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**Sub:- Setting up of an email-based helping for the students in distress.**

**C I R C U L A R**

Due to the spread of COVID-19 pandemic, the competent authority had postponed the Secondary School Certificate /Higher Secondary Examinations conducted by Goa Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Examination. However, now the dates have been announced and the SSC exams will commence from 21/05/2020 and HSSC exams from 20/05/2020 respectively.

The students who will be appearing for the said examination are in a state of anxiety and psychological stress about the exam and to address the queries about exams and other related problems, the Goa Education Development Corporation has created an email id [gedc.studentdistress@gmail.com](mailto:gedc.studentdistress@gmail.com) to provide psychological Counseling for the students in distress. The queries received on the email id received from the students will be directed to the GEDC counsellor in that area. The students will have to provide their name and school in which they are studying in that area. The counsellors will address the issues through telephonic conversation, video conferencing and if need be one to one session to be arranged at a designated school.

Therefore all the Headmaster/Headmistress of the Government/ Aided /Unaided Secondary Schools in the State should ensure that they bring the contents of the circular to the notice of their students and to encourage the students to send their queries on the above mentioned email id.

  
( **Varsha Naik** )  
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To,  
The Heads of  
Government/Government Aided/Unaided  
Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools in the State.

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