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To,

The Chief Wildlife Warden,
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Subject: Renewal of recognition of the Ambardi Safari Park, Gir East Division, Gujarat, 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 17.03.2022.
2. Application vide letter No.Plan/T.5/Ambardi/688/2020-21 dated 01.07.2021, from Dy. C.F. Gir East Division, Dhari.
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 Ambardi Safari Park, Gir East Division, Gujarat was accorded up to August 19th, 2021 vide reference no. 3 above. The application for the renewal of recognition of Ambardi Safari Park, Gir East Division, Gujarat for the period beyond August 19th, 2021 was received by this office vide reference no. 2 above.

Sh. B.S. Bonal, IFS(Retd.), Former Member Secretary, CZA was deputed by this office to carry out the evaluation of the Ambardi Safari Park, Gir East Division, Gujarat vide CZA letter at reference no. 1 above. The Zoo was accordingly evaluated on April 18th & 19th, 2022 by B.S. Bonal, 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 Ambardi Safari Park, Gir East Division, Gujarat 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 Committee 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 Ambardi Safari Park, Gir East Division, Gujarat for a period up to August 05, 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.	Norm No.	Conditions for renewal of recognition	Time Period to Comply
1. General requirements:			
1.	10.1(2)	Replace the fallen <i>Acasia senagal</i> trees due to heavy cyclone by broad leaved species like Ficus, neem etc.	One year
2.	10.1(2)	Remove sand/ pebbles from kraal and enrich by planting and putting logs, branches etc.	Within six months
3.	10.1(4.6)	The water tuft which has been constructed by placing soil all around should be made naturalistic and little away from the visitor's route.	Six Months
4.	10.1(2)	The authority should make efforts to make rain water harvesting system to cater water during pinch period in safari area.	Immediately
5.	10.1(3)	The boundary fencings and houses should not be visible to the visitors for this to camouflage plantations may be carried and re-plan the visitors route.	Within six months
6.	10.2(1)	The range officers in charge of Ambaradi safari park and in charge of jasadhar range are holding additional charge, the efforts should be made to relive from the additional charge by fulfilling the post.	Within six months
3. Development and Planning			
7.	10.3(1)	The master plan has long pending since 2017. The authority should submit revised master plan along with approved layout plan for specific plan period to CZA and get approved expeditiously.	6 months
8.	10.3(1)	In case of in fighting of animals the safari area could be separated with area not less than 20 hac particularly for	Immediately

		Simba and two females that may be procured. May be kept as future provision in master plan.	
9.	10.3(1)	Animal Collection Plan is integral part of the Master Plan should be prepared and submitted for approval of the CZA.	Three months
10.	10.3(1) & 3(3)	Simultaneously apply to CZA for approval of amended master lay out plan showing new proposed and under construction rescue center, under construction cafeteria, parking and other visitors' facilities.	Immediately
11.	10.3(2)	The forest clearance which is pending with district collector to get the 10% of land transferred to safari authority, may be expedited and submit to MOEF & CC.	Immediately
12.	10.3(4)	Prepare Collection Plan which could be elaborated in Master Plan.	Immediately
13.	10.3(6)	The female wild rescued lioness named bhakti which is housed in Rescue center with 8 cells may be released to wild as soon as gets fit.	Immediately
14.	10.3(6)	Animal care center- jasadhar which act as Transit facility. Should have proper equipment's wiz portable x-ray etc. which has been damaged during taukte cyclone.	Immediately
4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures:			
15.	10.4(3)	To handle the carnivores at least one helper also should accompany animal keeper.	Immediately
16.	10.4(6)	Enrich the night cell by putting wooden takht and log, timber in kraal.	Immediately
17.	10.4(8)	At Safari area 6 new units of 4 cells each of rescue centre are under construction with no prior approval of the CZA in addition to the 4 units already in existence. The authority should obtain due post facto permission and approval of design from CZA at the earliest.	Immediately
5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals:			
18.	10.5(1) (g)	For various test for diagnosis blood test process in the safari park has been depending upon to Sakkarbaug zoo therefore required necessary equipment may be procured.	Immediately
19.	10.5(1.4)	Turmeric powder could be used as disinfectants instead of chemical use.	Immediately
20.	10.5(2.3)	The meat (Buffalo calf meat) which is brought from the Sakkarbaug zoo should be as whole instead of pieces form.	Immediately
21.	10.5(2)	In meat house a raised platform may be constructed for maintaining hygiene.	Six months
22.	10.5(3)	Food storage room needs to be kept clean, its floor should be repaired and refrigerator should be in proper working condition.	Three months
23.	10.5(3)	Safari Park should also maintain stock register (receipt and use) for the medicine, drugs, that is received from jasadhar animal care center.	With immediate effect
24.	10.5(3)	In the animal keeper register all details wiz observation,	Immediately

		reporting etc. Should be mentioned in remarks column. The visiting officer should place their observation and action suggested remarks may be placed in the register.	
25.	10.5(3) (6)	The screening of staff for the zoonotic diseases should conduct in regular bases as per the norms under recognition of zoo rules.	Immediately
26.	10.5(4)	The officers and staff should be sent for training whenever opportunity arises including veterinary officers.	Immediately
6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities:			
27.	10.6(1) (c)	The zoo should provide a treatment room with basic facilities for treatment of animals.	Within six months
28.	10.6(2)	The squeeze cage should be placed appropriately in night cell area.	Three months
7. Post-mortem and disposal of Carcasses of animals:			
29.	10.7(1)	The Zoo should get the post-mortem of every animal died in the zoo and record should be maintained as per CZA format and all reports should be preserved for minimum six year.	With immediate effect
30.	10.7(1)	The PM room which was there in dhari has been dismantled, a new post mortem house along with burial site should be constructed at outside the safari area near to the under-construction rescue center.	Immediately
31.	10.7(2)	The stock register for medicines which are been maintained in soft and online may be kept as hard copy in register for easy recon like, post mortem register, medicine etc.	Immediately
32.	10.7(4)	The PM report of the male lion gyani sent to Sakkarbaug on 31/12/2018 and female lion named mallika 23/10/2021 sent to Sakkarbaug is yet to be received and communicated to concern authority expedite to get the same.	Immediately
33.	10.7(4) (b)	So far no anthrax reported, if occur no PM should be conducted with no opening the carcass and buried.	Immediately
9. Acquisition and breeding of animals:			
34.	10.9(2)	Effort should be made to pair the only young male sub adult called Simba by procuring two female lionesses from sakkarbaug zoo for breeding purpose and to avoid inbreeding.	Three months
35.	10.9(6)	Since total area of the safari is more than 360 hac could be used the area for safari not less than in 20 hac for other endemic species like wild ass, grey wolf starting with concept of conservation breeding.	One year
36.	10.9(8)	The safari park authority should maintain the Stud book, Animal history card as per the norms.	Immediately
37.	10.9(10)	Disaster management plan should be prepared and incorporated in revised master plan also	Immediately
11. Education and outreach activities			

38.	10.11	The pamphlets, websites must be developed to reach out the public.	Immediately
39.	10.11(1)	More signage should be placed at appropriate places in multiple languages.	Immediately
12. Visitor facilities			
40.	10.12(2)	Make effort to place first aid facility at the reception centre itself.	Immediately

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 Ambardi Safari Park, Gir East Division, Gujarat for the period beyond August 5, 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 Ambardi Safari Park, Gir East Division, Gujarat 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 Deputy Conservator of Forests, Gir (East) Forest Division, Dhari, District Amreli, Gujarat (E-mail: dcf_dhari@yahoo.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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केंद्रीय चिड़ियाघर प्राधिकरण
Central Zoo Authority

By Post / E-mail

F. No. 22-2/2007-CZA(514)(Vol. II)(NS) | 1574/2019

Date: 09.10.2019

To,

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Sub:- Renewal of recognition to the Ambardi Safari Park, District Amreli, Gujarat for period beyond 18.05.2019 under Section 38H(1) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 – reg.

Ref:-

1. This office letter No. 22-2/2007-CZA(514)(Vol. I)(AK)/1023/2017, dated 05.06.2017.
2. This office letter No. 22-2/2007-CZA(514)(Vol. II)(AK)/803/2019, dated 16.05.2019
3. Letter No. A/Plan/T.5/Ambardi/472-711/19-20, dated 28.05.2019 received from the Dy. CF, Gir East Division, Dhari.
4. Letter No. WLP/26/B/641-642/2018-19, dated 20.09.2018 received from the PCCF (WL), Gujarat.

Sir,

Reference is invited to correspondences cited above. It is to inform that the compliance report of the Ambardi Safari Park, District Amreli, Gujarat was considered by the Technical Committee in its 90th Meeting held on 06.06.2019. After detailed deliberations, the Technical Committee recommended to the CZA for renewal of recognition of the Ambardi Safari Park, District Amreli, Gujarat for a period of one year.

The recommendations of the 90th meeting of the Technical Committee held on 06.06.2019 were placed before the Central Zoo Authority in its 35th Meeting held on 29.08.2019. The Authority approved the recommendation of the Technical Committee and decided to grant renewal of recognition to the Ambardi Safari Park, District Amreli, Gujarat under Section 38H(1) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

The renewal of recognition to the Ambardi Safari Park, District Amreli, Gujarat as a "Mini Category Zoo" as per the provisions of Section 38H(1) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 is for a period up to 28.08.2020 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the **Recognition of Zoo Rules (RZR), 2009** and mid-term evaluation, and to regularise the period after 18.05.2019:-

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Sr. No	Norm under RZR, 2009	Particulars of suggestions/recommendation	Time Period to Comply
1		No resources and professional experts from existing zoos should be re-appropriated to proposed Safari Park for its operation.	Immediately
2		Frequent transfers of the Director, Curator, Veterinary Officer, Biologists and supervisory level staff should be made. They should be allowed to continue in the safari Park for longer tenures.	As reported, submit the documentary evidences immediately
3		The State Government should ensure 24 hours supply of portable water and the disposal of garbage from the Safari Park at an appropriate place without affecting the hygiene of the area.	As reported, submit the photographic evidences immediately
4		The proposed Safari Park should support the in-situ conservation efforts by doing intensive ex-situ conservation work and should establish a centre for excellence for capacity building among zoo personnel, wildlife biologists and all experts in the field in the country by providing appropriate training in various fields, which shall be the major strength of the project.	As reported, documentary evidences shall be submitted immediately
5		The Safari Operator should ensure that the said facility is not a resource for Eco-tourism and should strictly follow the objectives laid under National Zoo Policy, 1998.	As reported, documentary evidences shall be submitted immediately
6	10.1(9)	The Safari Operator should ensure that there are no free ranging animals housed in the Safari	Immediately
7	10.3(8)	The Annual Inventory of animals reported by the Zoo in Form -II for the year 2018-19 vide letter No. Plan/T3/Ambardi/122-23/2019-20 dated 09.04.2019 states that the Animal Collection of the Zoo has 176 mammals [Schedule I (47), Schedule II (3) and Schedule III & IV (115)] as on 31.03.2019. Prior permission for acquisition of these animals is not obtained from the CZA under Section 38-I of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972. The zoo should submit justification in this regard. The State Government of Gujarat should not acquire any animals from the wild for display purposes. This is in violation of provisions of Wild Life (Protection Act), 1972	Immediately

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8	10.5(9)	All staff involved with upkeep and healthcare of zoo animals shall be screened against zoonotic diseases once every year.	Immediately and records shall be submitted as documentary proof and maintained at the zoo
9	10.5(10)	The Safari Operator should maintain detailed records of observations of biological and social behaviour and health status of the animals including feed intake, medication and Treatment provided in the Keeper's Diary, Daily Reports, Animal History Cards and Treatment Cards, as per standards specified by the Central Zoo Authority.	As reported, submit the documentary evidences immediately
10	10.6(1)	The Zoo being a Mini Category Zoo should at least have a facility of a treatment room.	Immediately
11	Rule 11	The Safari Operator should maintain record of the births, acquisition, deaths and disposals of animals of each species in its collection in the manner and in the format determined by the Central Zoo Authority and the inventory of the animals in the collection of each zoo, along with the details mentioned for each financial year shall be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority by 30 th day of April of the ensuing year in Form II.	Immediately

A time bound compliance report regarding progress made in implementation of the aforesaid conditions should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority within 30 days of the date of issue of this letter and half yearly compliance report should also be submitted subsequently.

The renewal of recognition to the Ambardi Safari Park, District Amreli, Gujarat for period beyond 28.08.2020 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 Ambardi Safari Park, District Amreli, Gujarat 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 Sincerely,


(Dr. S.P. Yadav)
Member Secretary

Copy to:-

1. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Gir (East) Forest Division, Dhari, District Amreli, Gujarat. (Email: dcf_dhari@yahoo.com) for information and with a request that the conditions stipulated may got implemented.
2. The DPA, CZA – to update database.

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F.No.22-2/2007-CZA(514)(Vol.I)(AK)/1023/2017

BY POST/E-MAIL
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To

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E-mail: dcf_dhari@yahoo.com

Subject: Grant of recognition to the Ambardi Wildlife Interpretation Zone (Ambardi Safari Park) at Dhari in Amreli District, Gujarat under Section 38H(1) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 - regarding

Reference:

1. Your application vide letter No.Plan/T.5/Ambardi/2895/2015-16 dated 31.03.2016
2. Letter No.WLP/26/A/2651-52/2016-17 dated 20.03.2017 and No.WLP/26/A/2882-83/2016-17 dated 22.03.2017 from the Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Gujarat
3. This office letter F.No.22-2/2007-CZA(M) dated 21.05.2008

Sir,

With reference to above, it is to inform that the compliance with the conditions stipulated by the CZA while approval in principle for establishment of the Ambardi Wildlife Interpretation Zone (Ambardi Safari Park) at Dhari in Amreli District, Gujarat under Section 38H(1A) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 was received from the Chief Wildlife Warden, Gujarat vide letter dated 20.03.2017 and 22.03.2017. The same was considered by the Technical Committee in its 83rd Meeting held on 19th May, 2017.

The Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant conditional recognition under provisions of Section 38H(1) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 for a period of two years. The recognition of the Ambardi Wildlife Interpretation Zone (Ambardi Safari Park) at Dhari as a "Mini Zoo" is for a period up to 18th May, 2019 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 and mid-term evaluation of the zoo:-

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S. No	Norm No.	Conditions stipulated	time period to comply
1	-	No resources and professional experts from existing zoos should be re-appropriated to the proposed Safari Park for its operation.	With immediate effect
2	-	Frequent transfers of the Director, Curator, Veterinary Officer, Biologists and supervisory level staff should not be made. They should be allowed to continue in the Safari Park for longer tenures.	With immediate effect
3	-	The State Government of Gujarat should not acquire any animals from the wild for display purposes.	With immediate effect
4	-	The State Government of Gujarat should house only 1:2 Asiatic lions from the Sakkarbaug Zoo for display at Safari Park.	With immediate effect
5	-	The State Government should ensure 24 hours supply of potable water and the disposal of garbage from the Safari Park at an appropriate place without affecting the hygiene of the area.	With immediate effect
6	-	The proposed Safari Park should support the <i>in-situ</i> conservation efforts by doing intensive <i>ex-situ</i> conservation work and should establish a centre for excellence for capacity building among zoo personnel, wildlife biologists and all experts in the field in the country by providing appropriate training in various fields, which shall be the major strength of the project.	With immediate effect
7	-	The Safari Operator should ensure that there are no free ranging animals housed in the Safari.	With immediate effect
8	-	The Safari Operator should ensure that the said facility is not a resource for Eco-tourism and should strictly follow the objectives laid under National Zoo Policy, 1998	With immediate effect
9	-	The Safari Operator should ensure the safety of animals and visitors as well as structural stability of the structures at Ambardi Wildlife Interpretation Zone, keeping in view the safety of animals and visitors.	With immediate effect
10	10.3 (7)	The Safari Operator should not 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 and to the CZA. Provided that in case, the rescued animal pertains to an endangered species a copy of the report should also be sent to the Central Zoo Authority.	With immediate effect
11	10.9 (11)	The Safari Operator should ensure that no captive animals are released into the wild except in accordance with the norms specified by the Central Zoo Authority in this regard.	With immediate effect

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12	10.5 (10)	The Safari Operator should maintain detailed records of observations of biological and social behaviour and health status of the animals including feed intake, medication and Treatment provided in the Keeper's Diary, Daily Reports, animal history cards and Treatment Cards, as per standards specified by the Central Zoo Authority.	With immediate effect
13	11.1	The Safari Operator should maintain record of the births, acquisitions, deaths and disposals of animals of each species in its collection in the manner and in the format determined by the Central Zoo Authority and the inventory of the animals in the collection of each zoo, along with the details mentioned above for each financial year shall be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority by 30 th day of April of the ensuing year in Form II.	With immediate effect

Further, the Safari operator should submit Master Plan of Ambardi Wildlife Interpretation Zone (Ambardi Safari Park) at Dhari the for approval of the Central Zoo Authority within three months from the date of issue of this letter as per provisions laid down under Schedule 10.3(1) of the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.

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

The recognition to the Ambardi Wildlife Interpretation Zone (Ambardi Safari Park) at Dhari for period beyond 18th May, 2019 as a "Mini Zoo" would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition of the Ambardi Wildlife Interpretation Zone (Ambardi Safari Park) at Dhari 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 sincerely,



(Dr. D.N. Singh)
Member Secretary

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2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden, Department of Forest and Environment, Government of Gujarat, Aranya Bhawan, Block-A, 1st Floor, Opp. St. Xavier's School, Sector – 10, Gandhinagar – 382 010. (Gujarat), E-mail:- cwlwguj@gmail.com
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