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Central Zoo Authority

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To

1. All the Chief Wildlife Wardens
of all States/ UTs.
2. Directors/Zoo Superintendent/In-charge
of all large, medium, small & mini zoos.

Sub:- Incidence of bird flu (Avian influenza H5N1).

Sir,

Please refer to this office letter of even number dated 20.9.2005.

Incidence of bird flu has now been reported from India, which has affected the domestic poultry in the State of Maharashtra.

You are requested to kindly be in preparedness for taking appropriate measures in preventing spread of bird flu amongst the zoo inmates. The Animal Husbandry Department and the Medical Services Department of your area may be approached for drawing up a suitable plan for tackling any eventuality.

Meanwhile, the Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Izatnagar, Bareilly has also been requested to suggest appropriate guidelines to the Indian Zoos for preventing the spread of the bird flu.

The Central Zoo Authority may be kept informed of the action taken in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

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(B. R. Sharma)
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Sub:- Incidence of avian influenza.

Sir,

Please refer to this office letter No. 7-12/2000-CZA dated 28.1.2004.

Incidences of avian influenza virus (bird flu) has been reported from the South-East Asian countries, which has affected domestic poultry. Human beings have also been reported to get infected by this disease which has led to deaths.

It is understood that the waterfowls are major reservoir of avian influenza virus. Keeping in view of the fact that during the months of September to December all the migratory waterfowls come to India for winter nesting, it will be advisable to take necessary precautionary measures for preventing exposure of the fowls being displayed in your zoos to the wild birds as well as to the keepers/ personnel directly in-charge for handling of animals in the zoos. The animal husbandry department and the medical services department of your area may be approached for drawing up a suitable contingency plan to tackle any eventuality in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

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