less/Government Tourist Hostels.

(i) Rs. 15.00 per M3 for first 80 M3
(ii) Rs. 20.00 per M3 above 80 M3
Minimum charges Rs. 150/- per month

(II) Small Restaurant

- i) Non-Air Conditioned
- ii) Area upto 150 Sq. mts.

(i) Rs. 15.00 per M3 for first 80 M3
(ii) Rs. 20.00 per M3 above 80 M3
Minimum charges Rs. 150/- per month.

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- (C) **Defence** Rs. 15.00 per M3 (flat rate)
Minimum Charges Rs. 150/- per month.
- (D) (I) **Fishing Boat Owners/Operators Association at various Jetties in Goa.** Rs. 15.00 per M3 (flat rate)
Minimum Charges Rs. 180/- per month.
(II) **S.G.P.D.A. Market complex** Rs. 15.00 per M3 (flat rate)
Minimum charges Rs. 180/- per month
(III) **Akhil Gomantak Nabhik Samaj Goa** Rs. 15.00 per M3 (flat rate)
Minimum Rs.150/- p.m.
- (E) (I) **Small scale/Medium/Large and all types of Industries/Hotels (Registered) (other than small hotels/small restaurant Tourist Hostels)** Rs. 25.00 per M3 (flat rate)
Minimum Rs. 250.00 per month.
(II) **Commercial/ including MPT/Bar/ /Cinema Theatres/Constructions/Establishments registered under the Goa, Daman & Diu Shops and Establishment Act, 1974 including building construction.** Rs. 35.00 per M3 (flat rate)
Minimum Rs. 300.00 per month.
(III) **Public Water taps installed into the Municipality/Panchayat Areas.** Rs. 200 per tap be charged to the concerned Municipality/Gram Panchayat (per month).
(IV) **Supply of Water by Tanker:**
(i) **Small Tanker upto 6 M3** Rs. 600.00 per trip
(ii) **Big Tankers between 6 M3 to 10 M3** Rs. 800.00 per trip
- (F) **Sewerage Charges**
(i) 25% of the water consumption charges.
(ii) In case of consumers who consume water other than the Govt. water supply, supplied by the Government, the billing will be done on the actual quantity consumed from all the sources as assessed by the Dept.
- (G) **Connection Charges.**
(I) **Water Supply Sector:**
(i) **Domestic/Small Hotels and small restaurants/Akhil Gomantak Nabhik Samaj.**
Size of connection **Amount per connection**
(a) 15mm /20 mm. Rs. 600-00
(b) Above 20 mm upto 25 mm Rs. 1500-00
(ii) **Other than Domestic/small hostels/small restaurants/Akhil Gomantak Nabhik Samaj.**
Size of connection **Amount per connection**
(a) 15mm/20 mm. Rs. 2000-00
(b) Above 20 mm upto 25 mm Rs. 5000-00
(c) Above 25 mm upto 150 mm Rs. 10000-00
(II) **Sewerage Sector connection to**

Sewerage System.**(I) Domestic****Size of connection**

- (i) Upto 150 mm dia.
- (ii) Above 150 mm. dia

Amount per connection

- Rs. 200-00
- Rs. 350-00

(II) Non-Domestic**Size of connection**

- (i) Upto 150 mm dia
- (ii) Above 150 mm.

Amount per connection

- Rs. 500.00
- Rs. 700.00

(I) Delayed payment charges and Re-connection charges.

- (i) The delayed payment charges at the rate of 2% per month shall become due and payable, if bill is not paid on or before due date of payment specified in the water bill. The delayed payment charges will be rounded off to nearest rupee.
- (ii) The water supply/sewerage connection is liable for disconnected in case payment of any of the water/sewage bills remains overdue for more then two (2) months.
- (iii) The reconnection charges shall be Rs. 200/-.

(H) Meter Rent**Size of Meter**

- 1. 15 mm.
- 2. 20 mm.
- 3. 25 mm.
- 4. 40 mm.
- 5. 50 mm.
- 6. 80 mm.
- 7. 100 mm.
- 8. 150 mm.

Rates per month proposed

- Rs. 20.00
- Rs. 50.00
- Rs. 60.00
- Rs. 150.00
- Rs. 200.00
- Rs. 250.00
- Rs. 300.00
- Rs. 500.00

(I) Inspection Charges once in a year**(1) Water Connection**

- (i) Domestic connection
- (ii) Non-Domestic connection

- Rs. 50/- per connection.
- Rs. 200/- per connection.

(2) On-site sanitation Septic Tank

- (i) Domestic connection
- (ii) Non-Domestic connection

- Rs. 100/- per connection.
- Rs. 200/- per connection.

(J) Testing of water meters

- Rs. 100/- per meter per test.

Note: In case of special connections the tariff and the connection charges of diameters shall be decided by the Department on case to case basis.