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To,

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Government of Madhya Pradesh,  
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**Subject:- Renewal of recognition of the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh under Section 38-H(1),(3)&(4) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 for period beyond 19th August, 2021-regarding.**

**Reference:**

1. This office letter no. 21-1/2021-CZA, Computer no. 158516, dated 30/08/2022.
2. Application vide e-mail letter No.53/2005/13/3/GZP/2021/23 dated July 28, 2021, from the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation of Gwalior.
3. This Office Memorandum File No.7-10/2020-CZA(PART-I), dated 25.08.2020.

Sir/Madam,

With reference to above, It is to inform that the recognition of Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh was accorded up to August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 vide reference no. 3 above. The application for the renewal of recognition of Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh for the period beyond August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 was received by this office vide reference no. 2 above.

Shri Dev Prakash Bankhwal, IFS(Retd.) was deputed by this office to carry out the evaluation of the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh vide CZA letter at reference no. 1 above. The Zoo was accordingly evaluated on September, 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> 2022.

The evaluation report (copy enclosed) as submitted by the evaluation

officer was deliberated in the 107<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority held on April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The Technical Committee after detailed deliberations recommended to the Central Zoo Authority for the renewal of recognition of Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh for a period of two years and to regularise the period after August 19<sup>th</sup>, 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 107<sup>th</sup> Technical Committee Meeting was approved by the Chairperson, Central Zoo Authority. Accordingly, the Central Zoo Authority has regularised the period after August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and renewed the recognition of Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh for a period up to June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 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.

<b>Sr.No.</b>	<b>Norm No.</b>	<b>Particulars suggestions/recommendation</b>	<b>of</b>	<b>Time Period to Comply</b>
<b>1. General Requirements</b>				
1.	10.1(2)	Barking deer enclosure, adjoining the administrative block, becomes a quagmire after rains. An alternate enclosure for shifting the animals should be thought of where a large area can be split into two and the animals can be shifted to second enclosure when the first one is not habitable. In the meanwhile, the first one may be given some layers of soil and other substratum (without any worms or infection) in such a way that excess water is properly drained out.		Immediately
2.	10.1(5)	On the western side of the zoo, there is a three-story tall Gurudwara building flush with the boundary of the zoo. The Gurudwara is always bustling with human activities, and thus creates sound and light disturbance to the zoo animals in nearby enclosures. Either the Gurudwara management or the zoo should raise a sound and light barrier equal to the height of gurudwara between the zoo and the Gurudwara		One year
<b>3. Development and Planning</b>				

3.	10.3(1)	The zoo has no master plan in operation. The master plan of the zoo should be prepared as early as possible.	Six months
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
4.	10.4(1), 10.4(2) &10.4(6)	Snakes, birds and monkeys are not in nature-immersing enclosures. Their enclosures should be made as natural as possible within the constraints of the limited area of the zoo. The enclosure of macaques is bereft of any enrichment material and vegetation cover. It should be covered with some vegetation cover (transplanting some tillers and tufts of grass) and suitable cage enrichment be provided for eliciting natural behavior among the animals	Six months
5.	10.4(9)	In many enclosures, the area open for visitors to see the animals is nearly between 180 degrees to nearly 330 degrees. This should be avoided. Visitors should have limited viewing area, although it should be planned in such a way that three-four small groups of visitors can see the animal simultaneously. The viewing area should be restricted by closing the remaining area with shrubbery or shrubby bamboo.	Six months
6.	10.4(10)	There is need for sign boards at Gharial enclosure, giving warning to the visitors to keep a safe distance from the reptile.	Immediately

7.	10.4(10)	(a)The zoo has provided information on the housed animals at each enclosure in QR code only. At some places, a little text is also written on a sandstone. But, this information is incomplete, particularly when most of the visitors are coming from rural areas. Appropriate boards depicting distribution of animal in the wild, its status, biology, its ecological role and role of zoo in augmenting wild population should be displayed at suitable location outside each enclosure. (b)Directional signages for the enclosures should also be more natural-looking, instead of the current ones on iron sheets.	One year  Six months
<b>5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals</b>			
8.	10.5(3)	Innovative ways should be explored to keep the animals busy for as much time of the day as possible by spreading food and make animals forage for the food. This can be done in enclosures of bear, carnivores and macaques.	Immediately
<b>9. Acquisition and breeding of animals</b>			
9.	10.9(2)	To safeguard against ill effects of breeding 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.	Six months
10.	10.9(4)	The zoo has Chinkara, four horned antelope, red jungle fowl, silver pheasant, spot-billed pelican and common ostrich of single sex. These animals and birds should be given mates from other zoos. Similarly, Indian muntjac (barking deer) is in 1M:5F and Gharial is in 1M:6F. Suitable exchanges should be made to keep the stock in healthy and sustainable sex ratio.	Six months
11.	10.9(8)	While animal history cards are being prepared in this zoo, herd marking is not being done. It needs to be done by either using tag on herd leader, or chip implant, or any other method suggested by the CZA.	Immediately

12.	10.9(8)	Studbook is being centrally maintained by CZA. The application software ZIMS should be procured by the zoo, particularly as this zoo is being shifted to a larger area after a few months or years, where its category is going to change from small to someone at higher level	As per the direction of the CZA
<b>11. Educational and outreach activities</b>			
13.	10.11	Effort should be made to come out with good outreach activities, like talk by the curator and director cum veterinary doctor, use of gadgets like virtual reality (having pre-loaded videos), etc.	Three 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 Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh for the period beyond June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 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 Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh 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 Commissioner, Municipal Corporation of Gwalior, Nagar Nigam Mukhyalay, City Centre, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh [Zoo Operator of the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh under Rule 2(m)(III) of the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009].
2. The In-charge, Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior Municipal Corporation, Phoolbaug, M.L.B. Road, Lashkar, Gwalior - 474 001, Madhya Pradesh (E-mail: gandhizooologicalpark1920@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.





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केंद्रीय चिड़ियाघर प्राधिकरण  
Central Zoo Authority

F. No.19-166/93-CZA(150)(Vol. VI)(NS) / 4847/2018

By Post / E-mail  
Date : 27.11.2018

To,

The Commissioner,  
Gwalior Municipal Corporation,  
Nagar Nigam, Mukhyalay, City Centre,  
Gwalior – 474 002, Madhya Pradesh.  
Email: nn.gwalior@mpurban.gov.in

Sub:- Renewal of recognition to the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh for period beyond 18.05.2018 under Section 38H(1) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 – reg.

Ref:-

1. This office letter no. 19-166/93-CZA(150)(Vol. V)(BKG)/1044/2017, dated 08.06.2017.
2. This office letter no.19-166/93-CZA(150)(Vol. V)(BKG)/3781/2018, dated 05.07.2017.

Sir,

Reference is invited to above cited correspondences. It is to inform that the evaluation of Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh was carried out by Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta, Evaluation and Monitoring Officer on 09.07.2018. The evaluation report of the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh was considered by the Technical Committee in its 86<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 28.09.2018. After detailed deliberations, the Technical Committee decided for renewal of recognition of the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh for a period of two years. A copy of the evaluation report is enclosed with this letter for your perusal and needful action.

The renewal of recognition of the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh as a "Small Category Zoo" as per the provisions of Section 38H(1) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 is for a period up to 28.09.2020 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 18.05.2018:-

Sr. No	RZR, 2009 Norm No.	Particulars of suggestions/recommendation	Time period to comply
<b>1. General requirements</b>			
1	10.1(2)	The Zoo has planted thorny ornamental bushes/vines of bougainvillea inside the Lion enclosure. The same should be removed and replaced in planned manner with the plants/shrubs/grass of the indigenous species.	Six months

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2	10.1(3)	<p>I. The Visitors' movement should be restricted at Chinkara enclosure. It should be ensured that visitors' path should not exceed 25% of the perimeter of the enclosure. This is to ensure adequate withdrawal area for the animals.</p> <p>II. The entry gate to the Zoo from Gurudwara side should be used as service gate, emergency exit or in case of fire to allow fire tender. Thus, it should be kept clear always and no encroachment should be allowed by any other agency.</p>	<p>Immediately.</p> <p>Immediately</p>
<b>3. Development and Planning</b>			
3	10.3(7) & 10.3(8)	<p>The zoo has acquired animals (Two Long billed vulture, one Common fox, two Four horned antelope, four Common langur, and One Striped hyena) by rescue without obtaining prior approval of the Chief Wildlife Warden of the State and the CZA.</p> <p>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. Further, the Zoo should not acquire any rescued animals, as it does not have adequate infrastructure.</p>	Immediately
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
4	10.4(3)	<p>The animal enclosures at the zoo should be provided with separate visitors' path and service path.</p> <p>The Service entry into animal enclosure should not be accessible to visitors.</p>	Immediately
5	10.4(3)	<p>I. The boulders lying inside the Blackbuck enclosure should be removed.</p> <p>II. The level of soil inside the enclosures have gone down over a period of time, it is advised that good quality soil should be filled up to raise the level to an appropriate height.</p> <p>III. The MS pipe passing through the enclosure of Gharial is visible to visitor and may affect the animals movement. Thus it is advised to cover the same with appropriate material.</p> <p>IV. The Rhesus macaque enclosure which has connecting platform between the feeding and retiring cells and paddock area, has metal wires lying with sharp end. The dry moat is filled up with waste water from cleaning of feeding and retiring cells. The zoo should have proper waste water disposal system and the moat of the animals should be kept dry and hygienic. The sharp wires should be removed.</p> <p>V. There is a MS water pipe passing through the dry moat of Himalayan bear enclosure. It should be removed immediately as it may lead to injury to the animal or animal escape.</p>	<p>Immediately</p> <p>Immediately</p> <p>Immediately</p> <p>Immediately</p>

6	10.4(6)	The zoo should take up species specific enrichment in all animal enclosures.	Three months
7	10.4(10)	The zoo should provide signage containing information about the biology and behaviour of animals at all animal exhibits.	Immediately
<b>5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals</b>			
8	10.5(1)	The foot bath should be provided in all feeding and retiring cells of the zoo.	Immediately
9	10.5(3)	Screening of staff handling the animals should be done for zoonotic diseases.	One month
10	10.5(5)	The faecal matter piling inside the herbivore enclosure should be removed regularly.	Immediately
11	10.5(10)	The zoo should maintain the Animal History Card of animals in format prescribed by the Central Zoo Authority. The Daily Report should also be maintained in format prescribed.	Immediately
<b>6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities</b>			
12	10.6(3)	I. The zoo should make necessary arrangement to provide adequate animal restraint equipment for emergency as well as for regular work. It should be ensured that adequate restraining and tranquilising and transport equipment are in operational condition.  II. The Sloth bear having severe infection in right eye should be given utmost priority for treatment . The zoo is also advised to seek experts advice from the Veterinary Officers working in the field.	Immediately.  Immediately.
<b>12.Visitors' facilities</b>			
13	10.12(2)	The zoo should keep First aid kit and snake anti-venom serum and life saving drugs in the zoo campus.	Immediately
14	10.12(3)	The pathway inside the zoo should facilitate the physically disabled visitors to visit animal enclosures. The visitors' path at the zoo should be modified to facilitate wheel chair bound visitors to visit the animal enclosures.	Six months
<b>Rule 11. Maintenance of Records and submission of Inventory</b>			
15	11(1)	The Zoo Operator should submit Quarterly Inventory regularly to the Central Zoo Authority without any delay. It should be submitted promptly within 15 days from end of the quarter.	Immediately
<b>Others</b>			
16		The open electric panel at the zoo should be covered immediately.	With immediate effect
17		The boating for children's (in a large tub) near the Vulture Aviary should be stopped immediately.	With immediate effect
18		It is seen that the electric wires are passing through the zoo without proper support. The same needs immediate attention. It should be ensured that electric wire should be kept away from the reach of visitors and animals.	With immediate effect

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 Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh for period beyond 28.09.2020 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 Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh 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

Encl. As above

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Department of Forest, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Pragati Bhawan, BDA Building, 3rd Floor, M.P Nagar Zone-1, Hoshangabad Road, Bhopal - 462011, Madhya Pradesh E-mail: pccfwl@mpforest.org
2. The Officer-in-charge, Gandhi Zoological park, Phoolbaug, M.L.B. Road, Lashkar, Gwalior-474 001. Madhya Pradesh. Email: gandhizooologicalpark1920@gmail.com
3. The DPA, CZA – to update database.

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F. No. 19-166/93-CZA(150)(Vol. V)(BKG) / 1044 / 2017

Date: 08.06.2017

To,  
The Commissioner  
Municipal Corporation  
Gwalior  
(Madhya Pradesh)

**Subject: Grant of renewal of recognition to Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior under Section 38 H of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 25.02.2016**

**Reference: 1. Your office letter No. 53/2005/13/3/9195, Dated 11/27.04.2016  
2. This office letter No. 19-166/93-CZA(150)(Vol. V)(AK)/871/2017, dated 03.05.2017**

Sir,

Reference is invited to the above cited correspondence. It is to inform that the evaluation of the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior was carried out by Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta, Evaluation and Monitoring Officer, CZA and Dr. Jitendra Kumar Jatav, Wildlife Veterinary Officer, Madhav National Park, Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh on 5-6 May, 2017. The evaluation report of the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior as submitted by the evaluating officers was considered by the Technical Committee in the 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting held 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2017.

The Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant conditional renewal of recognition under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 of the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior as a "Small Category Zoo" for a period up to 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 subject to compliance of the following directive under Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009. The Technical Committee also regularised grant of recognition period between 25.02.2016 and 19.05.2017.

Sr. No	Norm No.	Violation of Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009	Time Period to Comply
<b>Rule 11. Maintenance of Records and Submission of Inventory</b>			
1	11A	The zoo has failed to prepare collection plan of animals to be housed and displayed in zoo keeping due regard to the availability of land, water, electricity and climatic condition of the area.	Six months
<b>1. General requirements</b>			
2	1(2)	The Zoo has failed to cover all night houses and walls with plants and creepers as per the requirement.	6 months

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<b>2. Administration and staffing pattern</b>			
3	2(1)	The zoo does not have full time officer-in-charge of the zoo. The said officer has not been delegated adequate administrative and financial powers to purchase feed and medicine and carried out emergency repair of animal enclosures as may be necessary for proper upkeep and care of the zoo animals.	6 months
		There is no document to proof that the officer in charge has adequate financial and administrative power for housing, upkeep health to manage the zoo.	6 months
		The zoo has failed to post Zoo Ranger/Biologist as mandatory under Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.	1 year
		The zoo authorities have failed to adopt staffing pattern required for small zoo with required qualification to run it on scientific lines.	1 year
4	2(2)	The zoo has failed to post compounder to assist veterinarian.	6 months
<b>3. Development and Planning</b>			
5	3(6)	The zoo has failed to submit details of rescued animals (endangered species) to Chief Wildlife Warden of the State and to the CZA.	1 month
6	3(7)	The zoo has failed to provide isolation and quarantine wards to take care of newly arriving animals and sick animals as to minimize the chances of infections spreading to other animals.	Three months
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
7	4(1),(2),(3), (4)&(5)	<p>a) The zoo has failed to dismantle birds and snake's enclosures.</p> <p>b) The zoo has failed to increase the area of Hippopotamus enclosure by breaking the adjoining wall.</p> <p>c) The zoo has failed to send the Vultures to Nandankanan Zoological Park, Bhubaneswar.</p> <p>d) The zoo has failed to increase the depth of water body in crocodile exhibit.</p> <p>e) The zoo has failed to increase the area of Gharial enclosure. The Zoo Operator has also failed to simulate the natural habitat of the Gharial and Crocodile as closely as possible by planting of appropriate species of trees for providing shade and shelter, which merge in the overall environment of the enclosures</p> <p>f) The zoo has failed to strengthen the drainage of Gharial, Crocodile and Hippo enclosures.</p> <p>g) The zoo has failed to design enclosures for Snake house as to meet the biological requirements of the animal housed therein.</p>	<p>a) 1 year</p> <p>b) 3 months</p> <p>c) 3 months</p> <p>d) 3 months</p> <p>e) 3 months</p> <p>f) 2 months</p> <p>g) 9 months</p>

		<p>h) The design of the proposed aviary to house different species of birds and snake house should have got prior approval from the Central Zoo Authority.</p> <p>i) The most snakes are housed in terrariums type enclosures and does not meet the norms and standards as prescribed by the CZA. The same should be housed in the enclosures of the size as of prescribed by the CZA.</p> <p>j) The zoo has constructed small aviaries without prior approval of the master (layout) plan and enclosure design. All the aviaries should meet the standards and norms as prescribed by the CZA.</p> <p>k) The Shikra (7), Barn owl (7 nos.) and kites (7) are housed in abandoned carnivore enclosures. All these birds should be housed in proper aviaries after obtaining approval of their design from CZA.</p> <p>l) The Peafowl housed presently in small aviary should be housed in a aviary of the size as prescribed by the CZA.</p> <p>m) The Kalij pheasant are being housed together with domestic Black fowl should be separated.</p> <p>n) The signage provided at aviaries found to be in poor shape with wrong information. All the signages should be modified.</p> <p>o) The aviaries do to have proper keepers access for keepers. Their design should be made keeper friendly.</p> <p>p) Vultures were seen housed next to Barking deer enclosure. There should be provision of visual barrier between both the enclosures.</p>	<p>h) Immediately</p> <p>i) Six months</p> <p>j) Six months</p> <p>k) Six months</p> <p>l) Six months</p> <p>m) Immediately</p> <p>n) Three months</p> <p>o) Three months</p> <p>p) Six months</p>
8	4(10)	The zoo has failed to provide directional signage at the zoo.	6 months
<b>5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals</b>			
9	5(1)	The zoo has failed to acquire mates for lone Hippo and Himalayan bear.	1 year
10	5(2)	The zoo has failed to get the food and water samples tested randomly.	1 month
11	5(2)	The zoo has failed to construct a meat house of appropriate size with facility of deep freezer.	1 year
12	5(3)	The zoo has failed to maintain animal history card for all the animals.	3 months
13	5(3)	The zoo has failed to check their staff for zoonotic diseases..	3 months
14	5(9)	The Zoo Operator has failed to carry out the medical check-up of the staff responsible for upkeep of animal atleast once in every six months to ensure that they do not have infections of such disease that effect of Zoo animals.	With immediate effect
<b>6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities</b>			
15	6(1)	The zoo has failed to make the existing basic diagnostic functional.	With immediate effect
16	6(3)	The zoo has failed to post the Compounder/Veterinary Assistant in Veterinary hospital.	6 months

9. Acquisition and breeding of animals			
17	9(8)	The zoo has failed to maintain Animal History Sheets and Treatment Cards for the animals separately in the format as prescribed by the CZA.	With immediate effect
18	9(9)	The zoo has failed control the population of Rhesus monkey, Spotted deer and Nilgai housed at the Zoo. The zoo has failed to shift the excess population of Rhesus macaque, Spotted deer and Nilagi to other recognized Zoos in consultation with the Central Zoo Authority and Chief Wildlife Warden of the State.	1 year
11. Education and outreach activities			
19	11(1)	The zoo has failed to recruit Zoo Educator / Biologist on regular basis for education and awareness program.	1 year

**Other observations:**

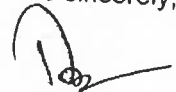
1. No birth records were found in the daily report as well as in the inventory report submitted.
2. Acquisition and disposition of rescued animals like Rhesus Macaque, Chinkara, Chowsingha were not shown in the Annual Inventory Report maintained at the zoo as well as those submitted to the Central Zoo Authority.
3. Treatment Records are not maintained with information about the health of the animals and the medicine given to the animals with quantity.
4. The zoo was found with the expired stock of Anti Snake Venom.

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 Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior for period beyond 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 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 of the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior 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 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh
2. Officer-in-charge, Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh
3. DPA, CZA – to update database



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## Central Zoo Authority



F. No. 19-166/93-CZA(150)(Vol. V)(NS)/7584

**Email**  
**DATE: 11.08.2015**

To

The Commissioner,  
Municipal Corporation of Gwalior,  
Nagar Nigam Mukhyalay,  
City Center, Gwalior (Madhya Pradesh).

*K. S. Singh*  
*D. S. Singh*  
*18/8/15*

**Sub:- Grant of Renewal of recognition to Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.08.2013.**

**Ref:- (i) This office letter no. 19-166/93-CZA(150)(Vol. V)(AK)/7019 dated 22.04.2015 (Show Cause notice)**  
**(ii) This office letter no. 19-166/93-CZA(150)(Vol. V)(AK)/7020 dated 22.04.2015**  
**(ii) Your office letter no. 1/15/13/3/Ga.Pra.U.9300 dated 11.06.2015.**

Sir,

Reference is cited to above correspondences. The inquiry report regarding the cause of death of animals at Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior as submitted alongwith the mid- term evaluation report was placed before the Technical Committee of Central Zoo Authority in its 73<sup>rd</sup> Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2015 and a show cause notice was issued to Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior seeking compilation report on the observations made during the evaluation. The compliance report as received from your end was further placed before the 75<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Technical Committee of Central Zoo Authority held on 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2015 for deliberation and decision.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant renewal of recognition to Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, for a period up to 25.02.2016 subject to the compliance of the following conditions and with provision of mid-term evaluation of the zoo:-

S. No.	Norm No.	Condition stipulated	Time Period to comply
<b>1. General requirements</b>			
1	1(2)	All the night houses and walls should be covered with plants and creepers as per the requirement	6 months

2	1(9)	All the domestic animals should be removed	With immediate effect
<b>2. Administration and staffing pattern</b>			
3	2(1)	A. The officer in charge must be delegated financial and administrative power for housing, upkeep health to manage the zoo. This condition was pointed out for compliance in the last evaluation also but no action was taken. B. The post of zoo officer should be abolished, instead a Zoo Ranger should be posted with minimum B.Sc. (Biology or Wildlife) as per recruitment rules for recognition of zoo. C. The zoo authorities must adopt staffing pattern required for small zoo with required qualification to run it on scientific lines.	A. 6 months  B. 1 year  C. 1 year
4	2(2)	One compounder must be posted to assist veterinarian	6 months
5	2(4)	Veterinarian should only look after health care of zoo animals.	With immediate effect
<b>3. Development and Planning</b>			
6	3(1)	Authority must submit master plan to Central Zoo Authority for its approval.	Immediately
7	3(2)	Provision should be kept to build 30% of zoo area for animal housing in Master Plan	3 months
8	3(4)	Animal collection plan should be prepared as per format of CZA	3 months
9	3(6)	Detail of rescued animals (endangered) should be submitted to Chief Wildlife Warden immediately	1 month
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
10	4(1),(2),(3),(4) & (5)	a)All birds' and snakes' enclosures should be dismantled and new enclosures be built after the approval of designs by CZA. b)Area of Hippo should be increased by breaking adjoining wall c)Only 25-30% of area be kept for seeing the animals by visitors, rest be covered with plantation d)Vultures should be sent to Bhopal. e)Depth of water body be increased in crocodile. f)Area of Gharial should be increased. g)Drainage of Gharial, Crocodile and Hippo should be strengthened.	a)1 year  b)3 months  c)6 months  d)3 months e)3 months f)3 months g)2 months
11	4(5)	Provision of enrichment tools, plants ladder, platform, soft soil and logs should be taken on priority as per requirement of each species/enclosure e.g. Rhesus & Bonnet macaques, Birds, & Bear lack enrichment to play and check boredom.	1 year
12	4(7)	Screening space should be provided between Chinkara and Black buck	6 months
13	4(9)	Stand-off barriers should be provided in Emu, Ostrich, small bird, Neelgai, and Snake enclosures	6 months


14	4(10)	a)Signage of natural material with interesting text and facts should be provided at each animal enclosure. The present stone signage is not eco friendly and have mistakes, should be replaced. b)Warning signage on dangerous animals should be provided c)Directional signage should be provided d)Plants/tree signage should be provided	a)6 months  b)6 months  c)6 months d)6 months
<b>5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals</b>			
15	5(1)	Acquire mates for lone Hippo and Himalayan bear	1 year
16	5(2)	<b>Nutrition and food hygiene</b> Leakage of water in store should be checked	1 month
17	5(2)	The food and water samples should be got tested randomly	1 month
18	5(2)	Construct a meat house of appropriate size with facility of deep freezer. Meat handler should be given boots and gloves	1 year
19	5(3)	Keep de-worming and vaccination schedule at each enclosure	1 month
20	5(3)	Zoo maintains animal history card, animal treatment card and daily report but are not as per CZA format. It should maintain keeper diary and stud book also. They should maintain them as per CZA format.	3 months
21	5(3)	Staff must be got medically checked once a year	3 months
<b>6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities</b>			
22	6(1) & 6(2)	Veterinarian and technician must undergo training of equipment use, date analysis and animal immobilization with reference to Wildlife	1 year
23	6(3)	One compounder or Veterinary Assistant must be posted in Veterinary hospital.	6 months
<b>7. Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals</b>			
24	7(1)	<i>Post-mortem</i> room with equipment should be built	1 year
<b>9.Acquisition and breeding of animals</b>			
25	9(4)	Mate for male Hippo and female Himalayan bear should be acquired	1 year
26	9(9)	The excess population of Rhesus monkey should be reduced and population control measures be undertaken	1 year
<b>11.Education and outreach activities</b>			
27	11(1)	Zoos must take action to recruit zoo educator / biologist on regular basis for education and awareness program and collection of scientific data	1 year
<b>12.Visitors' facilities</b>			
28	12(1)	a)Children park should be shifted to one corner with separate hedge wall b)Increase three more visitors' sheds c)Rain shelters should be increased by three more d)A cloak room at entrance should be provided.	a)1 year  b)6 months c)6 months d)1 year

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 Gandhi zoological Park, Gwalior beyond 25.02.2016 would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition to the Gandhi zoological Park, Gwalior 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,**



**(Vinod Ranjan)**  
**Member Secretary**

**Copy to:-**

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Madhya Pradesh for favour of information and with a request that the stipulated conditions may be got implemented.
2. The Officer-In-Charge, Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior for favour of information and necessary action.
3. Mr. Vivek Goel, DPA, CZA



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To

The Commissioner  
Municipal Corporation  
Gwalior - 470 007 (Madhya Pradesh)

**Sub:- Grant of renewal of recognition to Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior beyond the period of 31.12.2007 under Section 38 H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 - Regarding.**

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter No. 53/05/13/3/Zoo dated 28.12.2007 seeking grant of renewal of recognition to the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior beyond the period of 31.12.2007 under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

The evaluation of the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior was carried out by Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta, Evaluation & Monitoring Officer, CZA on 26.3.2008. The report submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 48<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2008.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of recognition to Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior as a medium category Zoo under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 31.08.2013 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 1992:-

S. No.	Relevant Norm No.	Conditions	Time Period to comply the conditions
<b>General</b>			
1.	1	The domestic animals and birds housed within the zoo premises should be shifted to a secluded place, as these animals may spread infectious disease to the wild animals.	With immediate effect
2.	8	The zoo should be encompassed by a perimeter wall of 2 meter high particularly towards gurudwara side.	One year
3.	11A	The zoo has not prepared collection plan for animal to be housed and displayed in the zoo keeping due regard to the availability of land, water, electricity and climatic condition of the area.	Six months

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4.	12	The zoo shall have a one full time officer-in-charge of the zoo. The said officer should be delegated adequate administrative and financial powers to purchase feed and medicine and carried out emergency repair of animal enclosures as may be necessary for proper upkeep and care of the zoo animals.	Six months
<b>Animal enclosures – Design, Dimensions and other Essential Features</b>			
5.	15	The Zoo Operator shall provide more warning signs and stand off barriers for keeping the visitors' at the safe distance from the animals. The stand off barriers at Bonnet macaque enclosure should be provided immediately. The Kaleej pheasant housed in the enclosure is just behind the main road is highly disturbing due to the sound generated by the vehicular traffic, therefore, the same should be shifted to the suitable area.	Six months
6.	16	The animal enclosures for Snake house are not being designed as to meet the biological requirements of the animals housed therein.	Nine months
7.	17	The Zoo Operator shall endeavour to simulate the conditions of the natural habitat of the Gharial and Crocodile as closely as possible. Planting of appropriate species of trees for providing shade and shelter, which merge in the overall environment of the enclosures, shall be provided sand for basking should also be provided. The used car tyres provided in the Bonnet macaque enclosure should be replaced by other natural material. The debris, leaf litter burnt inside the Gharial enclosure should be stopped.	Immediately
8.	20	The design of the proposed aviary to house different species of birds and snake house should have got prior approval from the Central Zoo Authority.	Immediately
<b>Hygiene, Feeding and Upkeep</b>			
9.	22	The Zoo Operator shall provide proper waste disposal system for both the solid and liquid wastes generated in the zoo. The feeding and retiring cell in the Tiger enclosure does not have appropriate drainage system for waste water disposal.	Immediately
10.	23	The debris and metal objects lying abundant in the Spotted deer enclosure should be removed.	With immediate effect
<b>Animal Care, Health and Treatment</b>			
11.	29	The Zoo Operator shall arrange for medical checkup of the staff responsible for upkeep of animal atleast once in every six months to ensure that they do not have infections of such disease that effect of Zoo animals.	With immediate effect

<b>Veterinary Facilities</b>			
12.	31	<p>The existing basic diagnostic facilities at the zoo should be made functional.</p> <p>The isolation and quarantine ward next to the veterinarian unit should also be made functional after carrying out necessary amendments.</p>	With immediate effect
13.	35	<p>The carcasses presently being burnt next to the viewing area of the animal enclosure should be shifted to a suitable off-exhibit area. Disposal of carcasses should be made in such a way that does not affect the hygiene of the zoo.</p>	With immediate effect
<b>Breeding of animals</b>			
14.	36	<p>(i) The Zoo shall keep in collection only such numbers and species for which appropriate housing facility exists. The Zoo Operator shall be responsible for ensuring that the number of animals of any species does not go beyond the carrying capacity of the enclosures available in the Zoo and housing standards are not compromised for keeping the excessive numbers.</p> <p>(ii) The Spotted deer housed in excess number (52 nos.) at the Zoo should be shifted to other recognized Zoos in consultation with the Central Zoo Authority and immediate measure should be taken to adopt population control measures to control their numbers.</p>	<p>With immediate effect</p> <p>Six months</p>
<b>Maintenance of Records and submission of Inventory to the Central Zoo Authority</b>			
15.	42	<p>The Zoo shall keep the record of the birth, acquisitions, sales, disposals &amp; deaths of all animals. The inventory of the animals housed in the Zoo as on 31<sup>st</sup> March of every year should be to the Central zoo Authority by 30<sup>th</sup> April of the same year.</p>	Immediately
16.	43	<p>The Zoo should submit the summary of death of animals in the Zoo for every financial year, along with reason for death identified on the basis of post-mortem reports and other diagnostic tests by 30<sup>th</sup> April of the following year to the Central Zoo Authority. In case of death of critically endangered species a report along with the details specified above should be submitted to the Central zoo Authority within 24 hours.</p>	Immediately
<b>Development and Planning</b>			
17.	51	<p>The Zoo should prepare a long-term Master plan for its development in the format circulated by the Central Zoo Authority during the year 2005 and the same is being published in the CZA's publication "Zoos in India-Legislation, Policy, Guidelines and Strategy". The copies of the said plan should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority for its approval.</p>	By 31 <sup>st</sup> March, 2009

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

Grant of recognition beyond 31.08.2013 to Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior as a 'medium 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 Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior 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. R. Sharma) ,**  
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To

The Commissioner  
Municipal Corporation  
Gwalior  
(Madhya Pradesh)

**Sub:- Grant of renewal of recognition to Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior under Section 38 H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 - Regarding**

Sir,

Kindly refer to your letter No. 57/05/13/3, dated January, 2006, seeking renewal of recognition for Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior beyond 31.12.2004 under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

The compliance report on the conditions stipulated by the Central Zoo Authority at submitted to this office vide letter No. 1/2005/13/13/3/Zoo-G.Z.P.175, dated 24.08.2005; No. 46/05/13/Zoo, dated December, 2005; No. 53/2005/13/3-Zoo-2900, dated 14.3.2006 and No. 53/05/13/3/Zoo, dated 07.06.2006 has been examined by the Authority and it has been decided to grant conditional recognition to Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior as a medium category zoo upto a period till 31.12.2007.

The conditions to be complied by 31.12.2007 have been reproduced below:-

**A.** A master plan (including a layout plan) for development of the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior shall be prepared and submitted to the Central Zoo Authority by 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2007 in the format circulated vide letter no. 27-1/2005-CZA(M), dated 03.02.2006. A management plan giving detailed proposals and activities to be taken up during next five years should also be submitted.

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**B. Other conditions under Recognition of Zoo Rules, 1992**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Relevant Norm No.</b>	<b>Conditions</b>
<b>GENERAL</b>		
1.	2	The zoo should not acquire any animal in violation of the Act or Rules made their under. Prior permission of the Central Zoo Authority shall be obtained for acquisition of animals listed under Schedule I & II of the Act.
2.	8	A perimeter wall of at least 2 mt. high from the ground level shall be provided all around the zoo campus to stop the entry of stray dogs and others into the zoo campus.
3.	11A	A collection plan of animals to be housed and displayed in the zoo should be prepared. The plan should be prepared keeping in view due regard to the availability of land, water, electricity and climatic condition of the area.
<b>Administrative and Staffing Pattern</b>		
4.	12	The zoo shall have one full time officer in-charge of the zoo. The zoo officer shall be designated adequate administrative and financial powers and carry out emergency. repair of animal enclosures, as may be necessary fro proper upkeep ad care of the zoo animals.
5.	13	The zoo shall have an official with masters degree in Wildlife Sciences/Zoology as a full time curator solely responsible for looking after the upkeep of animal and maintenance of animal enclosures.
6.	14	An arrangement with a veterinarian registered with the State Veterinary Council/ Veterinary Council of India should be made for daily checkup of the health of the animals.
<b>Animal Enclosure – Design, Dimensions and Other Essential Features</b>		
7.	15	Stand off barriers should be provided at all animal enclosures for keeping the visitors at a safe distance from the animals.
8.	18	The mammals in the zoo should be provided food inside a feeding cell/ retiring cubicle or feeding kraal. The number and size of feeding cells or kraals will be such that the dominant animals do not deprive other animals from getting adequate food.
9.	20	Designing of new enclosures for endangered species shall be finalized with approval of the Central Zoo Authority.

<b>Animal Care, Health and Treatment</b>		
10.	28	A schedule for routine examination including parasite checks of the animals should be prepared and implemented. Preventive medicine including vaccination should be administered at such intervals as decided by the visiting veterinary officer.
11.	30	The zoo shall maintain animal history sheets and treatment cards in respect of each animal of endangered species.
<b>Veterinary facilities</b>		
12.	31	The zoo shall have veterinary unit with basic diagnostic facilities, comprehensive range of drugs. The veterinary unit shall have isolation and quarantine wards to take care of newly arriving animals and sick animals as to minimize the chances of infections spreading to other animals.
13.	35	The zoo should have a proper facility for disposal off carcasses without affecting the hygiene of the zoo.
<b>Breeding of animals</b>		
14.	36	The zoo should keep in its collection only such number of animals and such species for which housing facility exists. The zoo operators shall be responsible for ensuring that the number of animals of any species does not go beyond the holding capacity of the enclosures available in the zoo and housing standards are not compromised for keeping the excessive numbers.
<b>Maintenance of Records and Submission of inventory to the Central Zoo Authority</b>		
15.	40	To safeguard against uncontrolled growth in the population spotted deer, nilgai and rhesus macaques, the zoo shall implement appropriate population control measures.
16.	42	The records of birth, acquisition, disposals and deaths of the animals should be maintained. The inventory of the animals in the zoo as on 31 <sup>st</sup> March of every year shall be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority by 30 <sup>th</sup> April of the same year.
17.	43	A brief summary of the death of animals in the zoo for every financial year, along with the reasons of death identified on the basis of the postmortem report and diagnostic tests should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority.
<b>Education and Research</b>		
18.	45	Every enclosure in the zoo should bear a sign board displaying scientific information regarding the animals exhibited in it.

Visitor facilities		
19.	49	The first aid equipments including antivenin shall be readily available in the premises of the zoo.

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

Grant of recognition to Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior beyond 31.12.2007 would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo at that point of time.

The recognition to the Gandhi Zoological Park, Gwalior 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.

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