Revenue Department through its sub-ordinate offices namely the offices of Mamlatdars are being entrusted with the function of issuing Residence Certificate to the citizens of Goa. The Residence Certificate is issued by the Mamlatdars of the Taluka as per the requests of the applicant in order to produce the same before various Authorities and Departments for availing certain benefits, services and also for obtaining certain documents. The duration mentioned in the Residence Certificate varies as per the requirement of the applicant for the respective purposes where the certificate is sought to be submitted.

Now, the Government is of the view that instead of issuing instructions for exemptions of fifteen years residence for the purpose and registration in employment for spouse married to the Goan and settled in Goa for a period of one year after marriage, the said exemption can be made applicable to the benefits extended by the Government, wherever, 15 years residence is compulsory.

The Government has now decided to exempt requirement of 15 years of residence to those persons who are not of Goan origin but are married to a person of Goan origin residing in Goa for at least 15 years provided they are settled in Goa for a period of one year and above after the marriage, to avail benefits under various schemes/policies of the State Government.

Therefore, all the Departments of Government of Goa and Public Sector Undertaking of Government of Goa are hereby requested that they may consider to give relaxation in terms of duration of residence to such category of persons who fulfill the condition mentioned hereinabove.

This issues with the approval of Government.

(Ashutosh Apte)
Under Secretary (Revenue-I)

To,
1. All Head of Departments.
2. MD/GM of all PSUs under Government of Goa.
Copy to:-
1. The Collector, North Goa District, Panaji-Goa.
2. The Collector, South Goa District, Margao-Goa.
3. The Under Secretary (Labour), Labour Department, Secretariat, Porvorim-Goa.