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To,
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
& Head of Forest Force (All States and Union Territories).

Subject: - Nominations for CZA-PRANI-MITRA Awards 2021.

Sir/Madam,

The Central Zoo Authority (CZA), a statutory body under the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India was established in the year 1992, to oversee the functioning of zoos in India and provide them technical assistance besides raising existing standards of animal upkeep and veterinary care.

In order to encourage the zoo officers and staff working zealously towards ensuring best practices for captive animal management and welfare, the Central Zoo Authority has decided to announce the CZA-Prani-Mitra awards 2021. The award categories for outstanding contribution during the year are as follows:

- i. Director / Curator (Single Category)
- ii. Veterinarian
- iii. Biologist/ Educationist (Single Category)
- iv. Animal keeper

All regular and contractual employees are eligible for this award, subject to their engagement in a recognized Zoo /Rescue Centre/Conservation Breeding Centre for a minimum period of 12 months in the preceding year.

Nominations (under each category) may be forwarded to CZA, in the prescribed format (Attached). Only scanned and signed copies sent by email to cza@nic.in with cc to emo-cza@nic.in, vets-cza@govcontractor.in) will be

accepted.

The awardees will be felicitated during the "Wildlife Week" in October 2021 at a function for which details shall be shared in due course of time.

Review Process

All nominations will be reviewed by a review committee set up by the CZA for significance of the contribution and its impact. The application and supporting documents will be judged on the following criteria:


1. Experience
2. Uniqueness of achievement (e.g working with endangered species, remote locations for work etc.)
3. Presentation of application, and
4. Recommendation of competent authority/CWLW of the State

Last date of submission duly recommended by the Chief Wildlife Warden of the state is 10th September 2021. For any further details and inquiries, you may please contact: Dr. Devender Kumar - Evaluation and Monitoring Officer (Email: emo-cza@nic.in, Mobile: +91 9911582195)

This is for your kind information and further necessary action.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



(Dr. Sonali Ghosh)
DIG(HQ)

Copy for information and necessary action to:

1. The Chief Wildlife Wardens, All States and Union Territories.
2. The Member Secretary, State Zoo Authority of concerned State.
3. The Municipal Commissioner of concerned State.
4. The Director/ Curator/ Officer-in-Charge of all recognized zoos of all State/UT's.

Annexure-1

Awardee Nomination Form
Central Zoo Authority -Prani Mitra Awards 2021

Director / Curator Veterinarian Biologist / Educationist Animal keeper
(please tick above, multiple copies for each nomination can be submitted)

Last Date for submission: September 10th, 2021

Email completed application and attachments to: cza@nic.in & cc to emo@nic.in

1	Name of the CZA recognised Zoo / Rescue Centre/ Conservation Breeding Centre	
2	Name of the Nominee: <i>(Please attach a scanned copy of passport photo)</i>	
3	Award category applied for	
3	Contact Information for the applicant Address & Contact No. <i>(Please attach copy of address and ID proof)</i>	
4	Outstanding Contribution towards Animal Welfare (maximum length 500 words)	
5	Any media link / photos/ report to support the contribution (please use additional pages where needed; images of more than 300 dpi only will be accepted)	
6	Please provide 5 min. video (guidelines for shooting video with mobile camera are attached)	

Use additional information as necessary

Signature of Zoo Director / Curator

(Name, Date & Seal)

Copy Forwarded by Chief Wildlife Warden

(Name, Date & Seal)

Self-nominations are accepted; however, all application forms must be duly forwarded by Chief Wildlife Warden of the State.

Annexure 2

Photo and Video capture guidelines

Please find below the basic guidelines (not limited to) for non-professional videographers, and first-time videographers.

1. Use the best available setting of the camera in your mobile /professional or semi-professional camera, for example - ratio 16:9, resolution 1080P/30fps. Photos should be at minimum 300 dpi resolution and submitted in raw jpeg format.
2. All the shots should be steady (use tripod if possible),
3. For phone users, hold mobile with both hands in the landscape view.
4. Minimum time for the recording of any clip should be 20 secs.
5. Take Establishing Shot, Wide, Medium, and Close-up shot of each activity.
6. Record ambient sounds while shooting; light – Do not shoot against the Sun/light.
7. Interview - Nominee's interview explaining his/her day-to-day activities relevant to the nominee's work
 - Record interview bytes in a quiet place
 - Use lapel mic/earphone for better audio
 - Prefer medium frame for interview (above waist height) Photos for reference
 - Have a clean background for the interview
8. Basic video capture techniques with mobile phone can be further noted from the online tutorial

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ardMzHROEb0>

All videos can be shared in mp4 format via Google drive / WeTransfer while photos to be shared in jpeg format.