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To,

The Chief Wildlife Warden,  
Department of Forests, Ecology and Environment,  
Aranya Bhawan, 2nd Floor, 18<sup>th</sup> Cross,  
Malleswaram, Bengaluru – 560003, Karnataka.  
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**Subject:- Renewal of recognition of the Gadag Zoo (Children's park cum Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag), Karnataka under Section 38-H(1),(3)&(4) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 for period beyond August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021- regarding.**

**Reference:**

1. This office letter no. 21-1/2021-CZA, Computer no. 158516, dated 17.03.2022.
2. Application in Form – I bearing No. 365 dated June 28, 2021 received from Executive Director, Gadag Zoo.
3. This Office Memorandum File No.7-10/2020-CZA(PART-I), dated 25.08.2020.

Sir/Madam,

With reference to above, I am directed to inform that the recognition of Gadag Zoo (Children's park cum Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag), Karnataka was accorded up to August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 vide reference no. 3 above. The application for the renewal of recognition of Gadag Zoo (Children's park cum Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag), Karnataka for the period beyond August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 was received by this office vide reference no. 2 above.

Shri Surendra Kumar, IFS(Retd.), Former PCCF(CWLW), Kerala was deputed by this office to carry out the evaluation of the Gadag Zoo (Children's park cum Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag), Karnataka vide CZA letter at reference no. 1 above. The Zoo was accordingly evaluated on March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

The evaluation report (copy enclosed) as submitted by the evaluation officer was deliberated in the 106<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority held on September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The Technical Committee after detailed deliberations recommended to the Central Zoo Authority for the renewal of recognition of Gadag Zoo (Children's park cum Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag), Karnataka for a period of two years and to regularise the period after August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021, subject to compliance with observation/ recommendation in the table below and mid-term evaluation. The members also recommended that the Zoo Operator may be directed to submit half-yearly compliance report with respect to observation/ recommendation stipulated while renewal of recognition.

Subsequently, the recommendation of 106<sup>th</sup> Technical Committee Meeting was approved by the Chairperson, Central Zoo Authority. Accordingly, the Central Zoo Authority has regularised the period after August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and renewed the recognition of Gadag Zoo (Children’s park cum Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag), Karnataka for a period up to December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 under Section 38-H(1), (3) & (4) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972. This is subject to the ratification of this decision in the next meeting of the Central Zoo Authority.

<b>S I.</b>	<b>Norm No.</b>	<b>Particulars of suggestions/ recommendation</b>	<b>Time Period to Comply</b>
<b>2. Administrative and Staffing pattern</b>			
1.	10.2 (2)	The zoo should appoint Biologist and Education Officer on regular basis.	Six months
<b>6. Veterinary and Infrastructure facilities</b>			
2.	10.6(1)	The hospital is highly deficient is basic equipment. Zoo hospital should be made well equipped.	Three Months
<b>9. Acquisition and breeding of animals</b>			
3.	10.9(4)	There are single and unpaired animals in the zoo – lions (2 males), march crocodile (1 female), rock python (3 females), Golden pheasant (2 females), Ostrich (2 males) Appropriate sex ratio is to be maintained by acquisition / transfers.	Six months
4.	10.9(9)	Population control measures for last breeding species like Black Buck and Spotted deer and Sambar are not in place. As their number far exceeds the holding capacity, there is urgent need to attend to it.	Six months
<b>10. Research activities</b>			
5.	10.10(1)	The zoo lacks in carrying out research activities on priority animal species and on specific area of concern. There is no research plan for the zoo. No research paper/ technical paper has been published so far.	Immediately.
<b>12. Visitors facilities</b>			
6.	10.12(1)	The zoo has to work upon better visitor facilities like, kiosks, zoo visitor guides, public announcement system and fire alarm.	One year

A compliance report to the Central Zoo Authority on implementation of the aforesaid observation/ recommendation shall be submitted by the zoo within three months of issue of this letter. Further, half yearly report regarding progress made in the implementation of the aforesaid conditions should also be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority.

The recognition of Gadag Zoo (Children’s park cum Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag), Karnataka for the period beyond December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above, mid-term evaluation and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition of Gadag Zoo (Children’s park cum Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag), Karnataka 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.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

**Yours sincerely,**

**Encl: as above**

**Sd/  
(Akanksha Mahajan)  
Dy Inspector General Of Forest**

**Copy for information and necessary action to:**

1. The Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Karnataka, Department of Forests, Ecology and Environment, Secretariat, Room No. 448, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Gate No. 2, M.S Building, Bengaluru – 560001, Karnataka (E-mail: prs-fee@karnataka.gov.in) [ Zoo Operator of the Gadag Zoo (Children's park cum Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag), Karnataka, under Rule 2(m)(III) of the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009].
2. The Member Secretary Zoo, Authority of Karnataka, Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens premises, Indiranagar, Mysuru – 570010, Karnataka (E-mail: ccfmszak@gmail.com).
3. The Executive Director & Deputy Conservator of Forests, Gadag Forest Division, Gadag, Distt. Dharwar, Karnataka (E-mail: dyconservatorgadag@gmail.com)
4. The DPA, O/o CZA, (E-mail: dpa-cza@nic.in) – to update database and to upload on official website of the CZA.



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**F. No. 19-15/93-CZA(123)(Vol.II)(A) / 418 / 2016**  
**THROUGH EMAIL / REGISTERED POST**  
**DATE: 08.03.2016**

To  
The Chief Wildlife Warden  
Govt. of Karnataka  
Aranya Bhawan,  
18th Cross Malleswaram,  
Bangalore-560003

**Sub:- Renewal of recognition to Children's Park cum Mini Zoo at Binkadakatti, Gadag, Karnataka under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.10.2015.**

Sir,

Reference is invited to letter No. A3/ZAK/Renewal/Recognition/CR-06/15-16/915 dated 14.08.2015 from the Executive Director & Deputy Conservator of Forests, Children's Park cum Mini Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag received in this office on 31.08.2015 seeking grant of renewal of recognition to Children's Park cum Mini Zoo at Binkadakatti, Gadag, Karnataka for the period beyond 31.10.2015.

The evaluation of the Children's Park cum Mini Zoo at Binkadakatti, Gadag, Karnataka was carried out by Dr. B. Trinadha Rao on 24.11.2015. The evaluation report of Children's Park cum Mini Zoo at Binkadakatti, Gadag, Karnataka as submitted by the evaluating officers was considered by the Technical Committee in its 77<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2016.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant renewal of recognition to Children's Park cum Mini Zoo at Binkadakatti, Gadag, Karnataka as 'Mini Zoo' category under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 for a period of three years up to 20.01.2019 subject to the compliance with the following directives under Rule 10 of 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
<b>General Requirements:</b>			
1.	1(2)	The lawn and the premises of the zoo should be kept clean, grass trimmed at regular intervals.	Immediate
<b>Administrative and Staffing Pattern:</b>			
2.	2(1)	A full fledged officer with adequate financial powers should be posted to look after the day to day administration of the mini zoo.	Six months

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<b>Development and Planning:</b>			
3.	3(1)	The Zoo should get the Master Plan approved by the Central Zoo Authority.	Six months
4.	3(4)	An animal collection plan taking into consideration of locally available fauna should be prepared and submitted to CZA for Approval.	Six months
5.	3(5)	As there is no adequate expertise to deal with the endangered animals with the zoo, the leopard (2 nos.) as rescued should be shifted to recognized large category zoo in the state.	Immediate
<b>Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures:</b>			
6.	4(2)	(a)The moated enclosure for ungulates shall be desilted to maintain the dimensions as prescribed by CZA.	Three months
		(b)All vegetation in the moat area shall be removed, trees near the compound wall and in the moats to be pruned.	Immediate
		(c)There are certain cubical areas in the moated enclosures where the moat wall is joining the compound wall. These areas to be rectified and the height of the walls should be maintained as per norms of CZA to prevent escape.	Immediate
7.	4(3)	Adequate screening should be provided in pheasant enclosures for maintaining privacy and to avoid excitement of the cocks in the adjacent enclosures.	Immediate
8.	4(4)	Sand bed should be provided and all the stones and foreign objects should be removed in pheasant, spur fowl and Jungle fowl enclosure.	Immediate
9.	4(5)	The environment in the civet cat and owls enclosure shall be improved by providing nest boxes as these are nocturnal animals.	Immediate
10.	4(6)	Stand-off barrier as per CZA norms shall be erected for all the enclosures in such a way and also to restrict the movement of the public moving around the enclosures causing disturbance to the animals.	Three months

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11.	4(7)	Signage as specified in CZA guidelines should be prepared for all the enclosures.	Six months
<b>Upkeep and healthcare of animals:</b>			
12.	5(1)	All the foreign bodies, iron material should be removed from the moat areas to prevent injuries to the animals.	Immediate
14.	5(4)	Substrate in pheasant enclosures should be changed by adding soil.	One month
<b>Veterinary and infrastructure facilities:</b>			
15.	6(1)	The zoo should have adequate veterinary facilities and kitchen in the zoo.	Six months
16.	6(2)	The leftover meat fed to birds, Jackal, civet should be stopped.	Immediate
17.	6(3)	The hay is thrown into the moat, should be placed at 3-4 places for availability of all the animals including the young ones.	Immediate
18.	6(4)	The food and water samples at random shall be sent for testing at regular intervals.	Immediate

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

It is to inform that the period ranging from 31.10.2015 to 20.01.2016 is hereby regularized by the Central Zoo Authority.

Grant of renewal of recognition to Children's Park cum Mini Zoo at Binkadakatti, Gadag, Karnataka beyond 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2019 would be considered on the basis of compliance with the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The grant of recognition to the Children's Park cum Mini Zoo at Binkadakatti, Gadag, Karnataka 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,**

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

**Copy to:-**

1. The Executive Director & Deputy Conservator of Forests, Children's Park cum Mini Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag, Karnataka for information.
2. Mr. Vivek Goel, DPA, CZA-to update records.

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





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**THROUGH REGISTERED POST**

F. No. 19-15/93-CZA(123)(Vol. II)(M) *19605*

DATE: 11.04.2013

To

The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
and Member Secretary,  
Zoo Authority of Karnataka,  
Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens,  
Mysore – 570 010 (Karnataka)

**Sub:- Grant of renewal of recognition to Children Park-cum-Mini Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.10.2013.**

Sir,

The evaluation of the Children Park-cum-Mini Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag was carried out by Mr. Alankar K Jha on 22.01.2013. The evaluation report of Children Park-cum-Mini Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag as submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 65<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2013.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of recognition to Children Park-cum-Mini Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag as "a Mini Category Zoo" under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 31.10.2015 subject to the condition that the zoo should remove domestic animal immediately and 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
<b>1. General Requirements</b>			
1.	1.2	All the trees, shrubs, orchids should be marked for easy knowledge of the visitor.	Within six months
2.	1.7	An appropriately designed incinerator be installed for disposal of wastes as well as burning of left over feed and carcasses.	Within one year
3.	1.9	The zoo shall concentrate on its objective of conservation of endangered species of the region and shall remove ducks, rabbits and pigeons to off-display or total removal from the zoo area.	Within two months



<b>2. Administrative and staffing pattern</b>			
4.	2.2	The State Government to create a post of Curator, Biologist and Education Officer.	Within two years
<b>3. Development and Planning</b>			
5.	3.8	Rescue of all endangered animals should be brought to the notice of CZA	With immediate effect
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
6.	4.7	Adequate screening shall be provided between adjacent enclosures to safeguard against the animals getting unduly excited or stressed due to visibility of animals housed in these enclosures, particularly with reference to deer species, where physical separation is resorted to for population control.	Within three months
<b>5. Upkeep and Healthcare of Animal</b>			
7.	5.9	Health check of staff should be done periodically and report maintained.	With immediate effect
<b>6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities</b>			
8.	6.1	Every zoo shall, ----- (a) have veterinary facilities appropriate to the size and type of the animal collection of the zoo; (b) have a full fledged veterinary unit with all basic diagnostic facilities, comprehensive range of drugs, operation theatre and in-patient wards. (c) Provided that a mini zoo shall have at least facilities of a treatment room.	Within two years
<b>9. Acquisition and breeding of animals</b>			
9.	9.2	To safeguard against ill effects of inbreeding on the deer population, the zoo shall endeavour to introduce unrelated animals to zoo stock through exchange, loaning and getting gifts of animals from other zoos.	Within six months
10.	9.4	Efforts be made to pair Sloth bear, Star tortoise, White headed eagle, Adjutant stork and painted stork and Leopard by acquisition or exchange.	Within six months
11.	9.7	The zoo shall reduce the deer population upto its carrying capacity and anticipating growth of population in next one year.	Within six months
<b>12 Visitor facilities</b>			
12.	12	The zoo may provide zoo guides from local community to accompany visitors during zoo tours.	Within six months

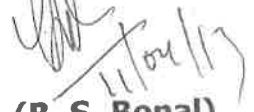
A half yearly report regarding progress made in implementation of the aforesaid conditions should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority.

Grant of recognition to Children Park-cum-Mini Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag beyond 31.10.2015 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 Children Park-cum-Mini Zoo, Binkadakatti, Gadag 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.

A copy of evaluation report is also enclosed herewith for your ready reference to improve the conditions of Zoo.

**Yours faithfully,**



**(B. S. Bonal)**  
**Member Secretary**

**Encl: evaluation report**

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 Deputy Conservator of Forests and Executive Director, Binkadakatti Children Park & Zoo, Gadag Division, Gadag, Karnataka.
3. Mr. Vivek Goel, DPA, CZA.



**(B. S. Bonal)**  
**Member Secretary**







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**Central Zoo Authority**



**BY REGISTERED POST**

**F. No. 19-15/93-CZA(123)(Vol. II)(M)**

**DATE: 26.10.2010**

To

The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
and Member Secretary  
Zoo Authority of Karnataka,  
Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens Premises,  
Indirangar,  
Mysore – 570 010 (Karnataka).

**Sub:- Grant of renewal of recognition Children Park cum Mini Zoo at Binkadakatti, Gadag, Karnataka (Gadag Zoo, Gadag) beyond the period of 31.12.2008 under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 - Regarding.**

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter No. MSY/170/GRZ/V2/2006 dated 12.02.2009.

The evaluation of the Zoo was carried out on 21.05.2010 and the evaluation report of the Children Park cum Mini Zoo at Binkadakatti, Gadag (Gadag Zoo, Gadag) as submitted by Sh. C. S. Yallaki was considered by the Technical Committee in its 55<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2010.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of recognition to National Zoological Park as a small category Zoo under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2013 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 1992:-

S. No.	Relevant Schedule No.	Conditions	Time Period to comply the conditions
<b>1. General requirements</b>			
1.	1(2)	The zoo should develop lawns, flower beds in the zoo premises, grow and maintain hedges around the enclosures, plant saplings within and outside the enclosures to make the zoo premises green and aesthetically pleasing.	With immediate effect
2.	1(9)	The main objective of the zoo shall be conservation of endangered species of the region. Domestic and exotic species like white, brown, black, rock pigeons; rabbits, ducks etc. should be removed from display.	With immediate effect

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 zoo animals.	Within six months
4.	2 (2)	(i) The zoo should post an official with Masters Degree in Wildlife Science as full time Curator solely responsible for looking after the upkeep of animals and maintenance of animal enclosures.	Within six months
		(ii) One full time veterinarian having qualifications of B. V. Sc. And A. H. with an experience of working in a recognized zoo for at least five years, should be posted in the zoo for looking after the healthcare of the animals.	Within six months
3. Developing and Planning			
5.	3 (1)	The zoo should prepare a long-term Master Plan for its development. The copy of the plan should be sent to the Central Zoo Authority.	Before 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 2010
4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures			
6.	4(1)	Appropriately designed natural enclosures should be provided for Leopard and Sloth bear. The enclosures should not be smaller than the dimensions given in Appendix II of Recognition of zoo Rules, 1992.	Within six months
7.	4 (2)	Simulated conditions of the natural habitat of the Leopard, Sloth bear, Blackbuck and Marsh crocodile should be provided in their enclosures by way of planting of appropriate species of trees and other enrichments.	With immediate effect
8.	4 (8)	Designing and construction of new enclosures for endangered species should be finalized with the approval of the Central Zoo Authority.	With immediate effect
9.	4 (10)	Every enclosure in the zoo should bear a sign board displaying the scientific and ecological information regarding the animals exhibited in it.	Within three months
5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals			
10.	5 (4)	Every mammal in the zoo should be provided food inside a feeding cell/ feeding kraal. The number and size of feeding cells of kraals should be such, that the dominant animals do not deprive other animals from getting adequate food.  The endangered mammalian species (Schedule I & Schedule II species) should be provided individual feeding cells or night shelters of the dimensions as specified in Appendix I of the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 1992. Each cubicle or cell shall have resting, feeding, drinking water and exercising facilities	With immediate effect

		according to the biological needs of the species. Proper ventilation and lighting for the comfort and well being of the animals should be provided in each cell/ cubicle.	
11.	5(6)	The staff handling the wild animals should be deputed for training being conducted by the Central Zoo Authority.	With immediate effect
12.	5 (9)	Medical Check up of the staff responsible for upkeep of the captive animals should be arranged at least once in very six months to ensure that they do not have infections of such diseases that can infect the zoo animals.	With immediate effect
13.	5 (10)	Animal History Sheet and Treatment Card in respect of each captive animal of endangered species shall be maintained.	With immediate effect
<b>9. Acquisition and breeding of animals</b>			
14.	9(9)	The safeguard against uncontrolled growth in the population of Spotted deer, Sambar and Blackbuck appropriate population control measures should be implemented.	With immediate effect
<b>12. Visitors' facilities</b>			
15.	12 (2)	First-aid equipments including anti-venom should be readily available in the premises of the zoo.	With immediate effect

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 Children Park cum Mini Zoo at Binkadakatti, Gadag beyond 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2013 as a small 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 Children Park cum Mini Zoo at Binkadakatti, Gadag 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,**  
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**(B. S. Bonal)**  
**Member Secretary**

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1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
2. The Executive Director & Deputy Conservator of Forests, Gadag Division, Gadag.
3. Mr. Vivek Goel, DPA, CZA.



**(Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta)**  
**Evaluation & Monitoring Officer**

