

Quadrant II - Notes

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Military Rule

Soon after the military takeover of Goa, Damao and Dio, the Government of India appointed Military Governor, namely Lt. Governor K.P. Candeth and the administrative control of the occupied territories were placed under the Union Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi. He was assisted by a Chief Civil Administrator R. P. Norohna and an Adviser G.K. Handoo.

On 2 January 1962, the Military Governor issued Proclamation IX, lifting the restriction on the movement of goods from the rest of India. On 11 January 1962 the Military Governor assumed all powers, authority and jurisdiction over the branches of Banco Nacional Ultramarino.

Proclamation XII was issued by the Military Governor on 22 January 1962, by which an officer was appointed as a Custodian to take care of the Abandoned Property and claims of those who had left Goa after take over.

All government servants were directed to give a declaration opting for Indian nationality and to surrender their Portuguese passports. Several low grade Class III officials and a few class II grade officials were sent on deputation to Goa. On 10th February 1962, an Ordinance entitled The Goa Daman and Diu (Administration) Ordinance 1962 was promulgated by the President for the administration of Goa, Daman and Diu. It stated the following:

- a) All judges, magistrates and other officers and authorities who were exercising lawful functions in the administration of Goa, Daman and Diu would continue to exercise their functions.
- b) All laws in force immediately before 20th December 1961 shall continue until amended or repealed.

- c) The Central government may extend any enactment with restriction or amendment.
- d) d) All things done on or after 20th December 1961 and before the commencement of the Ordinance are considered valid and operative.
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Civilian Rule:

the Parliament passed the 12th Amendment Act 1962 and the integration of Goa was brought about and included in the I Schedule of the Constitution as “Union Territory”.

1963, a Land Reform Commission was appointed. A Directorate of Civil Supplies and Price Control were created under the order dated 15th July 1963.

The Income –tax law was extended to Goa Daman and Diu w. e. f. 1st April 1963. On 2nd September 1963 a new Lt. Governor took over to oversee the installation of a democratic Government in Goa.

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