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Dated **January 5, 2022**

ORDER
[UNDER SUB-SECTION (6) OF SECTION 38-H
OF THE WILD LIFE (PROTECTION) ACT, 1972]

Whereas, the Central Zoo Authority in its 32nd Meeting held on November 19, 2018, cancelled recognition of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hosapete, Karnataka, vide Order dated November 28, 2018. However, the Appellate Authority, on hearing the appeal filed by the zoo, set aside the CZA's Order. Following disposal of the appeal filed by Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam Gardens, Hosapete Tq, Vijayanagara, Karnataka, the Appellate Authority issued the directives vide Order dated October 7, 2019, that a quick evaluation of the Zoo will be done by the Central Zoo Authority and based on the evaluation report further decision will be taken on the recognition of the zoo.

2. And whereas, compliance reports submitted by the zoo on June 25 and July 20, 2020. Due to the restrictions imposed for Covid-19 pandemic, evaluation of the zoo by CZA could not be undertaken immediately. However, it was observed that non-compliance to statutory requirements pertaining to submission of inventory of animals and annual report of activities. The annual reports for the financial year 2019-20 and 2020-21 have not been submitted. Further, a gross delay in the submission of annual inventory of animals was observed for the financial years 2019-20 and annual inventory of 2020-21 is still awaited.

3. And whereas, the Technical Committee took cognizance of the compliance by the zoo in the 101st meeting held on June 28, 2021. The members recommended to the CZA for approval to take up action as per provisions laid down under the Subsection (6) of Section 38-H in the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 and serve a notice upon the respective Zoo Operator to show cause why recognition of the zoo should not be suspended or cancelled with 15 days' time limit to submit reply to the notice and to provide an opportunity of hearing before the Member Secretary of the Central Zoo Authority.

4. And whereas, evaluation of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam Gardens, Hosapete was carried out on August 21 and 22, 2021, by Shri Lakshminarasimha R, Scientific Officer, from this office. Given the repetitive nature of the non-compliance and status noted at the time of evaluation, the evaluator recommended for the cancellation of recognition of the said zoo citing the following:

a. The zoo operator has failed to comply with the rules and guidelines prescribed by the Central Zoo Authority for the scientific management of zoos.

b. Several gross violations of the extant statutory provisions were observed, and they are repetitive since 20 years:

- i. The zoo operator has failed to comply with the rules and guidelines prescribed by the Central Zoo Authority for the scientific management of zoos.
- ii. Several gross violations of the extant statutory provisions were observed, and they are repetitive.
- iii. Housing conditions not meeting the guidelines prescribed by the CZA.
- iv. Housing animals in deplorable and unhygienic conditions.
- v. Construction of enclosures for endangered species without approval of CZA.
- vi. Lack of access to fresh food and water to the captive animals
- vii. No records-maintained pertaining to the captive animals
- viii. No health monitoring of the captive animals. There were reports where animals had died and putrefied yet not detected by the authorities and PM could not be conducted.
- ix. Failure to create basic ancillary infrastructure (e.g. carcass disposal, PM room, treatment room) in the zoo premises. Disposal of carcasses within the enclosure.
- x. Reporting of falsified information as part of statutory inventory submitted to the CZA.

c. Nearly two decades have elapsed and the zoo authorities still continue to contravene the conditions stipulated by this Authority and operate the said zoo in a sub-standard manner which is against the principles of modern zoo management.

5. And whereas, detailed evaluation report was circulated to the Chief Wildlife Warden of the State and the Zoo Operator of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hosapete, respectively on September 14, 2021, for reply within three working days. However, reply was not received.

6. And whereas, evaluation report of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hosapete, was placed before the Central Zoo Authority in its 38th Meeting held on November 16, 2021. The Central Zoo Authority, after detailed deliberation, decided to serve notice to the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hosapete, under sub-section (6) of Section 38-H under the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972. Accordingly, notice dated November 30, 2021, was served upon the Zoo Operator. In the said notice dated November 30, 2021, the Zoo Operator of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hosapete, was directed to show cause as to why recognition of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hosapete, under Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, should not be suspended or cancelled and asked to close down. Also, period of seven days was granted to the Zoo Operator, to file reply to the said notice. Further, the Zoo Operator of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hosapete / authorised representative, was provided an opportunity of hearing on December 8, 2021. The Zoo Operator was advised to specify whether the said hearing is desired in person or virtual mode through Cisco-webex platform. In response, the Zoo Operator has cited other engagements and requested to grant time of ten days to appear for hearing. When this office expressed inability to grant further extension, on December 8, 2021, the Zoo Operator has preferred virtual hearing and authorised Shri K. M. Ramesh, Superintendent of Gardens, & Shri K. Ganeswara, SDO, O/o Superintending Engineer, of the Tungabhadra Board, to appear for hearing. During the hearing conducted by Dr. Sonali Ghosh, DIGF(HQ) on December 8, 2021 from 02:00 PM to 02:40 PM, representatives of the Zoo Operator have repeatedly requested for two days to furnish compliance.

7. And whereas, subsequent to hearing, written submission is received on December 10, 2021, from the Officer in-charge of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Hosapete in response to Notice November 30, 2021, issued by O/o CZA. However, any of the enclosures referred in the reply are not received in this office. However, reply to notice is not from the Zoo Operator. This is not in consistence with provisions of Sub-section 6 of Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 read with Sub-rule

(m) of Rule 2 under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009. Details of non-compliance reported, reply filed by the Officer in-charge and remarks of the CZA Secretariat are as follows:

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1	10.1(1)	The zoo operator in spite of significant time allocated for improvement in the overall conditions of captive animals has failed to take up basic steps towards achieving better welfare standards. The animals are housed and displayed in deplorable conditions which does not align with principles of running a modern zoo.	27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.	Referred to written communication with a National Park in Bengaluru and Officers of the Forest Department and reply awaited. Also, requested the CZA to issue directions for animal exchange.	Referred to written communication with a National Park in Bengaluru and Officers of the Forest Department. Also, requested the CZA to issue directions for animal exchange.	Any animal acquisition / transfer is through mutual consultation with a recognized zoo. Role of the CZA is whether or not to permit such acquisition / transfer, under Section 38-I of the Act. Reply filed by the Officer in-charge is unacceptable.
2	10.1(2)	The zoo has failed to ensure optimal vegetative component in the enclosures leading to uncontrolled growth of plants in the enclosure. This has become counterproductive from the point of view of management and monitoring of animals.	and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			
3	10.1(3)	The animals are display in enclosures without any restrictions on	27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on			

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		visitor movement, viewing area and stand-off barriers. This has resulted in continual disturbance and stress to the animals. For instance, the entire periphery of the aviary is accessible by visitors leaving no areas to retreat.	August 21 and 22, 2021.			
4	10.1(5)	In contravention of the conditions for recognition stipulated before, the zoo has failed to provide a boundary to the zoo premises leading to uncontrolled access of the same to any human/animals accessing the garden area.	27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.		All the fencing is as per specifications Boundary wall for the zoo has been constructed.	
5	10.1(7)	The zoo has failed to manage solid waste effectively and discharges effluents from the enclosure to water canal adjoining the zoo premises. The solid waste generated from the enclosure were heaped in from the enclosure which is designated as a dumping area. An	29.09.1997, 31.12.2012 21.06.2016, 27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			

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		artificial water stream passing through the gardens also passes through the enclosures which is meant as drinking water for the animals. The water passes through the enclosure and is discharges into TB dam Canal without any treatment.				
6		Since there is not isolation/treatment room available in the enclosures, it is likely that all animals diseased, infirm or requiring/under treatment are on display to visitors.	and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			
7	10.2(1) & 10.2(2)	The zoo operator has failed to appoint a 'whole time incharge' of the zoo. The Superintendent of gardens, TB Dam Gardens has been given additional responsibility of the zoo. This has affected housing, upkeep and healthcare of the zoo animals and managing the zoo in a planned manner.	21.06.2016; 27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			

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8	10.3(1)	In contravention of the conditions for recognition stipulated before, the zoo authorities have failed to obtain approval of the Master Plan of the said zoo. Further, incomplete master plan has been submitted (only layout plan) and observations communicated have not been complied with. Additionally, during the evaluation it was noticed that the features depicted in the layout plan do not correlate with the ground situation indicated that the zoo authorities are falsifying information submitted to the Authority.	29.09.1997, 21.06.2016, 27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.	Referred to Layout proposed by the zoo and observation communicated by office of the CZA. Also, stated that layout in compliance with observation would be submitted at the earliest.	Master plan is being prepared. Financial constraints due to COVID-19 – limited funds.	It indicates serious lapse on part of the zoo management to pursue the matter and obtain approval of Master Plan required for operation of a zoo. Observation on proposed layout is being projected as licence to continue operations of the zoo without a Plan.
9	10.3(3)	The zoo operator has failed to ensure allocation of land to various activities as per prescribed norms.	and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.	Many of the infrastructure in the zoo are modified and any shortcoming will be addressed in coming days depending on availability of budget. Funding is restricted due	Master plan is being prepared. Financial constraints due to COVID-19 – limited funds.	Operation of the zoo without approved Plan that includes management plan and provision for budget, is not acceptable. Given the condition since

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				to COVID-19 pandemic.		first recognition, citing COVID is untenable argument.
10	10.3(6)	The zoo operator has failed to ensure that a collection plan is prepared, and approval is obtained from the CZA. As a result of which, species housed in the zoo are in surplus or socially non-viable groups beyond the scope of scientific management.	and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.		They have written repeatedly to the State Forest Department and no response from them. Recently a committee has been constituted to address the issue of release of surplus deer.	
11	10.4(2)	The zoo operator has failed to create enclosures that conform to the standards prescribed by the CZA. The fencing in case of deer and antelope species are not as per standards which can compromise the containment. The enclosures have not been maintained regularly thus giving the impression of a primate zoo	31.12.2012, 27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			
12	10.4(3)	The animals are housed in densities	29.09.1997, 26.10.2010, 27.02.2018			

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		far higher than the prescribed limit of CZA. Further, there no areas for isolation of animals in case of cage-mate aggression. In contravention to conditions for recognition stipulated before, the zoo has failed provide screening between enclosures.	and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			
13	10.4(8)	The zoo has constructed Indian Peafowl enclosure without the approval of the CZA. A show cause notice was issued to this end by the CZA in 2012, and no compliance has been reported till date.	27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			No peafowls declared to be housed but eventually agreed.
14	10.4(9)	In contravention of the conditions for recognition stipulated before, the zoo operator has failed to provide standoff barriers at all the enclosures (4 nos) leading to unregulated movement of visitors, have created conditions wherein visitors	and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			

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		can provoke/feed the animals and access enclosures year-round.				
15	10.5(1) & 10.6(3)	The zoo operator continues to house animals in high densities and socially non-viable groups (only 5 female Indian Peafowls housed). Further, in case of cage mate aggression, the zoo operator has also failed to provide options of isolating animals.	29.09.1997, 26.10.2010, 27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			
16	10.5(2)	The zoo operator has failed to provide good quality food to the animals. The storage of feed sub optimal. Further, the feeding areas are not hygienic. No watering stations are provided, and an artificial water stream passing through the enclosures is the only source of water to the animals. The quality of water is not given any consideration.	27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.	Feed sample was tested in 2018, 2020 and water testing done recently.	Feed testing taken up in 2018.	Non-compliance with such a recurrent activity linked to health of captive animals is not acceptable. Documentary evidence even for that one occasion is not produced.
17	10.5(4)	A makeshift kraal has been created in	violation observed during evaluation on			

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		the enclosure with no function, which is also the area used for feeding animals. No drainage is provided. Further the area surrounding the kraal is not cleaned and unhygienically maintained.	August 21 and 22, 2021.			
18	10.5(5)	The zoo operator has failed to provide clean enclosures for housing of captive animals by not taking up regular cleaning of the enclosures. Further, the liquid effluents of the zoo are let out of the premises without any treatment.	29.09.1997, 31.12.2012 21.06.2016, 27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.	Cleaning is routinely done and rainy season lead to unfavourable conditions.	During evaluation, there was rain and enclosure appeared waterlogged. On projecting images of shed antlers in custody of the zoo, it is stated that the are just stored and it will eventually disposed.	No such indication of rain is found in any of the images appended to evaluation report and produced during hearing. Thus, reply is found incoherent. Regarding shed antlers, declaration, if any, to the Chief Wildlife Warden and Orders for disposal, are not produced during hearing.
19	10.5(6)	No record of treatment or behaviour of animals is maintained although the zoo authorities claimed that a	violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.	A Veterinarian and a Biologist were appointed on outsource basis and were working. On August 18, 2021, both resigned	Veterinarians and Biologist were appointed, resigned a couple of days before evaluation.	Non-compliance since first recognition of the zoo stands testimony to facts.

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		biologist and veterinary officer were employed. The records were not updated		without handing over records. New Veterinarian and Biologist are appointed and working regularly and records are updated.		
20	10.5(8)	In contravention of the conditions for recognition stipulated before, the zoo operator has failed to take up regular endo parasitic examination to determine the course of deworming schedule. No schedule of deworming is available.	and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			
21	10.5(9)	The zoo operator has not taken up health screening of the staff involved in the management of animals.	and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			
22	10.5(10)	No records pertaining to captive animals prescribed by the CZA has been maintained.	26.10.2010, 27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.		Records are maintained properly.	No documentary evidence in support of submission during hearing
23	10.6(1)	No treatment room is available at the zoo. Further post-mortem is conducted in a room without	29.09.1997, 26.10.2010,31.12.2012, 27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on			

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		adequate basic facilities & adjoining animal enclosures. The room has not water supply and drainage facilities and is located in the garden.	August 21 and 22, 2021.			
24	10.7(3)	No steps have been taken up by the zoo authorities to investigate the exact cause of death. Only gross PM have been conducted and records pertaining to the same are available at the zoo.	violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			
25	10.9(1)	The zoo, in contravention with the previously stipulated conditions, have continued house animals in a manner so as to create self-sustaining population of each species and preventing inbreeding. No animals are marked, and animal history cards are not maintained leading to uncontrolled breeding in some species (Spotted	and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			

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		Deer, Blackbuck). As a result, poor population management, the captive stock at the zoo has very low conservation value.				
26	10.9(4)	The zoo, in contravention with the previously stipulated conditions, have continued house animals (Indian Peafowl) without pairing and further have not demonstrated any action to pair these animals as per the provisions of the RZR, 2009.	and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			
27	10.7(4)	The zoo officials stated that the animals following post-mortem are disposed of by burning them in front of the enclosure. The possibility of disease transmission in animals taken outside the zoo premises has not been considered. Further, animals remains, partially burnt and decomposed were found within the enclosure which	29.09.1997, 21.06.2016, 27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.		Agreed that it was fault that animal was dead and decomposing in the enclosures.. said no action has been initiated... and admitted that they are at fault.	This casual approach is evident in not fixing responsibility even after pointing out serious lapse.

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		highlights to gross negligence of the zoo authorities to scientific management of animals.				
28	10.9(9)	The zoo, in contravention with the previously stipulated conditions, have failed to implement any population control measures leading to surplus populations of ungulates in the zoo premises. In case of ungulates, the numbers are more than several times the optimal stock size prescribed by the CZA.	29.09.1997, 26.10.2010, 27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.	Listed out written communication with the CWLW, Karnataka and other officers in the Forest Department during period 18.10.219 to 13.01.2021. Also, referred to a meeting with the Atal Bihari Vajpayee Zoological Park, Hosapete and a committee constituted on 13.01.2021, for soft release of surplus stock of Spotted Deer (100 Nos) housed in the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo. It is stated that once response is received from the Forest Department, compliance would be made.		Any, interim measures for population control are not evident in the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo. Efforts made are incomplete as it requires consultation with recognized zoos instead of writing letters to the CWLW of the State regarding acquisition / transfer of captive animals. It appears a mere eyewash. Approved Animal Collection Plan is the prerequisite to deal with this situation. In the absence of approved Plan for the zoo, these efforts are incomplete.
29	10.10	The zoo authorities, in	and violation observed during evaluation on			

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		spite of glaring lack of know-how on captive animal management, have not initiated or demonstrated any willingness to collaborate with any research or educational institution to improve overall welfare of captive animals.	August 21 and 22, 2021.			
30	10.12(1)	The zoo authorities have not created adequate civic facilities for visitors and same requires significant maintenance.	and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			
31	10.12(2)	The zoo, in contravention with the previously stipulated conditions, have failed to keep life-saving drugs in the zoo premises. The anti-venom is stored in a refrigerator without any back up electricity and hence its efficacy could not be ascertained.	29.09.1997, 31.12.2012, 27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			
32	10.12(3)	The zoo, in contravention with the previously stipulated conditions, have	27.02.2018 and violation observed during evaluation on August 21 and 22, 2021.			

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		failed to make the zoo accessibility friendly.				
33				Evaluation Report sent by O/o CZA on September 14, 2021 is not received by the Officer in-charge of the zoo.	Representative of the Zoo Operator has stated that email dated September 13, 2021, circulating the evaluation report for comments has not reached.	In view of the provisions of sub-section (6) of Section 38-H under the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, the evaluation report was sent to the Zoo Operator.
34				Compliance report was filed by the zoo on May 18, 2018; June 20, 2018; December 24, 2018 and July 20, 2020. Photographic evidence of the compliance to the previous notice has been submitted.		Evaluation Report after verification of compliance physically in the month of August, 2021, clearly reported non-compliance as detailed above.
35				It is also requested to give suggestions / advises in relation to the existing area, infrastructure, climate and related things at Mini Zoo, TB Dam, how the needed ones have to be implemented / improved in		The Central Zoo Authority, from time to time, communicating the conditions stipulated for recognition of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo. All prescribed norms, guidelines and other

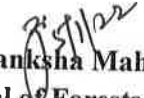
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				accordance to CZA norms (As CZA norms are in general), than some things are not done or deficient.		publications of the CZA are in the public domain and also hosted on official website of the CZA and accessible to all.
36				Min Zoo at TB Dam is in existence since 1982 and TB Board is willing to continue with existing animals and will make all efforts to implement the recommendations of CZA. Hence it is requested to continue the recognition of Mini Zo at TB Board, TB Dam.		Adequate time has been given to the zoo since first application in the year 1993, to achieve compliance. Any further time is not acceptable in the interest of captive animals.

8. And whereas, proceedings of the said hearing under Sub-section (6) of Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, were circulated to members of the Central Zoo Authority. In view of the failure of the Zoo Operator of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hosapete, to comply with conditions stipulated by the Central Zoo Authority that are specified above, the members of the Central Zoo Authority, in exercise of powers conferred under Sub-section (6) of Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, concurred to action proposed by this Secretariat and decided to cancel recognition of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hosapete.

9. Now, therefore, having been given sufficient opportunity, the recognition of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hosapete, Karnataka, is hereby cancelled as per provisions of Sub-section (6) of Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, with a provision to prefer an appeal before the Central Government, under Sub-section (7) and (8) of Section 38-H of the Act, within thirty days of issuance of this Order.

10. Appropriate transfer and rehabilitation of animals housed in the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hosapete, following the prescribed protocol should be ensured by the Zoo Operator in consultation with the Chief Wildlife Warden of the State and the zoo should be physically closed to visitors under intimation to this Office.

This is issued with approval of the Competent Authority.

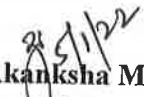

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[Zoo Operator of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hosapete, Karnataka, under Rule 2(m)(III) of the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009]

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3. The Member Secretary, Zoo Authority of Karnataka, Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens premises, Indiranagar, Mysuru – 570 010, Karnataka, E-mail: ccfmszak@gmail.com
4. The DPA, O/o CZA – to update database and to upload on official website of the CZA.


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Dated : 07.10.2019

Sub: Appeal under Section 38-H (7) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 against the order passed by the Central Zoo Authority regarding cancellation of recognition of Tungabhadra Mini Zoo

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Reference is invited to the above cited subject.

In this context, the undersigned is directed to enclose a copy of the order of the secretary Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, in connection with the hearing held on 30th August, 2019 in MoEF & CC, on the above matter for action as appropriate.

Kunal Kulbhaskar
(Adv. Kunal Kulbhaskar)
Law Officer

Encl. As above.

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1. The Secretary, Tungabhadra Board, Tungabhadra Dam, 583225, Hosapete Tq BALLARI District Karnataka.
2. Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Karnataka Aranya Bhawan, 18th Cross Malleswaram, Bangalore-560003
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F.No.26-1/2019-CZA
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Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
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New Delhi – 110 003.

ORDER

Whereas, the appeal dated 24th December, 2018 filed by the Tungabhadra Board, against order No. F. 19-162/93-CZA(107) (NS)/4862-2018 dated 28th November, 2018 issued by the Central Zoo Authority cancelling recognition of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, as per provisions laid under Section 38-H (6) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, for non-compliance of standard and norms laid under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 and Guidelines there under.

And whereas, a hearing was held by the undersigned as Appellate Authority in the capacity of the Secretary to the Government of India (Environment, Forests and Climate Change) as per provisions laid under Section 38-H (7) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, on 30th August, 2019 at Conference Hall in the Office of the undersigned in Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, New Delhi, during the hearing, following were present:

Petitioner: The Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Hosapete Tq: Ballari District, Karnataka.

Representatives of The Tungabhadra Mini Zoo.

1. Sh. Sreenivasa Naik, Superintendent of Garden

Respondent: Central Zoo Authority

Dr. S.P. Yadav, Member Secretary, Mr. T. Ajay Kumar, Evaluation and Monitoring Assistant, Kunal Kulbhaskar, Law officer represented the Central Zoo Authority.

Mr. Soumitra Das Gupta, Inspector General Wildlife Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change moderated the hearing

And whereas, during hearing of the appeal, Dr. S.P. Yadav, Member Secretary, Central Zoo Authority appraised following as prominent grounds for cancellation of recognition of The Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Hosapete Tq: Ballari District, Karnataka:

1. Neither submitted Master Plan in accordance with guidelines, for long term development of the zoo nor executed approved Layout Plan.
2. Not deployed Veterinarian and supervisory staff as per Rules.
3. Housing of captive animals is improper
4. Design and dimension is not as specified by the Central Zoo Authority. Also, does not meet prescribed norms and Guidelines:
5. Housed and displayed domestic animals along with captive animals
6. Not regulated movement of visitors. No stand-off barrier of prescribed standard along with hedge plantation.

7. Not provided footbath with disinfectant solution at the entry to Animal House in all enclosures of the zoo.
8. Not separated service path for animal enclosures and also not provided service entry away from visitors.
9. Not provided double door entry to animal enclosures.
10. Waste management is poor.
11. Constructed enclosure to house endangered species without approval of design.
12. The Zoo has failed to submit statutory Quarterly Inventory Report to the CZA for year 2017-2018 of endangered species housed in the zoo along with detailed reasons of death identified on the basis of the post-mortem examination reports.
13. The Zoo has failed to provide Visitors' path leading to animal enclosures for physically challenged persons i.e. no ramps for wheel-chair.
14. No basic Treatment Room, No Disinfection Schedule.
15. Not tested quality of feed and water to animals periodically in a registered laboratory.
16. Peripheral wall of the Zoo at few places is not of prescribed height.
17. Not shifted the Post-mortem Room to a designated place away from animal enclosures.
18. No designated burial ground away from animal enclosures.

And whereas, Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Hosapete Tq: Ballari District, Karnataka pleaded following in the appeal the following:

1. That they have outsourced services of Veterinary doctors.
2. That they have a staff of 20 people to take care of the zoo
3. That they have taken several steps and new initiatives to comply conditions laid out by the Central Zoo Authority and to substantiate his claim the zoo representative showed current pictures of the zoo, with new developments.

Now, therefore, after going through the pleadings of the parties, I direct as under:

- a) That a quick evaluation of the Zoo will be done by the Central Zoo Authority and based on the evaluation report further decision will be taken on the recognition of the Zoo.

All concerned be informed accordingly.


(C.K. Mishra)

Secretary to the Government of India
(Environment, Forest and Climate Change)

Place : New Delhi

Date :



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ORDER

Sub:- Cancellation of recognition to the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam Gardens, Hosapete Tq; Ballari District, Karnataka under Section 38H(6) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 – reg.

Ref:-

1. This office letter F. No. 19-162/93-CZA(107)(AK)/2551/2018, dated 08.03.2018.
2. This office Show Cause Notice F. No. 19-162/93-CZA(107)(NS)/2989/2018, dated 26.04.2018.

Whereas, the recognition of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam Gardens, Hosapete Tq; Ballari District, Karnataka under Section 38H(1) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 vide letter F. No. 19-162/93-CZA(107)(NS)/955/2016, dated 21.06.2016 was valid up to 05.05.2017 subject to the compliance with the conditions specified therein under Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.

Whereas, the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam Gardens, Hosapete Tq; Ballari District, Karnataka was evaluated by Shri T. Ajay Kumar, Evaluation and Monitoring Assistant, CZA on 27.02.2018.

Whereas, the evaluation report of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam Gardens, Hosapete Tq; Ballari District, Karnataka was placed before the Technical Committee of the CZA in its 85th meeting held on 23.03.2018.

Whereas, the Technical Committee of the CZA after detailed deliberations recommended to issue a Show Cause Notice to the operator of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam Gardens, Hosapete Tq; Ballari District, Karnataka.

Whereas, the CZA vide its letter F. No. 19-162/93-CZA(107)(NS)/2989/2018, dated 26.04.2018 issued Show Cause Notice to the Operator of Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam Gardens, Hosapete Tq; Ballari District, Karnataka under the provisions of Section 38H(6) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, and provided an opportunity of hearing to the Operator of the Zoo under Section 38-H(6) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

Whereas, Shri H.B. Vasanthappa, Superintendent of Gardens, Garden Unit, Tungabhadra Board availed the opportunity of hearing provided as per provisions laid down under Section 38H(6) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. The hearing was conducted by the Member Secretary, Central Zoo Authority on 24th May, 2018 in the office of the CZA at B-1 Wing, 6th Floor, Pandit Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi – 110 003 as authorised by the CZA.

Whereas, Shri H.B. Vasanthappa, Superintendent of Gardens, Garden Unit, Tungabhadra Board attended the hearing and admitted violation of provision as mentioned in the notice served by the CZA on 26.04.2018.

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The proceedings of the hearing are given below:-

Sr. No	Norm under RZR	Violations of Recognition of Zoo Rules	Compliance pending since	Submission by the Zoo Operator/Representative	Remarks of the office of the CZA
1.General requirements:					
1	10.1(3)	The Zoo Operator has failed to regulate the movement of visitors to the zoo. The Zoo has also failed to provide visitors' path stretches of appropriate stretch along the enclosures and also failed to provide stand-off barrier of prescribed standard along with hedge plantation.	Violations observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018	After evaluation, action has already been taken to regulate the movement of visitors to the Zoo. Providing visitor's path stretches of appropriate stretch along the enclosures will be taken up as a sub work in the already approved works of 2018-19 on top priority and this work will be completed before December 2018. Stand-off barriers of prescribed standard along with hedge plantation will be taken up in the monsoon season (This work will be completed before October 2018)	Not reported compliance till date.
2	10.1(3)	The Zoo Operator has failed to close the zoo for the visitors for at least one day in a week.	Violations observed on 29.09.1997 and during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018	After evaluation, the action has already been taken to close the Zoo for the visitors one day in a week. (Every Tuesday the Zoo is closed for the visitors)	Complied. However, it is fact that it took time since year 1997 to 2018 to close the zoo for one day in a week.
3	10.1(4)	The Zoo has failed to provide zoo boundary, at few places of prescribed height and also failed to prevent the entry of stray animals in to the zoo.	Violations observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	The work of providing Zoo boundary with a prescribed height in few places will be taken up during this financial year and this work will be completed before December 2018. Action has already been taken to prevent the entry of stray animal in to the Zoo. The necessary repair to perimeter chain-link fence will be completed within six months.	Photographs collected during evaluation were shown to the Officer in-charge of the Zoo and he has agreed to failure in ensuring the perimeter wall of prescribed height around the zoo.

4	10.1(7)	The Zoo has failed to manage the solid and liquid waste system.	Violations observed during 31.12.2012 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018 .	The action will be taken up on top priority and this Work will be started immediately	Photographs collected during evaluation indicating heaps of solid waste adjacent to animal enclosures and absence of drainage facility were shown to the Officer in-charge and he has admitted that present system of waste disposal is inadequate and assured that efficient practices of waste disposal will be adopted immediately and compliance will be reported to the CZA.
5	10.1(9)	The Zoo Operator failed to remove the domestic animals from display.	Violations observed on 29.09.1997 and subsequently on 31.12.2012 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018 .	The action will be taken up on top priority and this Work will be started immediately .Rabbits and Pigeons are already removed. Domestic ducks will be removed by first week of June, 2018.	Photographs collected during evaluation indicating cemented floor and unhygienic water in the enclosure for ducks and resultant effect on the health of birds. Even now, the Operator could not remove domestic animals and birds completely till the date of hearing.

3.Development and Planning:					
6	10.3(1)	The Zoo has failed to prepare and submit Master Plan as per guidelines to the Central Zoo Authority for approval.	Violations observed on 29.09.1997 and subsequently on 21.06.2016 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Preparation of Master Plan as per guidelines is under progress and this will be submitted by the end of July 2018 for approval to the central Zoo Authority	The casual approach of the zoo authorities leading to delay in submission of Master Plan for approval of the CZA indicates the absence of long-term development Plan of the Zoo.
7	10.3(3)	The Zoo has failed to develop the zoo as per the approved Master (Layout) Plan of the zoo.	Violations observed on 29.09.1997 and subsequently on 21.06.2016 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Action will be taken to develop the zoo as per the approved Master (Layout) Plan of the Zoo. This work will be completed during this financial year.	The preliminary requirement to plan operation of a zoo in scientific way is the preparation of Master (Layout) Plan. However, the zoo operator failed to submit Master (Layout) Plan of the Zoo.
8	10.3(6)	The zoo operator has failed to deploy Veterinarian and supervisory staff as per Rule.	Violations observed on 21.06.2016 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	The Secretary, Tungabhadra Board. TB Dam has been requested to post Veterinarian and supervisory staff and Biologist at an earliest in this office letter No. SOG/TBB/2018-19/39 ^E Dated:09-05-2018. Will comply the requirement as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 within the current financial year.	The Zoo Operator failed to comply till date. Deployment of Curator, Veterinarian and Biologist is mandatory in view of the zoo housing endangered species despite being a Mini category Zoo.
4.Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures					
9	10.4(2)	The Zoo has failed to provide the animals with enclosures of the design and dimensions as specified by the Central Zoo Authority.	Violation observed during 31.12.2012 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	This work will be taken up during this financial year and will be completed before December 2018.	No compliance report has been furnished by the Zoo till date.

10	10.4(3)	The Zoo has failed to provide footbath with disinfectant solution at the entry point in all the animal enclosures of the zoo.	Violations observed during 21.06.2016 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	This work will be taken up during this financial year on top priority. (Work will be completed before July 2018)	Failed to comply till date. Provision of footbath at entry to animal houses in case of enclosures for captive animals housed in a zoo is prime requirement in order to prevent spread of infection.
11	10.4(3)	The Zoo has failed to provide separate service path for animal enclosures and also failed to provide service entry away from visitors' path.	Violation observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	This work will be taken up during this financial year on top priority and work will be completed before November 2018	The zoo has failed to comply till date. In the absence of Master Plan approved by the CZA, the zoo is not being operated in a scientific manner. Provision of separate service entry to animal enclosures away from visitors is necessary in view of safety of captive animals.
12	10.4(3)	The Zoo has failed to provide "double door entry" to animal enclosures and the animal keepers, while carrying out their duties, were moving in and out of the enclosure without locking the service entry which poses risk of animal escape.	Violation observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	This work will be taken up during this financial year on top priority and work will be completed before August 2018	Failed to comply till date. This is gross negligence on part of the Zoo Operator to fiddle with safety of captive animals housed in the Zoo.

13	10.4(3)	The Zoo has failed to provide general cleanliness in the zoo and also failed to dispose off the solid and liquid wastes generated in the zoo.	Violation observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Two light Mazdoor have already been deployed for general cleanliness in the mini zoo and also to dispose off the solid and liquid wastes generated in the Zoo. The cleanliness work will be supervised periodically by the work Inspector.	<p>Photographs collected during evaluation indicating heaps of solid waste adjacent to animal enclosures and absence of drainage facility were shown to the Officer in-charge and he has admitted that present system of waste disposal is inadequate and assured that efficient practices of waste disposal will be adopted immediately and compliance will be reported to the CZA.</p> <p>The Officer in-charge of the Zoo vide letter dated 20.06.2018 filed a report informing that two light mazdoors have been deployed to ensure cleanliness in the zoo. In support of the claim, enclosed four photographs showing cleaning of the premises. However, documentary evidence proving deployment of personnel is not produced.</p>
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14	10.4(3)	The Zoo has failed to repair the chain-link fence of enclosure for Spotted deer.	Violation observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	The repair of the chain – link fence of enclosure for Spotted Deer will be taken up on top priority during this financial year and work will be completed before December 2018.	Photograph collected during evaluation was shown to the Officer in-charge and he has agreed to it.
15	10.4(3)	The Zoo has failed to remove the non-functional pipelines and discarded plastic from animal enclosures.	Violations observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Non –functional pipelines and discarded plastic from animal enclosures have been already removed.	Complied as stated.
16	10.4(8)	The Zoo has failed to produce drawing of enclosure approved by the CZA in case of enclosures for endangered species.	Violations observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	The design of enclosure for endangered species housed in the zoo will be submitted to the CZA for post-facto approval, within one month.	The Zoo management has failed to comply till date. Since the day of evaluation on 27.2.2018, the zoo has got enough opportunity to expedite finalisation of the Master (Layout) Plan and subsequently design of enclosures for endangered species.
5.Upkeep and healthcare of animals:					
17	10.5(2)	The Zoo has failed to test the quality of feed and water to animals periodically in a registered laboratory.	Violations observed during 21.06.2016 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Action will be taken on top priority. The samples of feed and water will be sent for testing in a register laboratory from this month onwards	Complied as stated.

18	10.5(3)	The Zoo has failed to shift the Post-mortem Room to a designated place away from animal enclosures.	Violations observed during 26.10.2010 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018 .	This work will be taken up during this financial year and will be completed before January 2019	Failed to comply till date. Photographs collected during evaluation indicating a common facility for Feed store, Treatment Room, Post-mortem Room along with facilities not related to the zoo such as Garden Tool Workshop and Scrap Store were shown to the Officer in-charge. He has agreed to the facts.
19	10.5(3)	The Zoo has failed to prepare the diet schedule as prescribed by the Veterinarian	Violations observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018 .	Action will be taken to prepare the diet schedule as prescribe by the veterinarian.	Failed to comply till date. If at all the zoo management is serious enough, time from 27.02.2018 till date is more than enough to prepare a Diet Schedule for captive animals housed in the Zoo.

20	10.5(3)	The Zoo has failed to provide the raised platforms in the feed store for placing the animal feed.	Violations observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	This work will be taken up during this financial year on top priority and it will be completed before November 2018	Failed to comply till date. The photographs collected during evaluation indicating feed concentrate bags placed on floor and absence of raised platform to prevent dampness were shown to the Officer in-charge and he has agreed to the inadequacy.
21	10.5(5)	The zoo has failed to remove left over feed, excreta of animals and other wastes from animal enclosure's promptly and also failed to disinfect the enclosures by preparing a disinfection schedule.	Violations observed on 29.09.1997, 21.06.2016 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Light Mazdoor have already been deployed to remove left over feed, excreta of animals and other wastes from animal enclosure periodically. However action will be taken to disinfect the enclosure by preparing disinfection schedule. Compliance will be reported to the CZA within 15 days.	Failed to comply till date. The Disinfection Schedule for the Zoo has not been submitted.
22	10.5(5)	The Zoo has failed to remove the top soil of the animal enclosures once in a year and also failed to replace the same with uncontaminated soil.	Violations observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Action will be taken on top priority and it will be completed before October 2018	Not complied till date. Removal and replacement of top soil in captive animal enclosures is necessary preventive measure to minimise the load of soil based pathogens.

23	10.5(5)	The Zoo has failed to inform the CWLW of the state about all articles derived out of captive animals and also failed to dispose the same as per the prescribed procedure.	Violations observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Action will be taken to dispose of the articles derived out of captive animal by duly informing the CWLW of the state and this work will be completed before September 2018	Photographs collected during evaluation were shown to the Officer in-charge of the Zoo and he has admitted possession of undeclared wildlife articles and committed to declare the stock before the Chief Wildlife Warden of the State.
24	10.5(10)	The Zoo Operator has failed to maintain the records (Animal History Card, Keeper's Diary, Daily Report and Treatment Card) of the animals in the format prescribed by the CZA.	Violations observed during 26.10.2010 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Action will be taken to maintain the records in the format prescribed by the CZA and it will be produced to the CZA by e-mail within 15 days.	Failed to submit compliance Report beyond the committed time period.
6.Veterinary and infrastructure facilities:					
25	10.6(1b)	The zoo has failed to dispose off the expired medicine stored in the Treatment Room.	Violations observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Action has already been taken to dispose off the expired medicine stored in the Treatment Room.	Photographs collected during evaluation indicating stock of expired medicine were shown to the Officer in-charge of the Zoo. He has informed that expired medicine already removed from stock after evaluation.

26	10.6(1c)	The zoo has failed to construct and maintain the Treatment Room in appropriate manner.	Violation observed on 29.09.1997 , 26.10.2010,31.12.2012 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	The work will be taken up during this financial year and this work will be completed before January 2019	Photographs indicating inappropriateness of the existing facility were shown to the Officer in-charge during hearing. The basic treatment facility is mandatory in a zoo as per Schedule 6(1c) of Rule 10 under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.
27	10.6(3)	The Zoo has failed to upgrade the infrastructure and also failed to procure the equipment for animal restraint and transport.	Violation observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	The work will be taken up during this financial year and this will be completed before November 2018	The Zoo is also housing endangered species. Procurement of equipment to restrain captive animals in case of need is pre-requisite to house captive animals.
28	10.6(3)	The Zoo has failed to maintain the Post-mortem Room with adequate natural light which should be developed in a designated place away from animal enclosures.	Violation observed on 29.09.1997 , 26.10.2010 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	The work will be taken up during this financial year and it will be completed before January 2019	Failed to comply till date. In the absence of a post-mortem facility away from animal enclosures and other infrastructure of the zoo, there exists risk of spread of infection to healthy animals.
7.Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals					

29	10.7(1)	The Zoo has failed to conduct the Post-mortem examination of every animal that dies in the zoo.	Violation observed during 26.10.2010 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	The post – mortem examination is conducted for the animal that dies in the zoo.	Documentary evidence in support of claim has not been furnished. Not produced Report on post-mortem examination of all the captive animals that died in the zoo till date of hearing.
30	10.7(2)	The Zoo has failed to maintain Post-mortem Reports of animals in format prescribed by the Central Zoo Authority.	Violation observed during 21.06.2016 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	The post mortem report of animal is maintained in the format prescribed by the Central Zoo Authority	Copy of the Post-mortem Report produced during evaluation and at the time of hearing is observed in deviation from the format prescribed by the CZA.
31	10.7(4)	The Zoo has failed to dispose the carcass of the dead animals at appropriate place. The Zoo has also failed to identify the burial ground in a designated place away from animal enclosures.	Violation observed on 29.09.1997 , 21.06.2016 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Action has already taken to dispose the carcass of the dead animal at appropriate place. Suitable place has already been identified in the garden area for burial ground and it is away from the animal enclosures.	Complied as stated.
9.Acquisition and breeding of animals:					
32	10.9(1)	The Zoo has failed to infuse new blood in its animal collection since establishment of the zoo.	Violation observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Action will be taken as top priority and this work will be completed by the end of August 2018	The management of the zoo has been provided sufficient opportunity to comply with the provisions of the Recognition of Zoo Rules. Further procrastination is not acceptable.

33	10.9(9)	The Zoo has failed to adopt suitable population control measures for spotted deer population.	Violation observed on 29.09.1997 , 26.10.2010 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Action will be taken adopt suitable population control measures for spotted deer population on top priority and this Job will be completed before July 2018	Not submitted compliance till date. Considering the drain of resources, the zoo management is supposed to take up population control measures in captive animals extensively.
12.Visitors' facilities:					
34	10.12(2)	The Zoo has failed to provide Visitors' path leading to animal enclosures for physically challenged persons i.e. no ramps for wheel-chair.	Violation observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	This will be taken up during this financial year on top priority and it will be completed before December 2018	The zoo management has failed to fulfil one of the objectives to create awareness in public about wildlife conservation. Physically challenged among visitors to the zoo should have access to animal display area of the zoo.
35	10.12(3)	The Zoo has failed to provide First-aid kit and snake anti-venom serum in the zoo premises.	Violation observed on 29.09.1997 , 31.12.2012 and also during the present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Action has been taken provide First – aid kit and snake anti – venom serum in the Zoo premises.	Complied as stated.

Rule 11. Maintenance of records and submission of inventory:					
36	11(1)	The Zoo has failed to submit statutory Quarterly Inventory Report to the CZA for year 2017-2018 of endangered species housed in the zoo along with detailed reasons of death identified on the basis of the post-mortem examination reports.	Violation observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Quarterly Inventory report for the year 2017-18 endangered species housed in the Zoo is herewith submitted	The Zoo management has failed to submit Quarterly Inventory of endangered species housed in the zoo within 15 days from end of the quarter.
37	11(1)	The Zoo Operator has failed to report all the species and number of animals being housed and displayed to visitors in the Annual Inventory Report submitted to the Central Zoo Authority for year 2016-17.	Violations observed during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	All the species and number of animals being housed and displayed to the visitors is reflected in the Annual Inventory report of 2016-17 is herewith submitted.	The zoo management has failed to submit Annual Inventory for year 2016-17 reflecting all the animals housed in the zoo. The facts have been apprised to the Officer in-charge of the zoo during the hearing.
38	11(2)	The zoo has failed to include status of compliance with conditions stipulated by the CZA, as per provisions laid down in Rule 11(2) of the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 in the Annual Report of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo for year 2016-2017, submitted to the CZA.	Violations observed on 29.09.1997 and during present evaluation dated 27.02.2018.	Status of compliance with conditions stipulated by the CZA as per provision laid down in Rule 11(2) of the Recognition of Zoo Rule, 2009 in the 2016-17 annual report will be submitted by the end of June 2018	The Annual Report of the zoo for year 2016-17 does not include details mandatory under Rule 11(2) of the Recognition of Zoo Rules.

Whereas, the Technical Committee in its 86th meeting held on 28th September, 2018 after due deliberation on the proceedings of the opportunity of hearing provided to the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam Gardens, Hosapete Tq; Ballari District, Karnataka recommended to the Central Zoo Authority to cancel recognition to the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam Gardens, Hosapete Tq; Ballari District, Karnataka as per provisions of Section 38H(6) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. keeping in view the welfare of the captive animals.

Whereas, the Central Zoo Authority in its 32nd meeting held on 19th November, 2018, in view of the failure of the operator of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam Gardens, Hosapete Tq; Ballari District, Karnataka to comply with conditions stipulated by the CZA, approved the recommendation of the Technical Committee and decided to cancel the recognition of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam Gardens, Hosapete Tq; Ballari District, Karnataka under Section 38H(6) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

Now, therefore, having been given sufficient opportunity, the recognition of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam Gardens, Hosapete Tq; Ballari District, Karnataka is hereby cancelled as per provisions laid down in Section 38H(6) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 with a provision to file an appeal before the Central Government as per provisions laid down in Section 38H(7) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

Yours Sincerely,



(Dr. D.N. Singh)
Member Secretary

To

The Secretary,
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[operator of the Tungabhadra Mini Zoo, Hosapete Tq; Ballari District, Karnataka under Rule 2m(III) of the Recognition of the Zoo Rules, 2009]

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(Dr. D.N. Singh)
Member Secretary



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Sub:-Renewal of recognition to Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Bellary, Karnataka under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.12.2015- Reg.

**Ref:- (i) This office letter no. 19-162/93-CZA(107)(M)/1955, dated 31.12.2012.
(ii) Your application for renewal of recognition dated 22.03.2015.**

Sir,

Reference is invited to above cited correspondence. It is to inform that the evaluation of the Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Bellary, Karnataka was carried out by Dr. B. Trinadha Rao on 04.03.2016. The evaluation report of the Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Bellary, Karnataka as submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 78th Meeting held on 6th May, 2016.

The Technical Committee has decided to issue Show Cause Notice under Section 38H (5&6) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 to Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Bellary, Karnataka for non-compliance with conditions stipulated by the Central Zoo Authority in violation of Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 (amended in 2013) and to provide time period of six months to the zoo to file a reply to the Show Cause Notice and to submit an action taken report on issues mentioned in the Show Cause Notice. The Show Cause Notice is being issued separately

Besides, the Committee has decided to grant renewal of recognition under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 to Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Bellary, Karnataka for a period of one year. The renewal of recognition to Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Bellary, Karnataka as a "Mini category Zoo" under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, is for a period up to 05.05.2017 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 (amended in 2013) and mid-term evaluation of the zoo:-

S. No.	Norm No.	Condition Stipulated	Time Period to Comply
1. General Requirements			
1	1.4	All the ungulate enclosures should be	With immediate effect

		provided with additional chain link fencing to a height of 2.5 mts	
2	1.7	The faecal pellets of the ungulates should be heaped and removed from the enclosures once in a week	With immediate effect
3	1.9	The mini zoo should be separated from the gardens with a chain link fencing of 2.5 mts high as a safe guard against entry of domestic livestock, stray animals and pets.	Three months
2. Administrative & staffing pattern			
4	2.1	One whole time officer in-charge for the zoo, with adequate financial and administrative powers, should be posted to look after the day to day requirement of the zoo.	With immediate effect
3. Development and planning			
5	3.1	Master Plan should be got approved from the Central Zoo Authority	With immediate effect
6	3.6	A collection plan should be prepared in consultation with CZA considering availability of space, future expansion proposals etc.	Two months
4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures			
7	4.6	The herbivore enclosure should be planted with tall seedlings of fodder species like Ficus, Tamarind, Neem and Bamboo etc.	With immediate effect
8	4.7	Adequate screening between the herbivore enclosure be provided to safeguard against the animals getting excited or stressed.	One month
9	4.9	Stand-off barrier in other herbivore and bird enclosure should be provided as per norms of CZA.	Three months
10	4.10	Appropriate signage should be provided for all the enclosures as per the standards/norms prescribed by CZA.	Two months
5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals			
11	5.2	The herbivores and birds should be provided with quality food and Bannerghatta Biological Park, Bengaluru should be consulted with regard to quality, quantity and the feeding schedule.	With immediate effect
12	5.2	The food items should be inspected at regular intervals for its freshness, quality etc.	With immediate effect
13	5.2	Random food and water samples should be tested periodically for microbiological, toxicological and other contaminants.	Once in a month

14	5.3	The food in herbivores enclosure and in aviaries should be distributed at 3 or 4 places.	With immediate effect
15	5.4	The feed is kept on the ground and has access to rats. A pucca store, rodent proof, should be constructed for storing food on racks.	Six months
16	5.5	A foot bath of adequate size with proper disinfectant should be provided at the entrance of every enclosure. Foreign objects like iron rods, angles, pieces of chain link fence, stumps should be removed from the enclosures.	With immediate effect
17	5.5	The food containers, water bowls should be cleaned daily and disinfected. The grills, floor of feeding cells, shelters, chain link fencing of outdoor enclosures, perches & shelves in aviaries should also be cleaned once in a week.	With immediate effect
18	5.5	The unused feed in aviary and herbivore enclosure should be removed every day. The faecal pellets in ungulates enclosure should also be removed once in a week.	Once in a week
19	5.6	The zoo operators should ensure that the veterinary doctor visits the zoo and records his observations in a register. It is noticed that the herbivores are dying due to internal bleeding, acute pneumonia and snake bites. Hence special attention should be made on the design and safety measures.	Once in 7/10 days
20	5.8	Screening of animals for parasitic loads should be done by sending the faecal samples to veterinary labs. A schedule should also be prepared.	Once in a month
21	5.9	All the zoo attendants associated with the zoo animals should be screened for zoonotic disease like tuberculosis etc. by sending them to local government hospital.	Once in a year
22	5.10	Written schedule of vaccination and deworming should be prepared in consultation with veterinary doctors and implemented.	With immediate effect
6.Veterinary & Infrastructure facilities			
23	6.1	Treatment room/facility should be provided for birds and herbivores in consultation with zoo veterinarians of Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens, Mysuru / Bannerghatta Biological Park, Bengaluru.	Three months

7. Postmortem and disposal of carcass of animals			
24	7.2	The findings of post mortem should be recorded in the format prescribed by the Central Zoo Authority only.	With immediate effect
25	7.4	The carcasses after due post mortem should be disposed off as per CZA's norms.	Two months
9. Acquisition and breeding of animals			
26	9.9	The population of spotted deer is in excess. Hence action should be taken to transport the excess animals to other zoos or released into wild after obtaining permission from the Chief Wildlife Warden / Central Zoo Authority.	3 months
Other Observations			
27		Appropriate kraals should be established in herbivore enclosure for restraining the animals for capture, treatment etc., in consultation with the zoo veterinarians.	With immediate effect
28		The existing post mortem room located in the building which houses the treatment room and feed stores should be shifted to one corner of the zoo.	With immediate effect

A half yearly report regarding progress made in implementation of the aforesaid condition should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority.

Grant of recognition to Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Bellary, Karnataka beyond the period of 5th May, 2017 would be considered on the basis of compliance of the condition stated above and general performance of the Zoo at that point of time.

The recognition to the Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Bellary, Karnataka shall be revoked by the Central Zoo Authority, at any point of time if the Zoo Operator is found not complying with the above stipulated conditions.

Yours faithfully,



**(Dr. D. N. Singh)
Member Secretary**

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Karnataka for information.
2. The Member Secretary, Zoo Authority of Karnataka for information.
3. The Secretary, Tungabhadra Dam, P.O. Tungabhadra Dam, Taluk Hospet, District Bellary, Karnataka- 583 225 for information and with a request that the stipulated conditions may be got implemented.
4. ~~DPA, CZA.~~



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THROUGH REGISTERED POST

F. No. 19-162/93-CZA(107)(M) / 1955

DATE: 31.12.2012

To

The Superintendent of Gardens
Tungabhadra Board,
Tungabhadra Dam, Via Hospet,
District Bellary - 583 225 (Karnataka)

Sub:- Renewal of recognition to Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hospet, District Bellary beyond the period of 31.10.2012 under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

Sir,

The evaluation of the Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hospet, District Bellary was carried out by Sh. S. C. Sharma and Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta on 16.08.2012. The evaluation report of the Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hospet, District Bellary as submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 63rd Meeting held on 5th December 2012.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of recognition to Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hospet, District Bellary as "Mini Category Zoo" under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 31.12.2015 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 and mid-term evaluation of the zoo:-

S. No.	Norm No.	Condition Stipulated	Time Period to Comply
1. General Conditions			
1.	1.1	Zoo should acquire new animals to introduce new blood and increase heterozygosity.	Regularly
2.	1.7	Soak pits to be provided near each feed platform to accommodate the washing and the disinfectants.	Within one year
3.	1.7	Solid waste particular the animals excreta should be periodically removed from the animal enclosures and disposed off suitable.	With immediate effect
4.	1.9	Common duck and Pigeon should be taken off the bird aviary and some suitable species put on display.	Immediately
5.	1.9/1.6	Zoo should release the Peafowls in its collection free in nature/ transferred to other zoo (Bannerghatta Zoo)	Immediately
2. Administrative and Staffing Pattern			
6.	2.1	The zoo should have one whole time Director of	Within six months

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7.	2.2	the zoo, who should be not below the rank of Assistant Horticulture Supervision The veterinarian should visit the zoo, atleast once every week and asses the health of zoo animals.	With immediate effect.
3. Development and Planning			
8.	3.4/4.2	The deer enclosures need to be redesigned and redone to ensure that feeding kraals are away from the visitors' side and screening i.e. available between different enclosures.	Within two years
9.	3.4/4.2	Soak pits should be provided to accommodate the washings of all the feeding kraals.	Within one year
5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals			
10.	5.8	All animals should be dewormed in accordance with the schedule prepared by the veterinarian.	With immediate effect
11.	5.9	All staff responsible for handling animals should be screen of zoonotic diseases.	With immediate effect
6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities			
12.	6.3	The treatment room should be appropriately modified in consultation with CZA.	Within six months
11. Education and Outreach activities			
13.	11.2	The Zoo should have first aid facilities including anti-snake venom.	Within three months

A half yearly report regarding progress made in implementation of the aforesaid conditions should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority.

Grant of recognition to Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra beyond 31.12.2015 as "a Mini Category Zoo" would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition to the Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra shall be revoked by the Central Zoo Authority, at any point of time if the Zoo Operator is found not complying with the stipulated conditions.

Yours faithfully,

(B. S. Bonal)

Member Secretary

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore for favour of information and with a request that the stipulated conditions may be got implemented.
2. The Secretary, Tungabhadra Dam Board, Post Tungabhadra Dam, Hospet - 583 225, Karnataka.
3. Mr. Vivek Goel, DPA, CZA

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SPEED POST



BY REGISTERED POST

DATE: 26.10.2010

F. No. 19-162/93-CZA(107)(M)

To

The Superintendent of Gardens
Tungabhadra Board,
Tungabhadra Dam,
Via-Hospet,
Distt. Bellary - 583 225 (Karnataka)

Sub:- Grant of renewal of recognition to Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hospet, Distt. Bellary, Karnataka beyond the period of 31.03.2007 under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 - Regarding.

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter No. S. O. G./Zoo/5517/2007/08 dated 23.07.2010.

The evaluation of the Zoo was carried out on 22.05/2010 and the evaluation report of the Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hospet, Distt. Bellary, Karnataka as submitted by Sh. C. S. Yallaki was considered by the Technical Committee in its 55th Meeting held on 24th September, 2010.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of recognition to Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hospet, Distt. Bellary, Karnataka as a Mini category zoo under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 31st October, 2012 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 1992:-

Sl. No.	Relevant Norm No.	Stipulated Condition	Time period for compliance
10 (1) General requirements			
1.	1 (9)	(i) The primary objective of operating the zoo shall be conservation of wildlife and no such activities shall be taken up that is not consistent with the well being of the animals. The domestic animals like ducks, ghees and pigeons should be removed from display, immediately. (ii) The zoo shall not acquire wild animals without prior permission of the Chief Wildlife Warden	With immediate effect

		under Section 11 (1) (a) and the Central Zoo Authority under Section 38I of the Wild Life (Protection) Act.	
2.	1 (5)	A two meter high perimeter wall (from the ground level) should be provided separating the premises of the gardens and the mini zoo.	Within one year
2. Administrative and Staffing Pattern			
3.	2 (1)	One full time officer-in-charge of the zoo should be posted. The officer should be delegated adequate administrative and financial powers to purchase feed and medicine and carryout emergency repair of animal enclosures, as may be necessary for proper upkeep and care of the zoo animals.	With immediate effect
4.	2 (2)	The zoo should have arrangements with a veterinarian having qualification of B. V. Sc. And A. H. for visiting the zoo every day to look after the healthcare of the animals.	With immediate effect
4. Animal Housing, Display of animals and animal enclosures			
5.	4 (1)	Simulated conditions of the natural habitat of the Spotted deer, Sambar, Blackbuck and Porcupine should be provided in their enclosures by way of planting of appropriate species of trees and other enrichments.	Within three months
6.	4 (3)	Appropriately designed natural enclosures should be provided for the Spotted deer, Sambar, Blackbuck and Porcupine being displayed by the zoo.	Within six months
7.	4 (9)	All the animal enclosures at the zoo shall be provided with stand off barrier for keeping the visitors at a safe distance from animals.	Within six months
8.	4 (10)	Every animal enclosure in the zoo should bear information board displaying the identity, morphological, scientific and ecological details of the animals exhibited.	Within three months
5. Upkeep and Healthcare of animals			
9.	5 (8)	The zoo should prepare a schedule for testing the parasitic load of all animal in the zoo. The animal found positive should be provided immediate prophylactic measures.	With immediate effect
10.	5 (9)	Medical check up of the staff responsible for upkeep of the captive animals should be arranged at least once in every six months to ensure that they do not have infections of such diseases that can infect the zoo animals.	With immediate effect
11.	5 (10)	Animal History Sheet and Treatment Card in respect of each captive animal of endangered species shall be maintained.	With immediate effect

6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities			
12.	6 (1b)	The zoo authorities should construct a treatment room in the premises of the zoo where routine examination of animal can be undertaken and immediate treatment can be provided.	Within six months
13.	6 (3)	The zoo should construct a post-mortem room and post-mortem findings of all animals that die in the zoo shall be recorded in the appropriate format and preserved fro.	Within six months
14.	6 (6 b)	The staff handling the wild animals should be deputed for training being conducted by Central Zoo Authority.	With immediate effect
9. Acquisition and Breeding of animals			
15.	9 (9)	(i) The zoo shall keep in collection only such number of captive animals and such species for which appropriate housing facility exists. The zoo operators shall be responsible for ensuring that the number of animals of any species does not go beyond the holding capacity of the enclosures available in the zoo and the housing standards are not compromised for keeping the excessive numbers. (ii) To safeguard against uncontrolled growth in the population of Spotted deer appropriate population control measures should be implemented, immediately. Keeping male and female animals in separate enclosures for long is not permitted.	With immediate effect Within six months
11. Education and outreach activities			
16.	11 (1)	The zoo management should produce brochures, handouts etc. about the zoo for distribution among the zoo visitors as a step towards education and awareness about forest and wildlife conservation.	Within three months

A half yearly report regarding progress made in implementation of the aforesaid conditions should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority.

Grant of recognition to Tungabhadra Dam Mini Zoo, Tungabhadra Dam, Hospet, Distt. Bellary, Karnataka beyond 31st October, 2012 as a Mini category zoo would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

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