# • VISION DOCUMENT CAPTAIN OF PORTS DEPARTMENT, PANAJI-GOA.

#### 1. Vision:

Better connectivity in the Inland waterways of Goa and to register more vessels in the state especially that of faster speed, fuel efficient and solar powered.

## 2. Objectives:

For smooth functioning of all the activities in the Inland Waterways Transport Services this department implements The Indian Ports Act, Inland Vessels Act, Goa Daman and Diu Barge/Goods Taxation Acts etc.

Registering and Survey of mechanized and non-mechanized vessels such as Inland Cargo, Inland Fishing, Inland Passengers and Tourist Vessels is being undertaken by this Department as Registering Authority at Panaji and Mormugao.

## Key functions/Mandate of the Department

- Implementation of the Acts & Rules governing like (The Inland Vessels Act 1917, The Goa, Daman and Diu Barge Tax Act 1973, The Goa, Daman and Diu Barge (Taxation of Goods) Act 1985, The Goa, Daman and Diu Ports Rules 1983, The Indian Ports Act 1908 and merchant shipping act 1958.)
- Registration of vessels both mechanized and nonmechanized plying in the Inland Waters of Goa and collect registration fees thereon, as per rules.
- Issues of Certificate of Competency of Serang, 2nd and 1st Class Master, 2nd and 1st Class Engine Driver and Inland Engineers on successful completion of courses and examination conducted by the Department.
- Permission to use Government Jetties and government riverine land

- Matters connected with Illegal occupation of Government Riverine Land/Encroachment.
- Inward/Outward clearances to ships calling at Panaji Port
- Providing and maintaining Lighthouses/Beacons/Buoys and other navigational aids for vessels plying in the Inland Waterways.

## 3. Short term goals (to be achieved by 2021)

- **a.** Proposed to complete the construction of four floating jetties in the Mandovi and Chapora river.
- **b**. Proposed to introduce environmental-friendly solar hybrid ferry in the next financial year.
- **c.** The department has commenced the construction of new terminal building on its COP Jetty. This building proposes to house all stake holders of the shipping industries, such as GBOA, GMOEA, vessels operators etc. in addition to full fledge administrative block of the Department.
- **d.** Desilting of river Sal of the 1<sup>st</sup> Phase of phase II of 6Kms from Telaulim-Varca new bridge downstream upto shatmalley.

## 4. Medium term goals (to be achieved by 2023)

- **a.** Proposed to take up reconstruction of lighthouse at Campal for navigation.
- **b.** Development of Maritime School on BOOT Model at Britona.
- c. On successful completion of 1<sup>st</sup> Phase of phase II of desilting of river Sal, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> phase of 6kms each from shatmalley to downstream.
- **d.** Intends to undertake Dredging at the mouth of River Galgibag and at the mouth of river Talpona.

## 5. Long term goals (to be achieved by 2025)

**a.** Proposed to take up modernization of nine existing jetties under **sagarmala Programme** of Government of India at Aldona, Ribandar, Old Goa and Pilgao in the River Mandovi, Banastarim in Kumbharjua Canal and Rassaim, Durbhat, Shiroda and Savordem in River Zuari.

## 6. Strategic Planning

From the above specified short, medium and long term goals, One floating concrete jetty at Panaji in Mandovi completed and commissioned, other three jetties expected to be completed by the end of the financial year, delayed due to COVID19.

Timeline for environmental friendly solar hybrid ferry will be in the financial year 2021-22 subject to expenditure sanction work will be carried out accordingly.

Tendering process of Desilting of river Sal Phase II of the 1<sup>st</sup> phase is completed and the file is sent to finance for approval of lowest bidder.

Plan for new construction of lighthouse at Campal under preparation with PWD subject to expenditure sanction by the finance.

EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment) study completed for the Dredging at the mouth of River Galgibag and at the mouth of river Talpona.

DPR(Detailed project report) and EIA (Environmental Impact assessment) study completed under **Sagarmala Project**. Awaiting clearance for nine Coastal Jetties.

## 7. Action Plan

**a. Floating Jetties:** Dredging around the sites are in progress to enable placing of Floating Jetties on arrival.

- **b. Dredging at the mouth of river Galgibag and Talpona:** On issue of NOC from GCZMA, the department will initiate tendering process for the above two projects.
- **c. Maritime School:** Consultant is coordinating with Department and PPP cell for formulating the request for proposal and concession agreement.
- **d. Light House:** PWD architect is preparing drawings and estimates for construction of new light house at Campal.
- **e. Sagarmala Jetties:** Presently awaiting two public hearings one in North and one in South before obtaining NOC's from other Departments like GCZMA, TCP and Panchayats.

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