

TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From
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To.
The Principal Chief Conservator
of Forests, Panagal Maligai,
Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015.

C.No. 4033/2017/D/ dated: 29.06.2017

Sir,

Sub: Submission of statutory Annual Report of the zoo to the Central Zoo Authority for the year 2016-2017 - submitted - regarding.

Ref: Member Secretary, Central Zoo Authority letter F.No. 18-2/2017-CZA dated 26.04.2017. Communicated in Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai reference No. WL6/11067/2016 dated 15.05.2017.

I submit that the details called for in the reference cited, regarding the statutory Annual Report of Amirdhi Zoo (251) for the year 2016-2017 are enclosed herewith. Pictures are enclosed for kind perusal.


This is submitted for favour of kind submission.


Encl: - As above.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/- Sumesh Soman,
District Forest Officer,
Vellore Division, Vellore-09.

Copy submitted to the Central Zoo Authority, New Delhi for favour of kind information along with above enclosure.

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Superintendent
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Statutory Annual Report of Amirdhi Zoo of Vellore Division for the year 2016-2017.

Sl. No.	Norm No.	Condition Stipulated	Time period to Comply	Remarks
1. General Requirements				
1	1.2	The Zoo should provide proper landscaping raising lawns, beautifying the enclosure with plants outside and inside to provide a naturalistic environment within the zoo to enable the visitors to have communion with nature and get motivated for living in harmony with nature.	With immediate effect	Landscaping raising of lawns and beautifying of enclosures are provided in the zoo premises
2	1.3	The movement of visitors in the zoo should be regulated so that they do not have access to animal cages from all the sides causing disturbances to animals, birds and snakes by providing barricading in full length. It should be restricted to 30% of the perimeter of the enclosure.	Six months	All the enclosures have barricading to prevent the visitors from causing disturbance to animals
3	1.5	Barbed wire fencing passing through angle iron rods of 3 to 4 feet height of close strands be firmly fixed with cement on the top of the walls leaning towards inside the enclosure to keep down the monkey menace as they try to enter from the adjoining forests causing disturbance to visitors and animals in the zoo.	Six months	This work could not be carried out for want of funds
3. Development & Planning				
4	3.3	Construction of footpaths from the entrance of the zoo to various enclosures of proper size with cement tiles and planting Duranta cuttings on either side of the paths as hedge plant. The old trees in the area be added with some more shade bearing trees all over the area. Landscaping of lawns and planting of flower should be taken up. Paragola type shades be provided in strategic places for the visitors.	Six months	50% works are completed and balance will be carried out in due course on receipt of funds.
4. Animal housing, Display of Animals and Animal enclosures				
5	4.7	Screening should be provided between two adjacent enclosures to refrain each species getting undue stress, preferably using plant species.	With immediate effect	This work could not be carried out for want of funds

6	4.9	Standoff barrier be provided at every animal enclosure to regulate the movement of visitors and enable them to see animals from a safe distance to the animals. Also adequate warning boards to be provided in front of the enclosure in local languages.	With immediate effect	All enclosures have standoff barriers to keep the visitors at safe distance and to prevent visitors getting the opportunity to physically touch or provoke animals
7	4.10	Signboards showing the location of each animal enclosure be provided.	With immediate effect	Signboards with information's are provided in all enclosures
5. Upkeep and health care of animals				
8	5.8	All zoo animals should be screened for parasitic load and administrating prophylactic medicines in consultation with veterinary doctor is compulsory and records thereof should be maintained.	With immediate effect	Administrated by Veterinary Doctor once in a month
9	5.9	Staff involved with upkeep and healthcare of zoo animals should be screened against zoonotic diseases once in a year and record should be maintained.	With immediate effect	The staff working in the zoo are taking in the periodical checking near by the Govt. Hospitals
6. Veterinary & Infrastructure facilities				
10	6.6	Zoo should have linkages with institutions working in the field of wild animals health care. In case any assistance in diagnosis of disease of serious nature to follow effective remedial measures, the staff working in the zoo should deputed to the major zoo like Arignar Anna Zoological Park, Vandalur to study the working on other aspects.	With immediate effect	Under progress
9. Acquisition and breeding of animals				
11	9.9	It is absolutely necessary to limit the number of animals of each species of deer as they are more than the carrying capacity of the area. Population control measures like segregation of sex and undertaking vasectomy by professional Veterinary Doctors should be carried out.	With immediate effect	Permission in this regard is sought from higher authorities
11. Education and outreach activities				
12	11.1	Zoo should educate the visitors about the conservation of wild animals by arranging drawing competition etc for school children and awarding some prizes, similarly wild life week be celebrated in the zoo premises.	With immediate effect	Staff involved educating the visitors about the conservation of wild animals awareness programmes are conducted to school children in the zoo premises

12. Visitor Facilities				
13	12.1	Few more toilets for gents and ladies be provided and good drinking water at strategic points be provided.	Six months	More toilet blocks are constructed and good drinking water facilities are provided in the zoo premises
14	12.2	First aid kit with anti-venom be made available in zoo premises.	With immediate effect	First aid kit with anti-venom is available in the zoo premises
Other Observations				
15	There is no main gate for entry to the zoo. A properly designed gate with a large and a ticket gate at the entry point of the zoo may be provided.		One year	This works was completed as per the directions
16	There are few small entries to the zoo here and there, without any particular gate top control the entry of safety dogs and cattle and also safety and security of the zoo. These openings should be immediately closed and only well-guarded and proper entry and exit points should be provided with proper security and gates.		One year	This works was completed as per the directions
17	The zoo should ensure proper supervision and control the staff working in the zoo and proper maintenance should be done for the recently built enclosures and iron double gates provided to the deer enclosures.		One year	This work could not be carried out for want of funds.

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*Inauguration of Interpretation Center in Amirdhi Zoo of Amirdhi Range
in Vellore Division*



Inauguration of Interpretation Center in Amirdhi Range



1.2 Landscaping raising of lawn inside the zoo premises of Amirdhi Zoo



Landscaping raising of lawn inside the zoo premises of Amirdhi Zoo



3.3 Construction of foot paths and planting of hedge plants in the zoo premises of Amirdhi Zoo



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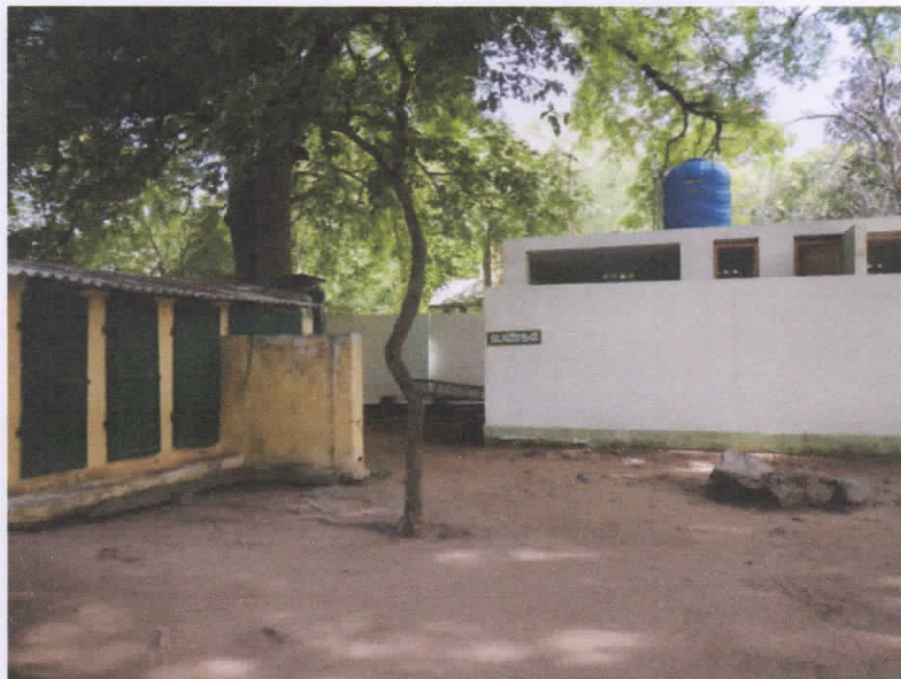
4.10 Sign boards with information of animals in the zoo premises



11.1 Eco awareness camps conducted for school children in Amirdhi Zoo premises



12.1 Construction of toilet blocks inside the Amirdhi Zoo premises



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