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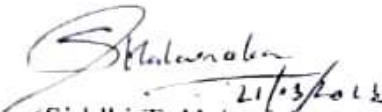
Sub: - Regular Updating and Monitoring of Village Panchayat Websites.

The Goa State Information Commission vide Order dated passed in Appeal No.252/2019/SIC-II had directed this Authority to ensure that each and every Village Panchayat has well formatted and user friendly website displaying all information held with the public authority in the public domain while also taking steps to implement Section 4(1)(a) and 4(1)(b) more so, in view of the Order passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Bombay at Goa in Writ Petition No.42/2019 which will not only help reduce RTI Applications but lead to better transparency, accountability and openness of Governance.

It has been observed that the websites of various Village Panchayats are found to be non-functional/ non-responsive or not updated.

All the Block Development Officers are therefore hereby directed to direct the Village Panchayats under their jurisdiction to strictly comply with directions contained in the above mentioned Orders of the Goa State Information Commission and Hon'ble High Court and ensure that the websites are updated regularly and monitored.

This is for **STRICT COMPLIANCE**.


21/03/2023
(Siddhi T. Halarnakar)
Director of Panchayats
Panaji-Goa.

To,

1. All the Block Development Officers, North/South.

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Copy to:

1. The Deputy Director of Panchayats (Admin).
2. The Deputy Director of Panchayats South, Margao-Goa.