

MEGA APAAR DIWAS CELEBRATED

Panaji: **December 20, 2024**

The Goa education sector marked a significant milestone with the successful completion of the Mega Apaar Diwas. This focused initiative aimed to accelerate the generation of APAAR IDs, unique identifiers for all school-enrolled students in the state.

The event saw active participation from key figures in the education department, including Director of Education, Shri Shailesh Jingade; State Project Director, Dr. Shambu Ghadi and Director of SCERT, Smt. Sarita Gadgil. This collaborative effort demonstrated the government's commitment to the smooth rollout of the APAAR ID system.

Director of Education, Shri Shailesh Jingade highlighted the crucial role of APAAR IDs in enhancing the efficiency and transparency of the education system. The initiative aligns with the 'One Nation, One Student ID' program and the National Education Policy of 2020.

The event provided a platform for school heads to raise concerns and seek clarifications regarding the APAAR ID process. Officials addressed misconceptions and provided technical assistance to ensure a seamless implementation. The top 20 schools from each zone, achieving over 70% APAAR ID saturation, were commended for their exceptional efforts. This recognition served to motivate other schools to expedite the process.

A dedicated dashboard, developed by the VSK team, was launched to provide real-time insights into APAAR ID saturation at various levels, from state to school. This tool empowers stakeholders to monitor progress and make informed decisions. Videos on importance of APAAR ID release in Konkani language

The Mega Apaar Diwas resulted in a remarkable surge in the number of APAAR IDs generated, jumping from 25,100 to 41,600 in a single day. This accomplishment highlights the effectiveness of direct engagement between the education department and school heads.

The event facilitated the identification and resolution of challenges faced by schools in implementing the APAAR ID system. Officials provided guidance on issues such as website responsiveness, name mismatches, and subject group

unavailability in UDISE. The Mega Apaar Diwas fostered a stronger sense of collaboration among stakeholders, reinforcing their commitment to the successful implementation of the APAAR ID system.

To ensure the smooth implementation of the APAAR ID system, the Education Department has issued a circular with detailed guidelines and deadlines for schools to follow. The circular also clarifies the format for student names to be entered on the UDISE portal. All schools must commence the APAAR ID generation process by **December 20, 2024** and generate at least 5% of APAAR IDs by that date. Pre-Primary and Primary Schools must achieve a minimum of 70% APAAR ID generation by **January 20, 2025**. Middle and High Schools must achieve a minimum of 70% APAAR ID generation by **January 15, 2025**. Middle and Higher Secondary schools must achieve a minimum of 80%

APAAR ID generation by [January 6, 2025](#).

APAAR (Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry) ID is a unique 12-digit identifier assigned to every student enrolled in schools across India. It serves as a digital locker for students' academic achievements, including exam results, certificates, and co-curricular accomplishments. APAAR ID streamlines academic processes, simplifies admissions, and empowers students to access and manage their academic records digitally.

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