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To

The Divisional Forest Officer,
Civil and Soyam Forest Division,
Almora – 263 601. (Uttarakhand)
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Subject: Renewal of recognition as per the provisions of Section 38H of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 of the Almora Mini Zoo, Almora, Uttarakhand for period beyond 31st July, 2016 - regarding

Reference:

1. Your application vide letter No.968/6-38, dated 29.09.2016
2. This office letter F.No.19-70/92-CZA(266)(M)/5368, dated 22.07.2012

Sir,

Reference is invited to above cited correspondence. It is to inform that the evaluation of the Almora Mini Zoo, Almora was carried out by Dr. Devender Kumar, Scientific Officer, CZA on 24th September, 2016. The evaluation report of the Almora Mini Zoo, Almora, 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 two years. The renewal of recognition of the the Almora Mini Zoo, Almora as a "Mini Zoo" under provisions of Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 is for a period up to 23rd January, 2019 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 and mid-term evaluation of the zoo:

S. No.	Norm No. Rule 10	Conditions stipulated	Time Period to Comply
1.General requirements			
1	1(5)	The zoo operator should ensure that the zoo is encompassed by a perimeter wall of at least two meters height from ground level on both sides.	Six months
2	1(6)	The Range office & quarters of the <i>Chaukidar</i> etc. located within the zoo premises should be separated by a wall of two meters height from ground level with independent entrance and exit for the residential quarters.	Six months

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2.Administrative and staffing pattern			
3	2(1)	A 'whole time in-charge' of the zoo having adequate administrative & financial powers should be appointed.	Six months
4	2(2)	The zoo operator should avail assistance of appropriately qualified individuals locally available, to carry out responsibilities of housing, upkeep and healthcare of animals housed in the zoo.	Six months
3.Development and Planning			
5	3(1)	The zoo operator should prepare Master Plan incorporating Animal Collection Plan and Disaster Management Plan of the zoo and should submit to the Central Zoo Authority for approval.	Three months
6	3(7)	The zoo operator should not accept rescued animals for which the zoo does not have appropriate facility for housing in isolation during quarantine period.	With immediate effect
7	3(8)	Detailed report on rescued animals indicating source of the animal, legality of acquisition and facilities available at the zoo for housing in isolation, upkeep and healthcare, should be submitted to the Chief Wildlife Warden of the State. In case, the zoo accepts any rescued animal of endangered species, report should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority along with the Chief Wildlife Warden of the State.	With immediate effect
4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures			
8	4(5) and 4(8)	Efforts should be made by the zoo operator to revamp animal enclosures to meet standards specified by the Central Zoo Authority. In case of enclosures for endangered species, drawing should be submitted to the CZA for prior approval.	Six months

9	4(6)	Environment of the animal enclosures should be suitably enriched in accordance with the standards specified by the Central Zoo Authority.	Three months
10	4(9)	Hedge should be planted and maintained at stand-off barrier of all animal enclosures.	Three months
11	4(10)	Signage on biology and behaviour of the species housed in the zoo should be appropriately placed in bilingual form.	Three months
5. Upkeep and Healthcare of animals			
12	5(2)	The food and water samples should be got tested periodically.	With immediate effect
13	5(5)	Adequate drainage system should be developed in the zoo.	Six months
14	5(5)	The excreta of animals should be removed on daily basis and the animal enclosures should be disinfected.	With immediate effect
15	5(9)	The staff involved in the healthcare of the animals should be screened against zoonotic diseases once every year.	With immediate effect and be repeated once in a year
16	5(10)	Zoo operator should ensure preparation and usage of Keeper's Diary, Daily Report, Animal Treatment Card, Animal History Card in the format prescribed by the Central Zoo Authority.	With immediate effect
6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities			
17	6(5)	Sufficient Veterinary support staff in accordance with the animal collection of the zoo should be deployed.	Six months
7. Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals			
18	7(2)	Findings of Post-mortem examination should be recorded in format prescribed by the Central Zoo Authority and should be maintained for a period not less than six years.	With immediate effect
9. Acquisition and breeding of animals			
19	9(1) and 9(5)	Zoo operator should shift surplus number of Spotted deer to other recognized zoos. If found fit, they should be considered for release in the wild following the laid down protocol in the matter.	Six months
20	9(4)	Zoo operator should either acquire mates for singly housed Himalayan black bear and Rhesus macaque or transfer the animals to a recognized zoo.	Six months

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21	9(9)	Zoo operator should implement population control measures to limit the number of Spotted deer. Presently, it is 68 (24:44), which is beyond the carrying capacity of the zoo.	With immediate effect
11.Education and outreach activities			
22	11(1)	Zoo operator should take up educational & awareness activities for visitors on wildlife conservation.	Six months
12.Visitors' facilities			
23	12(3)	Wheel chairs should be procured by the zoo operator to facilitate <i>Divyangjan</i> (physically challenged) visitors to the zoo.	Six months

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 Almora Mini Zoo, Almora for period beyond 23rd January, 2019 as a "Mini Zoo" would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition of the Almora Mini Zoo, Almora 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 (Forests), Department of Forest and Environment, Government of Uttarakhand, Sachivalaya, Dehradun – 248 001. (Uttarakhand), E-mail; cs-uttaranchal@nic.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 Environment, Government of Uttarakhand, 85, Rajpur Road, Dehradun – 248 001; E-mail: cwlwua@yahoo.co.in – for information and with a request that the conditions stipulated may be got implemented.
3. DPA, CZA – to update database



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F. No. 19-70/92-CZA(266)(M)/5368

DATE: 22.07.2012
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To
The Divisional Forest Officer
Civil and Soyam Forest Division,
Almora (Uttarakhand).

Sub:- Renewal of recognition to the Deer Park, Narain Tiwari, Dewal, Almora under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.05.2012.

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter No. 3672/6-38 dated 29th June 2012 seeking renewal of recognition to the Deer Park, Narain Tiwari, Dewal, Almora under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.05.2012.

The evaluation of the Deer Park, Narain Tiwari, Dewal, Almora (Almora Zoo, Almora) was carried out by Sh. Alankar Jha on 14.03.2014. The evaluation report of the Deer Park, Narain Tiwari, Dewal, Almora (Almora Zoo, Almora) as submitted by the evaluating officer 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 Deer Park, Narain Tiwari, Dewal, Almora (Almora Zoo, Almora) as a "Mini Category Zoo" under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 31st July, 2016 subject to condition that the zoo authority will improve the condition of the animal housing and post a independent full time officer-in-charge of the zoo and compliance of the following directives 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
General			
		a) The management of the Park is not at all satisfactory.	
		b) If at all this deer park is to be maintained, it should be brought under the society mode with very intensive management, with if not a DFO solely responsible, for this; then an ACF with reporting to appropriate authority.	
		c) The veterinary wing needs to be strengthened.	
		d) It is recommended that the Park should be maintained only as rescue centre,	

as present situation gives only negative conservation message to all persons who visit the park. Even though minister in charge administrative apathy was also clear that DFO had no time to attend the inspection, only ACF came without authority to show proper records.

1. General requirement

1.	1.1	<p>a) The deer population needs to be marked/ tagged.</p> <p>b) The populations need to be controlled by segregation or surgical means.</p> <p>c) New bloodline in Sambar and Spotted deer need to be incorporated by exchange with zoos nearby.</p>	<p>Within two months</p> <p>Within six months</p> <p>Within six months – one year</p>
2.	1.2	<p>a) The deer enclosure needs designing again by way of proper shades, night shelter, grazing area. The hardware store needs removal. The waste burning must stop inside the enclosure. Double door gates should be provided in the enclosure.</p> <p>b) The Bear enclosure needs redesigning by way of enlarging the enclosure area and night shelter, with no cement floor outside. Till a new enclosure is made, the cement floor must be covered with three fee soil or as admissible with planting of grasses, as well as filling up the trough inside.</p> <p>c) The Monkey enclosure needs redesigning. Till then the white monkey should be sent to Nainital Zoo.</p>	<p>Within one month</p> <p>One month for repair to one year for remaking</p> <p>Within fifteen days</p>
3.	1.5/16	<p>The chain link fencing towards the zoo office and human settlements need to be converted to perimeter wall atleast two meter high. Zoo quarters should also be separated accordingly.</p>	<p>Within six months</p>

2. Administrative and Staffing Pattern

5.	2.1	A full fledged RO should be posted as in-charge with no other charge. Zoo keepers should be posted on permanent and long-term basis with appropriate training. It is suggested that the Almora Zoo should be brought under the Society which manages the Nainital Zoo for more intensive and specialized management, and utilization of resources.	Within one year
6.	2.3	Recruitment rule for all categories of staff should be made.	Within one year
3. Development and Planning			
7.	3.1	Master plan needs thorough discussion and scrutiny at CZA level, before approval, for the aims and objectives and planning for next ten years as well as fund flow.	Within six months
8.	3.8	Report of all rescued animals must be sent to Chief Wildlife Warden, Uttarakhand and CZA as per rule.	With immediate effect
4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures			
9.	4.2	The Bear and Monkey enclosure should be remodeled as per CZA norms.	Within six months
10.	4.6	The Deer enclosure should be split into as many parts as the number of species. Proper enrichment of all enclosures be done and hiding places be made.	Within six months
5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals			
11.	5.2/ 5.3	The quantum of food being given should be reviewed in consultation with Nainital Zoo, and supply of such food be given under proper supervision. The leftover food should be removed and taken out of enclosure and disposed properly. Potable water supply should be insured for all animals. The food to Leopards be given inside their night shelters every evening and not at 2 P.M. as is the practice now.	With immediate effect

12.	5.5	The enclosures must be cleaned after food is taken by the animal. This needs intensive supervision by the staff and it must be insured at all cost. The left over feed of herbivore enclosure must be taken out of enclosure and disposed.	With immediate effect
13.	5.6/5.8	The veterinary officer visit should be once in two days if not daily and proper record of his visit be maintained, for reference later on. All his observation and medical prescription should be recorded there. Proper record of all deworming be maintained.	With immediate effect
14.	5.9	Regular checking of all staff once in six months be done to check zoonotic diseases.	With immediate effect
15.	5.10	Animal history card, keeper's diary and treatment card need maintenance for each individual. For this herbivores need tagging.	With immediate effect

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, Narain Tiwari, Dewal, Almora (Almora Zoo, Almora) as a "Mini Category Zoo" beyond 31st July, 2016 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, Narain Tiwari, Dewal, Almora (Almora Zoo, Almora) 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. S. Bonal)
Member Secretary

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Uttarakhand, Dehradun for favour of information and with a request that the stipulated conditions may be got implemented.
2. Mr. Vivek Goel, DPA, CZA.


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F. No. 19-70/92-CZA(266)(M)

DATE: 06.05.2010

To

The Divisional Forest Officer
Civil and Soyam Forest Division,
Almora (Uttarakhand).

Sub:- Grant of renewal of recognition to the Deer Park, Narain Tiwari, Almora under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.03.2008.

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter No. 3116/6-38 dated 27.03.2010 seeking grant of renewal of recognition to the Deer Park, Narain Tiwari, Almora under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.03.2008.

The Deer Park, Narain Tiwari, Almora was evaluated by Sh. B. S. Bonal, Member Secretary, Central Zoo Authority on 03.02.2010. The report submitted by the evaluating officer was placed before the Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority held on 23rd March, 2010.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of renewal of recognition to the Deer Park, Narain Tiwari, Almora as Mini Category Zoo under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 31st May, 2012 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009:-

S. No.	Condition	Time Period to comply the conditions
General		
1.	(i) There should be separate entrance for Zoo and rescue centre. The visitors entering through the gate for Rescue centre should not be allowed to move to off exhibit site.	One year

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	(ii) Recommended for minimum entry fee (at present no entrance fee is being realized) to the visitors.	
	(iii) Provision (ramp) for physically challenged persons should be developed at least up to certain point.	
2	It is advised to have high platform for hygienic store of feed in the store house and kitchen which is under construction.	Six months
3	Diet chart may be prepared consulting with authorities of other zoo.	One month
4	Presently all different species of deer and antelopes are housed together in the same enclosure. They should immediately be shifted to different enclosures.	One month
5	In order to control the population of spotted deer appropriate measures should be adopted like segregation of males and females, castration etc.	Three months
Administrative and Staffing Pattern		
6	Presently, R.O., Kosi is responsible for zoo affairs under the DFO civil Soyam but with additional duties. It is recommended At least the ACF or RO should be made full time officer with administrative and financial power to attend emergency needs i.e. for feed, medicines and upkeep of animals.	Six months
7	Staffs need training in handling captive animals and other zoo activities.	One year
8	No planned breeding program is taken at present. Effort should made to have project on identified species i.e. Cheer pheasant.	
9	Submission of Master Plan must be expedited.	Immediate
10	Animal collection plan must be prepared immediately.	Immediate
11	Deer enclosure requires enrichment by removing materials stored inside enclosure, providing kraal, and under taking plantation.	Six months
12	Stand off barer exist only on leopard enclosure. It is required to be erected in other enclosures too.	immediate
13	Old monkey enclosure should immediately be dismantled and the newly renovated enclosure should be extended providing free arena using the existing structure as night shelter with naturalistic environment.	Tow to One year

14	Single sexed animals e.g. Goral, Bear, Barking deer etc should be shifted to other zoo or make effort to pair.	Six months
15	Provision for keeper's gallery should be built whenever enclosures are constructed/ renovated.	Six months
16	The existing hutmate may be used as keepers change room.	One year
17	The design of rescue centre should immediately be submitted as advised by the expert group of design	Six months
18	Existing Leopard enclosure at rescue centre should be enriched by putting timbers, logs and plantations with grass etc	Two months
19	New enclosure should be constructed after obtaining approval of the design from Central Zoo Authority and at appropriate site away from visitor's route.	Six months
20	No breeding should be allowed in rescue centre as such male should be castrated.	always
21	Provision for post mortem needs to be added in the under construction hospital building at near rescue centre.	Immediate
22	History cards for the animals needs to be maintained.	Immediate
23	No provision for first aid. Immediate arrangements for first-aid equipments and anti venom should be done	Immediate
24	The existing signages are not with scientific information and not at appropriate places. It is recommended to improve with modern and scientific, information at the appropriate sites. Directional signage with visitors rout should also be placed.	Six months
25	Zoo should publish brochures, pamphlets which at present does not seem to have done.	Regularly
26	Annual report of the Zoo cum rescue Center should be published every year.	Annually

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

Grant of recognition beyond 31st May, 2012 to the Deer Park, Narain Tiwari, Almora as a 'Mini Category Zoo' would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above, general performance and physical mid-term evaluation of the zoo.

The recognition to the Deer Park, Narain Tiwari, Almora shall be revoked by the Central Zoo Authority, at any point in time if the Zoo Operator is found not complying with the stipulated conditions.

Yours faithfully,
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