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PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, on several occasions it was found that illegal sand extraction was carried out from Chapora River thereby violating various norms and regulations laid down by this Directorate for legalising sand extraction activity that too when the N.G.T. west zone was monitoring the same.

And whereas, it was repeatedly found that the sand permit holders and illegal extractors were carrying out sand extraction activity during night hours and without following the stipulated guidelines thereby contravening rule 3 of The Goa Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1985 which amounts to theft of mineral from Government property.

And whereas, the Government had allowed sand extraction in the Chapora river by identifying 4 zones i.e.

1. CC I – Camurlim(zone covering Vagali/Khairat/Oxel and Camurlim)
2. CC II - Colvale (zone Covering Chicalim and Colvale)
3. CC III – Nadora (zone covering Revora, Nadora)
4. CC IV – Ozorim/Pirna (zone covering Ozorim, Pirna, Sangvan area)

Now therefore, since this Directorate is in receipt of various complaints from locals in regards to illegal extraction of river sand from Chapora River at Camurlim from CC I and Chicalim from CC II, so also extraction of sand from places other than designated zone, this Directorate by way of Public Notice **ban's sand extraction in CC I and CC II** (since such activity is in gross violation of norms/regulation laid down by this Directorate) till further orders.

Any sand extraction activity found after this public notice shall be punished with exemplary fine's upto 5 lakhs per canoe and upto 1 lakh per extractor without any further notice.



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