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Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change CENTRAL ZOO AUTHORITY

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Dated: 09 March 2021

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Exchange of animals (Birds) between zoos with consideration of the Avian Influenza Outbreak_ regarding

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Office Memorandum F.No.25-1/2002-CZA(Vol-II)(Part) dated January 10, 2021 on the subject.

- 2. Zoos recognized under Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, are hereby advised to provide a daily report to the Central Zoo Authority **only** in the event of declaration of an infected area within a zoo, either due to positive cases of Avian Influenza within the zoo or if the zoo is located within the surveillance zone as notified by State Government or on declaration of "**controlled area"** by the respective State under the Prevention and Control of Infectious and Contagious Diseases in Animals Act, 2009. The daily report shall be stopped as and when the area is declared as "**free area"** under the said Act.
- In continuation of this, zoos may consider proposing national exchanges, and may implement already approved exchanges, based on the following conditions;
 - a. Zoos (donor and recipient) do not have any suspected cases,
 - b. Zoos (donor and recipient) have not reported Avian Influenza in the past one month and
 - c. Zoos (donor and recipient) are not located within the surveillance zone as notified by State Government.
 - d. If transport is proposed by road/rail then the route should be checked to not be falling within any Controlled Areas or surveillance zone .

International exchanges may be considered after the extant state and national guidelines.

This is for kind information and necessary action.

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- 2. The Joint Secretary to the Government of India (Livestock Health), Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Room No. 190-A, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi 110 001, E-mail: jslh-dadf@nic.in
- 3. The Member Secretary of the concerned State Zoo Authority
- 4. The Officer in-charge of all recognized zoos
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