

Department of Empowerment of
Persons with Disabilities

Notification

1/15/2024-25-DEPwD/Admn/Rules/359

Whereas, the draft Rules, namely, the Goa Rights of Persons with Disabilities Amended Rules, 2024 which the Government of Goa proposed to make in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 101 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (Central Act No. 49 of 2016) so as to further amend the Goa Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2018 were pre-published as required by sub-section (1) of section 101 of the said Act vide the Government Notification No. 1/15/2024-25-DEPwD/Admn/Rules/272 dated 7-08-2024 of the Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, in the Official Gazette, Series I No. 21 dated 22-08-2024 inviting objections and suggestions from all the persons likely to be affected thereby within a period of 15 days from the date of publication of said Notification in the Official Gazette.

And whereas, the said Official Gazette was made available to the public on 22-08-2024;

And whereas, no objections and suggestions have been received from the public on the said draft Rules by the Government within the stipulated period.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 101 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (Central Act No. 49 of 2016) and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the Government of Goa hereby makes the following rules, namely:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (1) These rules may be called the Goa Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Second Amendment) Rules, 2024.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their final publication in the Official Gazette.

2. *Amendment of rule 3.*— In the Goa Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2018 (hereinafter referred to as the “principal

Rules”), in rule 3, in sub-rule (1), in clause (iv), for the expression “The Director, Directorate of Social Welfare”, the expression “The Director, Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities” shall be substituted.

3. *Amendment of rule 4.*— In the principal Rules, in rule 4,—

(i) in sub-rule (3), for the words “Directorate of Social Welfare”, the words “Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities” shall be substituted;

(ii) in sub-rule (4), for the words “Assistant Director of Directorate of Social Welfare dealing with Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities”, the expression “Official not below the rank of Assistant Director, Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities” shall be substituted.

4. *Amendment of rule 14.*— In the principal Rules, in rule 14, in clause (viii), for the words “Assistant Director of the Directorate of Social Welfare dealing with empowerment of persons with disabilities”, the expression “Official not below the rank of Assistant Director, Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities” shall be substituted.

5. *Amendment of rule 25.*— In the principal Rules, in rule 25, in sub-rule (1),—

(i) in clause (a), for the expression “Secretary (Social Welfare)”, the expression “Secretary (Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities)” shall be substituted;

(ii) in clause (f), for the words “Director of Social Welfare”, the words “Director of Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities” shall be substituted.

By order and in the name of the
Governor of Goa.

Varsha Naik, Director, ex officio/Jt.
Secretary (DEPwD).

Porvorim, 13th September, 2024.