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## GOVERNMENT OF GOA

### Department of Environment & Climate Change

#### Notification

11-2/GSWA/2021-22/Notification/599

1. Whereas, there exists a water body known as Cottombi Lake or Cottombi Tollem admeasuring an area of 12400 sq. mts. located in village Cottombi of Salcete Taluka, South Goa District, State of Goa, which is considered to be critically significant for its ecosystem services and biodiversity values for the local communities and society at large (hereinafter referred to as the "Said Cottombi Lake"); which is more particularly described in Schedule I herein under;

2. And whereas, it is considered that for sustaining these values, the ecological character of wetland ecosystem needs to be maintained by regulating developmental activities within the wetland as well as within its zone of influence;

3. And whereas, in terms of sub-rule (1) of rule 7 of the Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules 2017, the Department of Environment and Climate Change of Government of Goa, through GSWA by engaging services of CSIR-NIO prepared a Brief Document for identifying the said Cottombi Lake as wetland;

4. And whereas, based on the Brief Document, Goa State Wetland Authority (GSWA) in the 10th meeting of the GSWA

has recommended the Government of Goa to notify the said Cottombi Lake as wetland under the provisions of Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017;

5. Now therefore, the State of Goa accepts the recommendation to declare the said wetland for being covered under the provisions of Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017;

6. Whereas the draft notification which was published in Official Gazette of Government of Goa dated 26-11-2020 for general public with a view of inviting objections in respect thereof as required under sub-rule (6) of rule 5 of the Wetland (Conservation and Management) Rules 2017, hereinafter referred to as the said rules;

7. And whereas, the time of receiving grievances is now over and in the fixed duration the objections of the general public have been heard and decided as per said rules;

8. Hence this Notification, is issued by the Department of Environment and Climate Change (DoE&CC), Government of Goa, in exercise of the powers conferred under rule 7 of the Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017 read with Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986), is hereby published for the information of the persons;

9. The extent of the wetland and its zone of influence is described in Schedule I of this notification;

10. Activities prohibited within the wetland and its zone of influence is listed in Schedule II of this notification. Such prohibitions shall not apply for areas designated under other Acts and Rules, and listed at para 1.2 (a), (b) and (c) of Schedule I. Relevant provisions of respective Acts and Rules shall apply in such areas.

11. Activities regulated within the wetland and their zones of influence, i.e., permitted only with permission of State Government are listed in Schedule III of this notification. Request for permissions can be made to the Member Secretary, Goa State Wetland Authority, C/o Department of Environment and Climate Change, O/o Goa State Biodiversity Board, opposite Saligao Seminary, Saligao, Bardez, Goa- 403511 or at email – ms-gswa.goa@gov.in/goawetland@gmail.com. Such regulations shall not apply for areas designated under other Acts and Rules, and listed at para 1.2 (a), (b) and (c) of Schedule I. Relevant provisions of respective Acts and Rules shall apply in such areas.

12. Activities permitted within the wetland and its zone of influence are listed in Schedule IV of this notification. Such permissions shall not apply for areas designated under other Acts and Rules, and listed at para 1.2 (a), (b) and (c) of Schedule I. Relevant provisions of respective Acts and Rules shall apply in such areas.

13. The Goa State Wetland Authority and the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, shall monitor the enforcement of the provisions of this notification.

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

*Dasharath Redkar*, Director & ex officio Joint Secretary (Environment & Climate Change).

Panaji, 23rd September, 2021.

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**Schedule I: Location and Extent of Wetland and its Zone of Influence.**

1.1. *Wetland*

The said Cottombi Lake admeasuring an area of 12400. sq. mts., surveyed under Survey No.

Taluka/Village	Survey No./Sub -Div. No.	Approximate Area in Sq. Mts.
Quepem/Cottombi	48	12400
<b>Total</b>		<b>12400</b>

1.2. *Boundary of area already designated under provisions of other Acts and Rules.*

1.2 (a) Area designated under Indian Forest Act, 1927; Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980; State Forest Act and amendments thereof.

No area of the proposed wetland known as Cottombi Lake fall under the above mentioned Act.

1.2 (b) Area designated under Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and amendments thereof.

No area of the proposed wetland known as Cottombi Lake fall under the above mentioned Act.

1.2 (c) Area designated under the Coastal Regulation Zone Notification, 2011 and amendments thereof.

No area of the proposed wetland known as Cottombi Lake fall under the above mentioned Act.

1.3. *Zone of influence:*

The Zone of influence including Buffer Zone of the said Cottombi Lake admeasuring 64,590 sq. mts., includes the properties surveyed under the following Survey No.

Taluka/Village	Survey No. /Sub-Div. No.	Approximate Area in Sq. Mts.	Survey No. /Sub-Div. No.	Approximate Area in Sq. Mts.
1	2	3	4	5
Quepem/Cottombi		Buffer Zone		
	29/1(P)	2111	31/19(P)	276
	31/21(P)	2898	45/29(P)	10
	45/31(P)	184	45/32(P)	1060
	45/33(P)	97	45/34(P)	147
	45/35	825	45/36	325
	45/37(P)	342	45/38(P)	252
	45/39(P)	322	45/40(P)	253
	45/41(P)	248	45/42(P)	160
	45/43(P)	285	45/44	550
	45/45	275	45/46	325
	45/47	100	45/48	175
	45/49	1275	47/1	525
	47/2	675	47/3	750
	47/4(P)	775	47/5(P)	3503
	47/6	625	47/7	550
	47/8	300	47/9	175
	47/10	275	47/11	175
	47/12(P)	406	47/13	275
	47/14	175	47/15	150
	47/16	125	47/17(P)	133
	47/18(P)	120	47/20(P)	10
	47/21(P)	34	47/22(P)	84
	47/23(P)	242	47/24	200
	47/25	200	47/26	75
	47/27	75	47/28	225
	47/29	1300	47/30	175
	47/31	175	47/32	150
	47/33	150	47/34	175
	47/35(P)	165	47/36(P)	36
	47/37(P)	166	47/38	125
	47/39	100	47/40(P)	108
	47/47(P)	536	47/58(P)	53
	47/59(P)	169	47/60(P)	284
	47/62(P)	136	49/1	600
	49/2	1025	49/3	125
	49/4	125	49/5	150
	49/6	125	49/7	200
	49/8	250	49/9	125
	49/10	175	49/11(P)	3144

1	2	3	4	5
	49/12(P)	952	49/13(P)	461
	49/14(P)	388	49/15(P)	786
	49/16(P)	5	49/17	175
	49/18	225	49/19(P)	23
	50/1(P)	34	50/9(P)	18
	50/10(P)	100	50/11(P)	32
	51(P)	2263		
	Area outside survey nos. (Roads and Nallahs)	3684		
	<b>Total</b>		<b>42545</b>	
Quepem/Cottombi	Zone of Influence			
	46/1(P)	130	46/2(P)	162
	46/5(P)	144	46/7(P)	52
	46/8(P)	65	46/9(P)	128
	46/10(P)	68	46/11(P)	25
	46/13(P)	56	46/14(P)	34
	46/15(P)	32	46/27(P)	80
	46/28(P)	169	46/42(P)	42
	46/43(P)	28	46/44(P)	31
	46/45(P)	83	46/46(P)	95
	46/47(P)	75	46/48(P)	80
	47/42(P)	36	47/47(P)	75
	47/48(P)	298	47/49(P)	129
	47/51(P)	197	47/52(P)	129
	47/53(P)	147	47/91(P)	59
	47/92(P)	447	47/102(P)	118
	47/103(P)	283	55/1(P)	1780
	60/1(P)	211	60/2(P)	574
	60/3(P)	113	60/4(P)	12
	60/7(P)	32	60/8(P)	134
	60/10(P)	28	61/1(P)	527
	61/2(P)	400	61/14(P)	263
	62/1(P)	941	63/2(P)	377
	63/4(P)	502	63/5(P)	118
	64/1(P)	287	65/1(P)	324
	65/2(P)	60	65/4(P)	51
	<b>Total</b>		<b>10231</b>	
Quepem/Assolda	Zone of influence			
	62/27(P)	12	62/28(P)	68
	62/29(P)	55	62/30(P)	55
	62/31(P)	51	62/32(P)	21

1	2	3	4	5
	62/33(P)	22	62/34(P)	24
	62/35(P)	67	62/72(P)	37
	62/73(P)	34	62/74(P)	133
	63/5(P)	6	63/6(P)	16
	63/20(P)	10	63/21(P)	9
	63/22(P)	15	63/23(P)	4
	63/24(P)	2	63/26(P)	3
	63/27(P)	18	63/28(P)	5
	63/37(P)	7	63/41(P)	17
	66/97(P)	190	66/112(P)	34
	66/113(P)	13	66/114(P)	6
	66/115(P)	2	66/116(P)	1
	66/117(P)	1	66/118(P)	6
	66/127(P)	69	68/21(P)	9
	68/22(P)	42	68/38(P)	37
	68/39(P)	117	68/40(P)	19
	68/41(P)	45	68/42(P)	26
	68/53(P)	42	69/1(P)	466
	69/2(P)	251	69/3(P)	231
	69/4(P)	442	69/5(P)	143
	69/7(P)	157	69/14(P)	8
	69/15(P)	29	69/16(P)	20
	69/17(P)	20	69/18(P)	35
	69/19(P)	58	69/34(P)	128
	69/37(P)	502		
	Area outside S. Nos (Roads and Nalla)	7974		
	<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>64590</b>	

The map of wetland boundary of the said Cottombi Lake with the Zone of influence is at Annexure I (For enlarged to scale map kindly visit <https://gswa.goa.gov.in/> )

1.4. For the purpose of this wetland known as the said Cottombi Lake the same is located within Revenue village of Cottombi.

1.5. For the purpose of this wetland known as the said Cottombi Lake the the Zone of Influence is located within Revenue village of Cottombi and Assolda.

**Schedule II: List of activities prohibited within wetland boundary**

1. Conversion for non-wetland uses including encroachment of any kind;
2. Setting up of any industry and/or expansion of existing industries; with the exception of modernization of existing industries which will not affect the ecological balance of the wetland under consideration.
3. Manufacture and/or handling and/or storage and/or disposal of construction and demolition waste covered under the Construction and Demolition Waste Management Rules, 2016; hazardous substances

covered under the Manufacture, Storage and Import of Hazardous Chemical Rules, 1989 or the Rules for Manufacture, Use, Import, Export and Storage of Hazardous Micro-organisms Genetically engineered organisms or cells, 1989 or the Hazardous Wastes (Management, Handling and Trans boundary Movement) Rules, 2008; Hazardous and other Wastes (Management, Handling and Trans boundary Movement) Rules, 2016; electronic waste covered under the E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2016; and other acts and rules as notified by Central Government and State Government applicable to wetlands.

4. Solid waste dumping and plastic waste dumping covered under Municipal Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016;

5. Discharge of untreated wastes, chemical fertilizers, pesticides, effluents and any other chemicals effecting the ecological character of the wetland from industries, cities, towns, villages and any other human settlements and/or activities;

6. Any construction of a permanent nature except for boat jetties within fifty meters (demarcated as buffer zone on Annexure – I) from the mean high flood level observed in the past ten years calculated from the date of commencement of these rules; and,

7. Poaching and illegal hunting covered Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and amendments thereof;

8. Extraction of soil, mud, rock and sand for commercial purpose.

[Any other activity other than mentioned above if taken up in the surrounding area that will have a direct or an indirect adverse effect on the ecological character of the wetland including water quality the same shall be prohibited.]

**Schedule III: List of activities regulated within the boundary of wetland and its zone of influence and for which prior approval of [State Government/UT Administration/MoEFCC] is required to be obtained.**

Activity	Restrictions	
	Within the boundary of wetland as shown in Annexure I	Within the zone of influence as shown in Annexure I
Cultivation of crops	Regulated by Directorate of Agriculture, Goa. Existing traditional practices of Paddy cultivation will be allowed (except the core wherein the water is present throughout the year) during the dry season, as Pre-Existing Rights and Privileges. Any activity that will affect the ecological character of the wetland will not be allowed.	Existing traditional crop cultivation practices will be allowed. Any activity that will affect the ecological character of the wetland will not be allowed.

Approval of the GSWA shall be obtained for any other activity proposed to be conducted other than those mentioned above which may adversely affect ecological character of wetland.

**Schedule IV: List of activities permitted within the boundary of wetland and its zone of influence.**

Activity	Levels and types not requiring permission	
	Within the boundary of wetland as shown in Annexure I	Within the zone of influence as shown in Annexure I
Religious practices	Existing religious practices will be allowed. Any activity that will adversely affect the ecological character of the wetland will not be allowed.	Permitted. Any activity that will adversely affect the ecological character of the wetland will not be allowed.
Fishing	Existing traditional practices of fishing will be permitted. Any	Permitted.

	activity that will adversely affect the ecological character of the wetland will not be allowed.	
Withdrawal of water for domestic use	In case of water deficit and unavailability of drinking water, it is pumped and supplied to the village people for domestic drinking purpose. This will be managed and regulated by WRD.	Ongoing Traditional Use Permitted. Any new permissions will be granted only if approved by WRD and GSWA.
Plantation of trees	Prohibited	Plantation of indigenous trees, plants, shrubs is permitted within Zone of influence.
Deciding best possible wise use of wetland without affecting or impacting its ecological character and services offered presently	Permitted	Permitted

Approval of the GSWA shall be taken for any other activity to be conducted other than those mentioned above.

### ----- Notification

11-2/GSWA/2021-22/Notification/600

1. Whereas, there exists a water body known as Xeldem Lake or Xelde Tollem admeasuring an area of 735 sq. mts. located in village Xeldem of Quepem Taluka, South Goa District, State of Goa, which is considered to be critically significant for its ecosystem services and biodiversity values for the local communities and society at large (hereinafter referred to as the "Said Xeldem Lake"); which is more particularly described in Schedule I herein under;

2. And whereas, it is considered that for sustaining these values, the ecological character of wetland ecosystem needs to be maintained by regulating developmental activities within the wetland as well as within its zone of influence;

3. And whereas, in terms of sub-rule (1) of rule 7 of the Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017, the Department of Environment and Climate Change, Government of Goa, through GSWA by engaging the services of CSIR-NIO prepared a Brief Document for identifying the said Xeldem Lake as wetland;

4. And whereas, based on the Brief Document Goa State Wetland Authority (GSWA) in the 10th meeting of the GSWA has recommended the Government of Goa to notify the said Xeldem Lake as wetland under the provisions of Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017.

5. Now therefore, the State of Goa accepts the recommendation to declare the said wetland for being covered under the provisions of Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017.

6. Whereas the draft of the notification, which was published in the Official Gazette of Goa vide notification dated 19-11-2020 for general public with a view of inviting objections in respect thereof as required under sub-rule (6) of rule 5 of Wetland (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017 hereinafter referred to as the said rules.

7. And whereas the time for receiving objections is now over in the fixed duration the objections of the general public have been heard and decided, according to the said rules.