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Subject: Grant of recognition to Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Zoological Park, Kamalapura, Hospete (Taluk), Ballari, Karnataka under Section 38-H (1), (3) & (4) of Wild Life Protection Act, 1972.

References:

1. This office letter bearing Computer No: 138704 dated August 06, 2020.
2. F.No. 19-8/93-CZA(104)(Vol.IV)(AK)/2267/2020 dated February 02, 2020.
3. F.No. 19-80/93-CZA(104)(Vol.IV)(AK)/1417/2019 dated September 12, 2019.
4. Writ petition 48018 of 2017 in the High Court of Karnataka.
5. F.No. 19-80/93-CZA(104)(Vol.III)(AK)/617/2017 dated March 16, 2017.
6. Correspondence 274693/2020/Central Zoo Authority dated June 8, 2020.
7. F.No. 19-80/93-CZA(104)(Vol.III)(M)/6245 dated November 13, 2014.

Sir,

The application for recognition was received from the Executive Director and Deputy Conservator of Forests, Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Zoological Park, Kamalapura, Hospet (Taluk), Ballari, Karnataka, vide correspondence listed at (6).

With reference to the aforementioned subject, the approval of the Master Plan of Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Zoological Park, Kamalapura, Hospet (Taluk), Ballari, Karnataka (relocation of Children Park cum Mini Zoo, Ballari, Karnataka) was accorded vide correspondence listed at (7).

Further, the agenda pertaining to the recognition of the said zoo was deliberated in

the 98th Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority held on November 19, 2020 and further recommended for the approval of the Central Zoo Authority. The Central Zoo Authority in its 37th meeting held on December 07, 2020, granted recognition under Section 38-H(1), (3) & (4) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 to Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Zoological Park, Kamalapura, Hospet (Taluk), Ballari, Karnataka for a period of two years. The recognition of Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Zoological Park, Kamalapura, Hospet (Taluk), Ballari, Karnataka is as per provisions of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 and extant guidelines of the CZA, for the period up to December 06, 2022; and subject to the compliance of the conditions stipulated below and mid-term evaluation:

Sl.	Norm No.	Conditions stipulated	Time Period to Comply
1.	10(1.1)	The zoo should make efforts to maintain population of physically, genetically and behaviourally healthy animals	With Immediate Effect
2.	10 (2.2)	The Zoo should appoint a Biologist and Education Officer before the zoo is opened to public.	With Immediate Effect
3.	10 (3.1)	The amended master plan of the Zoo should be prepared and submitted to CZA for its approval. The previously approved Master Plans are not valid as the Layout Plan has been revised significantly in the recent years.	Two months
4.	10 (3.5)	The rescued animals to be housed at Rescue Centre should have prior approval from the Chief Wildlife Warden of the state.	With Immediate Effect
5.	10(4.1) a & 10(11.1) a	The zoo should ensure installation of appropriately located bilingual signages containing the biological & behavioural information of respective animals.	With Immediate Effect
6.	10 (5.2) 3	The Zoo should have appropriate storage facility for meat and feed for the animals, at least for one week keeping in view the emergency situation like prevailing pandemic (COVID-19).	With Immediate Effect
7.	10 (5.2) 6	The Zoo authorities should take up the random food and water samples being tested periodically for microbiological, toxicological and any other contaminants at recognized laboratory.	Six Months
8.	10 (5.3) 3	At the time of acquisition of animals, all animal arriving should be screened for parasitic loads and prophylactic medicines administered as per clinical requirements and vaccination of animals against infectious diseases are also done, as per the prescribed schedule.	Six Months
9.	10 (5.3) 4	The Zoo should have written schedule of vaccination and de-worming of different species of wild animals proposed to be housed at zoo and the same should also be displayed at the enclosure.	With Immediate Effect
10.	10 (5.3) 5	The Zoo should maintain detailed records of observations of biological and social behaviour and health status of the	With Immediate

		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.	Effect
11.	10(5.3) 6	All staff of the zoo involved with upkeep and healthcare of zoo animals screened against zoonotic diseases once every year and action appropriate should be ensured.	With Immediate Effect
12.	10 (5.3)8 10 (6.4)	The Zoo should have formal linkages with some Veterinary University/ Institution through a MoU on healthcare, preventive, health management, surgical interventions, clinical tests, disease diagnosis and consultation in treatment and management.	One Year
13.	10 (6.2) 1	The Zoo should have appropriate animal restraint equipment, accessories and drugs before operationalized.	With Immediate Effect
14.	10 (6.3)	The Zoo should appoint support staff (Lab Assistant & Compounder) as specified by the CZA.	As early as possible.
15.	10 (8.1)	The Zoo should not euthanize any animal unless doing so is essential for relieving from suffering from incurable disease /condition as per the norms of CZA.	With Immediate Effect
16.	10 (12.2)	The zoo should ensure availability of first-aid facilities including snake anti-venom and lifesaving drugs, readily available in the zoo premises.	With immediate effect.
17.	10(12. 3)	As mentioned, the Zoo should ensure, that safari vehicles are "Divyang Jan" friendly and have easy access. Further, wheel chair should also be readily available.	With immediate effect.

The State Government shall bear complete responsibility of the orders passed with reference to the writ petition listed at (4) pending before the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka. The recognition is subject to Orders, if any, in the said petition. Further, the post-facto approval for the acquisition of captive animals shall be obtained from the Central Zoo Authority at the earliest. Also, the compliance to the conditions for site of relocation communicated vide (5) shall be ensured. Further, compliance to the correspondence listed at (1), (2) & (3) shall be submitted within a month of the issue of this letter.

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

The recognition of Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Zoological Park, Kamalapura, Hospet (Taluk), Ballari, Karnataka for the period beyond December 06, 2022 would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoos.

The recognition of Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Zoological Park, Kamalapura, Hospet (Taluk), Ballari, 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,



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