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The Goa Excise Duty (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Goa Act 16 of 2016), which has been passed by the Legislative Assembly of Goa on 10-8-2016 and assented to by the Governor of Goa on 29-8-2016, is hereby published for general information of the public.

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Porvorim, 9th September, 2016.

#### The Goa Excise Duty (Amendment) Act, 2016

(Goa Act 16 of 2016) [29-08-2016]

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ACT

*further to amend the Goa Excise Duty Act, 1964 (Act 5 of 1964).*

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of Goa in the Sixty-seventh Year of the Republic of India, as follows:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (1) This Act may be called the Goa Excise Duty (Amendment) Act, 2016.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment of section 2.*— In section 2 of the Goa Excise Duty Act, 1964 (Act 5 of 1964) (hereinafter referred to as the “principal Act”),—

(i) clause (bb) shall be omitted;

(ii) after clause (h), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

“(hh) “feni” means an alcoholic beverage produced by distillation of fermented coconut toddy or juice drawn from cashew fruit, within the State;”;

(iii) after clause (j), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

“(jj) “heritage spirit” means feni as defined under clause (hh);”;

(iv) in clause (l), for the word “feny”, the word “feni” shall be substituted.

3. *Amendment of section 10.*— In section 10 of the principal Act, for the expression “possession,” wherever it occurs, the expression “possession, consumption,” shall be substituted.

4. *Insertion of new section 10B.*— After section 10A of the principal Act, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

“10B. *Prohibition of consumption of liquor in ‘No Alcohol Consumption Zone’.*— (1) The Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, declare a space, place or area, as ‘No Alcohol Consumption Zone’.

(2) No person shall consume liquor in No Alcohol Consumption Zone.

(3) Whoever contravenes the provisions of sub-section (2) shall be liable to pay a fine of a sum not less than rupees one thousand which may extend to rupees ten thousand.

(4) An offence committed under sub--section (2) may, before the institution of the prosecution, be compounded by such Officer as may be authorized by the Government, on payment, for credit to the Government, for first such offence an amount not less than rupees one thousand and for any second and subsequent offences with an amount not less than rupees two thousand.”.

5. *Amendment of section 32.*— In section 32 of the principal Act,—

(i) in clause (b), after the words, “Indian made foreign liquor”, the words “or heritage spirit” shall be inserted;

(ii) in clause (c), after the words, “foreign liquor”, the words “or Indian made foreign liquor or heritage spirit” shall be inserted.

6. *Amendment of section 39A.*— In section 39A of the principal Act, in sub-section (1), for the words “five thousand rupees”, the words “ten thousand rupees” shall be substituted.

Secretariat,  
Porvorim-Goa.  
Dated: 09-09-2016.

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Government of Goa,  
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