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MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS & CLIMATE CHANGE



Central Zoo Authority

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DATE: 06.08.2015

То

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (D&P) & Special Officer,
Thrissur Zoological Park,
Pathur (Kerala)

Sub:- Revised Master (layout) Plan of the Thrissur Zoological Park, Kerala and proposed designs for the construction at the Thrissur Zoological Park, Kerala-Reg.

Ref:- Your office letter no. WL3-7551/95, Dt.23.05.2015.

Sir,

This has with reference to the power point presentation delivered by Mr. John Coe, consultant architect on the Revised Master (layout) Plan of Thrissur Zoological Park, Kerala and designs for the proposed construction at the Thrissur Zoological Park, Kerala before the members of the Expert Group on Zoo Designing of the Central Zoo Authority in its 62nd meeting held on 13.07.2015. After detailed deliberation the following observations were made:-

A. Revised Master Layout Plan:

Members on scrutiny of revised layout plan of Thrissur Zoological Park-Wildlife Conservation & Research Centre, Puthur, Kerala, recommended the same for approval.

B. Designs of enclosures:

Members on scrutiny of designs on proposed construction of following enclosures at Thrissur Zoological Park-Wildlife Conservation & Research Centre, Puthur, Kerala, approved the designs given below subject to incorporation of following suggestions:

1. Design of proposed construction of Biodiversity Centre:

a) Advised to explore providing more space.

b) Suggested to create a tunnel for Porcupine.

c) Term 'office' may be replaced with 'Research Centre'.

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2. Design of proposed construction of enclosure for Mugger Crocodile and Gharial exhibit:

- a) Exhibit provided may be used to house not more than one male and two females.
 - 3. Design of proposed construction of Great Aviary:
 - 4. Design of proposed construction of enclosure for Nilgiri langur:
 - 5. Design of proposed construction of enclosure for Lion tailed macaque:
 - 6. Design of proposed construction of enclosure for Leopard:
- a) Care should be taken to avoid animal getting out of enclosure by care in joining moat and barrier.
- b) Kraal corner should be rounded off.
- c) Covered exercise yards may be provided elsewhere.
- d) From feeding cells, access should be direct to paddock.
- e) Suggested to provide one covered and one open kraal.

7. Design of proposed construction of enclosure for Tiger:

- a) Covered excessive yard may be removed.
- b) Sharp edges to be removed.

8. Design of proposed construction of enclosure for Asiatic lion:

- a) Covered exercise yard may be removed.
- b) Sharp edges to be removed.

9. Design of proposed construction of enclosure for Gaur:

(Revised Layoutplan)

The dully signed copies of Great Aviary, Nilgiri langur, Lion tailed macaque and others are enclosed with this letter with a request to submit the amended copies of Biodiversity Centre, enclosure for Mugger Crocodile, Gharial, Leopard, Tiger and Asiatic Lion for its final approval.

Yours faithfully

Member Secretary

encl: as above

Copy to The Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Kerala for favour of information.

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THRISSUR ZOOLOGICAL PARK

Wildlife Conservation & Research Centre, Puthur

DPR - STAGE 3 EXHIBIT DESIGNS

DRAWINGS FOR STATUTORY APPROVAL

27th March, 2015

CROCODILE & GHARIAL EXHIBITS



02 MUGGER CROCODILE and GHARIAL EXHIBIT

MUGGER CROCODILE (Crocodylus palustris)

PROPOSED COLLECTION PLAN	MALE FEMALE		TOTAL	
	2	2	4	
AREA STATEMENT				
EXHIBIT AREA STANDARDS (as	400 sqm	150 sqm WATER	REQUIRED TOTAL	
per CZA rules)		BODY, DEPTH 2M	400 sqm	
PROPOSED AREAS				
EXHIBIT AREA	418 sqm (inc. of water body)			
WATER BODY AREA	274 sqm			
BARRIER DETAILS PROPOSED				
FRONT, SIDE AND REAR BARRIER	CONCRETE WALL OF 1 M HEIGHT WITH ROTTERDAM FENCE RUNNING ALONG IT. MIN 1.5 M PLANTING BUFFER BETWEEN EXHIBIT AND VISITOR PATH		ALL BARRIERS PROPOSED ARE AS PER CZA STANDARDS	
STAND OFF BARRIER	STAND OFF BARRIER 1M HEIGHT WITH SECURITY FENCE, 1M MIN HEIGHT			
ENRICHMENT DETAILS				
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GHARIAL EXHIBIT (Gavialis gangeticus)

PROPOSED COLLECTION PLAN	MALE FEMALE		TOTAL	
	1	3	4	
AREA STATEMENT				
EXHIBIT AREA STANDARDS (as per CZA rules)	400 sqm	150 sqm WATER BODY, DEPTH 2M	REQUIRED TOTAL 400 sqm	
PROPOSED AREAS		3001, BET 111 2141	400 Sqiii	
EXHIBIT AREA	505 sqm (incl. of water body)			
WATER BODY AREA	273 sqm			
NURSERY AREA	128.6 sqm			
BARRIER DETAILS PROPOSED				
FRONT, SIDE AND REAR BARRIER	CONCRETE WALL OF 1 M HEIGHT WITH ROTTERDAM FENCE RUNNING ALONG IT. MIN 1.5 M PLANTING BUFFER BETWEEN EXHIBIT AND VISITOR PATH STAND OFF BARRIER 1M HEIGHT WITH SECURITY FENCE, 1M MIN HEIGHT		ALL BARRIERS PROPOSED ARE AS PER CZA	
STAND OFF BARRIER			STANDARDS	
ENRICHMENT DETAILS				
EXHIBIT AREA	SAND BANKS AND HAUL OUT AREAS FACING EASTFOR SUN BASKING			

INTRODUCTION:

The Crocodile / Gharial Exhibit is located in the northern most part of the site and it is the first open exhibit that the visitor experiences. The visitor path from the Orientation Centre leads to an avenue of Spathodea trees. The exhibit is located on the in a low lying valley formation. The visitor path leads into a large Viewing shelter (glass viewing) that looks into both the Gharial and Mugger Crocodile exhibit. Several animal viewing pockets are created along the visitor path which is generally separated from the water body by thick tall planting: typically Pandanus. There is an additional smaller viewing shelter (glass viewing) along the curved pathway offering views into the Mugger Crocodile exhibit.

BARRIER DETAILS:

- <u>FRONT BARRIER:</u> The water/ land level in both the exhibits are placed 1m below visitor path and viewing shelters. The exhibit boundary is a concrete wall with clay bank facade treatment. Additionally, a Rotterdam fence (OVER HANG FENCE WITH HOT WIRE BELOW THE SLANTING PORTION) is anchored into the concrete wall running along the exhibit.
- REAR BARRIER: A keeper access is provided at the rear of both exhibits. A minimum of 1.5 m planting is
 provided between the keeper walkway and the exhibit boundary. A 2m high security fence is provided in
 between the planting.
- The <u>STAND OFF BARRIER</u> along the visitor path is 100cm height along the edge of the Animal Viewing pockets controls public access to the planting patch. A minimum width 1.5m of hedge planting separates the exhibit from the Standoff barrier. The STAND OFF BARRIER at the viewing pocket on the tram road is 100cm height. It controls public access to the planting hedge. A minimum width 1.5m of hedge planting separates the exhibit from the Standoff barrier. A security fence, 1m height is also added in the planting.

MUGGER CROCODILE/ GHARIAL EXHIBIT AREA:

- The Exhibit consists of Sand banks, Concrete Haul out areas and a large Water body. Approximate size of exhibit: Mugger Crocodile 40m x 13m, Gharial 40m x 17m, Maximum depth of water body is 2m.
- The concrete walls (shotcrete) of the exhibit are treated as eroded clay banks. The concrete pools are smooth to avoid abrasion of animal's skin.
- The Sand banks and Concrete Haul out areas are positioned in a way to receive maximum sunlight for crocodile basking. Each crocodile is given a cove (niche within sandbanks). The haul out area is made of concrete sloped at 1:5 average.
- The sand haul out areas is concrete troughs, 50 cm deep and has drains to infiltration pits below.
- A Service path that connects the nursery area to the large viewing shelter provides keeper access along the edges of both the exhibits.

- Each pond has separate water circulation system so that they can be managed independently without closing both exhibits. A combination of high pressure sand filters and UV sterilisation is suggested.
 Possibility of using reed beds for filtration shall also be explored.
- Pumps and Filtration units shall be ideally located in concrete vaults to control noise. Submersible pumps shall also be considered.

GHARIAL NURSERY AREA:

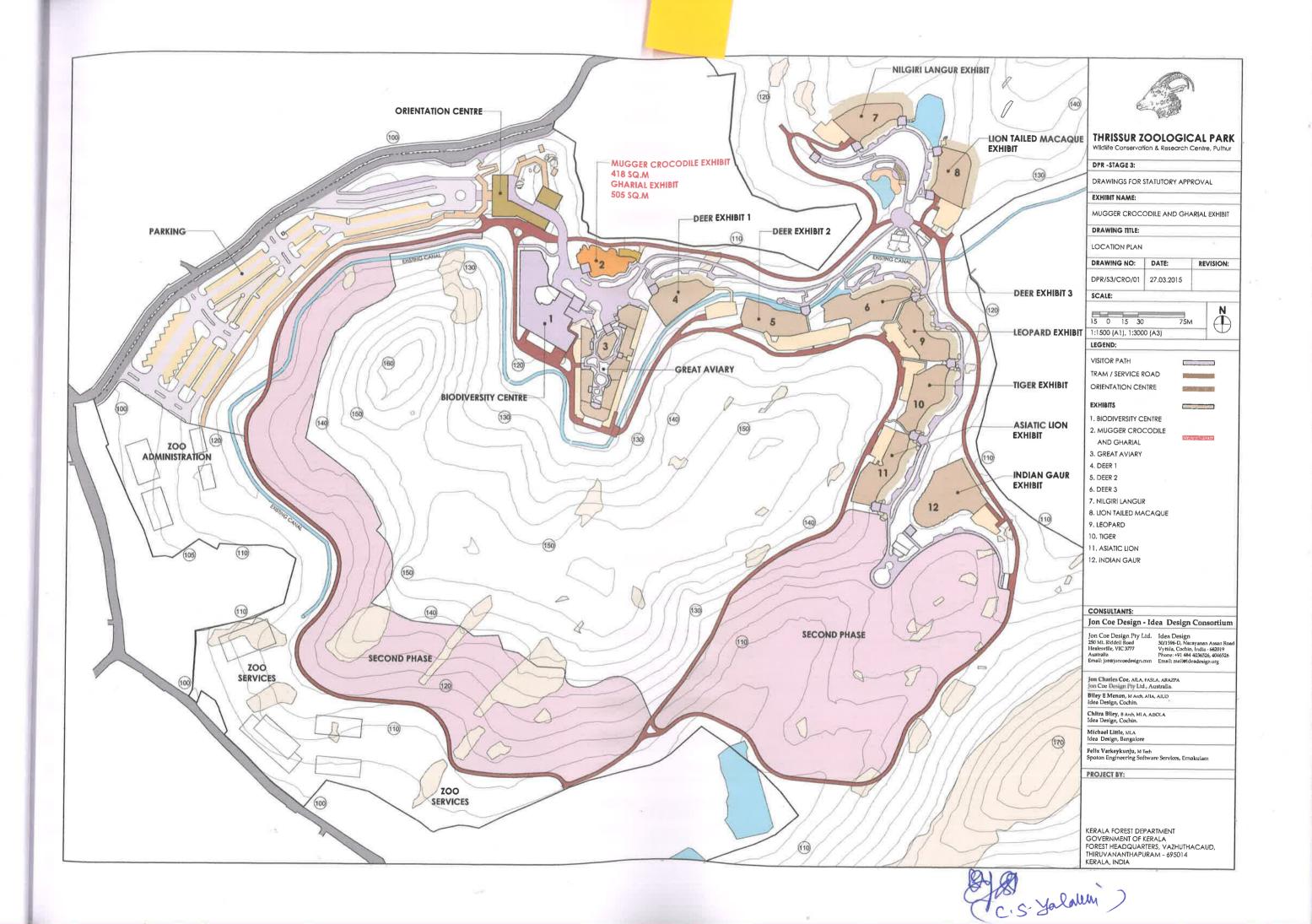
- The Gharial is a critically endangered species and is endemic to India. Several conservation programmes are being organised to save this species.
- Two breeding/ holding pens for the baby Gharials are provided here. Eggs may be collected and hatched
 in the Bio Diversity Centre and the young can be placed in the nursery provided here. As the young grow
 they can be moved to the second pen and a younger group can be placed in the first pen. When the
 young grow large enough, they can be introduced into the gharial exhibit.
- The holding pools are smooth concrete with 1:5 pitch and about equal areas of water and dry haul out area. The pens have steel rectangular frame structure with chain link mesh sides. The lower 1m of the nursery would have solid panels for animal protection. About 50 % area has roof for sun and rain protection. The remaining roof is mesh covered.
- Each pen has separate water circulation system and uses shared filtration machinery.

EXHIBIT ENRICHMENT ASPECTS:

 By providing a variety of substrates, levels and complexities in the exhibit, the animals get to move around, exercise and enjoy in the zoo. East facing Haul out areas with concrete and sand finish provides satisfactory basking in the morning sun.

SERVICE ASPECTS:

- Both the Exhibit area and the Gharial Nursery area are provided with adequate Service access from the Service/ Tram road. They have Service Gates with a 3m wide service road connection that allows entry of Service vehicles.
- The entry/ exit gates for animals to / from the exhibit have provision for Keeper control and operation from Service areas.









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DPR -STAGE 3:

DRAWINGS FOR STATUTORY APPROVAL

EXHIBIT NAME:

MUGGER CROCODILE/ GHARIAL EXHIBIT

DRAWING TITLE:

EXHIBIT VIEW

	DRAWING NO:	DATE:	REVISION:
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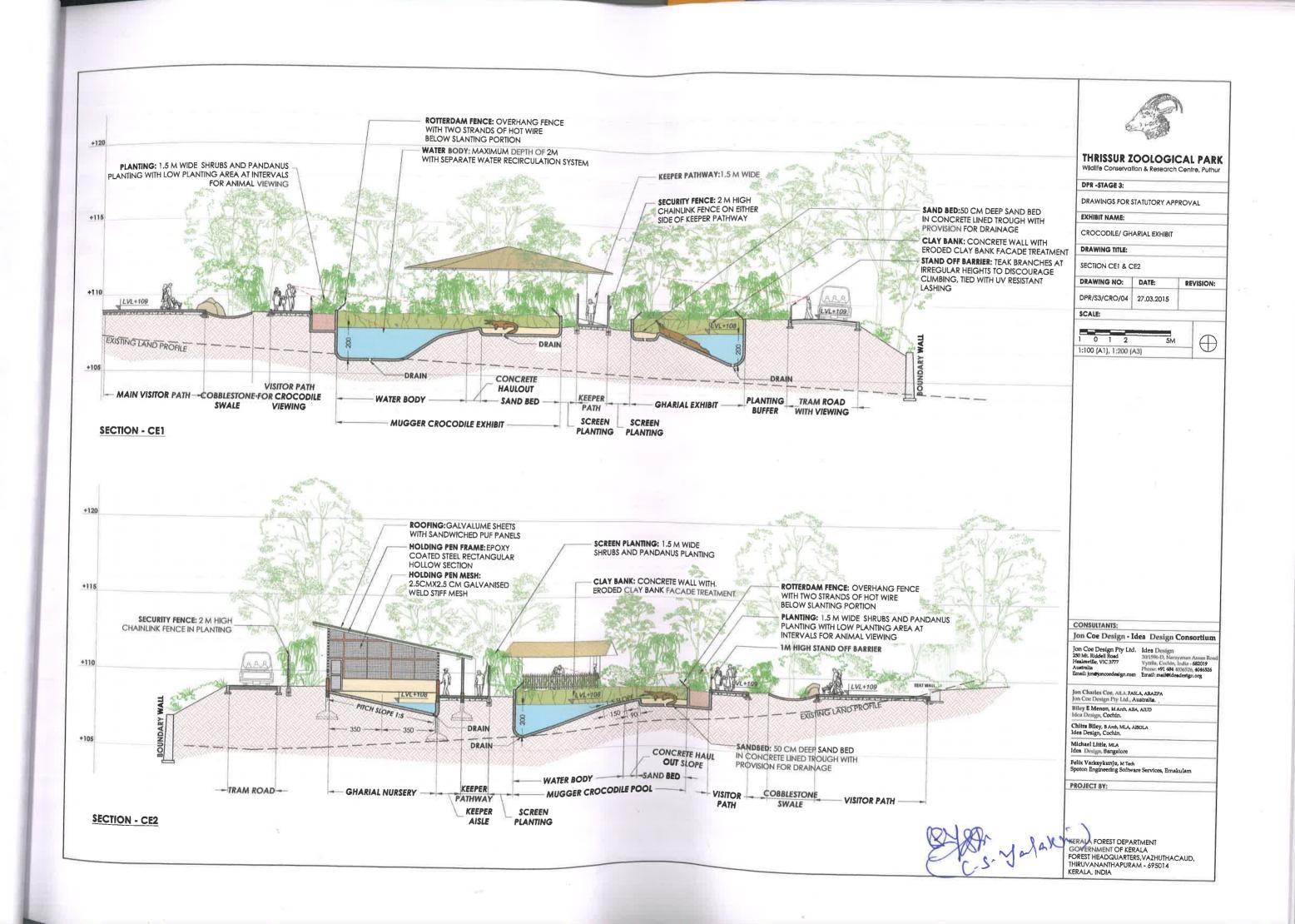
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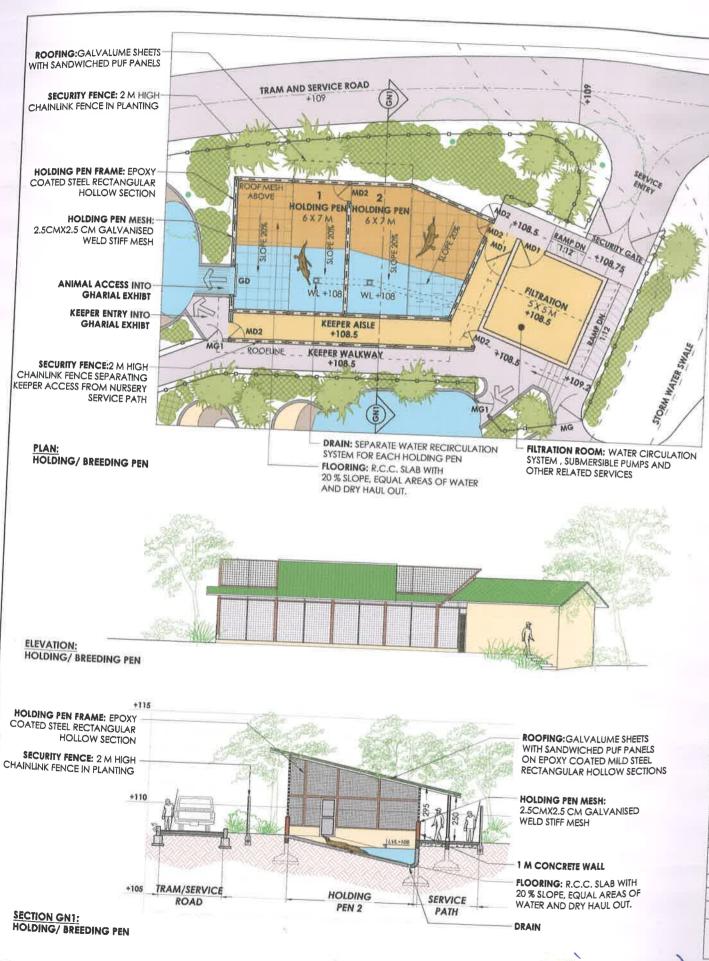
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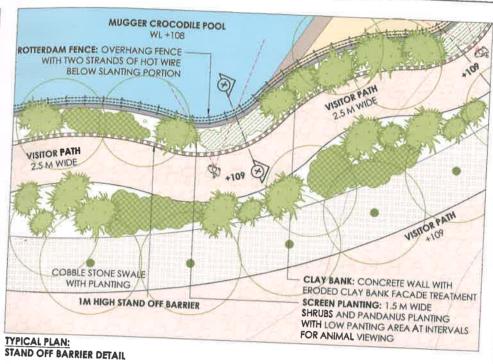
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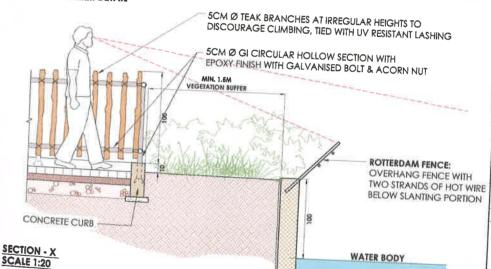
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WATER BODY

EXHIBIT AREA	OCODILE / GHARIAL EXHIBIT AREA
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FRONT, REAR AND SIDE BARRIER	
ANIMAL VIEWING	CONCRETE WALL OF 1 M HEIGHT WITH ROTTERDAM FENCE RUNNING ALONG IT. ANIMAL VIEWING TO BUFFER BETWEEN EXHIBIT AND VISITOR PATH
ENRICHMENT	TO THE TOAM BOAD
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SERVICE ACCESS	PLASTERED) AND SAND FILED TROUGHS FOR MORNING SUN BASKING ACCESS FOR KEEPER AND SEED TO SEED
	ACCESS FOR KEEPER AND SERVICE VEHICLES INTO THE EXHIBIT THROUGH A SERVICE GATE FROM TRAM / SERVICE ROAD AS WELL AS FROM GHARIAL NURSERY
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MINL NUR	SERY AND FILTRATION ROOM
TOTAL AREA	
HOLDING PENS	128.6 SQ.M. NURSERY, 25 SQ.M FILTRATION ROOM
HOLE	42 SQ.M., 44.5 SQ.M. AREA EACH FOR THE TWO HOLDING PENS
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WATER RECIRCULATION AND FILTRATION	42 SQ.M., 44.5 SQ.M. AREA EACH FOR THE TWO HOLDING PENS 50% ROOF SHALL HAVE ROOF, 50% SHALL HAVE MESH ON TOP EACH WATER TANK (EXHIBIT AREA AS WELL AS NURSERY AREA) SHALL HAVE A SEPARATE RECIRCULATION SYSTEM, THE MACHINERY FOR THE SAME SHALL BE PLACED IN THE FILTRATION ROOM LOCATED ALONG WITH THE GHARBAL NURSERY.



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Wildlife Conservation & Research Centre, Puthur DPR -STAGE 3:

DRAWINGS FOR STATUTORY APPROVAL

EXHIBIT NAME:

CROCODILE/ GHARIAL EXHIBIT

DRAWING TITLE:

GHARIAL NURSERY/ BARRIER DETAILS

DRAWING NO: DATE: REVISION: DPR/\$3/CRO/05 27.03.2015

SCALE:

1:100 (A1), 1:200 (A3)

LEGEND: +127 PROPOSED LEVEL

SECTION NAME

PROPOSED LOW PLANTING

PROPOSED PLANTING

HOLDING PEN STIFF MESH

SCHEDU	LE OF OPENINGS					
Symbol	Туре	Size		Sill Level		
		Width	Height	(from ##L)	No	
MDI	Main door	150	210		140	
MD2	Mesh door	75	The second	±0	2	
MG	Mesh Gate	-	210	±0	5	
MG1	Mesh Gate	150	150	±0	1	
GD		75	150	::0	2	
CAP.	Guitofine door	150	150	EO.	_	

AREA STATEMENT:

HOLDING PEN 1 42 Sq.m HOLDING PEN 2 44.5 Sq.m FILTRATION ROOM 25 Sq.m

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