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Date: 08/12/2022

To,

The Chief Wildlife Warden,  
Department of Forests,  
3rd Floor, Van Bhawan, Ramgiri Road,  
Civil Lines, Nagpur – 440001. Maharashtra  
(E-mail: pccfwlngp@mahaforest.gov.in)

**Subject:- Renewal of recognition of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur, Maharashtra under Section 38-H(1),(3)&(4) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 for period beyond August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021- regarding.**

**Reference:**

1. This office letter no. 21-1/2021-CZA, Computer no. 158516, dated 26.04.2022.
2. Letter No. SCZ/CZA-216 dated June 30, 2021, received from Trustee, Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo Trust, Kolhapur.
3. This office letter F.No.21-2/2019-CZA(Vol.I)(E)-Part (1), Computer no. 153933 dated 31.03.2021.

Sir,

With reference to above, I am directed to inform that the recognition of Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur, Maharashtra was accorded up to August 19, 2021 vide reference no. 3 above. The application for the renewal of recognition of Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur, Maharashtra for the period beyond August 19, 2021 was received by this office vide reference no. 2 above.

Dr. Rajeev Mishra, IFS (Retd.) was deputed by this office to carry out the evaluation of Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur, Maharashtra vide CZA letter at reference no. 1 above. The Zoo was accordingly evaluated on June 23, 2022.

The evaluation report (copy enclosed) as submitted by the evaluation officer was deliberated in the 106<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority held on September 27, 2022. The Technical Committee after detailed deliberations recommended to the Central Zoo Authority for the renewal of recognition of Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur, Maharashtra for a period of two years and to regularise the period after August 19, 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 106<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 Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur, Maharashtra for a period up to December 7, 2024 under Section 38-H(1), (3) & (4) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972. This is subject to the ratification of this decision in the next meeting of the Central Zoo Authority.

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Norm No.</b>	<b>Particulars of suggestions/ recommendation</b>	<b>Time Period to Comply</b>
<b>3.Development and Planning</b>			
1	10.3(1)	Master Plan has not been prepared. It should be prepared and submitted to CZA through CWLW, Maharashtra.	Six months
<b>4.Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
2.	10.4(6)	Enrichment activities should be started for animals.	Four months
3.	10.4(10)	Appropriate signage should be put for educational purpose.	One month
4.	10.4(10)	Signages should be made (regarding various wild life information and pictures) and placed in front of enclosures / zoo area/ along road.	Two months
<b>5.Upkeep and healthcare of animals</b>			
5.	10.5(2)	All feeding placed whether food or drinking facilities must be covered under shade (preferably not in shed)	Three months
6.	10.5	The drinking water facility should be raised and must have salt lick and round the clock water supply.	One month
7.	10.5(10)	Keepers diary, daily report, Animal History Card, Treatment Card should be prepared.	One month
8.	10.5(10)	Vaccination, deworming plan should be prepared and displayed in front of enclosure.	One month
<b>Other Observations</b>			
9.		Visitors should not be allowed to feed the animals. For this a two-meter-wide corridor should be made as buffer. This can be done through stand-off barriers fencing / hedge / pipes. This should be done all along the zoo wall.	Six months
10.		Animal exchange / procurement plan should be drafted.	Three months
11.		Drinking water facility should be created separately and it should be covered.	One month
12.		Disaster activities should be started for animals.	Three months
13.		Visitors should not be allowed to see animals from a high platform.	One month
14.		Since four Emus are present (one male, one female, 2 sub adult) therefore, inventory should be prepared accordingly.	One month

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 Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur, Maharashtra for the period beyond December 7, 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 Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur, Maharashtra shall be revoked by the Central Zoo Authority, at any point of time, if the zoo operator is found not complying with the stipulated conditions.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

**Yours sincerely,**

**Encl: as above**

**Sd/  
(Akanksha Mahajan)  
Dy Inspector General Of Forest**

**Copy for information and necessary action to:**

1. The Chairman, Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo Trust, New Palace, Kolhapur – 416003, Maharashtra (E-mail: scznpk@yahoo.in) [Zoo Operator of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur under Rule 2(m)(III) of the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009].
2. The Member Secretary, Maharashtra State Zoo Authority, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, B Wing, Administrative Building No.2, Nagpur – 440001, Maharashtra (E-mail: mszooauthority@gmail.com).
3. The Officer in-charge, Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, New Palace, Kolhapur – 416003, Maharashtra (E-mail: scznpk@yahoo.in).
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**Dated 31/03/2021**

To  
The Chief Wildlife Warden,  
Department of Forests,  
3rd Floor, Van Bhawan, Ramgiri Road,  
Civil Lines, Nagpur – 440 001. (Maharashtra),  
E-mail: pccfwlngp@mahaforest.gov.in

**Subject: Renewal of recognition of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur, Maharashtra, under Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 – regarding**

**Reference:**

1. This Office Memorandum F.No.7-10/2020-CZA(PART-I) dated August 25, 2020
2. This Office letter F.No.21-2/2019-CZA(AK)/2058/2020 dated January 8, 2020
3. This Office letter F.No.19-183/93-CZA(165)(Vol-I)(NS)/4947/2018 dated November 1, 2018
4. Application vide letter No.SCZ/CZA-183 dated September 16, 2019 from the Trustee, Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo Trust, Kolhapur

Sir,

With reference to above, the undersigned is directed to inform that recognition of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur, Maharashtra under Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, was valid till September 28, 2019. Application dated September 16, 2019 received in this office from the Trustee, Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo Trust, Kolhapur, for renewal of recognition. Shri D.N.S. Suman, IFS (Retired), evaluating officer deputed by this office has evaluated the zoo on January 31, 2020. Copy of the Evaluation Report is enclosed herewith for your perusal and needful action.

2. Evaluation Report of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur was placed before the Technical Committee in its 96<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on July 30, 2020. The Technical Committee, after detailed deliberation, made its recommendation to the Central Zoo Authority.

3. This office issued Office Memorandum F.No.7-10/2020-CZA(PART-I) dated August 25, 2020 regarding renewal of recognition of the zoo. Subsequently, the Central Zoo Authority, in its 37<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on December 7, 2020, in exercise of powers conferred under sub-section (1), (3) and (4) of Section 38-H under the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, approved recommendation of the Technical Committee.

4. The Central Zoo Authority has regularised the period after September 28, 2019 and renewed recognition of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur as a Mini Zoo for a period up to **August 19, 2021** subject to compliance with following conditions as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 (RZR) and mid-term evaluation of the zoo.

<b>Sl.</b>	<b>Norm No. under RZR</b>	<b>Condition</b>	<b>Time period to comply</b>
<b>1. General requirements:</b>			
1	10.1(3)	Instead of raised viewing platform at one place, more viewing points at the ground level should be provided. Visitors' circulation path should not exceed 25% of periphery of animal enclosure.	Six months
2	10.1(7)	Solid waste should be collected daily and put in a properly designed compost pit.	Three months
3	10.1(8)	There is no separate enclosure to keep sick or injured animals out of view of visitors. Proper enclosure for the same should be constructed away from visitors' view.	Six months
4	10.1(9)	Domestic ducks kept within the zoo premises should be removed.	Immediately
<b>2. Administrative and staffing pattern:</b>			
5	10.2(1)	The Zoo should have a suitable whole time in-charge with administrative and financial powers.	Six months
6	10.2(2)	Scientific and technical staff should be appointed in the zoo to support the officer in charge	Six months
7	10.2(2)	There is no dedicated Veterinarian attached to the Zoo. In addition to existing arrangements, some retired/private Veterinarian should be engaged on honorarium basis.	Six months
<b>3. Development and Planning:</b>			
8	10.3(1)	Master plan should be prepared on priority basis and submitted to the CZA for approval.	Three months
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures:</b>			
9	10.4(10)	Appropriate signage should be put up near the viewing point.	Three months
<b>5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals:</b>			
10	10.5(2)	Proper storage condition of food items should be provided, and the supply should be received daily to maintain freshness and quality.	Three months
11	10.5(8)	Periodical health assessment of animals and treatment records including deworming etc. should be properly maintained.	Three months
<b>9. Acquisition and breeding of animals:</b>			
12	10.9(4)	The single female black buck should be transferred to some other Zoo. It is the lone schedule I animal and its transfer will help the Zoo in management. Efforts have been made but it should concretize also.	Three months

Sl.	Norm No. under RZR	Condition	Time period to comply
13	10.9(9)	In addition to the present arrangements, few enclosures for separation of male, sick and injured animals should be constructed at the earliest	Three months
<b>11. Education and outreach activities:</b>			
14	10.11(1)	Efforts should be made to educate the visitors about the significance of wildlife conservation and role of nature for the wellbeing of everybody.	Six months

5. A compliance report to the Central Zoo Authority on implementation of the aforesaid conditions shall be submitted by the zoo within three months of issue of this letter followed by half-yearly report.

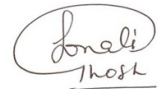
6. The renewal of recognition of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur for period beyond August 19, 2021 as a Mini Zoo would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

7. The recognition of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur shall be revoked by the Central Zoo Authority at any point of time if the Zoo Operator is found not complying with the stipulated conditions.

This issues with approval of the competent authority.

Encls. As above

Yours sincerely



**(Sonali Ghosh)**  
**Dy Inspector General Of Forest**

**Copy for information / necessary action to:**

1. The Chairman, Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo Trust, New Palace, Kolhapur – 416 003, Maharashtra, E-mail: scznpk@yahoo.in [Zoo Operator of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur under Rule 2(m)(III) of the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009]
2. The Member Secretary, Maharashtra State Zoo Authority, Third floor, B Wing, Administrative Building No.2, Nagpur – 440 001, Maharashtra, E-mail: mszooauthority@gmail.com
3. The Officer in-charge, Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, New Palace, Kolhapur – 416 003, Maharashtra, E-mail: scznpk@yahoo.in
4. The DPA, O/o CZA – to update database and to upload on official website of the CZA.
5. File No.19-183/93-CZA(165) – for record

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**Central Zoo Authority**

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F. No. 19-183/93-CZA(Vol. 165)(Vol. I)(BKG) / 1877 / 2017

Date: 31.10.2017

To,

The Operating Trustee  
Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo Trust  
New Place  
Kolhapur 416 003, (Maharashtra)  
Email: [Inglebiswajit@gmail.com](mailto:Inglebiswajit@gmail.com)

**Subject: Grant of renewal of recognition to Maharaja Shahji Chatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur, Maharashtra for period beyond 05.05.2017 under Section 38H(1) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 - regarding**

**Reference:**

1. This office letter No. 19-183/93-CZA(165)(Vol. I)(AK)/1305/2017
2. Your office letter No. SCZ/CZA-133, dated 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2017
3. Your office letter No. DO/SSC/E&F/17/0004, dated 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2017-10-31

Sir,

Reference is invited to the above correspondence.

The reply submitted by you was placed before the 84<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Technical Committee of CZA held on 18.09.2017. The Technical Committee of CZA after detailed deliberations and perusal of the reply received from the operator of Maharaja Shahji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur recommended to the CZA for renewal of recognition of the Maharaja Shahji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur for a period of one year, which was recommended by the Central Zoo Authority in its 30<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 28.09.2017, subject to compliance with conditions as mentioned hereunder, and also conditions stipulated after hearing on 24.07.2017, the representative of the Maharaja Shahji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur on 24.07.2017 by the Member Secretary, CZA mentioned below and mid-term evaluation of the zoo, and to regularise the period after 05.05.2017.

Sl.	Norm No.	Recommendation	Time Period to Comply
<b>1.General requirements</b>			
1.	1(9)	The Maharaja Shahji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur should stop housing domestic animals in the zoo.	With immediate effect

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2.	1(3)	Pathways in the zoo should be maintained naturally	Two months
3.	1(3)	Visitors' circulation at the animal enclosure should not exceed 25% of the periphery of the enclosure.	With immediate effect
<b>2. Administrative and Staffing Pattern</b>			
4.	2(1)(a)	The Zoo Operator should post a full time officer to run the Zoo as per norms prescribed by Central Zoo Authority.	With immediate effect
5.	2(1)(b)	The Zoo Operator should have arrangements for a veterinarian to visit the Zoo daily.  Since, the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur does not have full time Veterinarian and the Blackbuck ( <i>Antelope cervicapra</i> ), being an endangered species, the zoo operator should remove single female Blackbuck housed at the zoo from the animal collection so that norms laid down in the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 for a Mini Zoo shall apply to the Zoo. Accordingly, arrangement for a Veterinarian on contract shall be made within two months as agreed during hearing.	Two months
6.	2(1)(c)	There are (2) animal keepers out of whom, one person is retiring shortly. The Trust should recruit a young and energetic animal keeper and who should be properly trained.	Immediately
<b>4. Development and Planning</b>			
7.	3(1)	The Master (Layout) Plan, and thereafter the Master Plan of the zoo including Animal Collection Plan, should be prepared in consultation with an experienced zoo manager in the vicinity and should be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority for approval.  The zoo should also prepare Master Plan for its long term development and should to the Central Zoo Authority on priority.	Most immediately
8.	3(1)	The present system of animal upkeep and healthcare is inadequate. All the norms prescribed shall have to be incorporated while preparing the Master Plan and its approval by the Central Zoo Authority.	With three -six months
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
9.	4(2)	Carrying capacity of the existing facility at the zoo to the species housed should be ascertained by the zoo operator in view of the Schedule 4 in Rule 10 under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.	
10.	4(3)	The animal enclosure should have double gate entry for the keepers.	immediately

11.	4(9)	The zoo should provide stand-off-barrier at the viewing area of visitors of the size as prescribed by the CZA with hedge in such a way that visitors do not feed the animals.	Two months
12.	4(10)	The animal's enclosures should be provided with signage containing biological information about the species housed therein.	Immediately
<b>5. Upkeep and Healthcare of animals</b>			
13.	5(2)	The Zoo Operator should ensure that all animals in the zoo are provided with timely supply of quality food of sufficient quantity.	With immediate effect
14.	5(2)	The store house for the feeds, should be upgraded and kept in one corner of the Zoo.	Immediately
15.	5(3)	The details of feed distribution should be displayed in animal kitchen.	Immediately
16.	5(10)	The Zoo should maintain records such as inventory of animals housed, Keeper's Diary, Daily Report, Animal History Card and Treatment Card in the format as of prescribed by the Central Zoo Authority.	With immediate effect
<b>6. Veterinary and Infrastructure Facilities</b>			
17.	6(1)	The Zoo should construct a treatment room which should have all basic treatment facilities.	Immediately
18.	6(3)	Quarantine facility away from animal enclosures should be created at the zoo on priority.	Immediately
<b>7. Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals</b>			
19.	7(1)	The Zoo should carry out post mortem of every animal that dies in the zoo.	With immediate effect
20.	7(2)	The zoo should record findings of the post-mortem of animals in format prescribed by the CZA.	With immediate effect
<b>9. Acquisition and Breeding of Animals</b>			
21.	9(4)	The zoo should make efforts to acquire male Sambar to pair two female Sambar. Efforts should be made to infuse new blood in respect of Cheetal also.	Immediately
22.	9(9)	Immediate measures should be taken by the Zoo Operator to control the population of prolifically breeding species like Spotted deer.	With immediate effect
<b>12. Visitor Facilities</b>			
23.	12 (2)	First-aid equipment including anti-venom should be made available at the Zoo.	Immediately
24.	12(3)	The Zoo should provide access to the physically challenged personnel's.	With immediate effect

General observations			
26		The dropped antlers and skull of dead Blackbucks and other animals stored in its feed store, should be disposed off immediately in consultation with the Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Maharashtra.	With immediate effect

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 Maharaja Shahji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur for period beyond 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 as "a Mini Category Zoo" would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition to the Maharaja Shahji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur 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 for information and necessary action to:**

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Maharashtra, Van Bhawan, Ramgiri Road, Civil Lines, Nagpur 440 001 (Maharashtra)
2. The Member Secretary, Maharashtra Zoo Authority, Van Bhawan, Ramgiri Road, Civil Lines, Nagpur – 440 001 (Maharashtra)



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**BY POST/E-MAIL**

F.No. 19-183/93-CZA(165)(Vol.I)(AK)/2433/2016

DATE: 17.08.2016

To

The Operating Trustee,  
Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo Trust,  
New Palace, Kolhapur – 416 003. (Maharashtra)  
E-mail: inglebiswajit@gmail.com

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**Subject:- Grant of renewal of recognition as per the provisions of Section 38H of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 to Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur, Maharashtra for period beyond 31.10.2015 - regarding**

**Reference:-**

1. Your application vide letter No.SCZ/CZA-114 dated 12.07.2016
2. This office letter F.No.19-183/93-CZA(165)(M)/1979 dated 03.01.2013

Sir,

Reference is invited to above cited correspondence. It is to inform that the evaluation of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur, Maharashtra was carried out by Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta on 24.04.2016. The evaluation report of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo as submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 78<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2016.

The Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority has decided to issue Show Cause Notice under Section 38H (5&6) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 to Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur for non-compliance with conditions stipulated by the Central Zoo Authority in violation of Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009, to provide time period of six months to the zoo to submit a compliance report on the issues mentioned in the Show Cause Notice. Besides, the Committee has decided to grant conditional renewal of recognition for a period of one year. Show Cause Notice is being sent separately. The renewal of recognition of Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur as "a Mini Category Zoo" as per the provisions of Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 is for a period up to 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 subject to condition that within one year, all wild animals should be shifted to a nearby recognized zoo in the State and those found fit may be released in to wild and the zoo should be physically closed and subject to the compliance of the following directives under Rule 10 of Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 and mid-term evaluation of the zoo:-

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S. No.	Norm No.	Conditions Stipulated	Time Period to Comply
<b>1.General requirements</b>			
1	1(9)	Should stop housing domestic animals in the zoo.	With immediate effect
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
2	4(9)	The zoo should provide stand-off-barrier at the viewing area of visitors of the size as prescribed by the CZA with hedge in such a way that visitors do not feed the animals.	Two months
<b>5. Upkeep and Healthcare of animals</b>			
3	5(2)	Should provide all animals in the zoo, timely supply of quality food of sufficient quantity.	With immediate effect
4	5(10)	Should maintain records such as inventory of animals housed, Keeper's Diary, Daily Report, Animal History Card and Treatment Card.	With immediate effect
<b>7. Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals</b>			
5	7(1)	Should carry out post mortem of every animal that dies in the zoo.	With immediate effect
6	7(2)	Should record findings of the post-mortem of animals in format prescribed by the CZA.	With immediate effect
<b>General observations</b>			
7		The dropped antlers and skull of dead Blackbucks and other animals stored in its feed store, should be disposed off immediately in consultation with the Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Maharashtra.	With 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 reiterate that the renewal of recognition to Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur for period up to 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 as "a Mini Category Zoo" is subject to condition that within one year, **all wild animals should be shifted to a nearby recognized zoo in the State and those found fit may be released in to wild and the zoo should be physically closed.**

The recognition to the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur 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



(Dr. D.N. Singh)  
Member Secretary

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2. The Member Secretary, Maharashtra State Zoo Authority, Van Bhawan, Ramgiri Road, Civil Lines, Nagpur - 440 001. (Maharashtra), E-mail: mszooauthority@gmail.com - for information and with a request that the conditions stipulated may be got implemented.
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**(Dr. D.N. Singh)**  
**Member Secretary**





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**THROUGH REGISTERED POST**

F. No. 19-183/93-CZA(165)(M)/1979

DATE: 01.01.2013

To

The Operating Trustee  
Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo Trust,  
New Palace,  
Kolhapur – 416 003 (Maharashtra).

**Sub:- Renewal of recognition to Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur beyond the period of 31.10.2012 under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.**

Sir,

The evaluation of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur was carried out by Dr. B. Trinadha Rao on 04.09.2012. The evaluation report of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur as submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 63<sup>rd</sup> Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2012.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of recognition to Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur as "Mini Category Zoo" under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2015 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 and mid-term evaluation of the zoo:-

S. No.	Norm No.	Condition Stipulated	Time Period to Comply
<b>3. Development and Planning</b>			
1.	3 (1)	Preparation of Master Plan should be done on priority and submitted for its approval to Central Zoo Authority.	Most immediately
<b>2. Administrative and Staffing Pattern</b>			
3.	2 (1) (a)	The zoo is managed by Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo Trust and looked after by the Operating Trustee who is not full fledged nor having required qualifications, administrative and financial powers. Therefore a full time officer should be to run the zoo as per norms prescribed by Central Zoo Authority.	With immediate effect

	2 (1) (b)	There is no veterinary staff nor any pucca arrangements have been made for a veterinarian to visit the zoo daily. The same should be made immediately.	Immediately
5.	2 (1) (c)	There are (2) animal keepers out of whom, one person is retiring shortly. The Trust should recruit a young and energetic animal keeper and who should be properly trained.	Immediately
<b>5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals</b>			
6.	5 (2)	The present system of animal upkeep and healthcare is inadequate. All the norms prescribed shall have to be incorporated while preparing the Master Plan and its approval by the Central Zoo Authority.	With three-six months
<b>9. Acquisition and breeding of animals</b>			
7.		Sambar should be acquired or the single Sambar may be shifted to other recognized zoo, who has Sambar in its collection. Efforts should be made to enforce new blood in respect of Cheetal and Blackbuck.	Immediately
<b>11. Education and outreach activities</b>			
8.	11 (1)	The Trust should encourage education and research since a number of educational institutions and University also exists in Kolhapur.	Immediately
<b>12. Visitors' Facilities</b>			
9.	12 (2)	First-aid equipment including anti-venom shall be made available at the Zoo.	Immediately
<b>11. Maintenance of Records and Submission of Inventory</b>			
10.	(i)	The Trust is maintain a Central Office and maintenance of records etc. should be done.	Immediately
11.	(ii)	The maintenance of records is not satisfactory. The same should be done immediately following standards and norms as prescribed by the Central Zoo Authority.	Immediately

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 Ramnabagan Mini Zoo, Burdwan beyond 31<sup>st</sup> October 2015 as "a Mini Category Zoo" would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition to the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur 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.

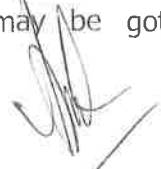
Yours faithfully,

  
(B. S. Bonal)

Member Secretary

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur for favour of information and with a request that the stipulated conditions may be got implemented.
2. Mr. Vivek Goel, DPA, CZA

  
(B. S. Bonal)

Member Secretary





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**Central Zoo Authority**

SPEED POST



**BY REGISTERED POST**

F. No. 19-183/93-CZA(165)(M)

DATE: 11.10.2010

To

The Operating Trustee  
Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo Trust,  
New Palace,  
Kolhapur – 416 003 (Maharashtra).

**Sub:- Grant of renewal of recognition Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur beyond the period of 31.08.2009 under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 - Regarding.**

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter No. SCZ/CZA-60 dated 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2010.

The evaluation of the Zoo was carried out on 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2010 and the evaluation report of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur as submitted by Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta, Evaluation & Monitoring Officer, CZA was considered by the Technical Committee in its 55<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2010.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of recognition to Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo, Kolhapur as a mini category Zoo under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2012 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 1992:-

Relevant Norm No/Schedule No.	Condition to be complied	Period of compliance
Rule 11.	<b>Maintenance of Records and submission of inventory</b>	
1	The zoo shall maintain record of births, deaths, causations of each species in its collection in the manner and in the format as prescribed by the CZA. The details for each financial year should also be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority by 30 <sup>th</sup> day of April of the ensuing year in Form II. The details with respect to the reasons of death identified on the basis of post-mortem reports shall be submitted to the CZA every quarter, within a period of fifteen days of the end of quarter.	With immediate effect

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2	The zoo should submit an annual report of its activities and compliance of the stipulated by CZA for each financial year to the CZA by the 30 <sup>th</sup> day of June of the year.	With immediate effect
<b>General requirements</b>		
9	The domestic animals nameiy domestic goose and emu should not be kept together with the Spotted deer, Blackbuck and Sambar.	With immediate effect
<b>2. Administrative &amp; Staffing pattern</b>		
2	The animal keepers posted at the zoo needs to have training in the field.	Six months
<b>3. Development &amp; Planning</b>		
1	The zoo should submit is master plan to CZA for its approval.	Immediately
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>		
1	The zoo needs to provide animals shelters located at an appropriate place.	Immediately
4	The animal enclosures zoo should be provided with stand off barrier of the size as prescribed by the CZA in its guidelines.	Immediately
3	The animal enclosure should have double gate entry for the keepers.	Immediately
7	The Emu and Domestic geese should be kept away from the wild animals and same should provide a screening. More fruiting tress required to be planted in the enclosure.	Immediately
10	The animal's enclosures should be provided with siganges containing biological information about the species housed therein.	Immediately
<b>Upkeep and healthcare of animals</b>		
2	The store house for the feeds, should be upgraded and kept in one corner of the zoo.	Immediately
3	The details of feed distribution should be displayed in animal kitchen.	Immediately
10	The zoo maintain detailed records including keeper's diary, daily reports, animal history cards and treatment cards as per standards specified by the Central Zoo Authority.	With immediate effect.
<b>6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities</b>		
(1)	The zoo shall a treatment room with basic treatment facilities.	Immediately
<b>7. Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals</b>		
(1)	The should carry out the post-mortem of any animal dies at the zoo and the report of the same should be sent to the Forest Department as well to the CZA and the same should kept for the period	6 years.
<b>9. Acquisition and breeding of animals</b>		
(3)	Appropriate mate for single Sambar should be acquired	6 months

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FINAL REMINDER

F. No. 19-183/93-CZA(165)(M)

DATE: 29.10.2010

To

The Operating Trustee  
Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo Trust,  
New Palace, Kolhapur - 46 003 (Maharashtra)

**Sub:- Submission of Master Plan of Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo Trust,  
Kolhapur - Regarding.**

- Ref:- (i) This office letter No. 27-1/2005-CZA(N) dated 23.11.2007.  
(ii) This office letter No. 27-1/2005-CZA(N) dated 10.03.2008.  
(iii) This office letter of even number dated 10.02.2009.  
(iv) This office letter of even number dated 16.06.2009.  
(v) This office letter of even number dated 06.08.2009.  
(vi) This office letter of even number dated 09.02.2010 &  
06.07.2010.

Sir,

Reference is invited to the above cited correspondences.

It is to bring into your notice that inspite of aforesaid mentioned reminders issued from this office, you have not yet submitted the Master Plan for its approval, thereby violation of Rule 10, Schedule 3 (1) & (2) of Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

You must be aware that no developmental activities can be taken up in the zoo premises, till the Master (Layout) Plan of Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo Trust, Kolhapur is submitted and get approved by this Authority.

Keeping in view of the above, facts, you are hereby directed to submit the five copies of Master Plan of the Maharaja Shahaji Chhatrapati Zoo Trust, Kolhapur along with a soft copy of text & maps (in Pdf + Autocad format) on a CD or Pen drive, positively by 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2010 failure to which no further grants to the zoo along with no proposal for animal exchange shall be entertained by this Authority and necessary action for cancellation of grant of recognition under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 shall be initiated by this Authority.

Yours faithfully,

(B. S. Borhal)

Member Secretary

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favour of information.

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