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ORDER

**Sub:- Suspension of recognition to the State Museum and Zoo, Chembukavu, Thrissur, Kerala under Section 38-H(6) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 – reg.**

1. Whereas the recognition to State Museum and Zoo, Chembukavu, Thrissur, Kerala under Section 38 H(1), (3) and (4) of the Wild Life (Protection ) Act, 1972 was valid upto 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2018 subject to compliance with conditions specified under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 and mid-term evaluation of the Zoo.
2. And whereas the Director, State Museum and Zoo, Chembukavu, Thrissur, Kerala vide letter No. MZ(F)-7899/99 dated 27.03.2017 submitted application to the Central Zoo Authority (*hereinafter called as "CZA"*) for renewal of recognition of the State Museum and Zoo, Chembukavu, Thrissur, Kerala, under Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, for period beyond 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2018.
3. And whereas the State Museum and Zoo, Chembukavu, Thrissur, Kerala was evaluated by Shri T. Ajay Kumar, Central Zoo Authority on 18.11.2017. The Evaluation Report was placed before the Technical Committee, CZA in its 85<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 23.03.2018.
4. And whereas the Show Cause Notice was issued on 25.04.2018 to the State Museum and Zoo, Chembukavu, Thrissur, Kerala for repeated violation under the Provisions of Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 and was asked to inform why recognition of the State Museum and Zoo, Chembukavu, Thrissur, Kerala be not suspended/cancelled.
5. And whereas Operator of the State Museum and Zoo, Chembukavu, Thrissur, Kerala was provided an opportunity of hearing under Section 38-H (5) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 on 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2018. Shri K. Gangadharan, Director, State Museum and Zoo, Chembukavu, Thrissur, Kerala; Shri K.J. Varughese, Special Officer (ERC &PZP) and Shri, Deepa K.S., DCF & Special Officer on 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2018 attended the hearing which was held under the Chairmanship of Member Secretary, CZA at New Delhi. The zoo was asked to close the facility physically and relocate the animals to new site at Puthur, Kerala. However no progress has been done so far.

The proceedings of the hearing are given below:-

	Norm No. Under RZR	Particulars of violation of the Recognition of Zoo Rules	Since when pending	Submission by the Zoo Operator / representative	Remarks/Observation of CZA Office
<b>1. General requirements</b>					
1	10.1(3)	Visitors' movement is not regulated. It should be ensured that visitors' path should not exceed 25% of the periphery of the enclosure. This is to ensure adequate withdrawal area to the animal.	07.04.2017	Photos indicating compliance will be submitted to the CZA in one week. Visitors Pathway is rearranged in such a way that it does not exceed 25% of the periphery of the enclosure.	Not Complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.
2	10.1(9)	Not removed domestic animals from the Zoo.	27.2.1996	Will be complied within one month. Action has been initiated to transfer Mithuns to the Government Veterinary College, Pookot, Wayanad.	The CZA has taken the Photographs that the domestic animals has not been removed from the Zoo.
<b>2. Administrative and Staffing Pattern</b>					
3	10.2(1)	The Zoo Operator has not deputed whole time in-charge for the zoo. It is informed during evaluation that the Officer in-charge of the Zoo visits the zoo twice in a month. Zoo with such large animal collection with minimal infrastructure demands continuous monitoring and surveillance.	7.4.2017	Supervisory Officer i.e Superintendent is entrusted with the charge of the Zoo. He is a full time residential Officer inside the Zoo. He is assisted by veterinary surgeon, Curator and other supporting staff.	Complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.
<b>3. Development and Planning</b>					

	Norm No. Under RZR	Particulars of violation of the Recognition of Zoo Rules	Since when pending	Submission by the Zoo Operator / representative	Remarks/Observation of CZA Office
4	10.3(7) & 10.3(8)	Not reported acquisition of rescued animals to the Chief Wildlife Warden of the State and the CZA. One rescued tiger is acquired from Wayanad. The Zoo Operator should submit a report to the Chief Wildlife Warden of the State indicating source, legality of acquisition and infrastructure available for housing, upkeep and healthcare of the animals acquired. Copy of the same should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority in case of endangered species.	22.2.2016	Will be complied in future. The Tiger will be shifted to Thiruvananthapuram Zoo. The tiger was taken to Thrissur Zoo as per the direction of the Chief Wild Life Warden, Kerala.	Not Complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>					
5	10.4(2)	The animal enclosures are not as per prescribed design and dimension.	27.02.1996	The Present Zoo is to be shifted to a new well designed Zoo at Puthur.	Not Complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.
6	10.4(2)	Rain water is accumulated in the moat of enclosure for Jackal due to lack of drainage.	18.07.2014	The State PWD has been requested to provide adequate drainage facilities to the moat. Till then water in the moat will be drained with the help of a motor Pump.	There must be a drainage facility in the zoo. Not complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.

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7	10.4(2)	No provision of paddock for Bonnet macaques, two Tigers and one Lion.	7.4.2017	Tigers will be shifted to Thiruvananthapuram Zoo shortly.	Not complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.
8	10.4(2)	Sliding doors of three retiring cells of enclosure for Tiger are being operated from visitors' path. This is in deviation from the prescribed standard. Care should be taken to avoid untoward incident and it should be rectified.	7.4.2017	Will be rectified within a month.	Not complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.
9	10.4(2)	No provision of squeeze cage in the enclosure for leopards.	7.4.2017	Will be constructed within a month.	Not complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.
10	10.4(3)	Failed to separate visitors' path and service path. Service entry in to animal enclosure should not be accessible to visitors.	Violation observed during present evaluation on 18.11.2017	Will be rectified within a month.	Not complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009
11	10.4(3)	Compromised with the safety and security for the animals, animal keepers and the visitors by providing Children's play area among the animal enclosures.	Violation observed during present evaluation on 18.11.2017	Children's Play area is isolated by a compound wall . Two Guards are posted as security measures.	Not complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009. The CZA has taken the photographs.
12	10.4(6)	Enrichment of	18.07.2014	Efforts are being	Not complied as per

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		animal enclosures in inadequate.		taken to improve enrichment in animal enclosures.	the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009. The CZA has taken the photographs.
13	10.4(9)	Stand-off barrier is absent in the enclosure for Barn owl and Porcupine. Hedge is not planted between moat wall and standoff barriers in many animal enclosures.	07.04.2017	Stand Off barriers will be erected and hedges will be planted at required areas.	Not complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009. The CZA has taken the photographs.
14	10.5(2)	Not tested samples of feed and water provided to animals.	18.07.2014	Most of the feeds are collected from State Government agencies and the examination is done by veterinary surgeon and curator daily. Samples will be tested within a month.	Not complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009. The CZA has taken the photographs.
15	10.5(2)	The Meat Processing Room in the zoo is not cleaned and disinfected appropriately. It lacks hygiene. Feed processing Room, Meat Processing Room, Post-Mortem Room, Burial Ground, Garbage dump yard, staff toilets, enclosure for Tiger and Mithun are all in close proximity to each other. Discharge from Meat	18.07.2014	Store Room and meat processing unit renovated and kept hygienic. However due to lack of space these units are very near.	Not complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009. The CZA has taken the photographs.

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		Processing Room is left out for natural drainage.			
16	10.5(9)	The staff involved in the healthcare of animals is not screened against zoonotic diseases annually.	27.2.1996	Staffs will be screened against Zoonotic diseases within three months.	Not complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009. The CZA has taken the photographs.
17	10.5(10)	The Daily Report is not maintained and the Animal History Card is maintained only for carnivores.	22.2.2016	Daily Report as prescribed by CZA is being maintained. Animal History Card for other endangered Species will be maintained.	Not complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009. The CZA has taken the photographs.
<b>6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities</b>					
18	10.6(1) (b)	The Zoo Operator has not acquired adequate basic infrastructure for sample testing and health care of animals in the Veterinary Hospital of the Zoo.	18.7.2014	Since college of veterinary Science and District Veterinary Centre are very close to the Zoo, they are outsourced for sample testing and other health care of animals.	<b>Complied.</b>
19	10.6(3)	Failed to ensure adequate animal restraint equipment to meet emergency.	Violation observed during present evaluation on 18.11.2017	Adequate animal restraint equipment to meet emergency are readily available in the Zoo Hospital.	Not complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009. The CZA has taken the photographs.
20	10.6(5)	The Zoo Operator has not posted Veterinary Support Staff as mandatory for a Medium category Zoo.	18.07.2014	The State Government has been requested to create adequate veterinary support staff as mandatory for a medium	Not complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009. The CZA has taken the photographs.

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				category Zoo.	
21	10.9(9)	Number of animals namely Sambar and Jackal is beyond carrying capacity.	27.02.1996	Jackals will be transferred to Zoological Garden, Thiruvananthapuram. Sterilisation will be initiated in the case of Sambar Deer.	The Zoo should not keep more than carrying capacity.
<b>11.Education and outreach activities</b>					
22	10.11(2)	Permitted performance by animals as part of Wildlife Week celebration. It is informed during evaluation that elephant was brought to the zoo during Wildlife Week 2017 for creation of awareness in the public.	Violation observed during present evaluation on 18.11.2017	Elephant was brought during wildlife week 2017 to create curiosity and awareness among the public. No performance was done by the animals. In future such incidence will not be repeated.	Not Complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.
<b>12.Visitors' facilities</b>					
23	10.12(2)	There is no First aid kit and snake anti-venom serum and lifesaving drugs on the zoo campus.	27.02.1996	First Aid Kit is now available in the Zoo. Steps have been taken to procure and store snake Anti Venom.	Not Complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.
24	10.12(3)	The physically disabled visitors are not provided ramps and access to visit animal enclosures.	27.02.1996	Ramps are provided at some points. More Ramps will be made in future.	Not Complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.
<b>Rule 11. Maintenance of Records and submission of Inventory</b>					
25	11(1)	The Zoo Operator has not submitted Quarterly Inventory to the Central Zoo	Violation observed during present evaluation on	Quarterly inventory will be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority in time, in future.	Not Complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.

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		Authority.	18.11.2017		
26	11(1)	Not reported the acquisition of Travancore turtle (0:0:11). Acquired Partridges from relocated Kodanad Zoo without approval of the Chief Wildlife Warden and the Central Zoo Authority.	Violation observed during present evaluation on 18.11.2017	The Partridges were relocated from Kodanad Zoo as per the request of the Chief Wild Life Warden.	Not Complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.
<b>Site approved for relocation to the Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur</b>					
27	10.3(3)	Not obtained prior approval of the Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for relocation of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur to the Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur on forest land.	19.01.2005	The entire matter pertaining to the relocation of Thrissur Zoo to Puthur is done by the Department of Forests and Wildlife, explanation may be sought from them.	Not Complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.
28	10.3(3)	Not relocated the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur. Instead, taken up construction of enclosures for species not in the Animal Collection of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur. While in the previous renewal of recognition to the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, it	12.03.1997 with respect to relocation of the Zoo and 07.04.2017 with respect to priority of enclosures	-DO-	Not Complied as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.

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		<p>was clearly specified that construction of enclosures at the site approved for its relocation to the Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur should follow the order of priority and that the relocation of zoo from old site should be the first priority. However, construction of enclosures for four species namely Nilgiri langur, Lion tailed macaque, Gaur and Great aviary is taken up by felling trees at the site identified for retiring cells. The staff quarters is also constructed.</p>			

6. And whereas the Technical Committee in its 86<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 28.09.2018 examined the proceedings of the opportunity of hearing provided to the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala by the Member Secretary, Central Zoo Authority under Section 38 H (6) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, which was conducted as per the decision of the Committee and the approval of the CZA.

7. After detailed deliberation, the Committee recommended to CZA for suspension of recognition of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala as per provisions of Section 38-H(6) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 till the Zoo report compliance of the conditions and improvements in the operation and management of the Zoo.

8. And whereas the CZA in its 32<sup>nd</sup> Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change adopted

all the recommendation of its Technical Committee in its 86<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.

9. Keeping in view of the above, the recognition of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala as a "Medium Category Zoo" is hereby suspended for One Year to bring about improvement in their management. The Zoo Operator shall intimate the CZA about the compliance of standard and norms prescribed in this regard. After receipt of compliance report, the Member Secretary, CZA shall depute evaluator/s who shall verify the ground situation and submit a report to the CZA for a decision about renewal of recognition of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala. It is hoped that State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala shall work tirelessly for bringing about necessary improvement to continue to function.

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(Dr. Anup Kumar Nayak)  
Member Secretary

To,

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Thiruvananthapuram – 695 001,  
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**Copy for information and necessary action to:-**

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Department of Forest and Wildlife, Government of Kerala, Forest Headquarter, Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram – 695 014, E-mail: cww.for@kerala.gov.in, pccf.for@kerala.gov.in
2. The Director, Department of Museums and Zoos, Government of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram – 695 001 (Kerala), E-mail: museumzoo@gmail.com
3. The Special Officer, Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur, Forest Headquarters, Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram – 695 014 (Kerala), E-mail: so.for@kerala.gov.in
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**BY REGD. POST/E-MAIL**

**F.No.19-113/92-CZA(140)(Vol.I)(AK)**

**DATE: 07.04.2017**

To

The Director,  
Directorate of Museums and Zoos,  
Thiruvananthapuram – 695 001. (Kerala)  
E-mail: museumzoo@gmail.com

**Subject: Renewal of recognition as per the provisions of Section 38H of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur for period beyond 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2017 - regarding**

Reference:

1. Your application vide letter No.MZ(F)-7899/99 dated 27.03.2017
2. This office letter F.No.19-113/92-CZA(140)(Vol.I)/299/2016 dated 22.02.2016

Sir,

Reference is invited to above cited correspondence. It is to inform that the evaluation of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur was carried out by Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta, Evaluation and Monitoring Officer, Central Zoo Authority on 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2017. The evaluation report of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, as submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 81<sup>st</sup> Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2017.

The Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant conditional renewal of recognition for a period of one year. The renewal of recognition of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur as a "Medium category zoo" under provisions of Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 is for a period up to 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2018 subject to the following:

- a. compliance with the directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009
- b. mid-term evaluation of the zoo and
- c. construction of enclosures at site identified (Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) for relocation of the zoo, of animal species existing in collection of the old site i.e. State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur and relocation of the zoo on priority.

It is to inform that following are conditions stipulated as per provisions laid under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009:

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S. No.	Norm No. Rule 10	Conditions stipulated	Time Period to Comply
<b>1.General requirements</b>			
1	10.1(9)	Domestic ducks, geese, Mithun, White mice and Guinea pigs exhibited to the public should be removed immediately from exhibit area of the zoo.	With immediate effect
<b>2.Administrative and staffing pattern</b>			
2	10.2(1)	The whole time in-charge of the zoo should have adequate administrative and financial powers to deal with day to day affairs of the zoo.	Six months
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
3	10.4(1)	Glass in the enclosure for King cobra should be fixed in such a manner that it should not have a reflection obstructing clear view of animals to the visitors.	Three months
4	10.4(1) &(3)	All metal perches in the aviaries should either be covered by coir rope or replaced by wooden perches.	One month
5	10.4(2)	The Star tortoise should be provided with soft substrate instead of gravel.	One month
6	10.4(2)	The Lion-tailed macaque (1:1) found housed in an enclosure with cemented surface and of dimensions 10 feet x 10 feet x 10 feet (High) without any open area for animal to move i.e. paddock. They should be immediately shifted to the Zoological Garden, Thiruvananthapuram, since it is participating zoo for conservation breeding of the Lion tailed macaque.	With immediate effect
7	10.4.(2)	Sand should be provided in the enclosure for Gharial, for basking. Further, ramp should be provided for climbing of animal to the basking area.	With immediate effect
8	10.4(2)	It is found that the zoo has 94 Bonnet macaques housed in a small cage of 5m x 10m x 15m (height) and feeding cum retiring cells. Paddock is absent in enclosure for Bonnet macaques. The Bonnet macaques should be housed in an enclosure that meets minimum standards and norms prescribed by the CZA. The efforts should be made to release the excess population in their wild habitat duly following protocols prescribed by the CZA and the IUCN in the matter.	Six months

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9	10.4(2)	The zoo found to be housing 3:0 tiger, 1:0 Lion Hybrid and 3:1 Leopard. The tigers and lions are housed in a 500 sq. feet cage. The Leopards are housed in feeding and retiring cell and does not have any open to sky paddock. The leopard enclosure measures 10 m x 7m x 10 m only. At present the single paddock is shared by Tiger and Lion and they are being released on alternate days. All the animal exhibits provided to the large carnivores does not meet the minimum standard and norms as prescribed by the CZA. Therefore Tigers, Lions and Leopards housed in the zoo should be shifted to a recognized zoo having appropriate housing facility.	With immediate effect
10	10.4(3)	Moat in the enclosure for Sambar found to be in unhygienic condition. The moat and wallowing area of the enclosure for Sambar should be maintained in hygienic manner.	With immediate effect
11	10.4(3)	Viewing area at the enclosure for Barn owl is found to be more than 70% of the periphery of enclosure. It should be reduced to 30%.	With immediate effect
12	10.4(4) & 10.4(6)	Enclosure for Brown fish should be provided a place to hide and enclosure should be appropriately enriched. The iron ladder provided as enrichment should be replaced with wooden ladder.	With immediate effect
13	10.4(7)	There should be screening between enclosures for Monitor lizard and Python.	With immediate effect
14	10.4(9)	Stand-off barrier should be provided at enclosures for Porcupine and Barn owl.	With immediate effect
15	10.4(9)	Green hedge should be provided between the stand-off barrier and enclosure, which has not been provided at aviary near entry to the zoo.	With immediate effect
16	10.4(10)	Signage should be provided at the Snake house.	One month
17	10.4(10)	Enrichment should be provided to the snakes.	One month
<b>5. Upkeep and Healthcare of animals</b>			
18	10.5(5)	The Guinea pigs provided as feed to the snake should not be kept on display.	With immediate effect
19	10.5(5)	White mice should be removed from the exhibit area.	With immediate effect
20	10.5(9)	The screening of staff against zoonotic diseases should be done regularly.	With immediate effect and at least once in a year
21	10.5(10)	The zoo should maintain information pertaining to Acquisition of animals, Treatment, individual Animal History Sheet, Keeper's Diary in the format as prescribed by the CZA.	With immediate effect

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22	10.5(10)	Individual Animal History Cards should be maintained for the animals as prescribed by the CZA.	With immediate effect
<b>6.Veterinary and infrastructure facilities</b>			
23	10.6(1)	The zoo should not keep expired drugs. The same should be disposed off timely in the prescribed manner.	With immediate effect
<b>7. Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals</b>			
24	10.7(2)	The findings of the post-mortem examination should be recorded in format prescribed by the Central Zoo Authority.	With immediate effect
25	10.7(4)	The carcass of large carnivores should be disposed-off by burning in the presence of the Director of the zoo or any officer in the next rank to him and authorized by him in this behalf.	With immediate effect
<b>9.Acquisition and breeding of animals</b>			
26	10.9(9)	The zoo has housed Jackals (13) beyond the carrying capacity of the enclosure whose area is approximately 0.5 acres. Their number should be reduced in accordance with carrying capacity of the enclosure by shifting surplus population to a recognized zoo having housing facility or by releasing in the wild following protocol laid down in this regard.	Six months
27	10.9(9)	Sambar (74 Nos.) and Hog deer (32 Nos.) found to be housed beyond carrying capacity. Immediate population control measures should be adopted and surplus should be either shifted to a recognized zoo having housing facility or released in the wild following protocol of the IUCN and the CZA.	Six months

Following are observations made by the evaluating officer during inspection of the site identified (Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) to relocate the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur:

28	10.1(5)	Perimeter wall of minimum two meters height from ground level should be constructed at the site identified for relocation of the zoo.	One year
29		Portion of the two Duplex quarters constructed by the Forest Department at the site identified for relocation of the zoo may be considered for usage as office complex for the Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur, since residential buildings are not permitted in the zoo campus. The residential complex has to be separated by a 2 meter high boundary wall and entry should not be through zoo premises.	

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

The renewal of recognition to the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur for period beyond 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2018 as a "Medium category zoo" would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur 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**

**Copy to:**

1. The Secretary (Forest), Department of Forest and Wildlife, Government of Kerala, Room No. 660, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, South Block, Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram – 695 001. (Kerala), E-mail: [secy.tax@kerala.gov.in](mailto:secy.tax@kerala.gov.in) – with a request to ensure compliance with conditions stipulated by the Central Zoo Authority
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden, Department of Forest and Wildlife, Government of Kerala, Forest Headquarter, Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram – 695 014. (Kerala); E-mail:- [cwlv.for@kerala.gov.in](mailto:cwlv.for@kerala.gov.in), [pccf.for@kerala.gov.in](mailto:pccf.for@kerala.gov.in) – for information and with a request that the conditions stipulated may be got implemented.
3. The Special Officer, Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur – 680 014. (Kerala), E-mail: [specialofficertz.for@kerala.gov.in](mailto:specialofficertz.for@kerala.gov.in)
4. The Superintendent, State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur – 680 020. (Kerala), E-mail: [statemuseumandzoo@gmail.com](mailto:statemuseumandzoo@gmail.com) - for information and necessary action
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**THROUGH EMAIL/REGISTERED POST**

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DATE: 22.02.2016

To

The Chief Wildlife Warden  
Govt. of Kerala  
Van Laxmi Forest Headquarter  
Thiruvananthapuram (Kerala)

**Sub:- Renewal of recognition to State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala (to be relocated to Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.07.2015.**

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter dated 27.07.2015 received in this office on 03.08.2015 seeking grant of renewal of recognition to State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala (to be relocated to Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) for period beyond 31.07.2015

The evaluation of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala (to be relocated to Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) was carried out by Sh. S. C. Sharma on 02.12.2015. The evaluation report of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur (to be relocated at Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) 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 State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala (to be relocated to Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) as 'Medium Zoo' category under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 for a period up to 20.01.2017 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>Administrative and Staffing Pattern:</b>			
1.	2.1	Zoo superintendent should be delegated adequate financial powers.	Immediate effect
2.	2.2	Posts of biologist and education officer should be sanctioned at the earliest.	Six months

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<b>Development and planning:</b>			
3.	3.7	Zoo should not accept large carnivores and Schedule animals as rescued animals.	Immediate effect
<b>Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures:</b>			
4.	4	Area of all snake display chambers should be increased by merging the neighbouring chambers.	Six months
5.	4	Water of mugger enclosures should be replaced periodically.	Six months
6.	4	Hedges should be planted between the standoff barrier and the parapet wall.	Six months
7.	4.4	Primates should be shifted to Puthur zoo on priority basis. Lion Tailed Macaque should be sent to Thiruvanthapuram zoo.	Six months
8.	4.6	Efforts to enrich snake and bird enclosures should be done.	Six months
9.	4.10	Signage needs improvement both in terms of contents and quality .Ecological values of various species to be highlighted.	Six months
<b>Upkeep and healthcare of animals:</b>			
10.	5	Feeding of ungulates to be done in closed kraals.	Six months
11.	5.2	Washings from meat house to be disposed through a closed drain into a soak pit.	Six months
12.	5.8	Parasitic loads of all animals to be regularly tested.	Six months
13.	5.8	Zoo should maintain detailed records of prophylactic treatment given to animals of all species.	Six months
14.	5.9	All animal handling staff to be regularly screened for zoonotic diseases.	Immediate effect
15.	5.10	Keepers diary should be maintained in the book form.	Six months
<b>Veterinary and infrastructure facilities:</b>			
16.	6	Zoo should engage veterinary compounder and lab assistant immediately.	Six months
17.	6	Zoo should acquire centrifuge machine and glass ware for stool test.	Immediate effect
18.	6.6	Zoo should have formal MoU with eminent veterinary institute.	Six months
<b>Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals:</b>			
19.	7	Post-mortem findings should be corroborated with forensic findings.	Immediate effect
<b>General observations:</b>			
20.	General	Cleanliness and the getup of the zoo canteen should be improved.	Immediate effect

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 31.07.2015 to 20.01.2016 is hereby regularized by the Central Zoo Authority.

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Grant of renewal of recognition of the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala ( to be relocated to Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) beyond 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2017 would be considered on the basis of compliance with the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition to the State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala (to be relocated to Thrissur Zoological Park, Puthur) 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,**

  
22/2/2016  
**(Inder Dhamija)**  
**DIG (HQ)**

**Copy to:-**

1. The Director, Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Kerala for favour of information and necessary action.
2. Mr. Vivek Goel, DPA, CZA – to update records.

  
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To

The Director  
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Thiruvananthapuram (Kerala).

**Sub:- Renewal of recognition to State Museum & Zoo, Thrissur under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.07.2013.**

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter No. MZ (F) – 7899/1999 dated 1<sup>ST</sup> May, 2013 seeking renewal of recognition to State Museum & Zoo, Thrissur under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.07.2013.

The evaluation of the State Museum & Zoo, Thrissur was carried out by Dr. A. K. Malhotra on 01.05.2014. The evaluation report of the State Museum & Zoo, Thrissur as submitted by the evaluating officers was considered by the Technical Committee in its 70<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2014

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of recognition to State Museum & Zoo, Thrissur (new site at Puthur) under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2015 subject to the condition that transport of all the animals from Thrissur to Puthur is completed in the given time of one year and compliance of the following directives at the existing zoo, till the animals are shifted under the Recognition of Zoo (Amendment) Rules, 2013 and mid-term evaluation of the zoo:-

S. No.	Norm No.	Condition Stipulated	Time Period to Comply
<b>1. General requirement</b>			
1.	1.7	Liquid waste of disposal system needs improvement.	Within one year
<b>3. Development and Planning</b>			
2.	3.1	This Museum and Zoo is not required to develop master plan as it is to be shifted at Puthur – 12 km in south-east of city. The	Within one year

authorities of Puthur zoo should be asked to develop the master plan and execute it keeping in view of clauses of Recognition of Zoo (Amendment) Rules, 2013.

**4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures**

3.	4.1, 4.2, 4.4. & 4.5	Greenery to be increased around all enclosure to give immersing effect. As the zoo is to be relocated at Puthur, so following improvements are needed:- a) Extend the area of snake houses. b) Repair all carnivore enclosures. c) Python and Monitor lizard area and water body be increased. d) Water of Mugger should be replaced periodically. e) Ramp of Gharial should be made. f) Water troughs be replaced or repair. g) Pelicans and White stork ponds be repaired.	Within one year
4.	4.6	Enrichment of each enclosure as per species requirements should be undertaken.	Within one year
5.	4.9	Hedge should be planted between moat wall and standoff barriers in all enclosures.	Within one year
6.	4.10	Animal signages and directional signages need to be redone.	Within one year

**5. Upkeep and Healthcare of animals**

7.	5.2(6)	The food and water samples should be got tested randomly.	Within one month
8.	5.3 (3 & 4)	A written schedule for checking parasitic load and vaccination should be prepared and kept near enclosures.	Within one month
9.	5.3 (5)	The operator should prepare and use keeper dairy, daily report etc.	With immediate effect
10.	5.3(6)	The staff involved in the healthcare of animals should be screened against zoonotic diseases once every year.	Within three months

**6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities**

11.	6.1 (b)	The Veterinary Hospital should acquire the following items:- a) Surgical table b) Inhalation of anesthesia equipments c) Lab. Facilities for sample testing d) Stretcher – 2.	Within one year
12.	6.3	Following staff should be engaged on contract:- a) Vet. Compounder – 1 b) Lab. Asstt. – 1	Within six months

## 12. Visitors Facilities

13.	12.1	Increase water points and rain shelters by three numbers each. Improve facilities at canteen.	Within six months
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A half yearly report regarding progress made in implementation of the aforesaid condition should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority.

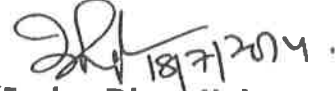
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**Yours faithfully,**  
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**(B. S. Bonal)**  
**Member Secretary**

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram for favour of information and with a request that the stipulated conditions may be got implemented.
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