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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Department of Tourism, Government of Goa is seeking views from the travel & tourism trade, industry associations, policy advocacy groups and all interested stakeholders including the general public on the proposed "Goa Tourism Promotion, Management and Regulation (GTPMR) Bill, 2024".

## **Background**

The Tourism sector in Goa is governed by two key legislations – (1) "The Goa, Daman, and Diu Registration of Tourist Trade Act, 1982" which provides for the registration of persons/trade dealing with tourists/touristic activities and for matters connected therewith and (2) "The Goa Tourist Places (Protection and Maintenance) Act, 2001 which deals with protection and maintenance of the tourist places, as notified by the Government from time to time, from deterioration as well as for preserving their tourism potential.

Over a period of time, due to several changes witnessed in the Tourism Industry due to advancement in technology/ procedures/ emergence of new concepts and tourism practices, a need was felt for a comprehensive legislation/Act to integrate and revamp the existing acts/rules/policies/guidelines that govern various segments of the tourism Industry in Goa.

Accordingly, the Department of Tourism, Government of Goa has drafted the "Goa Tourism Promotion, Management and Regulation Bill, 2024" (GTPMR Bill) for effective regulation of tourism sector in the State. The draft GTPMR Bill is available on the official website of this Department: <a href="https://www.goatourism.gov.in">www.goatourism.gov.in</a>, for kind perusal of all concerned.

Stakeholder involvement is a critical requirement towards drafting a comprehensive and public centric Legislation/Act and therefore views/comments/suggestions from all the stakeholders including general public on the draft Act are hereby invited which may be sent on Email: <a href="mailto:dir-tour.goa@nic.in">dir-tour.goa@nic.in</a> on or before **06/07/2024.** 

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