

Department of Official Language

Directorate of Official Language

Notification

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The Government of Goa is pleased to formulate the following scheme as under:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (i) This scheme shall be called as “Rajbhasha Jagruti Yojana”.

(ii) Under the scheme Directorate of Official Language desires to organize/conduct any programme or activity which will aim to promote language skills and awareness of Official Language.

(iii) The scheme shall come into force from the date of publication in the Official Gazette.

(iv) “Programme” means any program which will satisfy the Department for the promotion and development of language skill and the awareness of the official language which includes workshop on grammar, compering, anchoring, writing skill, calligraphy etc., talks, debates, celebration of various days like national days, official language day etc., discussion, departmental book publication, language ability competition, career guidance etc.

(v) Under the scheme no grant will be released to any Institution. However necessary expenditure will be incurred by the Directorate of Official Language.

2. *Introduction.*— The scheme has been designed to provide financial support to organize language skill program which will support the Official Language Konkani for day to day use of Konkani language in the field of Administration, Education, Culture etc. The scheme will be implemented by the Directorate of Official Language and no grant will be released to any Institution/Department. However, expenditure towards the program will be borne by the Directorate of Official Language.

3. *Objectives of the scheme.*— (i) The Goa, Daman and Diu Official Language Act was passed in 1987 and Konkani being the Official Language for the office work but it is observed that Konkani is not been used in various fields

of Administration, Education etc. as was expected to make use. Therefore it is proposed to create positive atmosphere for the awareness of language among the officials as well as public at large, by organizing the small programs, workshop, talks, etc. which will make the awareness to make use of Official Language so also the program and policies of the State Government will be exhibited through this programme.

(ii) The program will be organized by Directorate of Official Language through various Institutions, Department, NGO's, Educational Institutions at any part of Goa and for this purpose no grant will be released. The programme will be conducted by Directorate of Official Language of its own or with collaboration of any Institution/Department. Expenditure incurred for the programme will be borne by the Directorate of Official Language.

4. *Eligibility.*— (i) Any Government Departments or Educational Institutions/Groups Registered/Unregistered in the State of Goa can approach the department to conduct the program.

(ii) The applicant institution/group/department shall submit the request letter specifying the name of the program and the details of the expenses to be incurred for the program and make the request to conduct such program which will benefit the public at large for the promotion of Official Language.

(iii) Any institution desires to organize such program shall have to provide the hall, chairs, classroom etc. to conduct such activities in their institution for this purpose the Directorate of Official Language will make necessary payments for such admissible items given below for conducting the programme.

(iv) The Directorate of Official Language will suo moto identify any Institution/Group for conducting such program for the promotion and development of Official Language.

(v) If the Directorate of Official Language satisfies that any programme which will support and gives the additional boosting to official language then the Director may sanction such language skill programme for Marathi/Hindi/Sanskrit or English Language. For this purpose Quantum of Assistance will remain same as provided under the scheme.

5. *Nature and Quantum of Assistance.*— (i) Under this scheme expenditure will be borne by the department.

(ii) Under the scheme power to sanction the amount is delegated to following categories and the Quantum of Assistance is classified as under:—

1. *Category “A”*:- An amount upto Rs. 10,000/- will be sanctioned and disposed by the Head of Office.

2. *Category “B”*:- An amount upto Rs. 25,000/- will be sanctioned and disposed by the Director of Official Language/Head of Department.

3. *Category “C”*:- An amount upto Rs. 50,000/- will be sanctioned by the Administrative Secretary and to be disposed by the Head of Department.

4. *Category “D”*:- An amount above Rs. 50,000/- will be sanctioned by Government and to be disposed by Head of Department with concurrence of Finance Department.

(iii) Proposal under category “A”, “B” and “C” will be sanctioned and disposed at Department level and the proposal under category “D” will be referred to the Finance Department for according sanction with the approval of the Government.

6. *Admissible item.*— The amount can be sanctioned for the use of rent of hall/ground, decoration, sound system, refreshment, food, water, stationery, printing, lectures, honorarium, incentives, cleaning/sweeping service charges, professional charges, certificates, calligraphy stationery, mementoes, photography, video recording, complementary booklets, resource person, miscellaneous expenditure etc. The above admissible item may be added or deleted from time to time. This item will be included as an admissible item whose standard rates may be fixed by the Government, if necessary and same can be rectified from time to time by the

separate order to be issued by the Director of Official Language.

7. *Procedure.*— (i) On receipt of the application from any group/individual/department to conduct the program under the language skill shall be scrutinized at a level of Assistant Director and shall be submitted to the Head of Office/Head of Department for the sanction and approval. The proposal upto the ceiling amount upto Rs. 10,000/- is to be sanctioned and released by the Head of Office and amount upto Rs. 25,000/- is to be sanctioned by Head of Department and amount upto Rs. 50,000/- is to be sanctioned and approved by the Administrative Secretary and an amount above 50,000/- will be sanctioned and approved by the Government and to be accorded by the Finance Department. The program will be sanctioned and approved well in advance.

(ii) After organizing the programme the applicant Institution/Department has to submit the certificate stating the report of the programme.

8. *Power to relax.*— The Government shall be empowered to relax any condition of the scheme in genuine case for the sanction of the program and government will frame necessary guidelines as and when necessary for interpretation and disposal of the amount.

The expenditure shall be incurred under the Budget Head 11; 800— Other Expenditure; 11— Promotion of Sanskrit and Languages— 8th Schedule (P); 50— Other Charges.

This has been issued with the concurrence of Finance Department vide U. O. No. 2442 dated 28-06-2016 with the approval of the Government.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

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