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DATE: 07.04.2017

To

The Director,
Directorate of Museums and Zoos,
Thiruvananthapuram – 695 001. (Kerala)
E-mail: museumzoo@gmail.com

Subject: Renewal of recognition as per the provisions of Section 38H of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur for period beyond 20th January, 2017 - regarding

Reference:

1. Your application vide letter No.MZ(F)-7899/99 dated 27.03.2017
2. This office letter F.No.19-113/92-CZA(140)(Vol.I)/299/2016 dated 22.02.2016

Sir,

Reference is invited to above cited correspondence. It is to inform that the evaluation of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur was carried out by Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta, Evaluation and Monitoring Officer, Central Zoo Authority on 9th January, 2017. The evaluation report of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, as submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 81st Meeting held on 24th January, 2017.

The Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant conditional renewal of recognition for a period of one year. The renewal of recognition of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur as a "Medium category zoo" under provisions of Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 is for a period up to 23rd January, 2018 subject to the following:

- a. compliance with the directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009
- b. mid-term evaluation of the zoo and
- c. construction of enclosures at site identified (Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) for relocation of the zoo, of animal species existing in collection of the old site i.e. State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur and relocation of the zoo on priority.

It is to inform that following are conditions stipulated as per provisions laid under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009:

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S. No.	Norm No. Rule 10	Conditions stipulated	Time Period to Comply
1.General requirements			
1	10.1(9)	Domestic ducks, geese, Mithun, White mice and Guinea pigs exhibited to the public should be removed immediately from exhibit area of the zoo.	With immediate effect
2.Administrative and staffing pattern			
2	10.2(1)	The whole time in-charge of the zoo should have adequate administrative and financial powers to deal with day to day affairs of the zoo.	Six months
4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures			
3	10.4(1)	Glass in the enclosure for King cobra should be fixed in such a manner that it should not have a reflection obstructing clear view of animals to the visitors.	Three months
4	10.4(1) &(3)	All metal perches in the aviaries should either be covered by coir rope or replaced by wooden perches.	One month
5	10.4(2)	The Star tortoise should be provided with soft substrate instead of gravel.	One month
6	10.4(2)	The Lion-tailed macaque (1:1) found housed in an enclosure with cemented surface and of dimensions 10 feet x 10 feet x 10 feet (High) without any open area for animal to move i.e. paddock. They should be immediately shifted to the Zoological Garden, Thiruvananthapuram, since it is participating zoo for conservation breeding of the Lion tailed macaque.	With immediate effect
7	10.4.(2)	Sand should be provided in the enclosure for Gharial, for basking. Further, ramp should be provided for climbing of animal to the basking area.	With immediate effect
8	10.4(2)	It is found that the zoo has 94 Bonnet macaques housed in a small cage of 5m x 10m x 15m (height) and feeding cum retiring cells. Paddock is absent in enclosure for Bonnet macaques. The Bonnet macaques should be housed in an enclosure that meets minimum standards and norms prescribed by the CZA. The efforts should be made to release the excess population in their wild habitat duly following protocols prescribed by the CZA and the IUCN in the matter.	Six months

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9	10.4(2)	The zoo found to be housing 3:0 tiger, 1:0 Lion Hybrid and 3:1 Leopard. The tigers and lions are housed in a 500 sq. feet cage. The Leopards are housed in feeding and retiring cell and does not have any open to sky paddock. The leopard enclosure measures 10 m x 7m x 10 m only. At present the single paddock is shared by Tiger and Lion and they are being released on alternate days. All the animal exhibits provided to the large carnivores does not meet the minimum standard and norms as prescribed by the CZA. Therefore Tigers, Lions and Leopards housed in the zoo should be shifted to a recognized zoo having appropriate housing facility.	With immediate effect
10	10.4(3)	Moat in the enclosure for Sambar found to be in unhygienic condition. The moat and wallowing area of the enclosure for Sambar should be maintained in hygienic manner.	With immediate effect
11	10.4(3)	Viewing area at the enclosure for Barn owl is found to be more than 70% of the periphery of enclosure. It should be reduced to 30%.	With immediate effect
12	10.4(4) & 10.4(6)	Enclosure for Brown fish should be provided a place to hide and enclosure should be appropriately enriched. The iron ladder provided as enrichment should be replaced with wooden ladder.	With immediate effect
13	10.4(7)	There should be screening between enclosures for Monitor lizard and Python.	With immediate effect
14	10.4(9)	Stand-off barrier should be provided at enclosures for Porcupine and Barn owl.	With immediate effect
15	10.4(9)	Green hedge should be provided between the stand-off barrier and enclosure, which has not been provided at aviary near entry to the zoo.	With immediate effect
16	10.4(10)	Signage should be provided at the Snake house.	One month
17	10.4(10)	Enrichment should be provided to the snakes.	One month
5. Upkeep and Healthcare of animals			
18	10.5(5)	The Guinea pigs provided as feed to the snake should not be kept on display.	With immediate effect
19	10.5(5)	White mice should be removed from the exhibit area.	With immediate effect
20	10.5(9)	The screening of staff against zoonotic diseases should be done regularly.	With immediate effect and at least once in a year
21	10.5(10)	The zoo should maintain information pertaining to Acquisition of animals, Treatment, individual Animal History Sheet, Keeper's Diary in the format as prescribed by the CZA.	With immediate effect

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22	10.5(10)	Individual Animal History Cards should be maintained for the animals as prescribed by the CZA.	With immediate effect
6.Veterinary and infrastructure facilities			
23	10.6(1)	The zoo should not keep expired drugs. The same should be disposed off timely in the prescribed manner.	With immediate effect
7. Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals			
24	10.7(2)	The findings of the post-mortem examination should be recorded in format prescribed by the Central Zoo Authority.	With immediate effect
25	10.7(4)	The carcass of large carnivores should be disposed-off by burning in the presence of the Director of the zoo or any officer in the next rank to him and authorized by him in this behalf.	With immediate effect
9.Acquisition and breeding of animals			
26	10.9(9)	The zoo has housed Jackals (13) beyond the carrying capacity of the enclosure whose area is approximately 0.5 acres. Their number should be reduced in accordance with carrying capacity of the enclosure by shifting surplus population to a recognized zoo having housing facility or by releasing in the wild following protocol laid down in this regard.	Six months
27	10.9(9)	Sambar (74 Nos.) and Hog deer (32 Nos.) found to be housed beyond carrying capacity. Immediate population control measures should be adopted and surplus should be either shifted to a recognized zoo having housing facility or released in the wild following protocol of the IUCN and the CZA.	Six months

Following are observations made by the evaluating officer during inspection of the site identified (Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) to relocate the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur:

28	10.1(5)	Perimeter wall of minimum two meters height from ground level should be constructed at the site identified for relocation of the zoo.	One year
29		Portion of the two Duplex quarters constructed by the Forest Department at the site identified for relocation of the zoo may be considered for usage as office complex for the Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur, since residential buildings are not permitted in the zoo campus. The residential complex has to be separated by a 2 meter high boundary wall and entry should not be through zoo premises.	

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A half yearly report regarding progress made in implementation of the aforesaid conditions should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority.

The renewal of recognition to the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur for period beyond 23rd January, 2018 as a "Medium category zoo" would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur shall be revoked by the Central Zoo Authority, at any point of time if the zoo operator is found not complying with the stipulated conditions.

Yours sincerely,



(Dr. D.N. Singh)
Member Secretary

Copy to:

1. The Secretary (Forest), Department of Forest and Wildlife, Government of Kerala, Room No. 660, 3rd Floor, South Block, Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram – 695 001. (Kerala), E-mail: secy.tax@kerala.gov.in – with a request to ensure compliance with conditions stipulated by the Central Zoo Authority
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden, Department of Forest and Wildlife, Government of Kerala, Forest Headquarter, Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram – 695 014. (Kerala); E-mail:- cwlv.for@kerala.gov.in, pccf.for@kerala.gov.in – for information and with a request that the conditions stipulated may be got implemented.
3. The Special Officer, Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur – 680 014. (Kerala), E-mail: specialofficertz.for@kerala.gov.in
4. The Superintendent, State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur – 680 020. (Kerala), E-mail: statemuseumandzoo@gmail.com - for information and necessary action
5. DPA, CZA – to update database



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THROUGH EMAIL/REGISTERED POST

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DATE: 22.02.2016

To

The Chief Wildlife Warden
Govt. of Kerala
Van Laxmi Forest Headquarter
Thiruvananthapuram (Kerala)

Sub:- Renewal of recognition to State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala (to be relocated to Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.07.2015.

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter dated 27.07.2015 received in this office on 03.08.2015 seeking grant of renewal of recognition to State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala (to be relocated to Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) for period beyond 31.07.2015

The evaluation of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala (to be relocated to Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) was carried out by Sh. S. C. Sharma on 02.12.2015. The evaluation report of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur (to be relocated at Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) as submitted by the evaluating officers was considered by the Technical Committee in its 77th Meeting held on 20th January, 2016.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant renewal of recognition to State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala (to be relocated to Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) as 'Medium Zoo' category under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 for a period up to 20.01.2017 subject to the compliance with the following directives under Rule 10 of Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 (Amended in 2013) and mid-term evaluation of the zoo:-

S. No.	Norm No.	Condition Stipulated	Time Period to Comply
Administrative and Staffing Pattern:			
1.	2.1	Zoo superintendent should be delegated adequate financial powers.	Immediate effect
2.	2.2	Posts of biologist and education officer should be sanctioned at the earliest.	Six months

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Development and planning:			
3.	3.7	Zoo should not accept large carnivores and Schedule animals as rescued animals.	Immediate effect
Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures:			
4.	4	Area of all snake display chambers should be increased by merging the neighbouring chambers.	Six months
5.	4	Water of mugger enclosures should be replaced periodically.	Six months
6.	4	Hedges should be planted between the standoff barrier and the parapet wall.	Six months
7.	4.4	Primates should be shifted to Puthur zoo on priority basis. Lion Tailed Macaque should be sent to Thiruvanthapuram zoo.	Six months
8.	4.6	Efforts to enrich snake and bird enclosures should be done.	Six months
9.	4.10	Signage needs improvement both in terms of contents and quality .Ecological values of various species to be highlighted.	Six months
Upkeep and healthcare of animals:			
10.	5	Feeding of ungulates to be done in closed kraals.	Six months
11.	5.2	Washings from meat house to be disposed through a closed drain into a soak pit.	Six months
12.	5.8	Parasitic loads of all animals to be regularly tested.	Six months
13.	5.8	Zoo should maintain detailed records of prophylactic treatment given to animals of all species.	Six months
14.	5.9	All animal handling staff to be regularly screened for zoonotic diseases.	Immediate effect
15.	5.10	Keepers diary should be maintained in the book form.	Six months
Veterinary and infrastructure facilities:			
16.	6	Zoo should engage veterinary compounder and lab assistant immediately.	Six months
17.	6	Zoo should acquire centrifuge machine and glass ware for stool test.	Immediate effect
18.	6.6	Zoo should have formal MoU with eminent veterinary institute.	Six months
Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals:			
19.	7	Post-mortem findings should be corroborated with forensic findings.	Immediate effect
General observations:			
20.	General	Cleanliness and the getup of the zoo canteen should be improved.	Immediate effect

A half yearly report regarding progress made in implementation of the aforesaid conditions should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority.


It is to inform that the period ranging from 31.07.2015 to 20.01.2016 is hereby regularized by the Central Zoo Authority.

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Grant of renewal of recognition of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala (to be relocated to Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) beyond 20th January, 2017 would be considered on the basis of compliance with the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition to the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala (to be relocated to Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) shall be revoked by the Central Zoo Authority, at any point of time if the Zoo Operator is found not complying with the stipulated conditions.

Yours faithfully,


22/2/2016
(Inder Dhamija)
DIG (HQ)

Copy to:-

1. The Director, Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala for favour of information and necessary action.
2. Mr. Vivek Goel, DPA, CZA – to update records.


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F. No. 19-113/92-CZA(140)(Vol. I)(M) | 5333

DATE: 18.07.2014

To

The Director
Museum & Zoos,
Thiruvananthapuram (Kerala).

Sub:- Renewal of recognition to State Museum & Zoo, Thrissur under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.07.2013.

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter No. MZ (F) – 7899/1999 dated 1ST May, 2013 seeking renewal of recognition to State Museum & Zoo, Thrissur under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.07.2013.

The evaluation of the State Museum & Zoo, Thrissur was carried out by Dr. A. K. Malhotra on 01.05.2014. The evaluation report of the State Museum & Zoo, Thrissur as submitted by the evaluating officers was considered by the Technical Committee in its 70th Meeting held on 1st July, 2014

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of recognition to State Museum & Zoo, Thrissur (new site at Puthur) under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 31st July, 2015 subject to the condition that transport of all the animals from Thrissur to Puthur is completed in the given time of one year and compliance of the following directives at the existing zoo, till the animals are shifted under the Recognition of Zoo (Amendment) Rules, 2013 and mid-term evaluation of the zoo:-

S. No.	Norm No.	Condition Stipulated	Time Period to Comply
1. General requirement			
1.	1.7	Liquid waste of disposal system needs improvement.	Within one year
3. Development and Planning			
2.	3.1	This Museum and Zoo is not required to develop master plan as it is to be shifted at Puthur – 12 km in south-east of city. The	Within one year

authorities of Puthur zoo should be asked to develop the master plan and execute it keeping in view of clauses of Recognition of Zoo (Amendment) Rules, 2013.

4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures

3.	4.1, 4.2, 4.4. & 4.5	Greenery to be increased around all enclosure to give immersing effect. As the zoo is to be relocated at Puthur, so following improvements are needed:- a) Extend the area of snake houses. b) Repair all carnivore enclosures. c) Python and Monitor lizard area and water body be increased. d) Water of Mugger should be replaced periodically. e) Ramp of Gharial should be made. f) Water troughs be replaced or repair. g) Pelicans and White stork ponds be repaired.	Within one year
4.	4.6	Enrichment of each enclosure as per species requirements should be undertaken.	Within one year
5.	4.9	Hedge should be planted between moat wall and standoff barriers in all enclosures.	Within one year
6.	4.10	Animal signages and directional signages need to be redone.	Within one year

5. Upkeep and Healthcare of animals

7.	5.2(6)	The food and water samples should be got tested randomly.	Within one month
8.	5.3 (3 & 4)	A written schedule for checking parasitic load and vaccination should be prepared and kept near enclosures.	Within one month
9.	5.3 (5)	The operator should prepare and use keeper dairy, daily report etc.	With immediate effect
10.	5.3(6)	The staff involved in the healthcare of animals should be screened against zoonotic diseases once every year.	Within three months

6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities

11.	6.1 (b)	The Veterinary Hospital should acquire the following items:- a) Surgical table b) Inhalation of anesthesia equipments c) Lab. Facilities for sample testing d) Stretcher – 2.	Within one year
12.	6.3	Following staff should be engaged on contract:- a) Vet. Compounder – 1 b) Lab. Asstt. – 1	Within six months

12. Visitors Facilities

13.	12.1	Increase water points and rain shelters by three numbers each. Improve facilities at canteen.	Within six months
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A half yearly report regarding progress made in implementation of the aforesaid condition should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority.

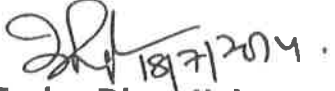
Grant of recognition to State Museum & Zoo, Thrissur (new site at Puthur) beyond 31st July, 2015 would be considered on the basis of compliance of the condition stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition to the State Museum & Zoo, Thrissur (new site at Puthur) shall be revoked by the Central Zoo Authority, at any point of time if the Zoo Operator is found not complying with the stipulated conditions.

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