

**Guidelines and deciding factors regarding grant of funds for restoration of water bodies in the State of Goa.**

1. Whether the Water body is Natural or Man-made, and is in resemblance to wetland according to Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017, and/or its importance to traditional practices in the village/region.
2. Beneficiary of the restored water body i.e. whether it is general public or comunidade or individual/private owner/s.
3. Accessibility of the restored or reclaimed water body to the locals, general public and/or to the wild and domesticated animals.
4. Encroachment of by land in any manner surrounding the water body under restoration.
5. Involvement of local motivated individuals and/or group through charity, Benevolence and voluntary services of any kind such as planning, organizing, raising funds, ground level execution, labor etc. (at least 25% of the work shall be carried out in such a way and this percentage of this component should increase in the subsequent water body restoration proposal.
6. Methods used (destructive or nondestructive) to dispose-off the generated material and for restoration of water body (ecologically sensitive or not and/or preservation of ecological character or not).