1. GOA VILLAGE & MUNICIPAL CHILD COMMITTEE GRANTS AND AWARDS SCHEME 2014 (GVMCCGS):

The scheme covers all the Village and Municipal Child Committees set up under Rule 7 of The Goa Children's Homes Rules,2004 by the local bodies as per provisions of rules.

<u>Eligibility</u>:

- a) The applicant shall be the concerned local body i.e. a Panchayat or a Municipal local body should, in order to qualify for the grant, must have established a Village or Municipal Child Committee (hereinafter referred to as the Committee) as prescribed under Rule 7 of The Goa Children's Homes Rules, 2004.
- b) The Committee must have met at least once in the last three months prior to submission of the application for grants to discuss and resolve the issues relating to children within the jurisdiction of the local body.
- c) The local body who has promoted the Committee should provide the space for facilitating sittings of the Committee in its premises as and when required.

Financial Assistance:

The local body who have set up the Child Committee under Rule 7 and such committee has been functioning and carrying on its work satisfactorily shall be eligible for an annual financial grants of Rs. 10,000/- towards administrative expenses incurred on organizing the activities of the Committee.

The grant will be released in single installment within three months. The Director, Women & Child Development shall be the competent Sanctioning Authority for these grants. All payments will be made only through electronic transfers favoring the local body concerned.

Application procedure:

Application for financial grant shall be addressed to the Director, Women and Child Development and submitted by:-

- a) The Village Panchayat fulfilling the eligibility conditions signed by its Secretary, along with the resolution of the Panchayat Body & proposal duly recommended by the concerned Block Development Officer.
- b) In case of Municipality the proposal be signed by its Chief Executive, along with resolution of the body and submitted directly to the Director, Women & Child Development.
- c) The applications for grant shall be submitted within six months from the commencement of the financial year. Except initially from the beginning of this scheme it shall be six months from the date of commencement of this scheme.

Other Conditions:

Directorate of Women and Child Development shall invite applications from the year 2015-16 onwards from the local bodies supported with documents showing the activities of the Child Committee and the Selection Committee Chaired by Secretary (WCD) and Director, WCD being its Member Secretary along with two Social Workers to be nominated by the Government shall scrutinize and adjudge the best performing Child Committee for each taluka and recommend them for release of award of Rs.10,000/- each.

In case the selection committee does not find any suitable Committee worth giving award in the taluka then no award shall be given in that taluka.