

# Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo

New Palace, Kolhapur – 416 003

## Annual Report 2023-2024



### Basic Information about the Zoo

SN	Particulars	Information
1	Name of the Zoo	Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo
2	Year of Establishment	It was started by the erstwhile Shahu Maharaj in 1890 as a "Haran Park"
3	Address of the Zoo	New Palace Area, Kolhapur – 416003
4	State	Maharashtra
5	Telephone Number	9890445211
6	Fax Number	-
7	E-mail address	<a href="mailto:scznpk@yahoo.in">scznpk@yahoo.in</a>
8	Website	-
9	Distance from nearest	Airport: Kolhapur airport – 18 km  Railway station – 3 km  Central bus stand – 4 km
10	Recognition Valid up to (Date)	07-12-2024
11	Category of zoo	Mini Zoo
12	Area (in Hectares)	13 Hectors
13	Number of Visitors (Financial Year)	Year 2023-2024 – 1881 visitors approximately
14	Visitors' Facilities Available in Zoo	Visitor facilities include drinking water, first-aid, canteen etc.
15	Weekly Closure Day of the Zoo	-

## INTRODUCTION

His Highness Rajarshi Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaj of Kolhapur established this Palace Zoo within the New Palace area around 1890 as his private Zoo. This was the first zoo established in Western India as per our information.

It has natural surroundings with a lake in the center. The expenses for maintaining this Zoo were borne out of Maharaja's private funds till the year 1971. In the year 1971 His Late Highness Maj. Gen. Shahaji Chhatrapati Maharajasaheb of Kolhapur made a Public Charitable Trust of his private Zoo, registered it under the Bombay Public Trust Act and named it as "MAHARAJA SHAHAJI CHHATRAPATI ZOO". He also made sufficient provision for its annual expenditure. Since then, the Board of Trustees are managing the working of this zoo. The accounts of the Trust are being audited, Annual Balance Sheets & Audit Reports are being submitted to the Asst. Charity Commissioner of Kolhapur, for their record regularly.

## Animal Inventory

INVENTORY CLOSING ON MARCH 2024

SN	Common name	Scientific name	M	F	U	TOTAL
1	Chital	Axis Axis	25	46	6	77
2	Emu	Dromaius Novaehollandiae	01	01	0	02

## INCOME, EXPENSES

Financial Year	Expenditure
2023-2024	14,63,570
2022-2023	4,39,805
2021-2022	3,79,743

## **FOOD, HEALTH, HYGIENE AND SAFETY MEASURES**

Daily feed – भात कौडा, गहू भुस्सा, कळणा तुर हरभरा कळणा is given.

Double fencing is provided for the safety.

Plastic carry-bags and bottles are banned.



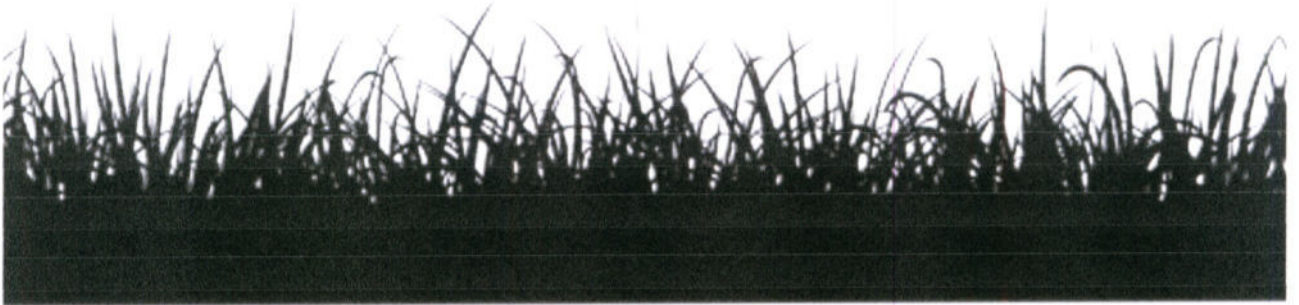


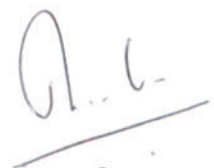
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