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Dated **March 30, 2021**

To  
The Chief Wildlife Warden,  
Department of Forests and Wildlife Preservation,  
Forest Complex, Sector – 68,  
Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar, Punjab,  
E-mail: cwlwpunjab@gmail.com

**Subject: Renewal of recognition of the Mini Zoo cum Deer Safari, Bathinda, Punjab, 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)/2052/2020 dated January 8, 2020
3. This Office letter F.No.19-73/92-CZA(220)(Vol-II)(AK)/3201/2016 dated December 19, 2016
4. E-mail dated January 10, 2020 from the Divisional Forest Officer, Bathinda

Sir,

With reference to above, the undersigned is directed to inform that recognition of the Mini Zoo cum Deer Safari, Bathinda, Punjab under Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, was valid till August 23, 2019. Shri Shailesh Prasad, IFS (Retired), evaluating officer deputed by this office has evaluated the zoo on February 29, 2020. Copy of the Evaluation Report is enclosed herewith for your perusal and needful action.

2. Evaluation Report of the Mini Zoo cum Deer Safari, Bathinda, Punjab 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 August 23, 2019 and renewed recognition of the Mini Zoo cum Deer Safari, Bathinda, Punjab as a Small Zoo for a period up to **August 19, 2022** subject to compliance with following conditions as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 (RZR) and mid-term evaluation of the zoo.

Sl.	Norm No. under RZR	Condition	Time period to comply
<b>2. Administrative and staffing pattern:</b>			
1	10.2(2)	Scientific and technical staff required for a Small Zoo under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 should be appointed.	One year
<b>3. Development and Planning:</b>			
2	10.3(1)	Master Plan for long-term development of the zoo should be forwarded for consideration of the Central Zoo Authority.	Six months
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures:</b>			
3	10.4(6)	Species specific enrichment should be provided in enclosures for primates & birds' aviary.	Six months
<b>5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals:</b>			
4	10.5(6)	Distance of the Veterinarian's residence from the zoo should be reduced to 2 to 3 Km so that response time in the event of emergency when veterinarian is off the premises can be reduced.	Three months
<b>6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities:</b>			
5	10.6(1)	Veterinary facilities should be developed appropriate to the animal collection of the zoo. Basic diagnostic facility should be developed within the zoo and technically qualified personnel should be appointed to operate and use diagnostic equipment to be procured as detailed in the report enclosed herewith.	Two years
6	10.6(5)	One Stockman or Compounder should be appointed in the zoo as Veterinary Support Staff required under the Rules.	One year
7	10.6(6)	Zoo should enter into MoU with nearby eminent institution working in the field of wild animal healthcare in fulfilment of objectives cited in the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.	One year
<b>9. Acquisition and breeding of animals:</b>			
8	10.9(4)	Singly housed captive animals in the zoo should be paired.	Six months
<b>12. Visitors' facilities:</b>			
9	10.12(1)	One more drinking water point & urinal should be constructed for usage of visitors.	Three months
10	10.12(1)	Civic facilities namely battery-operated vehicles, kiosks, rain shelters, cloak room for visitors, zoo visitor guides, public announcement system and fire alarm during emergency should be provided.	One year

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 Mini Zoo cum Deer Safari, Bathinda, Punjab for period beyond August 19, 2022 as a Small 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 Mini Zoo cum Deer Safari, Bathinda, Punjab 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



**(Dr. Sonali Ghosh)**  
**Deputy Inspector General of Forests**

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

1. The Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Punjab, Department of Forests and Wildlife Preservation, Forest Complex, Kumbra Road, Sector -68, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) – 140 110, Punjab, E-mail: fcf@punjab.gov.in [Zoo Operator of the Mini Zoo cum Deer Safari, Bathinda, Punjab under Rule 2(m)(III) of the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009]

2. The Member Secretary, Punjab Zoo Development Society, premises of the M.C. Zoological Park, V.P.O. Chhat, Tehsil Derabassi, District Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar – 140 601, Punjab

3. The DFO-Bathinda and Officer in-charge, Mini Zoo cum Deer Safari, Multania Road, Bir Talab, Bathinda, Punjab, E-mail: dfobathinda@gmail.com

4. The DPA, O/o CZA – to update database and to upload on official website of the CZA.

5. File No.19-73/92-CZA(220) – for record

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BY REGD. POST/E-MAIL

F.No.19-73/92-CZA(220)(Vol.II)(AK)/3201/2016

DATE: 19.12.2016

To

The Divisional Forest Officer,  
Bathinda Forest Division,  
Bathinda – 151 001. (Punjab)

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**Subject:-** Renewal of recognition of Mini Zoo Cum Deer Safari Bir Talab, District Bathinda, Punjab as per the provisions of Section 38H of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 for period beyond 30.04.2016 - regarding

**Reference:-**

1. Application vide letter No.4613 dated 07.10.2016 from the Divisional Forest Officer, Bathinda Forest Division
2. This office letter F.No.19-73/92-CZA(220)(M)/4617 dated 09.04.2014

Sir,

Reference is invited to above cited correspondence. It is to inform that the evaluation of Mini Zoo Cum Deer Safari Bir Talab, District Bathinda, Punjab was carried out by Dr. Devender Kumar on 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2016. The evaluation report of Mini Zoo Cum Deer Safari Bir Talab, District Bathinda as submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 79<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2016.

The Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant conditional renewal of recognition for a period of three years. The renewal of recognition of Mini Zoo Cum Deer Safari Bir Talab, District Bathinda 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 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2019 subject to compliance of the following directives as specified in Rule 10 under Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 and mid-term evaluation of the zoo:-

S. No.	Norm No.	Conditions Stipulated	Time Period to Comply
<b>1.General requirements</b>			
1	1(7)	Liquid waste management needs improvement by constructing well covered drainage system as per approved Master Plan.	Six months
<b>2.Administrative and staffing pattern</b>			
2	2(1)	The zoo should have whole time In-charge with adequate administrative and financial powers.	Six months
3	2(2)	Veterinary officer & scientific and technical staff may be employed on need basis to fulfil objectives of the Zoo.	Six months

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<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
4	4(6)	Species specific enrichment should be provided in enclosures for primates & birds aviary.	Three months
5		Hedge should be planted at each Standoff barrier.	Immediately
6	4(3)	A footbath of appropriate dimensions to suit a Safari vehicle needs to be constructed at the entrance & exit of the safaris.	
7	4(7)	Efforts should be made to develop adequate screening in-between Deer and Tiger Safaris.	Immediately
8	4(10)	Displaying locations of signage may be reviewed & improved.	Two months
<b>5. Upkeep and Healthcare of animals</b>			
9	5(2)	The food and water samples should be got tested regularly & records should be maintained.	Immediately
10	5(8)	Zoo animals should be screened for parasitic load and vaccinated as per written schedule and the schedule be kept near enclosures.	Immediately
11	5(9)	Medical check-up/screening of the staff handling animals should be done twice a year & record should be maintained.	Immediately
12	5(10)	Should prepare and use Keeper's Dairy, Daily Report, Herd Sheet and Treatment Card in format prescribed by the CZA.	Immediately
<b>9. Acquisition and breeding of animals</b>			
13	9(4)	The male Hog deer should either be paired or be shifted to another zoo housing the species.	Three months
14	9(9)	Should adopt population control measures to control the population of prolifically breeding animals such as Sambar and Spotted deer.	Six months
<b>11. Education and outreach activities</b>			
15	11(1)	Should conduct education program for school children & public to spread message of bio-diversity conservation.	Six months
<b>12. Visitors' facilities</b>			
16	12(1)	One more drinking water point & urinal should be constructed for usage of visitors.	Three months
17	12(3)	Provision of wheel chair be made to facilitate 'Divyangjan' among visitors.	One month

Further, it is to inform that the recognition granted to Mini Zoo Cum Deer Safari Bir Talab, District Bathinda for period up to 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2019 is subject to compliance with above conditions.

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 of Mini Zoo Cum Deer Safari Bir Talab, District Bathinda for period beyond 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2019 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 of Mini Zoo Cum Deer Safari Bir Talab, District Bathinda 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

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**Copy to:**

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Punjab, Tower No. 2, Second floor, Forest Complex, Sector - 68, Mohali – 160 068. (Punjab) – for information and with a request that the conditions stipulated may be got implemented
2. DPA, CZA – to update database



(Dr. D.N. Singh)  
Member Secretary





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**THROUGH REGISTERED POST**

F. No. 19-73/92-CZA(220)(M) | 4617

DATE: 09.04.2014

To

The Divisional Forest Officer  
Bhatinda Division,  
Bhatinda (Punjab).

**Sub:- Grant of renewal of recognition to Deer Park, Bir Talab, Bhatinda under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 30.04.2013.**

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter No. 636 dated 06.05.2013 seeking renewal of recognition to Deer Park, Bir Talab, Bhatinda under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 30.04.2013.

The evaluation of the Deer Park, Bir Talab, Bhatinda was carried out on 21.02.2014 by Dr. A. K. Malhotra. The evaluation report (enclosed) submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 69<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2014.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of renewal of recognition to the Deer Park, Bir Talab, Bhatinda as "Mini Category Zoo" under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2016 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo (Amendment) Rules, 2013 and mid-term evaluation of the Zoo:-

S. No.	Relevant Schedule No.	Conditions	Time Period to comply the conditions
<b>1. General requirement</b>			
1.	1.7	Arrangement to dispose of liquid waste of animal enclosures should be made (sewage system)	Within one year
2.	1.9	Geese being domestic animals should be removed.	Within three months

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<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
3.	4.5	The enclosure of partridge and Rhesus should be revamped to meet CZA norms.	Within one year
4.	4.6	Species specific enrichment is required in enclosures e.g. bushes should be planted in partridge enclosure.	Within three months
5.	4.7	Screening space should be created between deer and tiger safari (proposed)	Within one year
6.	4.10	Signages require improvement in spelling, scientific name and text.	Within three months
<b>5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals</b>			
7.	5.1	Disinfection of floor, shelters and feeding cells should be carried out.	Within one month
8.	5.1	Foot path should be provided at the entry or exit point of the animal houses.	Within three months
9.	5.2	The food and water samples should be got tested randomly.	Within one month
10.	5.3	(i) A written schedule for checking parasitic load and vaccination should be prepared and kept near enclosure. (ii) The operator should prepare and use keeper dairy, daily report, herd sheet and treatment card. (iii) Medical check up/ screening should be done twice a year of the staff handling animals.	Within one month  Immediately  Within one month
<b>6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities</b>			
11.	6.1 & 6.2	The veterinary facilities appropriate to the size of zoo should be created including treatment room.	Within one year
<b>7. Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses</b>			
12.	7.1	A post-mortem room should be constructed.	Within six months
13.	7.2	The findings of post-mortem should be recorded in CZA format.	Immediately
<b>12. Visitors facilities</b>			
14.	12.1	One more urinal and water drinking point should be created.	Immediately
15.	12.3	Ramps should be created where necessary for physically challenged visitors.	Within six months

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 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2016 to the Deer Park, Bir Talab, Bhatinda as a 'Mini 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 Deer Park, Bir Talab, Bhatinda as shall be revoked by the Central Zoo Authority, at any point in time if the Zoo Operator is found not complying with the stipulated conditions.

**Yours faithfully,**




**(Inder Dhamija)  
DIG (Hqr.)(CZA)**

**Encl: as above**

Copy for favour of information & necessary action to:-

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Punjab, Chandigarh.
2. DPA, CZA.



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THROUGH REGISTERED POST

F. No. 19-73/92-CZA(220)(M)

DATE: 14.05.2010

To

The Divisional Forest Officer (WL)  
Bhatinda Division,  
Bhatinda (Punjab).

**Sub:- Grant of renewal of recognition to the Deer Park, Bir Talab, Bhatinda under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.03.2009.**

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter No. 11598 dated 06.03.2009 seeking grant of renewal of recognition to the Deer Park, Bir Talab, Bhatinda under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.03.2009.

The Deer Park, Bhatinda was evaluated by Dr. A. K. Malhotra. The report submitted by the evaluating officer was placed before the Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority held on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2010.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of renewal of recognition to the Deer Park, Bhatinda as a Mini Category Zoo under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2013 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009:-

S. No.	Relevant Schedule No.	Conditions	Time Period to comply the conditions
<b>Rule 11 Maintenance of records and submission of inventory</b>			
1.	11 (1)	(i) The zoo should maintain record of the births, acquisitions, deaths and disposals of animals of each species in its collection in the manner and in the format determined by Central Zoo Authority and the inventory of the animals in the collection of each zoo, along with the details mentioned above for each financial year shall be submitted to the Central Zoo Authority by 30 <sup>th</sup> day of April of the ensuing year in Form II.	With immediate effect

		The zoo should submit an annual report of its activities and compliance of the conditions stipulated by CZA for each financial year to the Central Zoo Authority by the 30 <sup>th</sup> day of June of the year.	With immediate effect
<b>3. Development and Planning</b>			
3.	3 (1)	The revised master plan along with the layout plan should be prepared immediately and submitted to CZA without any further delay, following the observations communicated by this office vide letter of even number dated 09.02.2010.	With immediate effect
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
4.	4 (2)	(i) The zoo should provide appropriate naturalistic open moated enclosure for Rhesus macaques. (ii) Appropriate housing facilities for Spotted deer, Hog deer, Blackbuck, Sambar and Birds should be provided, immediately.	With immediate effect
5.	4 (6)	(i) The zoo should make special efforts to enrich the environment of all the animal enclosures to meet the species specific behavioural requirements of the animals in accordance with the standards specified by the Central Zoo Authority. (ii) The Bird aviary should be provided with green plants.	With immediate effect
6.	4 (10)	Signboards at enclosures need to be thoroughly revised displaying scientific and ecological information regarding animals exhibited therein. Directional signage for visitor regulation should also be provided.	Within three months
<b>5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals</b>			
7.	5 (2)	The zoo should endeavour to provide all the animals in its collection timely supply of quality food of such a composition and in such quantities that nutritional and behavioural requirement of each animal are fully met and adequate safeguards shall be taken to ensure that no animal remains under-nourished on account of dominant animals not permitting other animals getting their share of the feed and the zoo operator shall ensure round the clock supply of potable water to all the animals in the zoo.	With immediate effect
8.	5 (10)	Keeper diary as per the format of CZA should be maintained	Immediately


<b>7. Veterinary facilities</b>			
9.	6 (1)	The veterinary facilities/ infrastructure in form of a well designed hospital with required furnishing/ equipments for providing better healthcare facilities to zoo animals should be immediately provided.	Immediately
<b>8. Visitor facilities</b>			
10.	8 (2)	Anti venom serum should made available in the zoo.	Immediately
11.	8 (3)	Special provision like ramps, properly laid pathways etc. should be provided at animal enclosures and toilets for facilitating use by persons on wheel chairs.	Six months
<b>12. Visitors' facilities</b>			
12.	12 (1)	The zoo should provide adequate civic facilities particularly toilets for visitors at appropriate and convenient places in the zoo including for physically disadvantaged persons and such facilities shall be so located that they do not mask or impact the view of enclosures.	With immediate effect

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 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2013 to the Deer Park, Bhatinda as a 'Mini Category Zoo' would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above, general performance and physical mid-term evaluation of the zoo.

The recognition to the Deer Park, Bhatinda shall be revoked by the Central Zoo Authority, at any point in time if the Zoo Operator is found not complying with the stipulated conditions.

Yours faithfully,



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(B. S. Bonal)

Member Secretary

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1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Punjab, Chandigarh.
2. The Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Parks & Protected Area Circle, S. C. O. No. 26-27, Sector -34, Chandigarh, Punjab.

