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Ministry of Environment, Forest  
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The Chief Wildlife Warden,  
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**Subject: Renewal of recognition of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre, Andhra Pradesh under section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 - reg.**

**Ref:-**

1. Application vide email dated 29-05-2023.
2. This office letter no. I/73299/2024 dated 29-05-2024.
3. This office letter No.22-4/2005-CZA(497)(Vol.II)(Pt.) dated 30-11-2021.
4. This office letter dated 10/10/2025.
5. Evaluator letter dated 27/11/2025.

**Sir/Madam,**

With the reference to above, it is to inform that recognition of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre, Andhra Pradesh under section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 was valid till 15th November, 2023. Application for renewal of recognition of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre, Andhra Pradesh beyond 15th November, 2023 was received from Ms. Clementine A Koenegras, Centre Operator, Karuna Society for Animals and Nature dated May 29, 2023 and Dr N. Krishnakumar, IFS (Retd.), deputed by this office has evaluated the zoo on 21st & 22nd November, 2025. Copy of the Evaluation Report is enclosed herewith for your perusal and needful action.

2. Evaluation Report of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre, Andhra Pradesh was placed before the Technical Committee in its 117th Meeting of the Technical Committee held on January 16, 2026. The Technical Committee Upon deliberation on evaluation report submitted, has recommended to the Central Zoo Authority to renew recognition of the zoos and Subsequently, the Central Zoo Authority in its 43rd Meeting held on February 03, 2026 upon deliberation, approved recommendation of its Technical Committee.

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3. As per provisions of sub-section (1), (3) and (4) of Section 38-H under the Wild Life (Protection ) Act, 1972, regularized the period after 15th November, 2023 and renewed recognition of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre, Andhra Pradesh as a **Rescue Centre** for a period up to **February 03, 2029** subject to compliance with the following conditions as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 (RZR) and mid-term evaluation of the zoo.

Sr. No	Norm No.	Particulars of suggestions/recommendations	Time Period to Comply
<b>1. General requirements</b>			
1.	1.1	The rescue centre has to maintain all records of the animals in their possession.	Immediately
2.	1.2	The area has to be landscaped for aesthetic and ecological appeal. The area has to be frequently weeded the rescue centre needs good maintenance. Weeds and bushes have overgrown in the centre. The Pathways have to be maintained. Native trees need to be planted in the gaps. The fodder plot has to be maintained. There are many dilapidated structures within the centre like the old kennel houses, the spirulina. cultivation chambers. Subabul trees have over grown in many areas. The entire rescue centre needs excellent maintenance. There are presently no gardens and lawns, but only unattended weeds and bushes, Climbers even smother the growth of growing trees.	6 Months
3.	1.4	The compound wall near the entrance gate is not to CZA standards. The Karuna rescue centre, painted on the wall has faded. The centre has not received the needed attention in maintenance as the Authorities were probably concentrating on the upcoming centre at Rayalavari.	3 Months
4.	1.7	This needs to implemented. There should be separate solid waste management facility, liquid and waste water treatment facility besides storm water management system in place.	1 Year
5.	1.7	There should be separate lines for storm water management and liquid waste and separate solid waste management system to treat solid wastes. The kitchen wastes, animal liquid wastes are all being let into pits dug in the vicinity of the houses. The kitchen is damp. A toilet is build attached to the kitchen.	1 Year

<b>2. Administrative and Staffing Pattern</b>			
6.	2.2	The support staff is not enough. The centre should have a full-time biologist and full-time veterinarian. The rescue centre in charge is also requested to have MOU with local government hospitals/universities/ veterinary departments to strengthen the veterinary system.	3 Months
7.	2.2	The zoo in charge should ensure the veterinarian is available for all the emergencies. Contract agreement should be signed with local veterinarian.	Immediately
8.	2.2	The full-time biologist and veterinary assistant to monitor the health and behaviour of the animals are needed.	Immediately
<b>3. Development and Planning</b>			
9.	3.1	Beedupalli centre has a master plan and a lay out plan. It is not known if the plan has been got approved by CZA. A lay out plan for the New Rayarapalli centre is available. The master plan for the centre is awaiting approval from CZA.	Immediately
10.	3.4	More than 30 percent of the area is under greenery. The area needs weeds clearing, climber cutting and landscaping with lawns and gardens. Above however, weeding should be immediately done and the area planted with native trees and appropriately landscaped.	Immediately
11.	3.6	The rescue centre has no animal collection plan. Abandoned and orphaned, injured animals received are received and managed in the centre. The bear house and enclosure is good. The monkey and peacock house and enclosure need maintenance.	6 Months
<b>4. Animal Housing, display of animals &amp; animal enclosures</b>			
12.	4.2	The designs and dimensions of various enclosures have been decided are not in regard to the biological behavior of the species and the number of animals to be housed.	6 Months
13.	4.4	Space available to the animals is not in order to maintain safe distance from the dominant animals in the group or herd. For example:- Monkeys and Peacocks.	6 Months
14.	4.7	The sambar, spotted deer and black buck enclosures should be separated. At present all are in the same.	6 Months
15.	4.10	Signages are poor. Good signages have to be developed by the rescue centre authority. Writing on the wall and animal house walls should be avoided. Even rescue centre, should have well laid out boards and signages showing pathways to different animal houses with description of the animals in captivity.	6 Months
16.	4.1	All enclosures need improvement.	6 Months
<b>5. Hygiene and Health of animals</b>			

<b>5. Upkeep and health of animals</b>			
17.	5.1	Animals in its collection are not socially and behaviorally in viable groups.	6 Months
18.	5.1	All grills doors should be painted and squeeze cage has to be properly maintained particularly in the bear.	6 Months
19.	5.5	The drainage system has to be properly maintained with the support of consultant. Drainage map has to be maintained. The drainages are not deep. They are shallow channels not covered by concrete slabs. The soak pits are too close to the houses. Underground. Following hygienic procedures. drainage systems have to maintained.	1 Year
20.	5.2	<b>Nutrition and food hygiene</b> <b>General</b> No adequate quality feed as per species specific diet of such a composition and in such quantities that nutritional and physiological requirement of each animal is fully met and animal remains under-nourished on account of dominant animals not permitting other animals getting their share of the feed.	Immediately
21.		The storage conditions of the food items are not appropriate (free from moisture, moulds and pests).	Immediately
22.		The food storage facilities and working platforms are not cleaned and disinfected on regular basis.	Immediately
23.		Food and water has to be checked periodically.	Immediately
24.	5.5	<b>Removal of unused feed and excreta</b> Needs improvement. Liquid waste solid waste should be treated in ecofriendly manner. Veterinary officers should visit the hoses and check on the quality of feed and the hygienic practices being followed. Dumping excreta and solid wastes in pits near the animal houses should be avoided ( For example:- Monkey and Peacock).	Immediately
25.	5.6	Veterinary doctor and assistant should visit animal houses and record their observations. Documentation has to improve on health management with all records maintained in the kitchen, store house, animal house and in the hospital.	Immediately
<b>6. Veterinary and Infrastructure Facilities</b>			
26.	6.1 (a)	The Beedupalli centre has no good hospital equipment and infrastructure. It has no quarantine and isolation wards.	6 Months
27.	6.6	The rescue center should have MOU with government veterinary departments to take the tests.	6 Months
28.	6.3	Blow pipe and other animal restraint equipment to be purchased and procured.	Immediately
29.	6.4	The veterinarian and technician have partial requisite training in equipment use and animal restraint	Immediately

		techniques including handling of drugs and management of human emergencies.	
30.	6.5	The rescue centre should have lab asst. and compounder to support the veterinary unit in time of emergency and routine basis and for routine treatments.	6 Months
31.	6.3	Post Mortem facility should be improved immediately.	6 Months

A half-yearly compliance report to the Central Zoo Authority on implementation of the aforesaid conditions shall be submitted by the zoo.

5. The Karuna Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre, Andhra Pradesh shall comply with such standards and norms as are or may be specified or imposed, by or under the provisions of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 or the rules made thereunder; and the zoo operator shall comply with the directions and guidelines issued by the Central Zoo Authority from time to time, for the purpose of maintenance and upkeep of the Zoo.

6. The renewal of recognition of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre, Andhra Pradesh for period beyond February 03, 2029 would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

7. The recognition of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre, Andhra 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.

This is for your information and appropriate action.

**Yours sincerely,**

(डॉ. वी. क्लेमेंट बेन/ Dr. V. Clement Ben)

सदस्य सचिव/ Member Secretary

**Copy the information to :-**

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2. C. Narendra Reddy, Karuna Society for Animals and Nature, 2/138C, Behind S.C. Quarters, Enumulapalli, Puttaparthi - 515 134, Andhra Pradesh, India. (E-mail: karunasociety@gmail.com).

3. The DPA, CZA - to update database.

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The President,  
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**Sub.: Renewal of recognition of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre, Enumanapalli, Andhra Pradesh, under Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 – regarding**

**Ref.:**

1. **This office letter no. I/4999/2021 dated 13.11.2020.**
2. **Letter no. EFS02-2014/7/2018-WILD LIFE SEC-PCCF, dated 03/07/2021 received from the CWLW, Andhra Pradesh State.**
3. **This office letter no. I/2958/2020 dated 13.11.2020.**
4. **Your Office letter dated 22.05.2020.**
5. **This Office order No. 26-1/2019-CZA/1147/2019 dt. 18.07.2019.**
6. **Your office correspondence dt. 12.09.2021.**
7. **This Office letter No. 22-4/2005-CZA(497)(Vol. II)(BKG)/4235/2018 dt. 23.08.2018.**
8. **Your Office letter dated 24.06.2017.**
9. **This Office letter No. 22-4/2005-CZA(497)(Vol. II)(AK)/1042/2017 dt. 07.06.2017.**
10. **This Office letter no. 21-1/2016-CZA(AK)/776/2017 dt. 13.04.2017.**

Madam,

With reference to above, the undersigned is directed to inform that recognition of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre, Enumanapalli, Andhra Pradesh under Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, was valid till 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2017. Application for renewal of recognition was received in this office vide e-mail dated 22<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 from your end. Dr. Devender Kumar, Evaluation and Monitoring Officer, Central Zoo Authority was deputed by this office has evaluated the zoo on 15<sup>th</sup>&16<sup>th</sup> July, 2021. Copy of the Evaluation Report is enclosed herewith for your perusal and needful action.

2. Evaluation Report of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre, Enumanapalli was considered by the 38<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Central Zoo Authority held on 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2020, in exercise of powers conferred under sub-section (1), (3) and (4) of Section 38-H under the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, considered the evaluation report.

4. The Central Zoo Authority has regularised the period after 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 and renewed recognition of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre, Enumanapalli, Andhra Pradesh as a Rescue Centre for a period up to 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2023 subject to compliance with following conditions as per the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 (RZR) and mid-term evaluation of the zoo:

<b>S l. No.</b>	<b>Norm No.</b>	<b>Particulars of suggestions/ recommendation</b>	<b>Time Period to Comply</b>
<b>1. General Requirements</b>			
1	10.1(4)	The height of the front side wall towards entrance does not conform with the standards prescribed by CZA. It is less than as 2 mt.	As there is no incidence of animal escape or entry of animals in past and the zoo is proposed for relocation at new site, no action is suggested but zoo staff should be precautious as the place is surrounded by the human habitation
<b>2. Administrative and Staffing Pattern</b>			
2	10.2(1)	The zoo should appoint an officer of an appropriate rank as "Whole time in-Charge" preferably of Wildlife/ Zoology background with powers to take decision and ensure that adequate financial resources and infrastructural support is made available to such officer for proper housing, upkeep and health care of animals.	Six months
3	10.2(1)	The zoo should also make effort to appoint a Biologist to support "Officer-in-Charge" in terms of day to day management of the zoo besides providing scientific & technical inputs.	Three Months
<b>3. Development and Planning</b>			
4	10.3(1)	The zoo based on previous data records/ information regarding rescued animals in the region shall proposed the collection plan alongwith the carrying capacity of animals for the new proposed site.	Six months
5	10.3(3)	As there is no quarantine and isolation area present in the Rescue Centre and enclosures do not conforms to CZA prescribed norms/ guidelines, it is proposed that zoo should not accept rescued animals for time being until the completion of construction of new proposed relocation site of the Rescue Centre. However, in case of emergency the animals may be accepted in case housing facility is there.	With immediate effect
6	10.3(6)	Although zoo has produced documents (copy attached in annexure) towards submission of the report regarding the source from which the	With immediate effect

		animal has been received, legality of its acquisition and the facilities available at the zoo for housing, upkeep and healthcare to the CWLW of the respective State and if the animal pertains to endangered species a copy of report in prescribed format should also be submitted to CZA, but same should be followed each animal.	
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
7	10.4	As the existing animal enclosures are not as per CZA prescribed norms/ guidelines and as informed that this is old construction, the general maintenance should be taken up on regularly basis. However, the enclosures should be prepared as per the CZA norms/ guidelines at the new proposed site after approval from the CZA.	Two years
8		Tyre used for enrichment in one of the primate enclosures should be removed or shielded with jute rope.	With immediate effect
<b>5.Upkeep and healthcare of animals</b>			
9	10.5(2)	The food & water samples shall be tested periodically (once in a month) at recognized laboratory & report should be maintained.	With immediate effect
10	10.5(3)	Animal feed should be stored on a raised platform and it should be ensured that the store is rodent proof.	With immediate effect
11	10.5(8)	The written schedule in consultation with the veterinary officer for screening of animals for parasitic loads, de-worming and their vaccination against infectious diseases should be prepared and displayed at Animal enclosure.	With immediate effect
12	10.5(8)	All staff involved with upkeep and healthcare of animals housed in the Rescue Centre should be screened against zoonotic diseases at least once in a year.	With immediate effect
<b>6.Veterinary and infrastructure facilities</b>			
13	10.6(1)	The Animal Treatment Clinic should be maintained properly and to be functional.	With immediate effect
14	10.6(5)	Although an experienced animal attendant is deputed in Veterinary section, however, a qualified Stockman or compounder should also be appointed.	Six months
15	10.6(6)	Training should be provided to the staff for upkeep and health care of the animals by sending the staff to nearby Large Category Zoos.	Six months
<b>9. Acquisition and breeding of animals</b>			
16	10.9 (9&11)	The zoo should consider releasing of the fit and healthy recovered rescued animals to its natural habitat after obtaining permission from the Chief Wildlife Warden and following standard	With immediate effect.

		protocol laid down by the CZA and the IUCN in this regard.	
<b>12. Visitor's facilities</b>			
1 7 .	10.12 (2)	The anti-venom serum and lifesaving drugs should also be available alongwith first aid kit for the safety of	With immediate effect.

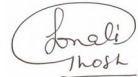
5. A compliance report to the Central Zoo Authority on implementation of the aforesaid conditions shall be submitted by the zoo within three months of issue of this letter followed by half-yearly report.

6. The renewal of recognition of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre, Enumanapalli for period beyond 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2023 as a Rescue Centre would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

7. The recognition 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.

**Yours sincerely,**



**Encl.** As above.

(Sonali Ghosh)

**(Dy Inspector General Of Forest)**

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

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2. The Member Secretary, Zoo Authority of Andhra Pradesh, Aranya Bhawan, K.M. Munshi Road, Nagarampalem, Guntur – 522 004, Andhra Pradesh (cfwlm\_apfd\_tpt@ap.gov.in).
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Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
Central Zoo Authority

B-1 Wing, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor,  
Pandit Daandayal Bhawan,  
CGO Complex, Lodhi Road,  
New Delhi – 110003,  
Dated 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2019

**Sub: Appeal under Section 38-H(7) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 against the Order passed by the Central Zoo Authority regarding cancellation of recognition of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre and Rehabilitation Centre – Rayalaseema, Ananthapuram District, Andhra Pradesh**

Reference is invited to the above cited subject.

In this context, the undersigned is directed to enclose a copy of the Order of the Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, in connection with the hearing held on 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 in MoEF&CC, on the above matter, for action as appropriate.

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(Dr. Anup Kumar Nayak) 18/7/19

**Member Secretary**

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**Encls.As above**

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1. The President, Karuna Society for Animals and Nature, 2/138C, Karuna Nilayam, Behind S.C. Quarters, Prashanthi Nilayam, Puttaparthi, Anantapuram District, PIN – 515 134; (Andhra Pradesh) E-mail: [karunasociety@gmail.com](mailto:karunasociety@gmail.com) [Zoo Operator of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre and Rehabilitation Centre under Rule 2m(l) of the Recognition of the Zoo Rules, 2009] – with reference to her appeal dated 12.09.2018.
2. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Department of Environment, Forests, Science & Technology, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Aranya Bhavan, K.M. Munshi Road, Nagarampalem, Guntur – 522 004, Andhra Pradesh, E-mail: [wildlifeap@gmail.com](mailto:wildlifeap@gmail.com)

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Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change**

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,  
Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj,  
New Delhi – 110 003.

**ORDER**

Whereas, the appeal dated 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 filed by the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre and Rehabilitation Centre – Rayalaseema against Order No.22-4/2005-CZA(497)(Vol.II)(BKG)/4235/2018 dated 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2018 issued by the Central Zoo Authority cancelling recognition of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre and Rehabilitation Centre – Rayalaseema, as per provisions laid under Section 38-H(6) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, for non-compliance of standard and norms laid under the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009 and Guidelines there under.

And whereas, a hearing was held by the undersigned as Appellate Authority in the capacity of the Secretary to the Government of India (Environment, Forests and Climate Change) as per provisions laid under Section 38-H(7) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, on 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 at Conference Hall in the Office of the undersigned in Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, New Delhi. During the hearing, following were present:

**Petitioner: Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre and Rehabilitation Centre – Rayalaseema**

Representative/s of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre and Rehabilitation Centre – Rayalaseema.

**Respondent: Central Zoo Authority**

Dr. Anup Kumar Nayak, Member Secretary, Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta, Evaluation and Monitoring Officer and Mr. T. Ajay Kumar, Evaluation and Monitoring Assistant represented the Central Zoo Authority.

Also, Dr. Gopinath, Joint Director (Wildlife), MoEF&CC and Shri Sashi Kumar from Wildlife Division, MoEF&CC assisted the undersigned in recording the proceedings of hearing.

And whereas, during hearing of the appeal, Dr. Anup Kumar Nayak, Member Secretary, Central Zoo Authority appraised following as prominent grounds for cancellation of recognition of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre and Rehabilitation Centre – Rayalaseema:

1. Failed to house rescued wild animals in congenial conditions. Zoo Operator permitted staff to reside in the Rescue Centre premises. Even open defecation of humans is observed in the Rescue Centre premises.

2. Firewood being used to cook food for wild animals housed in the Rescue Centre.
3. Domestic pig left to roam freely in the Rescue Centre premises.
4. Failed to appoint Whole-time in-charge of the Rescue Centre and scientific and technical staff.
5. Construction done by the Zoo Operator without obtaining approval of the CZA for relocation.
6. Failed to provide facility of prescribed design and dimension to house rescued wild animals. Also, Quarantine / Isolation area is absent.
7. Failed to report acceptance of rescued wild animals for housing in the Rescue Centre. Also, failed to obtain permission under Section 38-I of the WLPA for acquisition of wild animals for their long-term care.
8. Housing for captive animals is not as per prescribed design and dimension.
9. Upkeep of captive animals and their health screening is not as per the standards and norms prescribed by the CZA.
10. Records are not maintained in the prescribed format.

And whereas, the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre and Rehabilitation Centre – Rayalaseema pleaded following in the appeal dated 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2018:

1. Existing site is no more suitable to house rescued wild animals for their long term care. Hence acquired 15 acres of land for relocation of the Rescue Centre. After evaluation, further construction is stopped. Requested for recognition of the existing Rescue Centre for a period of three years and to permit relocation at proposed site.
2. Committed to provide housing of prescribed design and dimension to house rescued wild animals and to create Quarantine / Isolation area at site proposed for relocation of the Rescue Centre.

And whereas, in addition to the appeal filed, the representatives of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre and Rehabilitation Centre – Rayalaseema pleaded during the hearing that time period of two years may be granted to report progress on the action taken against the grounds cited for cancellation of recognition. Further, stated that the letter on renewal of recognition of the Rescue Centre is not received and hence could not report compliance during subsequent evaluation.

Now, therefore, after going through the pleadings of the parties, I set aside the Central Zoo Authority's Order dated 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2018 and dispose the appeal filed by the Zoo with following directives:

- a. The Central Zoo Authority shall reconsider the application filed by the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre and Rehabilitation Centre – Rayalaseema for renewal of recognition for period beyond 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2017, as per provisions of Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.
- b. The Zoo Operator shall submit the Master Plan and design of animal enclosures pertaining to endangered species that were already constructed by the Zoo Operator, for consideration of the Central Zoo Authority for post-facto approval.
- c. Time period of one year is granted to the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre and Rehabilitation Centre – Rayalaseema to report progress made by the Zoo Operator against each of the grounds cited for cancellation of recognition in the Order dated 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2018.
- d. The Central Zoo Authority shall verify progress made by the Zoo Operator from time to time.

All concerned be informed accordingly.

  
(C.K. Mishra)

Secretary to the Government of India  
(Environment, Forest and Climate Change)

Place : New Delhi  
Date : 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2019



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**Central Zoo Authority**

SPEED POST



BY REGISTERED POST

F. No. 22-4/2005-CZA(497)(M)

DATE: 08.10.2010

To

The Secretary  
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Behind S. T. Quarters Parenthi Nilayam (PO),  
Anantpur District – 515 134 (Andhra Pradesh).

**Sub:- Grant of renewal of recognition Karuna Society for Animals and Nature, Bedupalli, Anantpur District, Andhra Pradesh beyond the period of 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2010 under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 - Regarding.**

Madam,

Reference is invited to your letter dated 08.02.2010.

The evaluation of the Zoo was carried out on 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2010 and the evaluation report of the Karuna Society for Animals and Nature, Bedupalli, Anantpur District, Andhra Pradesh as submitted by Sh. Kartick Satyanarayan, Member, CZA and 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 Karuna Society for Animals and Nature, Bedupalli, Anantpur District, Andhra Pradesh as a Rescue Centre 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:-

Norm No.	Details on conditions to be stipulated	Period for compliance
10(3)	<b>Development and Planning</b>	
1	The revised copies of the master plan should be submitted to CZA for its scrutiny and approval.	With immediate effect
6	While preparing the master plan, the CZA's recommended concept plan should be followed i.e. to develop life time care facility for Sloth bear (6 No.) and Monkeys (10 No.).	With immediate effect
7	The rescue centre should not receive the animals unless it has appropriate facility for housing of the same.	With immediate effect.

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8	While receiving or transfer or release of animals into the wild, prior permission as desired under the Act and Rules should have obtained..	With immediate effect.
<b>10(4). Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures.</b>		
1	The paddock area provided for the Sloth bear should be increased with immediate effect.	Six months
2	The monkeys should be housed in a naturalistic and large enclosure within the premises of rescue centre itself, at the present they are housed on the roof of facility for domestic animals. The design of the same should have got approved by the CZA.	Six months
3	The sloth bear paddock should have space as per the CZA's guidelines.	Immediately
3	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Sambar and Blackbuck should be housed separately and their enclosure should be provided double gate entry.</li> <li>2. The locking system for bears should be improved upon.</li> <li>3. The keepers gallery should have a gate for the safety of animals and keepers.</li> <li>4. The weld mesh used at feeding &amp; retiring cells should be repaired and maintained properly.</li> <li>5. For the safety of employees of the rescue centre, the rescue centre should keep anti venom drugs in its collection along with first air kit.</li> </ol>	Immediately
6	Used tyre and metal pipes should not be hanged inside the animal enclosure rather the rescue centre operator may use naturalistic material	Immediately
<b>10(5). Upkeep and healthcare of animals</b>		
4	The Blackbuck and Sambar enclosure should be provided with feeding platform and a shade.	Two months
6	The rescue centre should get their veterinary staff trained by sending to other such rescue centres or training programme organized by the CZA.	One year
8	The rescue centre operator should maintain all records with respect screening of parasitic loads, medicines administered as per clinical requirements, vaccination of animals against infectious diseases and others and the same should be made available to the evaluation team..	With immediate effect.
9	All staff involved with upkeep and healthcare of zoo animals should be screened against zoonotic diseases once every year.	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 to Karuna Society for Animals and Nature, Bedupalli, Anantpur District, Andhra Pradesh beyond 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2012 as a Rescue Centre would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition to the Karuna Society for Animals and Nature, Bedupalli, Anantpur District, Andhra 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 faithfully,  
sd/-  
(B. S. Bonal)  
Member Secretary**

Copy for favor of information & necessary action to:-

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2. DPA, CZA.

  
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F. No. 22-4/2005-CZA(497)(Vol.I)(M)/2223

DATE: 21.02.2013

To

The Secretary  
Karuna Society for Animals and Nature,  
2/138/C, Karuna Vilayam,  
Behind S. T. Quarters Parenthi Nilayam (PO),  
Anantpur District – 515 134 (Andhra Pradesh).

**Sub:- Renewal of recognition to Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre, Rayalaseema under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.10.2012.**

Madam,

Reference is invited to your letter dated 28.07.2012 seeking renewal of recognition to Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre, Rayalaseema under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.10.2012.

The evaluation of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre, Rayalaseema was carried out by Dr. R. Raju on 03.11.2012. The evaluation report of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre, Rayalaseema as submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 64<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2013.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of recognition to Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre, Rayalaseema as "Rescue Centre" under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 31.10.2014 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>2. Administrative and Staffing Pattern</b>			
1.	2 (1)	The Rescue Centre operator shall post an officer of appropriate rank as "whole time in-charge" of the zoo with powers to take decision and ensure that adequate financial resources and infrastructural	Within six months

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		support is made available to such officer for proper housing, upkeep and healthcare of the zoo animals and managing the zoo in a planned manner.	
<b>3. Development and Planning</b>			
2.	3 (1)	The Rescue Centre should get the Master Plan approved by Central Zoo Authority.	Within three months
<b>6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities</b>			
3.	6 (a)	Adequate veterinary facilities to be provided to the size and type of the animal collection of the Rescue Centre.	Within three months
4.	6 (c)	The Rescue Centre have a full fledged veterinary unit with all basic diagnostic facilities, comprehensives range of drugs, operation theatre and in-patient wards.	Within three months
5.	6 (1)	The Rescue centre should provide a treatment room.	Within three 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 to Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre, Rayalaseema beyond 31.10.2014 as "a Rescue Centre" would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition to the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Centre, Rayalaseema 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,**  
sd/-  
**(B. S. Bonal)**  
**Member Secretary**

Copy to:-

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

  
**(Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta)**  
**Evaluation and Monitoring Officer**



**Central Zoo Authority**



F. No. 22-4/2005-CZA(497)(Vol. I)(NS) / 7386

DATE: 03.07.2015

To

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Karuna Society for Animals and Nature,  
2/138/C, Karuna Vilayam,  
Behind S.C. Quarters Parenthi Nilayam (PO),  
Anantpur District- 515 134 (Andhra Pradesh)

**Sub:-Renewal of recognition to Karuna Wildlife Rescue Center, Puttaparthi, Andhra Pradesh under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 beyond the period of 31.10.2014- Reg.**

Madam,

The evaluation of the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Center, Puttaparthi, Andhra Pradesh was carried out by Dr. B. Trinadh Rao on 24.01.2015. The evaluation report of Karuna Wildlife Rescue center, Puttaparthi, Andhra Pradesh as submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 74<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Central Zoo Authority held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2015.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant renewal of recognition to Karuna Wildlife Rescue Center, Puttaparthi, Andhra Pradesh as "Rescue Centre" under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, for a period up to 30.06.2017 subject to the compliance of the following conditions under the Recognition of Zoo (Amendment) Rules, 2013 and mid-term evaluation of the Rescue Center:-

S. No.	Norm No.	Condition Stipulated	Time Period to Comply
<b>3. Development and Planning</b>			
1	3(1)	Approval of Master plan should have got obtained from Central Zoo Authority.	Within 3 months
<b>4. Animal Housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
2	4(7)	Adequate screening has to be provided between the Sambar and Black buck enclosures	Immediately
3	4(10)	Appropriate signage with relevant information shall be provided for all the enclosures	Immediate
<b>5. Upkeep and health care</b>			
4	5(6)	The food samples shall be tested periodically (once in a month) for microbiological, toxicological and any other contaminants at	Immediately


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		recognized laboratory	
5		Removal of unused feed and excreta	Regularly
6	5(2)	The feed to various animals are being followed in the state zoos and the feeding schedule shall be followed	Immediately
<b>6. Acquisition and breeding of animals</b>			
7	6(1)	As seen from the Inventory and births and deaths, a number of animals like black buck are dying and the existing veterinary facilities and training to the local veterinary staff shall be strengthened	With immediate effect
<b>Other Observations</b>			
8		Proper training in the upkeep of various animals and health care of the animals shall be imparted to the workers by exposing to them to the Govt. zoos for 3-4 days.	2-3 months
9		Release of surplus, healthy Black bucks and Sambar into the high forests and to the needy zoos shall be taken up in consultation with local DFO and after obtaining permission from Chief Wildlife Warden	2-3 months

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

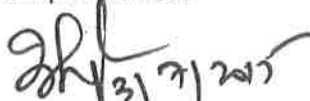
Grant of recognition Karuna Wildlife Rescue Center, Puttaparthi, Andhra Pradesh beyond the period of 30.06.2017 would be considered on the basis of compliance of the condition stated above and general performance of the Rescue Center at that point of time.

The recognition to the Karuna Wildlife Rescue Center, Puttaparthi, Andhra Pradesh shall be revoked by the Central Zoo Authority, at any point of time if the Rescue Center Operator is found not complying with the above stipulated conditions.

Yours faithfully,  
  
 (Inder Dhamija)  
 DIG(HQ)

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