SCRUTINY OF CLAIMS OF PERSONS AFFECTED BY FIRE INCIDENT AT VASCO ON OCT 31, ADDITIONAL TIME GRANTED TO PRODUCE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Panaji: October 30, 2026

Following the recent fire incident at the New Model Municipal Market, Vasco, the Scrutiny Committee constituted under the chairmanship of the Deputy Collector and Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Mormugao, conducted scrutiny and preliminary verification of claims submitted by 107 affected persons today.

During the preliminary scrutiny, it was observed that 50 claimants stated that they were owners of their respective businesses, while the remaining claimants included persons operating businesses from rented premises and persons carrying on business through subletting arrangements.

During the scrutiny process, several claimants requested one additional day to produce the relevant documents and supporting records required for verification of their claims.

Accordingly, all concerned claimants are hereby requested to appear before the Scrutiny Committee on October 31, 2026, from 10:30 a.m. onwards, at the Conference Hall, Mormugao Municipal Council, Vasco, and produce all relevant documents in support of their respective claims.

The claimants shall bring, as applicable, documents relating to ownership or occupation of the premises, tenancy or subletting arrangements, business registration, invoices, bills, stock and inventory details, records of business activity, and any other documents substantiating the losses claimed.In case any claimant is unable to produce the relevant documents on account of their loss or destruction in the fire incident, such claimant shall appear before the Committee with an affidavit clearly stating the documents that were lost or destroyed in the fire and the relevant particulars of the business. The affidavit shall be countersigned by the President or Secretary of the authorised committee concerned, wherever applicable.

All affected persons are requested to avail themselves of this opportunity and cooperate with the Scrutiny Committee by furnishing accurate particulars and the available supporting evidence to facilitate the verification and further processing of their claims.The scrutiny is being

undertaken to ensure proper verification of the claims and to facilitate further necessary action in accordance with the applicable procedure.

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