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To,

The Chief Wildlife Warden Forest, Environment and Ecology Department UT of Jammu & Kashmir (jkwildlife78@gmail.com)

Subject:- Recognition of Trauma/ Rescue Centre Bindraban Kishtwar, Jammu & Kashmir under Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972- regarding.

Reference:

- 1. This office letter no. 21-1/2021-CZA, Computer no. 158516 dated 31.03.2022
- 2. Application vide letter No.WLWKtr/2021/ dated September 7, 2021, Wildlife Warden, Chenab Division, Kishtwar for recognition of Trauma / Rescue Centre Bindraban Kishtwar, Kishtwar.

Sir/Madam,

With reference to above, this is to inform that the application for the recognition of Trauma/ Rescue Centre Bindraban Kishtwar, Jammu & Kashmir as received by this office vide reference no. 2 above.

Shri P.C. Tyagi, IFS (Retd.) was deputed by this office to carry out the evaluation of the Trauma/ Rescue Centre Bindraban Kishtwar, Jammu & Kashmir vide CZA letter at reference no. 1 above. The Zoo was accordingly evaluated on June 26, 2022.

The evaluation report (copy enclosed) as submitted by the evaluation officer was deliberated in the 106th meeting of the Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority held on September 27th, 2022. The Technical Committee after detailed deliberations recommended to the Central Zoo Authority for the recognition of Trauma/ Rescue Centre Bindraban Kishtwar, Jammu & Kashmir for a period of two years and 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 recognition.

Subsequently, the recommendation of 106th Technical Committee Meeting was approved by the Chairperson, Central Zoo Authority. Accordingly, the Central Zoo Authority has granted the recognition of Trauma/Rescue Centre Bindraban Kishtwar, Jammu & Kashmir for a period up to December 29, 2024 under Section 38-H 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.

SI.	Norm No.	Particulars of	Time Period				
		suggestions/recommendation	to Comply				
1.General Requirements							
1.	10.1(4)	Rescue centre bounded on three sides by fence 1.5 m height and has no wall in the front. The retaining wall of the road 2 m height provide the front boundary. Boundary height insufficient on three sides and front boundary to be constructed.					
2.	10.1(6)	The residence of the FG quarter inside RC has to be separated by fence. and should not be within RC premises and should have separate entry.					
		ve and staffing pattern	C' NA 11				
3.	10.2(3)	No scientific and technical posts in RC except Vet Officer from AHD who visits RC on call, technical staff as envisaged in CZA rules should be appointed.					
		and Planning					
4.	10.3(1)	The RC has minimum facilities and the enclosures are not as per CZA specifications, The RC should first prepare layout plan, animal enclosure design along with DPR forthe approval of CZA.					
5.	10.3(3)	Fairly dense forest in which RC is established, the colour of the enclosure and other buildings should be changed to dark colour to merge with the landscape.					
6.	10.3(4)	RC receives rescued animals, hence collection plan is not required. However, the RC should be planned based on the number of rescued animals likely to be received annually.					
7.	10.3(5)	The RC has deficient infrastructure, Quarantine and isolation ward and PM room should be constructed.					
8.	10.3(6)	The CZA should be informed promptly about the endangered species rescued.	Immediate				
4.Ar	nimal housi	ng, display of animals and animal enclo	sures				
9.		The Bear and leopard enclosure design is not as per CZA specification. The size of feeding cell is inadequate, animal keeper gallery and paddock/Kraal	Six months				

		not constructed. Submit Design for approval of CZA.					
10.	10.4(3)	RC to improve the enclosure design and change as per CZA specification and maintain security of animals and keepers and provide opportunity for free movement of animals.					
11.	10.4(9)	RC signage not required. Some warning signs for keepers are necessary.	Two months				
5.Սբ	5.Upkeep and healthcare of animals						
12.	10.5(1)	No secondary holding area additional kraal to be constructed					
13.	10.5(2)	Food/meat supplied as per diet schedule but food stock inventory and timely distribution records not maintained					
14.	10.5(2)	Storage facilities to be improved with slabs and animal feed preparation facilities and freezer					
15.	10.5(2)	Design of feeding cell: The leopard enclosure comprises of two feeding cells of 1.8m by 1.8m each with height of 2m and two doors in the front and side of the cell enclosed by a chain link fence of the dimension 6m by 6 m. There is absence of keepers gallery and kraal. The design is not as per CZA specification. The Bear enclosure comprise of one large cells 3.6m by 3.47m partitioned into two cells with height of 2m and the front cell with squeeze cage and the rear cell used for feeding enclosed with a fence of 6.94m by 9.4m. There is absence of keepers gallery and kraal. The design is not as per CZA specification. Submit design for approval					
16.	10.5(3)	Rescued animal should be screened for health parameters, parasitic loads and prophylactic medicine administered when required					
17.	10.5(3)	Schedule of vaccination and deworming to be prepared	Immediate				
18.	10.5(3)	Record of animal health to be maintained. Animal keepers Diary, Daily report, animal history card and treatment card to be maintained, as per standard specified by the CZA					
19.	10.5(3)	RC staff to be screened periodically for Zoonotic disease as per CZA norms.					
20.	10.5(3)	RC to develop linkages with vet institutions for technical advice and draw MOU for long term collaboration.					
6.Ve		nd Infrastructure facilities					
21.	10.6(1)	Zoo lacks any Vet health infrastructure though treatment room is available. Basic minimum equipment and infrastructure viz.					

	Quarantine/isolation facility and PM room to be provided	
22.	RC should provide opportunity for Six months participation of Vets for training programme/residency for skill development in wildlife medicine.	

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 Trauma/ Rescue Centre Bindraban Kishtwar, Jammu & Kashmir for the period beyond December 29, 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 Trauma/ Rescue Centre Bindraban Kishtwar, Jammu & Kashmir 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,

Encl: as above

(SANJAY KUMAR SHUKLA) MEMBER SECRETARY

Copy for information and necessary action to:

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government of Jammu & Kashmir, R. No. 2/7, 2nd, Floor Main Building, Civil Secretariat, Jammu 180001 / R. No. 307, 3rd Floor, Civil Secretariat, Srinagar 190001 (E-mail: cs-jandk@nic.in) [Zoo Operator of the Trauma/ Rescue Centre Bindraban Kishtwar, Jammu & Kashmir under Rule 2(m)(III) of the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009].
- 2. The Wildlife Warden, Chenab Division Kishtwar, Forest Complex Sarkoot Kishtwar, UT of Jammu and Kashmir (Email: wildlifeprotectionkishtwar@gmail.com)
- 3. The DPA, O/o CZA, (E-mail: dpa-cza@nic.in) to update database and to upload on official website of the CZA.