



SPEED POST RTI 272



GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE
Central Zoo Authority

F. No. 13-4/2016-CZA (Vol. VIII) / 2867/2016

Dated 27.10.2016

To,

Chethan H. R
#2&3, G-1, Vanamali Apartment,
Chikkalasandra, Behind Abbai Naidu Studio,
Bangalore – 560 061,
Karnataka

Sub: Application under the provisions of Right to Information Act, 2005.
Ref. Your RTI application dated 19.09.2016 received at this office on 27.09.2016.

Sir,

With reference to your application cited above, replies to your queries are as follows:

S. No.	Query	Reply
1.	Information on whether "Private Elephants"/"private animal" is defined in any statute/legislation/court judgment? If so, Information regarding the same.	Section 42 of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 deals with Certificate of ownership and it is the prerogative of the Chief Wildlife Warden of the respective State. The Applicant is hereby requested to obtain desired information from the Chief Wildlife Warden of respective State.
2.	Information on the term "Private Elephants" as per CZA rulings in Quasi-Judicial proceedings.	Though there was mention of term "Private Elephants" in letters issued by the Central Zoo Authority, it was meant to refer to "Elephants Owned by Private Individuals".
3.	Information on all the Circuses that have been granted custody of captive Elephants as "Private Elephants".	Copies of the desired letters are enclosed herewith.
4.	Information on the rules and regulations for the maintenance/health care of "Private Elephants".	Same as above at s. no. 1
5.	Information on the rules and regulations for upkeep of "Private Elephants".	Same as above at s. no. 1
6.	Information on the rules and regulations for the housing of "Private Elephants".	Same as above at s. no. 1
9.	Information on the custody of "Private Elephants".	Same as above at s. no. 1
10.	Information on which body/agency/persons monitor the well-being of "Private Elephants".	Same as above at s. no. 1

11.	Information on the mechanism used to oversee the welfare, veterinary care of "Private Elephants" in adherence to all the above.	Same as above at s. no. 1
12.	Information on the authorized body/authorized personnel who maintains records of the "Private Elephants".	Same as above at s. no. 1
13.	Information whether a "Private Elephant" could be housed on a public land.	Same as above at s. no. 1
14.	Information on whether "Private Elephants" could be used for work or display or entertainment.	Same as above at s. no. 1

In case you are not satisfied with this reply, you may file an appeal before the appellate authority, Member Secretary, Central Zoo Authority, B-1 Wing, 6th Floor, Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi – 110003, within a period of one month.

Encl. As above.

Yours faithfully,


(R. S. Rawat) 27/10/16
PIO