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To,

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Dehradun – 248 001, Uttarakhand.
(E-mail: cwlwua@yahoo.co.in)

Subject: Renewal of recognition of the G.B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital, Uttarakhand, under Section 38-H(1),(3)&(4) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 for period beyond 19th August, 2021- regarding.

Ref.:

1. This office letter no. 21-1/2021-CZA, Computer no. 158516, dated 05.04.2022.
2. Application vide e-mail letter No.44/2-CZA dated 23.08.2021, from the Director, G.B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital.
3. This office memorandum File No. 7-10/2020-CZA(PART-I), dated 25.08.2020.

Sir,

With reference to above, I am directed to inform that the recognition of G.B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital, Uttarakhand was accorded up to August 19th, 2021 vide reference no. 3 above. The application for the renewal of recognition of G.B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital, Uttarakhand for the period beyond August 19th, 2021 was received by this office vide reference no. 2 above.

Shri U Prakasham, IFS(Retd.), Former PCCF(HoFF), Madhya Pradesh was deputed by this office to carry out the evaluation of the G.B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital, Uttarakhand vide CZA letter at reference no. 1 above. The Zoo was accordingly evaluated on April 13th & 14th, 2022 by Shri U Prakasham, IFS (Retd.).

The evaluation report (copy enclosed) as submitted by the evaluation officer was deliberated in the 105th meeting of the Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority held on May 11th, 2022. The Technical Committee after detailed deliberations recommended to the Central Zoo Authority for the renewal of recognition of G.B Pant High Altitude Zoo,

Nainital, Uttarakhand for a period of two years and to regularise the period after August 19th, 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 105th Technical Committee Meeting was approved by the Chairperson, Central Zoo Authority. Accordingly, the Central Zoo Authority has regularised the period after August 19th, 2021 and renewed the recognition of G.B Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital, Uttarakhand for a period up to July 28, 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.

Sl. No.	Norm No.	Particulars of suggestions / recommendation	Time Period to Comply
4. Animal Housing, display of animals and animal enclosures			
1	4.6(a)	Pheasant enclosures should be redesigned and renovated to prevent entry of water during heavy rains, allow more sun light, to increase the depth and enrich with vegetal cover.	31.03.2023
5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals			
2	5.3(5)	Observations of biological and social behaviour can further be recorded in details	Daily, continuous process
6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities			
3	6.1(e)	Zoo hospital should also have basic hospital and monitoring equipment like Pulse Oximeter, ECG (B.P. monitoring included), Isoflurane vaporizer, Anesthesia Monitoring Equipment, Inhalation Anesthesia Machine etc.	31.03.2023
7. Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals			
4	10.7(2)	Installation of incinerator to dispose of animal carcasses.	31.12.2022
9. Acquisition and breeding of animals			
5	10.9(2)	The Zoo Management has already initiated efforts for implementing the animal exchange program since Feb. 2021 for species like Snow Leopard, Tibetan Wolf, Himalayan Thar, Blue Sheep, Hog Deer, Red Panda, Markhor, Silver Pheasant, Golden Pheasant, Monals by exchanging with other surplus animals of this zoo. These efforts must be expedited by pursuing Darjeeling Zoo management, Forest Dept of H.P and others. Being participating zoo for the Conservation Breeding Program for Red Panda, should strive for blood exchange either from Darjeeling Zoo or anywhere following the protocol prescribed by the CZA.	21.10.2022
6	10.9(10)	The Zoo has Disaster Management Plan in the approved Master Plan. Trainings, Mock drills should be conducted to respond adequately	Once in 3 months

		in case of any emergency. Must organize the same at regular intervals with the support and guidance of District Disaster Management Unit, Police & District Administration.	
10. Research activities			
7	10.10(1)	Zoo should initiate need based research program in association with local educational Institutions- Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun, Uttarakhand and IVRI, Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh.	Within six months

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 G.B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital, Uttarakhand for the period beyond July 28, 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 G.B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital, Uttarakhand 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 Director, Pt. Govind Ballabh Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital Forest Division, P.O.Tallital, Nainital, Uttarakhand - 263 002, (E-mail: nainitalzoouk@gmail.com).
2. The DPA, O/o CZA – to update database and to upload on official website of the CZA (E-mail: dpa-cza@nic.in).



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Email
DATE: 23.09.2016

To
Director
Bharat Ratna Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo
Nainital
Uttarakhand

Sub:-Renewal of recognition to Bharat Ratna Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital, Uttarakhand under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 30.04.2016- Reg.

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter No. 17/2-CZA, dated 28.09.2016 seeking grant of renewal of recognition to Bharat Ratna Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 30.04.2016..

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The evaluation of the Bharat Ratna Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital was carried out by Dr. Devender Kumar, Scientific Officer on 17th March, 2016. The evaluation report of the Bharat Ratna Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital as submitted by the evaluating officers was considered by the Technical Committee in its 79th Meeting held on 24th August, 2016.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant renewal of recognition to Bharat Ratna Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital as a " Small Category Zoo" under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 28.08.2018 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.	Particulars of Suggestions	Time Required to Comply
Administrative & Staffing Pattern			
1	2.2	Education Officer should be employed for the Zoo as per Rule.	Immediately
Developments and planning			
2	3.1	Zoo should get the master plan approved by the Central Zoo Authority.	Six month

Animal Housing, display of animals & animal enclosures			
3	4.5	Tiger enclosure be expanded and top ventilation provision be made in night shelter house.	One year
4	4.6	More efforts should be taken up to enrich the enclosure especially in birds by planting bushes inside the enclosure.	Three month
6	4.9	Hedge Should be planted where missing due to expansion of bird enclosures for sun light.	Three month
7	4.10	The signages hanging in bird enclosure fence should be replaced with proper signage which should be placed properly.	Three month
Upkeep and healthcare of animals			
8	5.1 (g)	Footbaths should be maintained in each enclosure	Three month
9	5.3 (3)	Written schedule for parasitic loads & vaccination should be displayed at every enclosure.	Immediately
Veterinary and Infrastructure facilities			
10	6.3	Lab assistant/Technician be employed as per Rule.	Immediately
Research Activities			
11	10.1 (c)	Basic behavior data should be recorded. Priority should be given to conservation breeding species. Project on Himalayan endangered species may be taken up.	Immediately
Education and Outreach Activities			
12	11.1	Zoo should take up the educational activities as most of the visitors are tourist accompanying school going children.	Immediately

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

Grant of renewal of recognition to Bharat Ratna Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital beyond the period of 28 August, 2019 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 Bharat Ratna Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital 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 sincerely,



(Dr. D. N. Singh)
Member Secretary

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Uttarakhand, Dehradun - for information and with a request that the stipulated conditions may be got implemented.
2. DPA, CZA - To update database



(Dr. D. N. Singh)
Member Secretary

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F. No. 19-114/92-CZA(271)(Vol. IV)(M) 1/1618

DATE: 09.04.2014

To

The Director
Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo,
Nainital (Uttarakhand).

Sub:- Renewal of recognition to the Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital beyond the period of 31.01.2014 under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 - Regarding.

Madam,

Reference is invited to your letter No. 125/2-zoo (CZA) dated 30.11.2013 seeking renewal of recognition to the Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital beyond the period of 31.01.2014 under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

The evaluation of the Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital was carried out on 13.03.2014 by Mr. A. K. Jha. The evaluation report (enclosed) submitted by the evaluating officer was placed before the 69th Technical Committee Meeting held on 26th March, 2014.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of renewal of recognition to the Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital as "Small Category Zoo" under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 30th April, 2016 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo (Amendment) Rules, 2013 and mid-term evaluation of the Zoo:-

S. No.	Relevant Norm No.	Conditions	Time Period to comply the conditions
2. Administrative & Staffing pattern			
1..	2.2	(a) The Range Officer should be designated as Curator till suitable arrangements are made. (b) A Biologists should be recruited who shall also look after the job of Education Officer. The duties and responsibilities of such an officer should be clearly defined, targets set and priority defined.	Within six months

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The management rules of Curator, Association Officer and Biologist should be defined by the Society under which zoo runs.

3. Development and Planning

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The Collection Plan should be revised, and such species which are available with other Himalayan Zoos, like Red panda, Markhor, Blue sheep, Himalayan tahr, satyr tragopan should be incorporated, so as to be a part of conservation breeding project in future. The rescued animals if any of such animals should be brought under conservation breeding scheme.

With immediate effect

Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures

4.	4.6	<p>a) The pheasant enclosures should be redesigned in such a way so as to provide more sunlight. The enclosures depth should be increased and vegetal enrichment be done.</p> <p>b) The Bear enclosure should be enriched both dietary and non dietary. More logs should be kept.</p> <p>c) The Tiger enclosure needs expansion in area. However, the height of enclosure should not go beyond tree line. In such a situation an open enclosure need not be assorted to, as it shall spoil the landscape.</p> <p>d) The Goral enclosure is heavily wooded. Light thinning may be done to provide visibility and sun rays.</p> <p>e) The large Sambar enclosure may be used for keeping all Sambars. The existing Sambar enclosure should be developed for Red panda.</p>	<p>Within one year</p> <p>Within six month</p> <p>Within six month</p> <p>Within three month</p> <p>---</p>
9. Acquisition and breeding of animals			
5.	9.	The zoo should take steps for conservation breeding of appropriate species, in consultation with CZA.	Within one year
10. Research activities			
6.		The zoo should take up research activities in consultation with State Government and CZA for well defined research projects pertaining to geographical region it represent.	Within one year

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S. I. all yearly report regarding progress made in implementation of the various conditions should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority

Grant of recognition beyond 30th April, 2016 to the Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital as a 'Small Category Zoo' would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above, general performance and physical evaluation of the zoo.

The recognition to the Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital as shall be revoked by the Central Zoo Authority, at any point in time if the Zoo Operator is found not complying with the stipulated conditions.

Yours faithfully,

(Inder Dhamija)
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Encl: as above

Copy for favour of information & necessary action to:-

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Uttarakhand, Dehradun.
2. Sh. Vivek Goel, DPA, CZA.

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BY REGISTERED POST**F. No. 19-114/92-CZA(271)(Vol. IV)(M)****DATE: 19.01.2011**

To

The Director
Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo,
Nainital (Uttarakhand).

Sub:- Renewal of Recognition to Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital beyond the period of 31.03.2010 under Section 38 H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act - Regarding.

Ref:- Your office letter No. 83/2/zoo dated 11.11.2009.

Sir,

Reference is invited to the above cited correspondence.

The evaluation of the Zoo was carried out on 23.10.2010 and the evaluation report of the Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital as submitted by Dr. A. K. Sharma and Dr. Naim Akhtar was considered by the Technical Committee in its 56th Meeting held on 22nd December, 2010

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of recognition to the Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital as "a small category zoo" under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 31st January, 2014 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009:-

S. No.	Relevant Norm No.	Stipulated Condition	Time period for compliance
1. General requirements			
1	2	All the ornamentals plants in the zoo should be replaced with local wild plants to increase the empathy among the visitors on wildlife conservation.	Within six months
2	7	For the effective waste minimum of solid (bones, meat, carcasses etc, zoo should have an incinerator to minimize the adverse environmental impact.	Within six months

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2. Administrative & Staffing pattern

3	1	The zoo should appoint a Curator and Biologist to look after the animal upkeep in the zoo. As the zoo is small, Biologist may also be in-charge of educational activities in the zoo.	One year
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3. Development & Planning

4	1	Amended copy (five copies) of the Master Plan for the long-term development of the Zoo should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority for its approval.	Immediately
5	7	The zoo shall accept any rescued animal unless it has appropriately designed enclosure and upkeep facilities for the animal as well as the facilities for keeping it in isolation during quarantine period.	With immediate effect
6	8	Whenever any zoo decides to accept any rescued animal for housing, a detailed report regarding the source from which the animal has been received, legality of its acquisition and the facilities available at the zoo for housing, upkeep and healthcare shall be sent to the Chief Wildlife Warden of the State. Provided that in case, the rescued animal pertains to an endangered species a copy of the report shall also be sent to the Central Zoo Authority.	With immediate effect
7	9.	Any decision of the Central Zoo Authority about any animal being sent to a particular zoo for augmenting the number of founder animals for the conservation breeding programme of the species shall be binding on the zoo.	With immediate effect

4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures

8	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The place where Bengal tiger are being kept in isolation ward can not fulfill the animal behavioural requirement as it is too small in size hence empty snow leopard enclosure may be used for the same after due alternation. Cubicles in one of the leopard enclosure should have wooden plank at the base. Area or the leopard cubicles is should be as per the CZA guidelines. Cubicles in Black bear enclosure should have wooden plank at the base. New enclosure for Tibetan wolf should be 	<p>Within six month</p> <p>Within three month</p> <p>Within six month</p> <p>Within three month</p> <p>Within three</p>
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		constructed for which the CZA has provided fund	month
		• Monkey (Bonnet and Japanese) should have hanging perches as enrichment.	Within three month
		• Paddock area of leopard should have wooden platform made of tree trunk and plank as enrichment devices.	Within six month
		• Shutter of all the carnivore enclosure should be mechanized to have minimum noise while opening.	Within six month
9	10	The zoo shall provide appropriate signage with relevant information on the biology, behaviour and the population status of the species in the wild at every display enclosure.	Within six month
5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals			
10	9	All staff involved with upkeep and healthcare of zoo animals shall be screened against zoonotic diseases once every year and records for the same should be maintained.	With immediate effect
6. Veterinary facilities			
11	5	As per the category of the zoo, one compounder should be posted and attached with veterinarian.	Within three months
9. Acquisition and breeding of animals			
12	1	(a) The zoo shall endeavour to keep and maintain animals of Serow, tiger, bonnet macaques, black bear, civet, hill partridge, wolf martin, sambar, Japanese macaque and various other species in their collection in such a sex ratio that optimizes breeding and helps in developing a self-sustaining population of each species.	One year
		(b) Rescued sloth bear may be given to other zoos or sloth bear rescue centre for providing better housing facility as zoo climate is too cold to house the species.	Within six months
13	2	To safeguard against ill effects of inbreeding on the zoo population, the zoo shall endeavour to introduce unrelated animals to zoo stock through exchange, loaning and getting gifts of animals from other zoos.	One year
14	4	The zoo shall endeavour to acquire mates for single and unpaired animals on priority basis and in the event of any zoo failing to find a mate for single and unpaired animal e.g. serow, black bear, bonnet macaques, and civet within a period of six months. The unpaired or single animal shall be transferred or exchanged or given on breeding loan to any other zoo in accordance with the norms specified by the Central Zoo Authority in this regard.	Within six months

10	Research activities		
15	1	The zoo shall endeavor to carry out collaborative research for evolving innovative strategies for providing the animals housed in the zoo a better quality of life, enhanced longevity, higher genetic and behavioural viability and improved reproduction potential.	One year
12.	Visitors facilities		
16	3	The zoo shall make arrangements for providing access to the handicapped persons for viewing wild animals at various animal enclosures.	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 Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital beyond 31st January, 2014 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 Pt. G. B. Pant High Altitude Zoo, Nainital 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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2. DPA, CZA.



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Evaluation & Monitoring Officer