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Sri.Pramod Sawant ji,

Hon'ble Chief Minister

Respected Sir,

Sub: Humble request to resolve the long pending issues pertaining to Goa Kannadigas.

I personally thank your kindness for gracing this Kannada and Cultural festival today organized by Karnataka Border Area Development Authority Bengaluru in Association with Various Cultural Organization of Goa.

Such cultural Festivals Bind emotional Bondage between the two States.

Kannadigas have been living in Goa State Cordially for the last 40-50 yrs. But in the recent past the following few problems faced by Kannadigas have come to the notice of Government of Karnataka through their many representations.

- 1. About 440 houses of Kannadigas have been demolished in Baina Beach Goa in a phased Manner since 2004 and rehabilitation work has not been taken till today. It is requested to kindly look into the letters written by Karnataka Chief Minister and Chief Secretary of Karnataka regarding this to Goa Government to solve the issue amicably as this is major issue of Goa Kannadigas.
- 2. Akhila Kannada Goa Maha Sangha have given representation to Karnataka Chief Minister to sanction a "Kannada Bhavan" in Goa. Karnataka Chief Minister has assured the sangha to construct Kannada Bhava at Goa and Karnataka Border Area Development Authority has requested South Goa District Commissioner to give Govt land of minimum 5 acres free of cost . (Letter attached) Your intervention is required in this regard.

- Kannadigas of Goa have represented to request you to order the concerned Goan Authority to mention the 'CASTE' name in all educational certificates, to avail all facilities in education and employment under reservation system.
- To open more number of kannada Schools and colleges in the areas of Kannadigas living in Goa to avail basic education facilities (Both Govt. and Private).
- To sanction and issue ration cards to labourers who migrate outside and come back to Goa under the scheme "One nation-One ration card"
- 6. To allow all Kannnadigas in "Goan Govt Medical Colleges GMC Bamboli" to avail all medical facilities free of cost in view of the fact that many of labours working in Goa are from poor background.

I once again request you to kindly resolve the above issues on humanitarian grounds and ask the concerned Authority to take necessary action in this regard.

Thanking You,

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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