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The Registrar,  
Goa University  
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Sub: University Grants Commission Assistance to selected departments under Special Assistance Programme (SAP) – **Review of the Programme in the Department of Physics, Goa University, Taleigao Plateau, Goa** for Continuation **from DRS-II to DRS-III for a period of 5 years (1.4.2016 to 31.3.2021)**

Sir,

1. The UGC Special Assistance Programme (SAP) is intended through *constant* effort to raise the quality of teaching/ research in different disciplines in Humanities, Social Science, Engineering & Technology science departments and carefully selected on the basis of their work, academic achievements and viable potential for further development. The essence and primary aim of the scheme is combination of teaching and research to encourage group research efforts in pursuit of excellence.
2. **The Department of Physics, Goa University, Taleigao Plateau, Goa** was implementing the **DRS - II** of the programme approved for duration of five years **(2009-2014)**.
3. As per guidelines, the Commission constituted an Expert Committee to review the progress made by the above department which has completed its approved term of participation under the Special Assistance Programme (SAP). The Expert Committee Reviewed the department on **7<sup>th</sup> July, 2014 at UGC office, New Delhi**.
4. The Review Committee, after a very careful and critical in-depth examination of the academic achievements made by the department during the terms as well as discussing various aspects of implementation of the programme with the departmental representatives has submitted their recommendations to the Commission.
5. The UGC has approved the **Department of Physics from DRS-II to DRS-III programme** for a further period of **Five years from 1.4.2016 to 31.3.2021**.
6. On the basis of the recommendations of the Review Committee, I am directed to convey the approval of the University Grants Commission to the **up gradation** of the programme at the level of **DRS-III** for a duration of **five Years** with the following thrust area(s) for research and teaching.

**Thrust Area(s) Identified:**

**Structure, Transport and Optical Properties of Condensed Matter Systems**

As recommended by the Review Committee, the Co-ordinator of the programme for the present phase of the programme will be as indicated below:

**Name of the Coordinator :**  
**Name of the Deputy Coordinator:**

**Prof. R. Tangsali**  
**Prof. J.A.E. Desa**

**The Co-ordinator may continue till the end of the present duration of the programme or till his/her superannuation.**