



**GOVERNMENT OF GOA  
DIRECTORATE OF MUSEUMS  
OLD SECRETARIAT, PANAJI – GOA.**

# ***CITIZENS' CHARTER***

## **1. Background :**

In 1973, Archaeology and Museum unit was set up in Goa. Thereafter a small Museum in a rented building at St. Inez., which was inaugurated and thrown open to public on 29<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1977. The same was shifted to new building constructed at Patto. It was inaugurated by the then President of India on 18<sup>th</sup> June 1996. All together 14 galleries depicting various aspects of Goan culture tradition and society were set up. Recently, the whole collection is shifted to Old Secretariat.

## **2. Location :**

The Directorate of Museums is now located in Panaji at Old Secretariat.

## **3. The Aim and Structure of Museum :**

The miniature exhibition of few important objects is set up for public. The galleries that are set up and open to public are:

- ❖ Glimpses of Goan Culture
- ❖ Goan Expression through the Ages
- ❖ The Portuguese Phase.
- ❖ Goa's freedom Struggle.

## **4. Functions of Museum and services provided:**

The main function of the museum is to preserve cultural heritage by acquiring the related objects and displaying them systematically. The ultimate

aim of Museum is to create awareness among the people and educate the masses concerning to our rich cultural heritage.

The following services are therefore provided to achieve this:

- a) Visitors are taken round the Museum by the guides.**
- b) The required information and references are provided to the visitors.**
- c) Photographs of the exhibits are provided for the students and scholars for academic purpose if requested.**

#### **5. Whom to Contact :**

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#### **6. Expectations from public :**

- i) You can help us by giving useful practical suggestions to improve our work.
- ii) You can also inform us of any important object you have come across which can be acquired and preserved by Museum.
- iii) The students can actively participate in various competitions organized by Museum.
- iv) The scholars can organize exhibitions of objects collected by the students in their premises. they can seek help from Museum staff in organizing such exhibitions.
  
- v) If you have a remarkable collection of your own, you can think of donating the same to Museum, offer on sale or at least loan it to Museum for specific period so that it can be seen and enjoyed by the public.

**7. Museum is open :**

Days : Monday to Friday (except public holidays).

Timings : 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

You can be in touch with Museum staff for the above and help us to preserve our rich cultural heritage.