

The Goa Command Area Development Act, 1997

Section 11 - Duties of C. A. D. Circle and its Divisions. — The duties of the C. A. D. Circle and its Divisions shall be as follows:—

(i) Assuming responsibility for formation of Water Distribution Co-operative Societies; (ii) Disbursement of fund to Water Distribution Co-operative Societies as received from the Government and Union Government; (iii) Providing technical assistance to Water Distribution Co-operative Societies; (iv) Maintenance of the accounts; (v) Maintenance of register of all agreements entered into between CAD establishment and Water Distribution Co-operative Societies; (vi) Training of farmers to form Associations/Societies; (vii) Giving utilisation certificate of grants received from Union Government; (viii) Recommend simultaneously for amendment to the relevant irrigation Act to provide for water distribution co-operative societies and take over of the system (participatory irrigation management); (ix) Hand over the system ceremoniously to Water Distribution Co-operative Societies. The advantage of ceremonial transfer is that all the farmers in the jurisdiction of the Water Distribution Co-operative Societies would come to know about it; (x) Initiate Action Research Programme for one project in the State where transfer process could be scaled up to distributary branch level; (xi) Entering into agreement with Water Distribution Co-operative Societies; (xii) Supply of water to Water Distribution Co-operative Societies (W.D.C.S.) as per agreement; (xiii) Providing maintenance grants to Water Distribution Co-operative Societies. The amount given by the Government to CAD Board for maintenance of tertiary system should be passed on to the Water Distribution Co-operative Societies; (xiv) Construction and maintenance of the system down to minor/water course level to carry the designed supply; (xv) to carry out on farm development works including water courses, field channels, warabandhi, land levelling and shaping, scientific crop planning suitable for local soil and climatic condition. (xvi) Providing extension facilities like demonstration on farmers field and training of farmers; (xvii) Maintenance of the equipments for measuring the supply of water at the off take of minor/water course; (xviii) Preparation of bills seasonwise and send to Water Distribution Co-operative Societies for payment; (xix) Recovery of water fees from the Water Distribution Co-operative Societies/Farmers and credit the same to Government treasury from time to time.