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To,

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5. All the Vice Deans of Schools of Studies.
6. All the Deans/Principals of affiliated Colleges.
7. All the Divisional/Sectional Heads of University Offices.
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Sub: New Ordinance OC-88 governing the five-year choice based credit system Programme for Bachelor of Architecture Degree of Goa University based on the Council of Architecture (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education) Regulations, 2020 (effective from the academic year 2026-2027).

Sir/Madam,

I am to forward herewith a copy of the New Ordinance OC-88 governing the five-year choice based credit system Programme for Bachelor of Architecture Degree of Goa University based on the Council of Architecture (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education) Regulations, 2020 (effective from the academic year 2026-2027). This Ordinance OC-88 has been approved by the Hon'ble Chancellor of Goa University on 11th August, 2026 under Statute SA-2(6) as amended. The Ordinance OC-88 is approved by the Academic Council in its meetings held on 12th & 13th May, 2026. The Executive Council has approved the said Ordinance in its meeting held on 29th May, 2026.

Yours sincerely,

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REGISTRAR

Encl: As above

New ordinance OC-88 governing the five-year choice based credit system programme for Bachelor of Architecture Degree of Goa University based on the Council of Architecture (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education) Regulations, 2020 (Effective from the Academic Year 2026-2027).

OC-88 ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE FIVE-YEAR CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM PROGRAMME FOR BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE (B.ARCH.) DEGREE OF GOA UNIVERSITY (EFFECTIVE FROM THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-2027).

OC-88.1.0 GENERAL Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) provides choice for students to select from the prescribed courses. Under the CBCS, the requirement for awarding a degree is prescribed in terms of number of Credits to be completed by the students.

OC-88.1.1 DEFINITIONS

In these Rules, the terms used shall have the following definitions:

- (i) 'Applicant' shall mean an individual who applies for admission to B.Arch Programme of the Institute.
- (ii) 'Audit Course' shall mean the courses a migrating student from other institute has to undertake for establishment of equivalence to the Course curriculum of host institute
- (iii) 'Carry-Over' of a course shall mean that a student may carry over the course in which they were awarded less than 4.5 cumulative grade point average, to the examination of that course in a subsequent academic year.
- (iv) 'CGPA' shall mean Cumulative Grade Point Average of the student
- (v) 'Council of Architecture /CoA' shall mean the Statutory body for approval of Architectural education
- (vi) 'Course Coordinator' shall mean a faculty member who shall have responsibility for the course coordinating with other faculty members involved teaching the course including internal assessments and award of grades
- (vii) 'Course' shall mean curricular component identified by a designated code and a title in the curriculum document
- (viii) 'Degree' shall mean B.Arch degree awarded to a student after achieving the requisite credit in all courses of all Semesters.
- (ix) 'Time bar' shall mean the number of years allowed for the course to be completed by the student.
- (x) 'Zero Year' shall mean that year in a student's academic record which may not be considered for purpose of Time-Bar.
- (xi) 'Programme Structure' shall mean curriculum of B. Arch Programme with list of courses, credits and the structure.
- (xii) 'Semester' shall mean Semester as notified in Academic calendar of the Institute

- (xiii) 'SGPA' shall mean Semester Grade Point Average of a student
- (xiv) 'Studio' shall mean a class for simultaneous application of inputs of multiple courses in a comprehensive planning and/ or design of a project or case study. In studio exercises the teachers shall take the lead to provide tasks and offer guidance for finding solutions. The students shall work either individually or in groups and shall be evaluated by periodic Intra Semester Assessment (ISA) and Semester End Assessment (SEA) by a Project/Portfolio Assessment and Viva-Voce.
- (xv) 'Lecture' shall mean a class for theoretical inputs for a course. Lectures are held to teach basic connections and the systemization of theoretical knowledge and the methodology of scientific work. Specific courses are presented in a well-structured form, incorporating new research results. The results shall be evaluated through periodic assessment of sessional work or Semester End Assessment or both.
- (xvi) "Project/Portfolio Assessment and Viva-Voce" shall mean a comprehensive evaluation of a student's project or portfolio, together with an oral examination conducted before a panel of examiners. Students are required to present and defend their work, which may include drawings, portfolios, physical or digital models, graphics, reports, research papers, and seminar presentations.
- (xvii) 'Seminars' shall mean where contents in a class shall be taught in dialogue and discussion phases between the teacher and the student.
- (xviii) 'Laboratory or workshops' shall mean where the contents of the course shall be delivered through hands on work and experiments.
- (xix) 'Design studios or construction studios or projects' shall mean where the students contribute to the processing, analysis and the solving of problems of direct professional practice, attended by faculty(s) entitled to conduct the studio and examine problems of direct professional practice, attended by faculty(s) entitled to conduct the studio and examine. The results shall be defended through drawings; models and reports and evaluated through periodic assessment ISA and SEA.
- (xx) 'Study Tour' shall be part of the course and conducted periodically, to help consolidate course contents by acquainting students not only with professional practice but also the culture and context of a region.

OC-88.1.2

NOMENCLATURE OF THE DEGREE

- i) The nomenclature of the degree to be awarded after completion of 5 years or 10 Semesters shall be Bachelor of Architecture (B. Arch.), as stipulated by the Council of Architecture.
- ii) In case the candidate exercises the exit option after completing and earning all credits for the first three years of study, the degree shall be called Bachelor of Science in Building Design (B.Sc. in Building Design).

OC-88.1.3

DURATION OF THE DEGREE PROGRAMME

- (i) The Bachelor of Architecture Programme shall be of minimum duration of 5 academic years (10 semesters of 15-18 working weeks) of 90 work days for each Semester, inclusive of one semester (Semester VIII) of Practical Training of minimum 18 working weeks.
- (ii) The Academic Session of the Programme each year is divided into two Semesters, i.e., Odd Semester and Even Semester.
- (iii) The dates of First year (Semester I) will be based on the admission schedule declared by the Admission Authority for Govt. of Goa.
- (iv) The Academic calendar pertaining to commencement of Semester, examination, result, vacations, mid-Semester breaks etc. for each Semester/year will be based on the approval from the Goa University.
- (v) A student shall be awarded the degree of Bachelor in Architecture by the University for having earned the minimum credits as specified in OC-88.2.1.
- (vi) The Bachelor of Architecture Programme shall be completed in a maximum period of 8 years. However, in special circumstances a candidate may be granted an extra 1 year by the Principal to complete the course.
- (vii) A student may exercise the exit option, if they have completed and earned all credits (168) for the first three years (6 Semesters) of study. The degree to be awarded after the successful completion of three years shall be Bachelor of Science in Building Design (B.Sc. in Building Design) or as recommended by the Council of Architecture.
- (viii) A student may be allowed to enter/re-enter after his exit only at Odd Semester and must fulfill criteria of maximum 8 years to complete the Course to be awarded the degree of Bachelor in Architecture by the University.
- (ix) A student can withdraw from the course anytime by submitting his withdrawal form along with 'No Dues Form' and his candidature will be cancelled after recommendation and obtaining necessary approvals from the Principal, who shall intimate the university.

OC-88.1.4

ADMISSION AND ELIGIBILITY TO THE B. ARCH. PROGRAMME

- (i) No candidate shall be admitted to the first year of architecture course unless she/he has passed 10+2 or equivalent examination with Physics and Mathematics as compulsory courses along with either Chemistry or Biology or Technical Vocational course or Computer Science or Information Technology or Informatics Practices or Engineering Graphics or Business Studies with at least 45% marks in aggregate or passed 10+3 Diploma Examination with Mathematics as compulsory course with at least 45% marks in aggregate or as notified by CoA from time to time.
- (ii) The candidate shall obtain a valid score in National Aptitude Test in Architecture (NATA) notified and conducted by the Council of Architecture.
- (iii) The admission process will be carried out by the competent authority (as notified by Government of Goa) which shall prepare the Merit List of the applicants with 50 per cent weightage of marks from aptitude tests and 50 per cent marks in the qualifying examination as provided in (i) above, or as prescribed by the Council of Architecture, from time to time.
- (iv) Reservation of seats and relaxation in percentage of marks obtained in the qualifying examination for admission shall be as per the reservation and admission policy of Government of Goa.

OC-88.1.5 INTAKE AND MIGRATION

- (i) The institution shall admit candidates at the first-year level as per the intake sanctioned by the Council of Architecture, subject to a maximum of forty (40) candidates in a class. If candidates admitted are above forty as per sanctioned intake, separate division(s) shall be organized for each 40 candidates or part thereof.
- (ii) Supernumerary quota of admissions as notified by the Government of India shall be over and above the sanctioned intake. The institutions must create additional physical and academic infrastructural facilities, as may be required, for the same in case such admissions exceed 10 per cent of the sanctioned intake.
- (iii) A unique Student Enrolment Number issued by the CoA to a student admitted to Architecture Degree course is mandatory. Similarly, unique ABC number issued by e-Samarth to a student admitted to Architecture Degree course.
- (iv) Migration of a student with valid CoA Student Enrolment Number from one institution to another institution is permitted with prior approval from the competent authority subject to the number of students not exceeding the permitted maximum intake in that class in the receiving institution and the same shall be notified by the receiving institution to the Council of Architecture.
- (v) The Equivalence Committee constituted by the University will establish the equivalence for the Courses from the migrating institution.
- (vi) The Equivalence Committee may recommend the migrating student to undertake audit courses in order to complete pre-requisite for admission in the desired semester.

OC-88.2.0 PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

Courses, Periods of Study and Examination under Credit System for the Architecture Degree Course.

Courses

Each Semester shall consist of various courses with each one being assigned a certain number of credits, as stated below in the Scheme of Examination for B. Arch Programme. The Choice Based Credit System is a learner centric system and the courses of study in the Architecture Degree Programme shall be as under:

- (i) **Professional Core (PC)** Course: A course, which shall compulsorily be studied by a candidate as a core requirement is termed as a Core course.
- (ii) **Building Sciences and Applied Engineering (BS and AE)** Course: A course which informs (allied to) the Professional core and shall compulsorily be studied.
- (iii) **Elective Course:** A course which can be chosen from a pool of courses and are of two types:
 - a) **Professional Elective (PE)** which shall be very specific or specialized or advanced or supportive to the discipline or course of study or which provides an extended scope.
 - b) **Open Elective (OE)** which enables an exposure to some other discipline or course or domain or nurtures the candidate's proficiency or skill.

- (iv) **Professional Ability Enhancement Courses (PAEC)** which shall be of two kinds: Professional Ability Enhancement Compulsory Courses (PAECC) and Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC).

All Semesters shall have an Architectural Design course as the Professional Core (PC) Course and a student must achieve the minimum cumulative GPA of 4.5 for passing to be promoted to the next semester.

The Architectural Design Thesis in Semester X shall be prepared under the guidance of a core Faculty member and the continuous internal assessments shall be conducted with internal faculty members and the guide as a co-assessor.

A student shall not be permitted to attempt Architectural Design Thesis in Semester X unless they have successfully completed Practical Training or Internship of Semester VIII.

OC-88.2.1 CREDIT STRUCTURE

The Weightage in terms of Credits for each of the above in the prescribed curriculum of the Programme shall be as follows:

1.	Professional Core Courses (PC)	149 credits
2.	Building Sciences and Applied Engineering (BS and AE)	45 credits
3.	Elective Courses	
	(i) Professional Electives (PE)	21 credits
	(ii) Open Electives (OE)	9 credits
4.	Professional Ability Enhancement Courses (PAEC)	
	(i) Professional Ability Enhancement Compulsory Courses (PAECC)	41 credits
	(ii) Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC)	15 credits

Total Credits = 280

A Credit shall consist of 16 clock hours of theory/tutorial/studio/seminar/lab/ workshop. While calculating credits the following guidelines shall be adopted, namely: -

- (i) 1 lecture hour per week shall have 1 credit;
- (ii) 1 lab/workshop or studio exercises or seminar hour per week shall have 1 credit and
- (iii) 1 architectural design studio or construction studio or project or thesis hour per week shall have 1 credit.

Note:

- Assessment of each course based on Table 1 as per OC-88.2.2 would be done by Intra Semester Assessment (ISA) and Semester End Assessment (SEA) which shall be in the form of Written Examination Paper or Project/Portfolio Assessment and Viva-Voce.
- The Credit for the particular course will be awarded only if both ISA and SEA are attempted and cleared.
- The SEC and Elective courses will be assessed through ISA and SEA with Project/Portfolio/Report Assessment by panel/s of examiners approved by Goa University.

OC-88.2.2 PROGRAM STRUCTURE

Semester	Professional Core Course	Building Science & Applied Engineering	Professional Elective	Open Elective	Professional Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course	Skill Enhancement	TOTAL
	PC	BS&AE	PE	OE	PAECC	SEC	Credits
I	12(1) 3(1) 3(1)	4(1) 3(1)	----	----	----	3(1)	28
II	12(1) 3(1) 3(1)	4(1) 3(1)	----	----	----	3(1)	28
III	12(1) 3(1)	4(1) 3(1)	3(1)	----	----	3(1)	28
IV	12(1) 3(1)	4(1) 3(1) 3(1)	3(1)	----	----	----	28
V	12(1) 3(1)	4(1) 3(1)	3(1)	3(1)	----	----	28
VI	12(1) 3(1)	4(1)	3(1)	3(1)	3(1)	----	28
VII	16(1) 3(1)	3(1)	3(1)	---	3(1)	----	28
VIII					28(1)		28
IX	12(1) 3(1)	----	3(1)	3(1)	7(1)	----	28
X	19(1)	----	3(1)	----	3(1)	3(1)	28
TOTAL	149	45	21	9	44	12	280

OC-88.3.0 SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

- (i) The performance of a student in each course shall be evaluated through ISA and SEA.
- (ii) SEA shall be conducted at the end of each Semester.
- (iii) Minimum attendance requirement for the Semester End Assessment (SEA) shall be based on the Goa University Ordinance OA-17.
- (iv) A student who has attempted at least 50% of all Intra Semester Assessment (ISA) conducted for the particular course shall be eligible for attempting Semester End Examination (SEA) of the particular course.
- (v) The Credit for the particular course will be awarded only if both ISA and SEA are attempted and cleared, attendance in ISA and SEA is mandatory.
- (vi) The SEC and Elective courses will be assessed through ISA and SEA to achieve the Credit for the subject.

OC-88.3.1 INTRA SEMESTER ASSESSMENT (ISA)

(i) ISA shall be a continuous assessment throughout the semester with minimum 3 internal assessments for every course.

(ii) When more than one teacher is involved in teaching a Course, one teacher preferably a regular teacher shall be identified as the Course Co-ordinator.

(iii) The teacher of the Course shall be the Course Co-ordinator/Instructor. The Course Coordinator shall coordinate the teaching, examination and evaluation of ISA of the Course. Each examiner shall award marks separately and hand over to course coordinator for the purpose of averaging for the final marksheet at every stage who shall maintain records of all the assessments at least for the period of one year.

(iv) Architectural design studio projects shall have a minimum of four (4) and a maximum of six (6) stages of continuous assessment. The Studio Coordinator shall declare the studio Programme, including the stages and their respective assessment weightages, within the first week of the semester. The Studio Coordinator shall maintain records of the Programme and all assessments for a minimum period of one (1) year. No stage shall have assessment weightage more than 40 percent.

(v) Cumulative Grade of ISA of all the courses including Electives shall ordinarily be announced and submitted by the course coordinator to the Examination Committee at least 1 week before the start of Semester End Assessment.

OC-88.3.2 SEMESTER END ASSESSMENT (SEA)

(i) SEAs shall be conducted as notified by Goa University from time to time.

(ii) The Examiners for the SEA of all the Semesters would be appointed by the Goa University as per Ordinance OB-4.

(iii) All external examiners shall have a minimum of 5 years teaching / professional experience in a field of study relating to the course of examination or as prescribed by the Council of Architecture from time to time. However, an external examiner for Semester X of Architectural Design Thesis course shall have a minimum of 10 years teaching/ professional experience or as prescribed by the Council of Architecture.

(iv) SEA of Exam Type "Project/Portfolio Assessment and Viva-Voce" and "Project/Report/Portfolio Assessment" will be assessed by a panel/s of three examiners to be appointed by the University, of which two will be Internal and one External

Examiner. Ordinarily, Course Coordinator/instructor shall be the Convenor for the Examination and other internal faculty selected from that particular Course panel of teachers shall be the other Internal Examiner. The grades given by internal examiners shall have 25% weightage each and those given by external examiner will have 50% weightage.

(v)SEA of Dissertation (Semester IX) and SEA of Architectural Design Thesis (Semester X) shall be assessed through a Project/Portfolio Assessment and Viva-Voce by a panel/s of three examiners to be appointed by the University, of which one will be Internal, one will be the guide and one External Examiner. Ordinarily, the Course Coordinator/instructor shall be the Convenor for the Examination. The grades given by convenor shall have 25% weightage, that given by the Guide shall have 25% weightage and that given by external examiner will have 50% weightage.

(vi)The SEA Written Examination of courses conducted by the College as stated in the Scheme of Examination, one convener and one paper setter shall be appointed by the process of OB-4. The Convener shall scrutinize the two sets of question papers along with answer keys submitted by the paper setter.

(vii)Any malpractice at the SEA examination, shall be reported to the examination section of Goa University.

(viii)Goa University shall constitute panel/s of examiners for the SEA of Architectural Design Studio. Each panel shall have two internal and one external member. One of the internal examiners shall be the Convener of the panel. Ordinarily, each panel shall assess not more than 20 students per day.

OC-88.3.3 PRACTICAL TRAINING

(i)A student shall undergo Practical Training during Semester VIII for a period of minimum 18 Weeks in the office of an architect or an organization operating in an allied field of practice or research, duly approved by the Principal, under mentorship of an architect having experience of at least 5 years and having a valid CoA registration.

(ii)The practical training shall be supervised and evaluated through periodic assessment by the mentoring architect and SEA as part of curricular studies. The evaluation report submitted by the mentoring architect shall be considered by the panel of examiners.

(iii)Training in Foreign Country shall be done under the Registered Architect of that Country and duly approved and monitored by the Principal.

OC-88.3.4 GRADES AND GRADE POINTS

The assessment of the work of students for ISA shall be awarded grades on the basis of a ten-point Grading System with Grade Value from 0 to 10, which shall be as follows:

Numerical Grade value	Letter Grade	Description of Grade
10	O	Outstanding
9	A	Excellent
8	B	Very Good
7	C	Good
6	D	Average

5	E	Satisfactory
Below 5	F	Poor
0	NA	No attempt
0	AC	Audit Course

Written Test/Theory papers conducted as part of ISA/SEA shall be awarded marks out of 100, which shall then be converted into Grade Points for inclusion in the grading/result using the following formula:

$$\text{Grade Point} = \frac{\text{Percent Marks}}{10}$$

Grade Point Average (GPA), SGPA and Cumulative Grade Point Average shall be converted to Letter Grade as shown in table below:

GPA	Letter Grade
9 - < 10	O Outstanding
8 - < 9	A (Excellent)
7 - < 8	B (Good)
6 - < 7	C (Average)
5.0 - < 6	D (Satisfactory)
4.5 - < 5.0	P (Pass)
Below 4.5	F (Fail)

Formula for conversion of Grade Point Average/SGPA/CGPA to Percentage:
Percentage = GPA/SGPA/CGPA x 10

OC-88.3.5 MINIMUM GRADE FOR PASSING A COURSE

A student shall require a minimum cumulative grade point score of 4.5 together in ISA and SEA, to earn assigned credits of any course. A student scoring below 4.5 as cumulative score shall be declared failed in that course.

A student declared failed in an Architectural Design Studio course shall have to answer Supplementary Semester End Assessment (SSEA) for that course to earn the assigned credit.

OC-88.3.6 PROMOTION TO THE NEXT HIGHER SEMESTER AND CARRY OVER

(i) A student not passing Architectural Design Studio Courses with cumulative grades of ISA and SEA and also in the Supplementary Semester End Assessment (SSEA) in a semester shall be detained and shall have to repeat the course along with the next regular batch.

(ii) For the Architectural Design course, a supplementary SEA shall ordinarily be conducted within fifteen days from the date of declaration of results. For all other courses, the repeat examinations shall be conducted along with the subsequent SEA examinations.

(iii) A student who has earned the credits for Architectural Design Studio courses but has not earned the credit of other Courses shall be allowed to carry over not more than three courses from the previous semesters at any given point in time to be admitted for the next Semesters.

(iv) Student failing elective course will have an option to choose from the elective courses from the same category of courses offered in the subsequent semesters.

(v) If a student desires to improve the Internal Assessment (ISA) in a course, the student shall be required to re-register for the course in the respective semester along with the regular batch of students.

OC-88.3.7 COMPUTATION OF GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA), SEMESTER GRADE POINT AVERAGE (SGPA) & CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE (CGPA):

The GPA, SGPA, & CGPA shall be calculated as follows:

(i) The GPA for ISA of a student obtaining grades at different stages shall be calculated as shown in the Illustration below

(ii) In any course in a semester, the Grade Points awarded shall be multiplied by the Credits assigned. This product divided by the total credits earned in that semester shall be the SGPA.

$$SGPA (S_i) = \sum (C_i \times G_i) / \sum C_i$$

Where "C_i" is the number of Credits of the ith Course and G_i is the grade point scored by the student in the ith Course.

(iii) The Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) shall be calculated as

$$CGPA = \sum (C_i \times S_i) / \sum C_i$$

Where S_i is the SGPA of the ith Semester and C_i is the total number of credits earned in that Semester.

OC-88.3.8 ILLUSTRATION FOR COMPUTATION OF GPA, SGPA & CGPA:

A.I Calculation of GPA

Illustration 1

For Studio based courses, the GPA for the ISA of a student obtaining grades at different stages shall be calculated as shown in the Illustration below:

Stage	Weightage % of each stage	Grade Point	Grade Obtained	Total Stage-wise Value
Stage I	10	7	C	$10 \times 7 = 70$
Stage II	15	5	E	$15 \times 5 = 75$
Stage III	20	6	D	$20 \times 6 = 120$
Stage IV	25	9	A	$25 \times 9 = 225$
Stage V	30	6	D	$30 \times 6 = 180$
Grand Total	100			670

Shall obtain a GPA of 6.70 in ISA as shown:

$$\text{Total GPA in Sessional Assessment} = \frac{70+75+120+225+180}{100} = \frac{670}{100} = 6.70$$

The student obtaining a Grade of 'B' with a Grade Point value of 8.00 in the SEA for that Course, then the GPA of that Course shall be calculated as follows:

Intra Semester Assessment (ISA) GPA	Semester End Assessment (SEA) Grade value	Average GPA
6.70	8.00	$6.70 + 8.00 = 14.70 / 2 = 7.35$

(i)The SGPA and CGPA shall be rounded off to 2 decimal points and reported in the grade certificate.

(ii)For each Course a student securing less than 4.5 grade point ('F') in cumulative ISA and SEA in the Course shall not be entitled to earn any credits for that Course.

(iii)SGPA for a given semester shall not be calculated, in case a student has not earned the credits for any of the course/s of that Semester.

OC-88.3.9 DECLARATION OF RESULTS

(i)Result of SEA/SSEA of any semester shall be declared by the College/ University no later than 45 days after the last day of examinations.

(ii)The College/University will declare the dates of the SSEA within 15-days of declaration of the result and announce the results of SSEA within 15 days thereof.

OC-88.3.10 VERIFICATION OF MARKS FOR WRITTEN EXAMINATION ONLY

(i) Verification of SEA/SSEA answer books shall be permitted.

(ii) For Verification of marks of all the Semester End Assessment the student shall make an application through the Principal of the College along with payment of requisite fee within 10 days of declaration of the result to the authority conducting SEA/SSEA as notified by the University from time to time.

(iii) All grievances pertaining to ISA marks shall be dealt with by the College Grievance Committee within one week of declaration of ISA grades before sending the ISA marks to the University. After one week of declaration of ISA grades, no Grievance shall be entertained.

OC-88.4.0 REQUIREMENT FOR AWARD OF DEGREE

A student should have secured a minimum Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 4.5 along with all the required earned credits.

OC-88.4.1 AWARD OF CLASS IN THE DEGREE CERTIFICATE

The CGPA shall determine the award of class in the Degree Certificate.

The categories of classification shall be as follows:

1	First Class Distinction	CGPA of 7.75 and above and should have cleared every subject in a single attempt
2	First Class	CGPA below 7.75 and not less than 6.50
3	Second Class	CGPA below 6.50 and not less than 5.50
4	Pass Class	CGPA below 5.50 and not less than 4.50

OC-88.4.2 STUDENT EXCHANGE AND CREDIT TRANSFER

(i) If the College has signed a MoU with another College/University for the B.Arch course for exchange of students for a particular Semester then any student selected under the same is permitted to go on an exchange Programme for that semester.

(ii) A student enrolled in the College undergoing an exchange Programme elsewhere can earn credits equivalent to exchanged semester's credits in the host institute. Equivalence of courses will be approved prior to the exchange by the Board of Studies.

OC-88.4.3 ZERO YEAR

(i) A student who is unable to pursue studies during a semester or appear in an External Examination due to unforeseen/ extraordinary circumstances viz. prolonged illness or accident, death or critical illness or severe injury of immediate family members or natural disasters etc., beyond the control of the student, may request in writing to the Principal for Zero Year.

(ii) The application shall be evaluated and recommended by the committee appointed by the principal and approved by him/her.

(iii) Zero Year will not be counted as a year for the purpose of Time Bar and will not affect the eligibility of students for any scholarships or awards.

(iv) Zero Year can be availed by undergraduate students only once in the entire duration of the Programme.

(v) A student, having availed of the Zero Year, shall repeat the full semester not completed due to the unforeseen/ extraordinary circumstances in the next academic year. All other conditions for the semesters, fees, attendance and evaluation in all the courses shall be the same as for a regular student.

OC-88.4.4 TIME BAR:

- (i) The Architecture Course shall be completed in a maximum period of 8 years. However, in special circumstances a candidate shall be granted an extra 1 year by the Institution to complete the course subject to maximum of nine years including zero year.
- (ii) Students successfully completing three academic years (six semesters), but unable to complete the B. Arch. Programme shall be awarded a degree as Bachelor of Science in Building Design (B.Sc. in Building Design).

OC-88.4.5.0 COLLEGE COMMITTEES

The following Committees shall be constituted by the Principal of the College for a duration of three years:

OC-88.4.5.1 COLLEGE EXAMINATION COMMITTEE:

- (i) The Principal shall constitute an internal three-member Examination Committee from among the full-time faculty as the College Examination Committee.
- (ii) The Senior-most faculty among the members not below the position of Associate Professor will be the In-charge of Examinations.
- (iii) In case of his absence during the conduct of examination one of the other members will take up the charge as In-charge of Examinations for communications and other purposes related to the exam section.
- (iv) The Committee may co-opt other faculty members with prior approval from the Principal if required for specific purposes.
- (v) The tenure of this Committee shall be for a period of three years.
- (vi) This Committee shall undertake the following tasks:
 - a) Working out the schedules for all SEA and SSEA examinations conducted by the College
 - b) Conducting the examinations with the help of Internal Faculty and External Examiners for all the Semester examinations in various courses.
 - c) Co-ordination with the Controller of Examination, Goa University for the conduct of SEA, sending ISA/SEA/SSEA grades, appointment of Invigilators, conducting examinations and dispatch of answer books.

d) Final tabulation, verification and preparation of Result.

OC-88.4.5.2 COLLEGE UNFAIR MEANS INQUIRY COMMITTEE (CUMIC)

- (i) The College Unfair Means Inquiry Committee shall be constituted by the Principal with the following members:
 - a. Associate Professor /Senior faculty member as Chairperson.
 - b. Two regular faculty members, preferably not members of the College Examination Committee or the College Grievance Committee.
- (ii) The CUMIC shall inquire into the cases of unfair means and malpractices reported in writing by the examination committee, Invigilator, Senior Supervisor during the examination to be conducted by college as notified by the University from time to time. The examination committee will report to CUMIC within 7 days.
- (iii) The following procedure shall be followed for inquiring into the cases of students alleged to have used unfair means at the Examinations.
- (iv) The student shall be served with a Show-Cause notice and made aware of the charges/allegations reported against him/her and a written reply sought for the same to be presented at the time of his/her appearance before the CUMIC
- (v) The student shall be informed during the hearing about the proposed action to be taken in the case and the broad category of malpractice and the quantum of punishment shall be as per OA-5.14.19.
- (vi) The reply received by the Committee from the student and his statements before the Committee shall be considered and the final recommendation in the matter shall be taken and the recommendations per OA-5.14.19 shall be submitted to the Principal.
- (vii) The punishment finally awarded shall be equal to, or less than, what is mentioned in the show cause notice, but not more than what is mentioned therein.
- (viii) The CUMIC shall act as a recommending body to the Principal.
- (ix) The Principal of the College under the provisions of Statute SB-13(iv) of the University shall issue the final order and send it to the Examination Committee for implementation before the declaration of the Result.

OC-88.4.5.3 COLLEGE GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

- (i) The College Grievance Committee shall be constituted by the Principal and will have three members as under: -
 - a. Associate Professor /Senior faculty member as Chairman, provided that s/he is not the Chairman of CUMIC.
 - b. Two regular faculty members, preferably not members of CUMIC or the College Examination Committee.
- (ii) In case the grievance is concerning any member of the Grievance Committee, the Principal shall reconstitute the Committee for the concerned grievance, excluding the concerned member.
- (iii) This Committee shall investigate into specific written complaints from the students regarding the conduct of ISA and SEA of written examinations, and recommend a course of action to the Principal of the College as per the relevant University Ordinance.

The said written complaint by the student should be submitted to the Principal within 15 days after the declaration of results/grade or within 7 days after the personal verification of the answer books as the case may be and should be accompanied with a fee of Rs. 200/- (refundable if the complaint is found genuine).
- (iv) The Committee shall seek a reply to the allegations, if any, within 10-days

made by the student from the concerned teacher/examiner.

- (v) The Committee after considering the reply of the concerned teacher/examiner, shall recommend a course of action in writing to the Principal.
- (vi) The Principal may inform the students of the findings/recommendations of the Committee and shall take appropriate action including reassessment of the said answer book.
- (vii) If the said allegation(s) is (are) found to be a deliberate attempt of casting aspersions on the teacher(s) concerned. If the allegations are found to be genuine and the same is recorded giving reasons, the action shall be taken as provided under OA-5.2.6.

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