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To

The Divisional Forest Officer,
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Phillaur – 144 410.
Jalandhar District (Punjab)
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Subject:- Grant of renewal of recognition as per the provisions of Section 38H of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 to Deer Park, Neelon, Ludhiana, Punjab for period beyond 30th June, 2012 - regarding

Reference:-

1. Letter No.11661 dated 11.01.2013 from the Divisional Forest Officer, Ludhiana
2. This office letter F.No.19-76/92-CZA(221)(M) dated 19.05.2009

Sir,

Reference is invited to above cited correspondence. It is to inform that the evaluation of the Deer Park, Neelon, Ludhiana, Punjab was carried out by Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta and Mr. T. Ajay Kumar on 27.03.2016. The evaluation report of the Deer Park, Neelon as submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 78th Meeting held on 6th May, 2016.

The Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority has decided to issue Show Cause Notice under Section 38H (5&6) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 to Deer Park, Neelon for non-compliance with conditions stipulated by the Central Zoo Authority in violation of Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 (amended in 2013), to provide time period of six months to the zoo to submit a compliance report on the issues mentioned in the Show Cause Notice. Besides, the Committee has decided to grant conditional renewal for recognition for a period of one year. Show Cause Notice is being sent separately.

The renewal of recognition of Deer Park, Neelon as "a Mini Category Zoo" as per the provisions of Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 is for a period up to 5th May, 2017 subject to the compliance of the following directives under Rule 10 of Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 (Amended in 2013) and mid-term evaluation of the zoo:-

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S. No.	Norm No.	Conditions Stipulated	Time Period to comply
1.General requirements			
1.	1(3)	Thorough fare of public and vehicles with specific reference to heavy vehicles through the road passing through the Deer Park behind the existing perimeter wall should not be allowed to continue.	Three months
2.	1(5)	Chain-link fence/perimeter wall of minimum prescribed height of two meters may be laid adjacent to Masjid.	One month
3.	1(9)	Budgerigars may be removed from the collection of the Deer Park	One month
2.Administrative and staffing pattern			
4.	2(1)	An officer of appropriate rank be appointed as whole time in charge of the zoo with adequate administrative and financial powers. Present arrangement of the Deputy Range Forest Officer hampers the overall development of the Deer Park as he has been assigned with duties other than management of the Deer Park also.	Three months
3.Development and Planning			
5.	3(1)	Master layout Plan and Master Plan of the Deer Park, Neelon be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority for approval.	Two months
6.	3(6)	A collection plan be prepared and submitted to the Central Zoo Authority for approval.	Two months
7.	3(7)	Rescued /gifted animals not to be housed unless there exists approval from the Chief Wildlife Warden and facility to keep them in isolation. Cockatiel reportedly gifted to the Deer Park, Neelon be sent to Zoo having appropriate housing facility.	One month
4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures			
8.	4(1)	Appropriate enrichment may be provided in each of the enclosures at Deer Park. Cycle rims placed in aviaries be replaced with appropriate perch.	One month
9.	4(3)	It must be ensured that viewing area for visitors at each of the enclosures at the Deer Park not exceeds prescribed limit. Present practice of access to visitors all around the enclosure be restricted with immediate effect on priority basis.	Immediately
10.	4(9)	Appropriate stand-off barriers be made at each of the enclosures	Two months
11.	4(10)	Adequate signage in regional language as well as in Hindi and English be placed at each of the enclosures.	Six months
5. Upkeep and Healthcare of animals			
12.	5(4)	A 'Kuchha' ramp be provided at feeding /retiring cells in the enclosure for Blackbuck.	Immediately
6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities			

13.	6(1)(a)	The Deer Park authorities may hire services of a qualified veterinarian to visit the Deer Park on regular basis.	Six months
14.	6(1)(c)	Existing damaged and abandoned treatment room may be replaced by a functional one at appropriate location	Six months
15.	6(6)(b)	Adequate training be provided to staff employed by the Zoo for upkeep and feeding of animals.	Six months
7. Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals			
16.	7(2)	Findings of Post-mortem examination be recorded in prescribed format	Three months
9. Acquisition and breeding of animals			
17.	9(1)	Surplus animals in the stock especially that of Porcupine be spared to a Zoo having appropriate housing facility.	Six months
12. Visitors facilities			
18.	12(1)	Visitors' amenities such as toilet, dustbin be provided in adequate number with access to 'Divyang' personnel.	Six months
General observations			
19.		Name of the Zoo be prominently displayed at the entrance.	One month
20.		Keeping in view the number of the visitors to Deer Park, Neelon, visitors may be charged entrance fee as felt appropriate by the Department of Forests, Government of Punjab.	Three months
21.		Children's play area with swings and other play tools adjacent to animal enclosures be removed with immediate effect.	Immediately
22.		It is informed that the staff who has undergone training earlier in animal keeping has been assigned duties outside the zoo. Operator of the zoo should ensure that trained manpower is assigned duties at the zoo.	Three months
23.		Animals be fed on the designated platform.	Immediately

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 Deer Park, Neelon for period beyond 5th May, 2017 as "a Mini Category Zoo" would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition to the Deer Park, Neelon 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



(Dr. D.N. Singh)
Member Secretary

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Copy to:-

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Punjab, Tower No. 2, 2nd Floor, Forest Complex, Sector – 68, Mohali – 160 068. – for information and with a request that the conditions stipulated may be got implemented.
2. DPA, CZA – to update database



(Dr. D.N. Singh)
Member Secretary



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BY REGISTERED POST

F. No. 19-76/92-CZA(221)(M)

DATE: 19.05.2009

To

The Divisional Forest Officer
Deer Park, Neelon
Ludhiana (Punjab).

Sub:- Renewal of Recognition to Deer Park, Neelon (Mini Zoo Neelon, Ludhiana) beyond the period of 31.07.2007 under Section 38 H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act - Regarding.

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter No. 11598 dated 6.3.2009 seeking renewal of recognition for the Deer Park, Neelon (Mini Zoo Neelon, Ludhiana) beyond the period of 31.07.2007 under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

The evaluation of the Deer Park, Neelon (Mini Zoo Neelon, Ludhiana) was carried out on 20.02.2009 by Sh. Naresh Kumar. The evaluation report of the Deer Park as submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 50th Meeting held on 24th March, 2009.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of recognition to Deer Park, Neelon (Mini Zoo Neelon, Ludhiana) as a Mini category Zoo under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 30.06.2012 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 1992:-

S. No.	Relevant Norm No.	Conditions	Time Period
General			
1.	1	The primary objective to operating the zoo should be the conservation of wildlife. The common domestic animals like Budgerigar and Rabbit displayed at the Zoo should be removed immediately.	With immediate effect

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2.	8	The Zoo Operator should ensure that an appropriate barrier of 2 meter high from the ground level around the Zoo should be provided.	Six months
3.	11A	The Zoo Operator should prepare a collection plan of the animals to be housed and displayed in the Park, keeping due regard to the availability of land, water, electricity and climatic condition of the area. The Zoo should restrict exhibiting the animals as per the decided animal collection plan of the Zoo.	Six months

Animal Enclosures – Design, Dimensions and other Essential Features

4.	15	The every enclosure should be provided appropriate stand off barriers and adequate warning signs for keeping the visitors at the safe distance of the animals as well as keeping away the visitors to feed the animals. The animal enclosure in the Deer Park shall be designed as to fully ensure the safety of animals, caretakers and visitors.	With immediate effect
5.	16	(i) All the animal enclosures in the zoo shall be so designed to meet the biological requirements of the animals housed therein. The enclosures shall be of such size as to ensure that the animals get space for their free movement and exercise. (ii) The Black buck, Sambar, aviaries for Grey partridge and Rose ringed parakeet exhibited at the Zoo should be provided with the appropriate area as specified in the guidelines circulated by the Central Zoo Authority for the scientific management of the Zoos. (iii) The aviaries should be built large and naturalistic and should be provided with appropriate perches for the birds.	With immediate effect
6.	17	The Zoo should keep only such number of Blackbuck keeping in view of the carrying capacity of the existing animal enclosures.	Three months

Hygiene, Feeding and Upkeep

7.	22	The Zoo should provide a proper waste disposal system for treating the both the solid and liquid wastes generated in the Deer Park.	Six months
8.	24	The Zoo Operator should make available round the clock supply of water for drinking purposes in each enclosure.	With immediate effect

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Animal Care, Health and Treatment

9.	26	The animal shall be handled only by the staff having appropriate experience and training in handling the animals. Every care shall be taken to avoid discomfort/ behavioral stress or physical harm to any animal.	With immediate effect
10.	29	The Zoo Operator should make arrangement for medical checkups of staff handling animals for screening against zoonotic diseases every six months.	With immediate effect
11.	30	The Zoo shall maintain separate herd sheet for Black buck.	With immediate effect

Veterinary facilities

12.	33	The Zoo should construct a treatment room in the premises of the zoo with basic diagnostic facility is available for the routine examination and treatment of animals.	Six months
13.	34	The Zoo should construct a post-mortem room at an appropriate place and post-mortem findings of all animals those die in the Zoo should be recorded in the format circulated by CZA and preserved for six years.	Six months

Breeding of Animals

14.	36	The Zoo should keep of such number of animals of such species for which appropriate housing facility exists. The Zoo Operator shall be responsible for ensuring that the number of animals of any species does not go beyond the holding capacity of the enclosures available in the Zoo and housing standards are not compromise for keeping the excessive numbers.	With immediate effect
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Education & Research

15.	45	Every enclosure in the Zoo should bear a sign board displaying scientific and biological information regarding the animals exhibited in it.	Three months
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Development & Planning

16.	51	The Zoo should prepare a long-term (for a minimum period of 10 years) master plan for its development including a management plan for next six years giving details of the proposals and activities of development during the period. The copies of the said plan shall be sent to the Central Zoo Authority for its approval. The guidelines and	Immediately
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the recommended Concept plan circulated by the Central Zoo Authority with regard to preparation of Master Plan should be strictly followed.

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

Grant of recognition to Deer Park, Neelon (Mini Zoo Neelon, Ludhiana) beyond 30.06.2012 would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition to the Deer Park, Neelon (Mini Zoo Neelon, Ludhiana) 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,
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(B. R. Sharma)
Member Secretary

Copy to the Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Punjab, Chandigarh for favour of information and with a request that the stipulated conditions may be got implemented.


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F.No. 19-76/92-CZA(221)(M)

DATE: 26.5.2006

To

The Chief Wildlife Warden
Govt. of Punjab
Chandigarh

**Sub:- Renewal of Recognition to the Deer Park, Neelon, Ludhiana Punjab
under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act - Regarding.**

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter No. 951 dated 3.8.99 seeking renewal of recognition for the Deer Park, Neelon, Dist. Ludhiana Punjab beyond 1.4.1999 under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

The zoo was evaluated on 21.11.2005 by Shri R.D.Jakati, Chief Wildlife warden, Haryana. The evaluation report was placed before the Technical committee Meeting held on 11.1.2006. The Committee noted that that the zoo has failed to comply with the conditions stipulated in the letter of recognition dated 2.4.1997. The list of conditions of recognition which have not been complied are at Annexed herewith. The committee has decided that the Deer Park, Neelon, Dist. Ludhiana may be given a second chance to comply with the conditions with in a period of one year.

In view of the above, recognition to Deer Park, Neelon, Dist. Ludhiana, Punjab is being extended till 31.7.2007, with which period the zoo is required to comply with all the conditions. The compliance report may be submitted at the earliest. It may be reiterated that incase the zoo fails to comply with the conditions within the given time period, action for cancellation of recognition to Deer Park, Neelon, Dist. Ludhiana shall be initiated.

**Yours faithfully,
Sd/-
(B. R. Sharma)
Member Secretary**

Encls.- Conditions of recognition

Copy to:-

The Divisional Forest Officer, Ludhiana Forest Division, Ludhiana along with the enclosures for favour of information and necessary action.

**(B. R. Sharma)
Member Secretary**

Annexure

Standard and norms to be complied under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 1992 of the Wild Life (Protection) Act

S. No.	Relevant Norm No.	Conditions
Animal enclosures – Design, Dimensions and other Essential Features		
1.	16 & 17	a) The area of the deer park should be increased to a minimum of 5 hectares. Majority of this area should be devoted for making chital and black buck enclosures. Planting of suitable species should also be done in the enclosures. b) The existing aviaries should be demolished and instead large and naturalistic aviaries with adequate perches should be provided. (20'x20'x18' for pheasant and 15'x15'x12' for other birds).
Hygiene, feeding and upkeep		
2.	25	A schedule for disinfection of the animal enclosures should be prepared and implemented.
Animal Care, Health and Treatment		
3.	28	A schedule for screening of the parasitic load of the animals should be prepared and implemented.
4.	29	Medical check up of the staff responsible for upkeep of the animals should be arranged atleast once in every six months to ensure that they do not have infections of such diseases that can infect the zoo animals.
Veterinary facilities		
5.	33	A treatment room should be constructed in the premises of the zoo for routine examination and treatment of sick and injured animals.
6.	34	A postmortem room should be constructed
Breeding of animals		
7.	36	The zoo shall keep in collection only such number of animals and such species for which appropriate housing facility exists. The zoo operators shall be responsible for ensuring that the number of animals of any species does not go beyond the holding capacity of the enclosures available in the zoo and the housing standards are not compromised for keeping the excessive numbers.

S. No.	Relevant Norm No.	Conditions
8.	40	To safeguard against uncontrolled growth in the population of prolifically breeding animals like spotted deer and black buck, appropriate population control measures should be implemented, like separation of sexes, sterilization and vasectomy etc.
Visitor facilities		
9.	49	First aid equipments including anti-venom should be readily available in the premises of the zoo.
Development & Planning		
10	51	The zoo should prepare a long term master plan for its development. A management plan may also be prepared giving details of proposals and activities for development in the next six years. The copies of the plans should be sent to the Central Zoo Authority.
