GOVERNMENT OF GOA
Department of Finance
Revenue & Control Division

Vide Memorandum dated 25-04-2014 [read at (ii) above] issued by the Commissioner of Excise, following certain public perceptions as regards additional timings for sale of liquor; the Government had put on hold the process of grant of permissions for retail sale of liquor, for the purpose of consumption beyond 11:00 p.m. in all establishments including starred hotel categories. Government further desired that a detailed procedure be prescribed for considering applications for granting permissions beyond 11:00 p.m. as per the policy of the Government.

2. In order to stipulate a detailed procedure for this purpose, Government is pleased to constitute a Committee to go through each such case covered under Part (II) (B), in sub-part “IV. Miscellaneous”, item (ii) (i) (c) of the Notification dated 28-03-2014 {read at (i) above], headed by Additional District Collector I & Assistant Commissioner of Excise of the District concerned as Members alongwith

(i) Dy. Superintendent of Police & SDPO of the Taluka concerned, and

ii) Excise Inspector of the Taluka concerned, in whose jurisdiction the proposed premises is situated.

3. The Committee shall consider the following aspects before recommending the application to the Commissioner of Excise for sanction, viz.—

(a) that the licensed premises has adequate space and capacity to cater to the clientele who would be patronizing the licensed premises concerned, beyond the prescribed timings.
This space should be not less than 200 sq. mtrs. in area.

(b) that the licensed premises has adequate parking space outside the premises.

c) that the past history and criminal antecedents in respect of the applicant and the licensed premises are thoroughly analyzed in respect of frequency of visits by anti-social elements, involvement in petty crimes, all other types of fences, etc.; which in the opinion of the Committee may cause law and order situations as well as cause to lead any other offence.

d) that appropriate security arrangements are provided by the applicant for the security of his clientele, the staff/employee working in the premises as well as others in and around the premises and that the licensed premises has adequate security provisions like Closed Circuit Television Camera, separate points of exits and entries, etc.

e) that the location of the licensed premises is verified and checked, so as to ascertain the “residential status” of the licensee and to rule out any possibility that the activities during late hours do not cause any disturbance to the residents in the vicinity.

(f) that the applicant makes adequate arrangements for dropping and picking up his clients and employees and that the applicant undertakes to pay any fees for the Police services that will be provided, viz. provision of Police Picket Force at the said premises.

4. Based on the recommendations of the Committee and after considering all other aspects as per the provisions of the Excise Duty Act, 1964, and Rules framed thereunder; the Commissioner of Excise, may at his discretion grant the permission and license for the additional timings after obtaining the prescribed fees from the applicant as provided in Notification dated 28-03-2014 {read at (i) above }.

This Notification shall come into force with immediate effect.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Michael M. D’Souza, Additional Secretary (Finance-R & C).

Porvorim, 26th December, 2014.