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**CENTRAL ZOO AUTHORITY**

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Date: 02-03-2023

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 Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada, 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.FDCM/DM/GP/WRC/457/2020-21/Nagpur dated June 21, 2021, on the subject received in this office from the Divisional Manager, Gorewada Project, Nagpur
3. This office letter F.No. 20-2/2010-CZA(512)(Vol.III)(Part.), Computer no. 136641 dated 04.01.2021

Madam/Sir,

With reference to above, this is to inform that the recognition of Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada, Maharashtra was accorded up to August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 vide reference no. 3 above. The application for the renewal of recognition of Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada, Maharashtra for the period beyond August 19<sup>th</sup>, 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 Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada, Maharashtra vide CZA letter at reference no. 1 above. The Zoo was accordingly evaluated on June 19<sup>th</sup>, 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<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The Technical Committee after detailed deliberations recommended to the Central Zoo Authority for the renewal of recognition of Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada, Maharashtra for a period of two years and to regularise the period after August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021, subject to compliance with observation/ recommendation in the table below and mid-term evaluation. The members also recommended that the Zoo Operator may be directed to submit half-yearly compliance report with respect to observation/ recommendation stipulated while renewal of recognition.

Subsequently, the recommendation of 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 Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada, Maharashtra for a period up to March 01, 2025 under Section 38-H(1), (3) & (4) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972. This is subject to the ratification of this decision in the next meeting of the Central Zoo Authority.

Sl.	Norm No.	Particulars of suggestions/recommendation	Time Period to Comply
<b>3. Development and Planning</b>			
1.	10.3(8)	Prior approval of CWLW should be taken to rescue the animals especially schedule I & II animals.	One month
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
2.	10.4(2)	Enclosure for large carnivore should be enlarged as per the CZA norms.	Six months
<b>7. Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals</b>			
3.	10.7(4)	Looking into climate change and importance, the Rescue Centre should have an incinerator for disposal of carcasses	Six months
4.	10.7(2)	Post mortem report for scheduled animals should be sent to CWLW and CZA within 24 hours separately (As per the CZA guidelines)	Within 24 hours
<b>10. Research</b>			
5.	10.11	Research activities should be undertaken and enhanced.	Six months
<b>Other Observations</b>			
6.		Separate provision should be made to cut and clean the meat at rescue centre only to avoid infection within the premises of the Rescue Centre.	After completion of the current meat tender
7.		Compliances of the last evaluation should be completed within the time frame.	1 month
8.		Diet chart of carnivores should include Meat: Bone ration and other information. Daily inspection of food is must to protect animals from any disease.	One month
9.		Visitors should not be allowed to visit the rescue centre, unless it is an emergency.	
10.		Animal which are fit and disease free should be shifted to other places taking prior permission	Six months

	from CZA.	
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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 Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada, Maharashtra for the period beyond March 01, 2025 would be considered on the basis of compliance of the conditions stated above, mid-term evaluation and general performance of the zoo.

The recognition of Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada, 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**

**(SANJAY KUMAR SHUKLA)  
MEMBER SECRETARY**

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

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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 Divisional Manager, Gorewada Project and Officer in-charge, Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada, Hindustan Level Godown Square, Fetri, Mahurzari Road, Nagpur – 441501, Maharashtra. (E-mail: dmgorowada@gmail.com).
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**Subject: Renewal of recognition of the Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada, 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 25<sup>th</sup> August 2020
2. This Office letter F.No.21-2/2019-CZA(AK)/2058/2020 dated 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020
3. This Office letter F.No.20-2/2010-CZA(512)(Vol-III)(NS)/2982/2018 dated 25<sup>th</sup> April 2018
4. Application vide letter No.FDCM/DM/GP/T.S/2154/2019-20/Nagpur dated 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020 from the Divisional Manager, Gorewada Project, Nagpur

Sir,

With reference to above, the undersigned is directed to inform that recognition of the Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada, Maharashtra, under Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, was valid till 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019. Application for renewal of recognition was received in this office vide letter No.FDCM/DM/GP/T.S/2154/2019-20/Nagpur dated 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020 from the Divisional Manager, Gorewada Project, Nagpur. Shri D.N. Suman, IFS (Retired), evaluating officer deputed by this office has evaluated the zoo on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020. Copy of the Evaluation Report is enclosed herewith for your perusal and needful action.

2. Evaluation Report of the Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada was placed before the Technical Committee in its 96<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> July 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 25<sup>th</sup> August 2020 regarding renewal of recognition of the zoo. Subsequently, the Central Zoo Authority, in its 37<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 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 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 and renewed recognition of the Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada as a Rescue Centre for a period up to **19<sup>th</sup> August 2021** 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>1. General requirements:</b>			
1	10.1(4)	Due to presence of wild leopards in the area, all the perimeter wall and enclosures should be properly strengthened.	Six months
2	10.1(6)	The staff quarters should be separated from the Zoo premises by a 2-meter wall and should have a separate entrance	One year
<b>2. Administrative and staffing pattern:</b>			
3	10.2(1)	Adequate financial powers should be vested with the Zoo Director on permanent basis	Three months
4	10.2(2)	Permanent post of Biologist for Rescue Centre should be sanctioned and the post of Compounder should be filled on permanent basis.	One year
<b>5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals:</b>			
5	10.5(3)	The stock entry of food supply and its distribution should be properly recorded and matched	Three months
6	10.5(8) & 10.5(10)	Keeper's Diary should be kept at the enclosure gate along with Vaccination and Deworming Schedule	Three months
<b>6. Veterinary and infrastructure facilities:</b>			
7	10.6(1)	For bio containment, the laboratory should be separated from the existing hospital	One year
8	10.6(1)	Neo natal care facilities for the orphaned young ones of the Leopards, Sloth Bears and herbivore need to be created.	One year
9	10.6(3)	Quarantine facility in separate enclosures should be provided.	Six months
<b>7. Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals:</b>			
10	10.7(4)	Incinerator should be purchased and installed in the Rescue Centre.	Six months

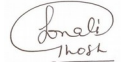
5. A compliance report to the Central Zoo Authority on implementation of the aforesaid conditions shall be submitted by the zoo within three months of issue of this letter followed by half-yearly report.

6. The renewal of recognition of the Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada for period beyond 19<sup>th</sup> August 2021 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 of the Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada 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**

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**Central Zoo Authority**

केन्द्रीय चिड़ियाघर प्राधिकरण

F. No. 20-2/2010-CZA(512)(Vol. III)(NS) / 2982/2018 (B)

By Post/E-mail  
Date : 25.04.2018

To,

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Civil Lines, Nagpur-440 001 (Maharashtra).  
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**Sub:-** Renewal of recognition to the Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Maharashtra (Rescue Zoo Category) for period beyond 30.11.2017 under Section 38H(1) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 – reg.

**Ref:-**

1. This office letter F. No. 20-2/2010-CZA(512)(Vol. III)(Pt.)(NS)/8052 dated 24.11.2015.
2. This office letter F. No. 19-104/93-CZA(157)(Vol. VI)(PKR)/2362/2018 dated 17.01.2018.

Sir,

Reference is invited to above cited correspondence. It is to inform that the evaluation of the Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Maharashtra (Rescue Centre and not proposed adjacent Zoo) was carried out by Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta, Evaluation and Monitoring Officer, Central Zoo Authority on 18.01.2018. The evaluation report of the Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Maharashtra was considered by the Technical Committee in its 85<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 23.03.2018. After detailed deliberations, the Technical Committee of the Central Zoo Authority decided to grant of renewal of recognition to the Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Maharashtra for a period of one year. A copy of the evaluation report is enclosed with this letter for your kind perusal and needful action.

The renewal of recognition to the Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Maharashtra as a "Rescue Centre" as per the provisions of Section 38H(1) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 is for a period up to 22.03.2019 subject to the compliance of the following directives under the **Recognition of Zoo Rules (RZR), 2009** and mid-term evaluation of the zoo and to regularise the period after 30.11.2017:-

Sr. No	Norm Under RZR, 2009	Particulars of suggestions/recommendation	Time Period to Comply
<b>Administrative and Staffing Pattern</b>			
1.	10(2.2)	The Rescue Centre does not have full time veterinary officer. However the animals health and upkeep is being looked after by the MAFSY (Maharashtra Animals Fisheries Science Institute). Keeping in view of the quantum of animals housed and their welfare, it is advised that the Rescue Centre should have a full time veterinary officer to look after the day to day health care of the animals housed at the Rescue Centre.	With immediate effect.

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Development and Planning			
2.	10(3.1)a	The Rescue Centre does not have any tranquilizing equipments in its premises, in spite of the fact that the Rescue Centre has been housing large carnivores. It is advised that tranquilizing equipment should be kept with appropriate and adequate medicines at the Gorewada itself.	With immediate effect.
3.	10 (3.1)b.	Though the Gorewada is full fledged Rescue Centre but does not have independent quarantine and isolation area. At present the sick, infirmed and injured animals are hosed next to the other animal at the rescue centre.	With immediate effect.
4.	10(3.8)	<p>The Rescue Centre, Gorewada should not acquire and house any endangered animals unless prior approval is obtained from Chief wildlife Warden of the State and the Central Zoo Authority. During the evaluation it was noticed that during the financial year 2017-2018 the zoo has acquired following animals (Sch. I &amp; Sch. II) as rescued:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sloth bear (1:1)</li> <li>2. Bengal tiger (1:1)</li> <li>3. Leopard (5:1)</li> <li>4. Rhesus macaque (1:1)</li> </ol> <p>However, no approval from the Chief Wildlife Warden, Maharashtra and the Central Zoo Authority as mandatory under Section 38 I of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 was obtained.</p> <p>The Rescue Centre, Gorewada has acquired following other animals (Schedule III and IV) during the financial year 2017-2017 as rescued. However, no approval from the Chief Wildlife Warden, Maharashtra and the Central Zoo Authority as mandatory under Section 38 I of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 was obtained:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Grey horned owl: 0:0:1</li> <li>2. Adjutant stork 0:0:1</li> <li>3. Barking deer 0:1</li> <li>4. Spotted deer 1:1</li> <li>5. Nilgai 3:0</li> </ol> <p>Other exotic birds acquired by the Rescue Centre are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reeves pheasant 3:2</li> </ol>	With immediate effect.
<b>Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
5.	10(4.2)	At the rescue centre, the interconnecting gates between the paddock and feeding & retiring cells, in case of herbivores are small in size. It should have been of the size as prescribed by the CZA.	Three months
6.	10 (4.2)	The opening in the large carnivore enclosures should be suitably enlarged for smooth entry of keepers and veterinarians.	With immediate effect.

<b>Upkeep and healthcare of animals</b>			
7.	10(5.3)	The rescue centre should maintain the details about animal diet fed to the animals housed in the rescue centre. During the period of evaluation no diet chart/feeding schedule was available.	With immediate effect.
8.	10(5.8)	The rescue centre has not carried out screening of the animals for parasitic loads as per written schedule. Neither details on prophylactic medicines administered as per clinical requirements and vaccination of animals against infectious diseases at the rescue centre were produced for verification.	With immediate effect.
9.	10(5.9)	All staff involved with upkeep and healthcare of rescue centre animals should be screened against zoonotic diseases once every year and those found positive to any communicable disease shall be provided appropriate treatment till they get cured and freed of the infection and during the period of such treatment, the infected employees shall be kept away from the responsibility of upkeep and healthcare of the animals.	With immediate effect.
10.	10(5.10)	The Rescue Centre should maintain the Animal History Sheet, Herd Sheet for herbivores, and Treatment cards in the format as prescribed by the CZA.	With immediate effect
<b>Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals</b>			
11.	10(7.1)	During the evaluation it was observed that a Python and a Nilgai died at the Rescue Centre recently. However, no post-mortem reports were available during the evaluation. It is mandatory for the Rescue Centre that every animal that die in the zoo shall be subjected to a detailed post-mortem examination by registered veterinarian to determine conclusively the cause of the death.	With immediate effect.
<b>Maintenance of Records and submission of Inventory</b>			
12.	11 (1)	The rescue centre should maintain record of the acquisitions, deaths and disposals of animals of each species in its collection in the manner and in the format as prescribed by the Central Zoo Authority.	With immediate effect.
<b>Non Statutory</b>			
13		The rescue centre should provide the covered paddock for the herbivores housed at the rescue centre, for safety of captive animals from free ranging leopards.	
14		The rescue centre has not been maintaining the de-worming schedule records of the animals housed at the Rescue Centre.	

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 Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Maharashtra for period beyond 22.03.2019 as a "Rescue Centre 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 Rescue Centre at Gorewada, 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.

Encl. As above

Yours sincerely



(Dr. D.N. Singh)  
Member Secretary

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Questionnaire for Evaluation of large, medium, small and mini zoos  
Central Zoo Authority - {RECOGNITION OF ZOO RULES, 2009}

O/o Central Zoo Authority

PART-I

(to be filled by the officer-in-charge of the zoo)

Diary No.....

Date.....

Date of Evaluation: 18/01/2018

Name of the Evaluator: Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta

1	Name of the Zoo	Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada
2	Name/designation of the officer in-charge of the zoo	Divisional Manager, Gorewada Project, Nagpur
	Address:	Near Hindustan Lever Godown Square, Fetri, Mahurzari Road, Nagpur-441501
	Mobile Phone:	0712-2667477
	Email:	dmgorewada@gmail.com
	Website:	www.fdcn.nic.in
3	Location and Area of the Zoo (also indicate the distance from the city/town):	Fetri, Nagpur (10 Km. from Nagpur)
	Whether the office of Zoo Director is within campus, if outside, how far?	No (4 kms. away)
4	If the Zoo Director is in-charge of any activity other than the zoo, if yes, please specify.	Yes, Divisional Forest Officer, Maharashtra State Zoo Authority, Nagpur (Additional Charge)
5	Operator/Agency under whose control the Zoo, and	Forest Development Corporation of Maharashtra Ltd. Nagpur
	Contact person	Mr. Nandkishor Kale
	Address	Wildlife Rescue Centre, Gorewada, Near Hindustan Lever Godown Square, Fetri, Mahurzari Road, Nagpur-441501
6	If the Zoo having a society/foundation/trust for financing and development of the zoo, if so, the details, thereof, attach a separate sheet	No
7	Approximate population of the city where the zoo is located	35 Lacs
8	Year of the Zoo founded	2015
9	Year first opened to public	NA
10	Mission Statement of the Zoo	NA
11	Vision Statement of the Zoo	NA
12	The day on which the zoo closed to public	NA
13	Last Recognition valid up to and evaluated by (mention name of the team members)	30th November, 2017
14	Whether your zoo is member of WAZA or any other such organizations, if so, provide details	No
15	Officers present during the evaluation	1. Dr. S.K. Patnaik 2. Dr. A.K. Malhotra
16	• Total no. of animals exhibited by the zoo (during the last evaluation & as on the date of evaluation) • Species exhibited & numbers	NA
17	List of Surplus Animals (attach a list)	NA
18	List of additional facilities available at the zoo like and their entrance fees, if any;	
	1. Nocturnal House	No
	2. Reptile House	Yes
	3. Aquarium	No
	4. Safari	Yes
	5. Boating	No
	6. Morning Walks	No
	7. Train Ride	No
	9. Elephant Ride etc	No
	10. Others, specify	
19	No. of visitors (during the current and last three financial year)	NA
20	Budget of the zoo (last three years) (attach separate sheet if required)	Yes, Annexure-I
21	Revenue earned (last three years)	NA

22	Utilization of financial Assistance received from the CZA during last three years and its utilization	Year	Funds Recived From CZA	Amount Spent With Item Wise Details	Savings, if any	Remarks Utilization Certificates Pending, if any, Provide Details
		Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

Attach a Separate Sheet as Annexure:- NA

**ANNEXURE-I**

**YEAR 2016-17**

**BUDGET**

Sr. No.	Items	Total
1	Plantation work Natural Regeneration Plant	48541.00
2	Office Expenditure	196857.00
3	Plantation at Rescue Centre	216778.00
4	Protection work	206966.00
5	Gate Chowkidar	353476.00
6	Nursery Works	8025.00
7	Compound Wall	42985.00
8	Medicine	0.00
9	Feed	1355507.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2429135.00</b>

## PART-II

**Details on compliance of the conditions stipulated by the Central Zoo Authority  
(as per the earlier letter of grant of recognition issued to the zoo)**

Letter No. 20-2/2010-CZA(Vol.III)(Pt.)(NS)/8052/512 dated:24.11.2015

Sr. No	Norm No.	Condition Stipulated	Time Period to Comply	Since when pending	Remarks	
					Status with regard to compliance of the conditions as submitted by the Officer-in-charge of the Zoo	Status with regard to compliance as noted physically by the evaluator during the visit
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>						
1.	10.4.6.	All the kraals, enclosures for monkeys, birds and snakes should be provided and enrichment as advised in the fields.	One month	24.11.2015	Complied	Action has been taken
2.	10.4.2	The opening in the large carnivore enclosures should be suitably enlarged for smooth entry of keepers and veterinarians.	One month	24.11.2015	Complied	No action has been taken.
3.	10.4.2	In the large carnivore enclosures, inbuilt squeeze cages may be provided in one of the night houses.	One month	24.11.2015	Complied	Complied
4.	10.4.2	The pucca flooring in the night houses of herbivore should be covered with soil.	One month	24.11.2015	Complied	Complied
5.	10.4.2	Suitable entry doors may be provided from the people gallery in all snake enclosures and suitable ventilation and lighting / sun light should also be provided.	One month	24.11.2015	Complied	Complied

## PART-III

Rule 10: Standards and Norms subject to which recognition under section 38H of the Act shall be considered.

Norm No.	Condition	Detailed status of implementation and enclosure specific recommendation	
		To be filled by the Zoo Director	Comments of the Evaluating Officers
<b>1. General requirements</b>			
1.1	Does the zoo make efforts to maintain population of physically, genetically and behaviourally healthy animals for furthering the cause of wildlife conservation and communicating credible conservation message to the visitors?	NA	Being the Rescue Centre in category, does not apply.
	b) If not please specify cases where it is violated? * Only in cases where stud books are maintained		
	(c) If any introduction of new blood has been made after last evaluation to increase the genetic viability of animals.	No	
1.2	Whether any endeavour has been made for proper landscaping and planting of appropriate species done to provide a naturalistic environment within the zoo?	Yes	Yes
	(b) If not indicate cases of deviation.	-	
1.3	(a) Whether the movement of visitors in the zoo has been regulated in such a manner that zoo animals are not unduly disturbed?	NA	As per CZA directives the Yoga Classes are not permitted within the premises of the Zoo is still continuing during the official opening hours of the zoo, is risk for the human being as well as for animals.  The children play area should be separated by the appropriate barrier and no children park activity should be taken nearer to animal houses.
	(b) Is the zoo closed to visitors at least one day in a week?	NA	
	(c) Which day?	NA	
1.4	(a) Whether the zoo has appropriate barriers along the boundary of the zoo in accordance with the standards issued by the Central Zoo Authority, as a safeguard against the unregulated access of visitors to the zoo and zoo animals and being subjected to injury, pilferage and predation?	NA	During the evaluation, it was noticed that a road of 12 mt wide inside the zoo premises, very close to nala and to the zoo periphery is coming up, which shall have city traffic diverted soon. It is observed that traffic on the proposed road shall bring further disturbance and noise to the animals housed adjacent and in the zoo. The zoo operator should be asked to submit the details.
	(b) If not which stretch and its length?	NA	
1.5	(a) Is the zoo surrounded by human landscape?	Yes	Yes
	(b) If yes, whether encompassed by a perimeter wall of at least two meter in height from the ground level on both sides?	Yes	Yes
1.6	(a) Is there residential colony constructed within the zoo premises?	Yes	Yes
	(b) If yes, whether separated by wall from the zoo premises by a boundary wall with a minimum height of two meters from the ground level?	No	No
	(c) Is the entry to the residential colony through the zoo premises?	No	No
1.7	(a) What are arrangements for managing solid and liquid waste and storm water?	The Meat waste is disposed by the supplier.	The effectiveness of Septic tank to be ascertained.

		- Scat, excreta and other food waste is dumped for compost. Adequate arrangement of septic tanks are created for disposal of liquid waste.																									
	(b) Is it adequate?	Yes	-																								
	(c)What are the short comings?	-	-																								
1.8	(a) Is the zoo displaying sick, injured, infirm and tethered animals to the visitors?	NA	No animals are displayed being a Rescue Centre.																								
	(b) If yes, what are the species and each of their number?	-	During the evaluation, it was noticed that a road of 12 mt wide inside the zoo premises, very close to nala and to the zoo periphery is coming up, which shall have city traffic diverted soon. It is observed that traffic on the proposed road shall bring further disturbance and noise to the animals housed adjacent and in the zoo. The zoo operator should be asked to submit the details.																								
1.9	a) Is the zoo housing domestic animals within the zoo premises?	No																									
	b) Is there adequate safeguards in place to prevent the entry of domestic livestock, stray animals and pets into the zoo premises?	Yes																									
<b>2. Administrative &amp; Staffing Pattern</b>																											
2.1	Does the zoo have 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 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?	Yes (Financial Powers not adequate)	The DFO is the in-charge of the Rescue Centre.																								
2.2	Does the zoo have adequate scientific and technical staff to support the officer-in-charge of the zoo in carrying out the responsibilities of housing, upkeep and healthcare of zoo animals, research and visitor education as specified in the Table below, namely:	Yes	During the evaluation, it was noticed that a road of 12 mt wide inside the zoo premises, very close to nala and to the zoo periphery is coming up, which shall have city traffic diverted soon. It is observed that traffic on the proposed road shall bring further disturbance and noise to the animals housed adjacent and in the zoo. The zoo operator should be asked to submit the details.																								
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2.3	If the scientific and technical posts are filled by direct recruitment, does the recruitment rule for such posts provide for their career progression including the benefit of flexible complementing scheme for their promotions?	Yes	--																								
2.4	In the event of emergency, what is the response time when the veterinarian is off the premises (i.e. distance between officer, residence and zoo)	20 Minutes	--																								
<b>3. Development and planning</b>																											
3.1	(a)Has the zoo prepared and got the master plan approved by the Central Zoo Authority?	Yes	The master plan of the rescue centre is approved by the CZA>																								
	(b)If not, what is the stage?	-	-																								
3.2	(a)Has at least 30% of the area earmarked for the zoo been kept under green belt and natural vegetation and the area for animal housing does not exceed 30% area of the zoo?	Yes	Yes																								

	(b)If not, approx what percentage?	-	
3.3	( a)Have all 'pucca' buildings including the visitor facilities been planned and located in such a manner that the natural landscape of the zoo have not been masked and the cleanliness and hygiene of the zoo is not been affected due to such animal enclosures/structures?	NA	--
	(b)If not what improvements are suggested?	-	--
3.4	Has the zoo prepared a collection plan in consultation with the Central Zoo Authority, indicating the names of the species and maximum number of animals of each species to be housed in the zoo, having due regard to the congeniality of the climatic conditions of the locality for the general health and well being of the species, availability of space and infrastructural support for proper upkeep and healthcare of the species, proximity of the zoo to the habitat range of the species and the past record of the zoo in management and breeding of the species and the zoo is not compromising on housing and upkeep standards of animals for accommodating new species or additional animals of the species in its collection?	NA	Yes
3.5	(a)Has the zoo accepted any rescued animal for which it does not have appropriately designed enclosure and upkeep facilities as well as the facilities for keeping it in isolation during quarantine period?	No	Yes
	(b)If yes which species and from where received?	NA	Within Maharashtra
	(c) The location of quarantine and isolation area?	200 Mtrs.	
3.6	a) Has the zoo accepted any rescued animal for housing?	Yes	Yes without approval from CZA and CWLW, Maharashtra.
	b) If so what is the species and number?	As per Annexure-I	
	c) Has the details been reported to CWLW of the state including a detailed report regarding the source from which the animal has been received, legality of its acquisition and the facilities available at the zoo for housing, upkeep and healthcare?	Yes	No
	d) If the rescued animal pertains to an endangered species whether a copy of the report has been sent to the Central Zoo Authority ?	Yes	No
3.7	(a)Whether the Central Zoo Authority has advised to transfer any animal to a particular zoo for augmenting the number of founder animals for the conservation breeding program?	No	On perusal of the correspondence held between the College of Agriculture, Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Nagpur and Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Maharashtra State, dated 15.12.2016, 26.04.2017 and 05.07.2017. The Zoo has been receiving the rescued wild tigresses cubs. The male tiger has been also kept temporarily by the management of Maharjbaug Zoo and payment basis.  The Maharajbaug Zoo, Nagpur zoo has also accepted the Four leopard rescued and these animals were housed in the zoo on the payment basis (copies of letters enclosed). However, prior permission of the Central Zoo Authority as mandatory under Section 38 I was not obtained.  The zoo has

			<p>acquired two rescue Smooth coated otters handed by the Forest Department of Maharashtra, however approval of CWLW of the State on this as well CZA has not been obtained by the Zoo Operator so far.</p> <p>The Zoo Operator and CWLW of Maharashtra may be asked for clarification on this issue.</p>
	(b)Whether the same has been complied with?	-	No
	(c)If not, why?	-	
<b>4. Animal Housing, display of animals &amp; animal enclosures</b>			
4.1	(a)Are the animals displayed in nature immersing (naturalistic) enclosures?	NA	-
	(b)How many such enclosures for which species exist?	NA	-
4.2	(a)If the designs and dimensions of various enclosures have been decided having due regard to the biological behavior of the species and the number of animals to be housed	Yes	<p>The animal exhibits for Sloth bear, Leopard, Rhesus macaque, and Common langur does not meet the norms prescribed by the CZA. Failure to not providing the area as prescribed by the zoo, the animals should be shifted to any recognized zoo in consultation with the CZA.</p> <p>The Partition in between the Leopard and Sloth bear enclosure should be removed immediately and may use it for housing of Leopard only. The Sloth bear should be provided housing as per the CZA's norms, else till such period, it should be shifted to Rescue Centre at Gorewada.</p> <p>The exotic birds aviaries at the zoo were found housing excess number of birds, the same should be controlled immediately. The zoo should reduce the number of birds immediately and the aviaries housing the birds should be enriched.</p> <p>The aquarium at the zoo still housing the various species of fishes in pathetic condition. The same should be done</p>

			away.  In the Spotted deer enclosure, the hard substrate has been used which does not meet the requirement of the animals, the same should be replaced immediately with good quality soil.
4.3	(a) Are the enclosures safe and secure for the animals, animal keepers and the visitors and has requisite space for free movement, exercise and expression of their natural behavior? (b) If not, in which cases?	Yes -	
4.4	(a) Is adequate space available to the animals in order to maintain safe distance from the dominant animals in the group or herd? (b) If not, in which cases?	Yes -	Yes
4.5	Which animals are kept in substandard enclosures as per CZA specification?	No	
4.6	(a) Has efforts been made to enrich the environment of the enclosures to meet the species specific behavioural requirements of the animals in accordance with the standards specified by the Central Zoo Authority? (b) Where are the deviations?	Yes No	No
4.7	(a) Has adequate screening been provided between adjacent enclosures to safeguard against the animals getting unduly excited or stressed due to visibility of animals housed in these enclosures? (b) What are the deviations?	Yes -	The zoo has not provided screening between exotic birds and Indian birds.
4.8	(a) Has any new enclosure for endangered species constructed without prior approval of the Central Zoo Authority? (b) If yes, which ones and why?	No -	NO -
4.9	(a) Has the zoo provided appropriately designed and effective standoff barriers at every animal display enclosure to regulate the movement of visitors in the zoo in a manner that facilitates the visitors in getting unobstructed view of wild animals, without reaching in the vicinity or proximity of the animals and getting the opportunity to physically touch or provoke the animals and are there adequate sign boards so as to give warning to the visitors to keep a safe distance from the animals? (b) Where are the deviations?	NA -	
4.10	(a) Have appropriate signage been provided with relevant information on the biology, behavior and the population status of the species in the wild at every display enclosure? (b) If any deviations, details thereof. (c) In case of large and medium zoos whether interactive interpretation facilities have been provided for the purpose of explaining behaviour and biology of the species displayed in the enclosure? (d) Details thereof.	NA - NA -	NA  NA
<b>5. Upkeep and healthcare of animals</b>			
5.1	<b>Enclosures and animal facilities</b> (a) Whether the animals in its collection are maintained in socially and behaviorally viable groups? (b) If any animal is separated from the group, the justification for the same and whether the animals, so separated, have been housed in accordance with standards specified by the Central Zoo Authority in this regard. (c) Whether the food containers and water bowls are cleaned and disinfected on daily basis? (d) Whether grills and floor of feeding cells, night shelters and chain link fence of outdoor enclosures are being disinfected on routine basis. (e) Whether perches and shelves are cleaned regularly and kept free of faeces and urine? (f) Whether dirt substrates in outdoor planted exhibits are raked and spot-cleaned periodically? (g) Whether the zoo has provision of secondary holding areas for safe movement of animals from primary enclosures for cleaning/ feeding/ medical procedures?	NA NA Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Not NA Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

	(h) Provision of footbath of adequate size with proper disinfectant at entry and exit points of animal house is provided or not?	Yes	Yes
	(i) Whether the indoor exhibits have separate ventilation system between exhibits and visitors area to reduce the potentials of disease transmission, in case of reptile and nocturnal animal houses?	NA	Yes
	(j) Whether the drainage system is covered properly and away from animal houses?	Yes	Yes
5.2	<b>Nutrition and food hygiene</b> <b>General</b> 1. Are the animals ensured timely supply of		Park III
	(a) 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 no animal remains under-nourished on account of dominant animals not permitting other animals getting their share of the feed?	Yes	Park IV
	(b) Is round the clock supply of potable water to all the animals is ensured?	Yes	Corpora Lounge I
	2. Whether inventory of daily received and distribution record of food items is maintained?	Yes	
	3. Whether the storage conditions of the food items are appropriate (free from moisture, moulds and pests)?	Yes	Yes
	4. Whether the food storage facilities and working platforms are cleaned and disinfected on regular basis?	Yes	Yes
	5. Whether the regular inspection of food items is being done for its quality and freshness and transported hygienically to the respective enclosures?	Yes	Yes
	6. Whether random food and water samples are being tested periodically for microbiological, toxicological and any other contaminants at recognized laboratory	Yes	Yes
	<b>Carnivore food and hygiene</b> 1. Whether the meat house is fly proof and pest free and located at a reasonable distance from the feed store and kitchen?	Yes	Yes
	2. Whether the zoo maintains strict hygienic conditions in the entire food stream, from the butchery to feeding platforms in order to prevent food contamination and overgrowth of potential pathogenic bacteria?	Yes	Yes
	3. Whether the zoo has a sufficient size functioning freezer in the meat processing facility for storage of meat products and to keep cold until it is fed?	Yes	Yes
	4. Whether the meat handlers entering the facility change into a clean and disinfected boots and coveralls?	Yes	Yes
	5. Whether the meat handlers use clean gloves when handling the meat?	Yes	Yes
	6. Whether the meat preparation facility is thoroughly cleaned and disinfected on regular basis after the meat preparation is completed?	Yes	Yes
	7. Whether there is a covered drainage system to prevent wastes and water from the meat preparation facility from draining onto the ground surrounding the facility where foot traffic will carry pathogens around and where wildlife may become exposed to the waste?	Yes	Yes
	8. Whether the meat is fed on a clean and disinfected surface and at a time when the animal will consume it as quickly as possible?	Yes	Yes
	9. Whether the keepers use clean gloves, if they handle the meat prior to feeding?	Yes	Yes
	<b>Food distribution</b> 1. (a) Is the timing of distribution of food, placement of food and way of distribution of food to the animals regulated in such a manner that the animals get maximum opportunity to express natural instincts and skills and behaviour related to feeding?	Yes	Yes
	<b>Removal of unused feed and excreta</b> Are the left over feed, excreta of animals and all other wastes are removed promptly from the feeding cells and kraals and the feeding cells and kraals are washed and disinfected as per the advice of the authorized veterinary officers and the solid and the liquid waste generated during the process are disposed off in such manner that has no adverse impact on the hygiene and cleanliness of the zoo and the landscape surrounding the zoo?	Yes	Yes
	(a) In which cases improvement is recommended?	-	

	(b) Are the dimensions and designs of the feeding cells and kraal as per the standards specified by the Central Zoo Authority?	Yes	Yes
	(c) Cases of deviation, if any?	-	
5.3	<b>Visual observation on daily activity pattern of animals and preventive healthcare</b> 1. (a) Do the curatorial and the veterinary staff keep a close watch on the general behavior and health parameters of the zoo animals?	Yes	The format is OK, however, the same should inputs from all.
	(b) Are the animals handled only by the staff having experience and training in handling the individual animals?	Yes	-
	(c) Whether periodical health monitoring of animals have been carried out regularly?	Yes	-
	2. If any animal shows any sign of dullness, loss of appetite, injury or abnormal behaviour: is the animal thoroughly assessed and provided medical attention promptly as per the standards specified by the Central Zoo Authority in this regard from time to time and the direction of the zoo administration?	Yes	Yes
	3. Is every zoo animal screened for parasitic loads as per written schedule prepared by the zoo in consultation with the veterinary officer and prophylactic medicines administered as per clinical requirements and vaccination of animals against infectious diseases are also done, as per the schedule prescribed by the Veterinary Officer from time to time?	Yes	Yes
	4. Whether the zoo have written schedule of vaccination and de-worming of different species of the zoo animals and displayed at the enclosure site?	Yes	Yes, but not maintained in the format.
	5. Does the zoo maintains detailed records of observations of biological and social behaviour and health status of the animals including feed intake, medication and treatment provided in the keeper's diary, daily reports, animal history cards and treatment cards, as per standards specified by the Central Zoo Authority?	Yes	The zoo should maintain the Animal History Cards in the format as prescribed by the CZA. The same should be maintained in the CZA prescribed format with immediate effect.
	6. Are all staff involved with upkeep and healthcare of zoo animals screened against zoonotic diseases once every year and those found positive to any communicable disease are provided appropriate treatment till they get cured and become free of the infection and during the period of such treatment, the infected employees are kept away from the responsibility of upkeep and healthcare of the animals?	Yes	No record was seen during the evaluation.
	7. Whether the zoo has clause of employing a zoo keeper temporarily ailing for usefully utilizing them elsewhere in the zoo in the intervening period.		
	8. Every zoo should have formal linkages through a MoU on healthcare, preventive, health management, surgical interventions, clinical tests, disease diagnosis and consultation in treatment and management during the period of convalescence.	Yes	Yes
	(a) Whether the zoo has any such MoU with the nearest veterinary institution?	Yes	Yes
	(b) Whether the MoU contains names and contact details of person/ persons to be contacted to assist zoo management in all aspects in health management for zoo animals?	Yes	Yes
<b>6. Veterinary and Infrastructure Facilities</b>			
6.1	<b>Zoo hospital</b> (a) Are veterinary facilities appropriate to the size and type of the animal collection of the zoo including isolation ward and quarantine facilities located away from the hospital and other animal collections?	Yes	There were no basic facilities in the hospital.
	(b) Does the zoo have a full fledged veterinary unit with all basic diagnostic facilities, pharmacy, diagnostic and treatment room, comprehensive range of drugs, operation theatre and in-patient wards?	Yes	No
	(c) Are there suitable and appropriately designed holding facilities for animals requiring extensive medical care?	Yes	Yes
	(d) Whether the veterinary facilities have a separate area / room for equipment cleaning and sterilization?	Yes	Yes

(e) Whether the zoo has basic hospital and monitoring equipment:		
✓ refrigerator (50C)	Yes	Yes
✓ stethoscope	Yes	Yes
✓ freezer (-170C)	Yes	Yes
✓ scales for weighing animals	Yes	Yes
✓ transponders for animal ID and transponder reader	Under Process	No
✓ ultra-low freezer (-700C) for serum banking and diagnostic samples	Under Process	No
✓ ophthalmoscope	Under Process	No
✓ otoscope,	Yes	Yes
✓ thermometer	Yes	Yes
✓ capture equipment (i.e. darts and dart projectors)	Under Process	No
✓ laryngoscope and blades	Under Process	No
✓ endotracheal tubes	Under Process	No
✓ oxygen support (regulators and demand valves)	Under Process	No
✓ inhalation anesthesia machine that can support a tiger-sized animal	Under Process	No
✓ isoflurane vaporizer	Under Process	No
✓ anesthesia monitoring equipment (single or multiparameter)	Under Process	No
✓ pulse oximeter	Yes	Yes
✓ ECG (blood pressure monitor included)	Yes	Yes
✓ basic surgery instruments	Yes	Not seen during evaluation
✓ surgical light	Under Process	No
✓ autoclave	Under Process	No
✓ basic dental instruments	Under Process	No
(f) Whether the zoo has basic diagnostic support to enable and make rapid assessments of physiologic status of sick and injured animals:	Under Process	No
✓ Hematocrit and hematocrit centrifuge for Packet Cell Volume	Under Process	No
✓ Hand-held refractometer for Total Serum Solids	Under Process	No
✓ Hemacytometer and associated items for Manual RBC and WBC counts	Under Process	No
✓ Standard laboratory centrifuge, microscope and glassware for Fecal Parasite Examination	Under Process	No
✓ Standard laboratory centrifuge and glassware for Serum / Plasma separation	Under Process	No
g) Whether the zoo has arrangements of reference laboratory support and rapid transportation of diagnostic samples to nearest veterinary institution equipped with following facilities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Automated blood cell counting</li> <li>✓ Clinical chemistry</li> <li>✓ Bacterial culture and antibiotic susceptibility</li> <li>✓ Viral isolation and identification</li> <li>✓ Antibody/ antigen serology</li> <li>✓ Pathogen identification through ELISA or PCR</li> <li>✓ Toxic agent analysis</li> <li>✓ Parasite identification</li> </ul>	Yes	None at the Rescue Centre
(h) Has the zoo acquired sophisticated and costly diagnostic equipments for which there are no technically qualified manpower to operate and use the same?	No	NO
(i) Whether the veterinarian and technician have requisite training for equipment use and data analysis?	Yes	Yes
(j) Are there proper storage facilities for various medicaments and chemical immobilization drugs?	Yes	Yes
(k) If a mini zoo, does it have at least facilities of a treatment room?	NA	NA
<b>5.2 Animal restraint</b>	Under Process	No
(1) Whether the zoo has appropriate animal restraint equipment, accessories and drugs ?		
(2) Whether the animal restraint equipment are being kept and maintained as per standard protocol ?	Under Process	No
(3) Whether the veterinarian and technician have requisite training in equipment use and animal restraint techniques including handling of drugs and management of human emergencies?	Yes	No
(4) Is the restraint of an animal requiring chemical immobilization done exercising utmost care and following the standards specified in this regard by the Central Zoo Authority from time to time?	Yes	No

	(5) Whether the veterinarian has requisite training in Animal immobilization with specific reference to wildlife?	Yes																
	(6) Is there a dedicated refrigerator for storage of chemical restraint drugs?	Yes																
5.3	<b>Veterinary Support staff</b> Does the zoo have the zoo veterinary support staff as specified in the Table below ; namely – <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th>S.No.</th> <th>Support staff</th> <th>Large Zoo</th> <th>Medium Zoo</th> <th>Small Zoo</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>Lab Assistant (Technician)</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>Stockman / compounder</td> <td>2</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	S.No.	Support staff	Large Zoo	Medium Zoo	Small Zoo	1	Lab Assistant (Technician)	1	1		2	Stockman / compounder	2	1	1	Yes	No permanent staff which is on the payroll of the Rescue Centre Operator was seen at the Rescue Centre during the evaluation.
S.No.	Support staff	Large Zoo	Medium Zoo	Small Zoo														
1	Lab Assistant (Technician)	1	1															
2	Stockman / compounder	2	1	1														
5.4	<b>Wildlife veterinary medical education and training</b> 1. Does the zoo have linkages with the eminent institutions and organizations working in the field of wild animal healthcare with the objectives to provide for : a) Assistance in scientific diagnosis of diseases of serious nature and advice on the effective remedial treatment. b) Training and upgrading technical skills of animal health staff. c) Development of protocols for preventive medicines and vaccination 2. Whether the veterinary officer has requisite training/education in wildlife medicine/health ? 3. Whether the zoo has any training programme/residency for skill development for the zoo veterinary medical officer in wildlife medicine in a large foreign zoo ?	Yes	Yes															
		Yes	Yes															
		Under Process	No															
<b>7. Post-mortem and disposal of carcasses of animals</b>																		
7.1	<b>Post mortem facilities</b> 1. Does the zoo; unless it is mini zoo have a modern post mortem room, equipped with sufficient light and post mortem equipment? 2. Whether the zoo veterinarian has specialized knowledge and skills in wildlife pathology? 3. Is there availability of pathology support from nearest veterinary institution to provide specialized capabilities and consultation particularly for post mortem of an endangered species requiring definitive diagnosis and collection of samples in a scientific way and as per protocols required by reference laboratories / veterinary institute? 4. Does every animal dying in the zoo is being subjected to a detailed post mortem examination by registered veterinarian to determine conclusively the cause of the death?	Yes	Yes															
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		Yes	Yes															
7.2	Are the findings of the post-mortem examination referred to in sub-paragraph (1) recorded in such format as have been prescribed by Central Zoo Authority in this regard and is it maintained for a period of not less than six years?	Yes	The records are not maintained properly. Some of them are also not in the format as prescribed by the CZA.															
7.3	1. In the event of the post mortem being inconclusive and no specific reason for death is identified, do the zoo authorities send the samples of the tissues and organs, blood, viscera etc. for further examination to the qualified diagnostic laboratory having adequate specialization for further investigation and identifying the cause of death?	Yes	No further investigation has been done so far.															
	2. Whether the post mortem report is corroborated with other diagnostic findings in consultation with specialized reference laboratories / veterinary institutions?	Yes	--															
7.4	Does the zoo ensure that the carcasses of the animals, after the post-mortem has been conducted, is disposed off by burying or burning in a manner that does not have any adverse impact on the hygiene and cleanliness of the zoo ?	Yes	Complied.															
	a) Are the carcasses of large cats disposed off by burning in the presence of Director of the zoo or any officer in the next rank to him and authorized by him in this behalf?	Yes	Yes they are burnt.															
	b) Are the carcasses of animals which died due to Anthrax or such other communicable diseases not opened and subjected to post-mortem, as a safeguard against spread of the disease and they are buried intact?	Yes	---															
<b>8. Euthanasia</b>																		
8.1	No animal in the zoo shall be euthanized unless doing so is essential for relieving from suffering from incurable disease /condition as per the norms of CZA.	NA	Not done so far.															

9. Acquisition and breeding of animals			
9.1	Are animals of various species kept and maintained in social viable groups and with such a sex ratio that optimizes breeding and helps in developing a self-sustaining population of each species?	NA	NA
9.2	(a) Has the zoo acquired animals based on scientific assessment of its lineage and genetic relatedness to Safeguard against ill effects of inbreeding on the zoo population, through exchange, loaning and getting gifts of animals from other zoos?	NA	NA
	(b) If there is any deviation, details thereof.	-	-
9.3	(a) Has the zoo acquired single animals or genetically non-viable number of animals unless such acquisition is necessary for pairing of single animals or making the group genetically/biologically viable?	NA	NA
	(b) Please indicate such cases.		
9.4	(a) Has the zoo tried to acquire mates for single and unpaired animals on priority basis and in the event of any zoo failing to find a mate for single and unpaired animal within a period of six months, the unpaired or single animal have been transferred or exchanged or given on breeding loan to any other zoo in accordance with the norms specified by the Central Zoo Authority in this regard?	NA	NA
	(b) Please indicate unpaired species, its sex and for the period it has been kept unpaired.	NA	NA
9.5	Has the zoo transported animals from one place to another and if so CZA transportation protocols were followed? For the purpose of transportation of animals from one place to another, are the standards specified in this regard by the CZA complied with.	NA	NA
9.6	a. Has the Central Zoo Authority assigned any endangered species for Conservation Breeding Programme to the zoo, if so please indicate?	NA	NA
	b. If a scientific conservation breeding plan species recovery plans for the species have been prepared or not? If the plan is being followed by the zoo?	NA	NA
	c. Is the Conservation Breeding Facility situated in off display area of the zoo?	NA	NA
	d. Has the founder population of the species bred in zoo, indicate numbers bred in the zoo?	NA	NA
	e. Have the animals been conditioned for reintroduction in the wild?	Yes	Yes
	f. Has there been sufficient technical inputs from the species experts? Please elaborate the responsibility of conservation breeding of the identified critically endangered species to identified zoos having technical capabilities and housing facilities, preferably close to the distribution range of the species and every zoo shall help the identified zoos in implementing the breeding programme. Please indicate specific cases for the zoo.	NA	NA
9.7	Has the zoo spared surplus animals from the breeding population to the participating zoos for display purposes on the basis of quality of housing and infrastructural facilities available with the concerned zoos?	NA	NA
9.8	With a view to prevent inbreeding and the loss of heterozygosity is the zoo maintaining the animal history cards & stud and herd book for the animals of endangered species housed in the zoo and putting appropriate identification marks for transfer or exchange animals with other zoos?	NA	NA
9.9	a. Is the zoo limiting the number of animals of each species within the limits set by the animal collection plan of the zoo by implementing appropriate population control measures like segregation of sexes, vasectomy, tubectomy and implantation of pellets etc., with due consideration of the health and welfare of the animals and interest of their long term survival? Please indicate species wise numbers over the last three years.	NA	NA
	b. What methods of population control were employed and comparative success?	NA	NA
9.10	Has the zoo implemented disaster management plan, training and mock drills to prevent accidents in zoo in accordance with master plan?	Yes	No
	Indicate action taken for safeguard against any accident/ escape of the zoo animals from the premises of the zoo and in the event of any accidental escape, immediate action was taken to retrieve the escaped animals?	-	
9.11	Has the zoo released any surplus captive animal into the wild except in accordance with the norms specified by the Central Zoo Authority in this regard? Annex details	No	No
9.12	Is the hybridization of species or races of same species taking place in the zoo? Which species?	No	No
10. Research Activities			
10.1	a. Has the zoo implemented a research plan as indicated in the Master Plan and conducted research on the prioritized species and specific areas of concern?	Under Process	No research activities has been taken up by the Rescue centre operator so far.

	b. Has the zoo accessed grants from CZA or other institutions/agencies for the Research Project. Indicate details and outcomes?	No	
	c. Is the zoo carrying out collaborative research for evolving innovative strategies for providing the animals housed in the zoo a better quality of life, enhanced longevity, higher genetic and behavioural viability and improved reproduction potential and to achieve the said goal.(Every zoo, other than mini zoos, shall make arrangements for meticulous recording of data on the social behaviour, group dynamics and reproductive biology of the species housed in the zoo and developing a data base to be shared with other zoos and the identified institutions, in accordance with norms specified by the Central Zoo Authority in this regard)	Yes,	
	d. Research paper/ technical reports published. Details of its implementation.	-	
<b>11. Education and Outreach Activities</b>			
11.1	a. Has the zoo made efforts to educate the visitors to the zoo and the people at large about the significance of wildlife conservation for the general well-being of the people and keeping the life support system of nature intact and to make people aware about the role played by the zoos in this regard and the ways and means through which general public can participate and contribute for the same?	NA	NA
	b. Whether the zoo has appropriate signages and interpretation facilities, Souvenir Shop, Library Facility accessible, dedicated Website and carrying out the Outreach and awareness, Guided Tour, celebrations of various events	NA	NA
11.2	Is physical handling or performances by animals permitted as part of educational activity?	NA	NA
<b>12. Visitor Facilities</b>			
12.1	Is the zoo providing adequate civic facilities for visitors at appropriate and convenient places in the zoo including physically disadvantaged persons and such facilities are so located that they do not mask or impact the view of enclosures?	NA	Visitors Not Allowed
	a. Drinking Water	NA	
	b. Urinals	NA	
	c. Ramps	NA	
	d. Wheel chairs	NA	
	e. Battery Operated vehicles	NA	
	f. Lawns	NA	
	g. Visitor shed	NA	
	h. Kiosks	NA	
	i. rain shelters	NA	
	j. cloak rooms for the visitors	NA	
	k. zoo visitor guides	NA	
	l. Public Announcement systems, fire alarm during emergency.	NA	
12.2	Does the zoo have first aid facilities including snake anti-venom and life saving drugs, readily available in the zoo premises?	Yes	Yes
12.3	Is the zoo making arrangements for providing access to the physically challenged persons for viewing wild animals at various animal enclosures?	NA	NA

**PART-IV  
RECOMMENDATION**

(On the basis of observations of the status as per Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009)

Sr. No	Norm No.	Particulars of suggestions/recommendation	Time Period to Comply
<b>General requirements</b>			
1.	10(1.3)	As per CZA directives the Yoga Classes are not permitted within the premises of the Zoo is still continuing during the official opening hours of the zoo, is risk for the human being as well as for animals.	With immediate effect
2.	10(1.3)	The children play area should be separated by the appropriate barrier and no children park activity should be taken nearer to animal houses.	With immediate effect
3.	10(1.4)	During the evaluation, it was noticed that a road of 12 mt wide inside the zoo premises, very close to nala and to the zoo periphery is coming up, which shall have city traffic diverted soon. It is observed that traffic on the proposed road shall bring further disturbance and noise to the animals housed adjacent and in the zoo. The zoo operator should be asked to submit the details.	With immediate effect
4.	10(1.9)	The entry of feral dogs to the zoo to be stopped immediately.	With immediate effect
<b>Administrative and Staffing Pattern</b>			
5.	10(2.2)	Though the zoo comes under the Small Category Zoo, the Zoo does not have full time Officer-in-Charge, Biologist cum Education Officer . The zoo should appoint the personnel's. The present Veterinary Officer has been also having charge of animals housed at the Dairy of the University. The same should be done away.	Three months  With immediate effect.
<b>Development and Planning</b>			
6.	10(3.7&8)	On perusal of the correspondence held between the College of Agriculture, Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Nagpur and Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Maharashtra State, dated 15.12.2016, 26.04.2017 and 05.07.2017. The Zoo has been receiving the rescued wild tigresses cubs. The male tiger has been also kept temporarily by the management of Maharajbaug Zoo and payment basis.  The Maharajbaug Zoo, Nagpur zoo has also accepted the Four leopard rescued and these animals were housed in the zoo on the payment basis (copies of letters enclosed). However, prior permission of the Central Zoo Authority as mandatory under Section 38 I was not obtained.  The zoo has acquired two rescue Smooth coated otters handed by the Forest Department of Maharashtra, however approval of CWLW of the State on this as well CZA has not been obtained by the Zoo Operator so far.  The Zoo Operator and CWLW of Maharashtra may be asked for clarification on this issue.	
<b>Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
7.	10(4.2)	The animal exhibits for Sloth bear, Leopard, Rhesus macaque, and Common langur does not meet the norms prescribed by the CZA. Failure to not providing the area as prescribed by the zoo, the animals should be shifted to any recognized zoo in consultation with the CZA.	With immediate effect.
8.	10(4.2)	The Partition in between the Leopard and Sloth bear enclosure should be removed immediately and may use it for housing of Leopard only. The Sloth bear should be provided housing as per the CZA's norms, else till such period, it should be shifted to Rescue Centre at Gorewada.	With immediate effect.
9.	10(4.2)	The exotic birds aviaries at the zoo were found housing excess number of birds, the same should be controlled immediately. The zoo should reduce the number of birds immediately and the aviaries housing the birds should be enriched.	With immediate effect.
10.	10(4.2)	The aquarium at the zoo still housing the various species of fishes in pathetic condition. The same should be done away.	With immediate effect.
11.	10(4.2)	In the Spotted deer enclosure, the hard substrate has been used which does not meet the requirement of the animals, the same should be replaced	With immediate effect.

		immediately with good quality soil.	
12.	10(4.7)	The zoo has not provided screening between exotic birds and Indian birds.	With immediate effect.
13.	10(4.10)	The zoo should provide signage's of the animals enclosures containing the biological information on the species housed therein.	With immediate effect.
	<b>Upkeep and healthcare of animals</b>		
14.	10(5.10)	The zoo should maintain the Animal History Cards in the format as prescribed by the CZA. The same should be maintained in the CZA prescribed format with immediate effect.	With immediate effect.

**Proposed Action:**

It is proposed that the Central Zoo Authority may consider granting renewal of recognition of the Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Maharashtra (Rescue Zoo Category) for a period of one year, subject to compliance with conditions stipulated hereunder and mid-term evaluation and the Rescue Centre operator be asked to submit time bound commitment for compliance within 30 days of communication of the observations of the evaluation report and half yearly compliance report subsequently.

As the Rescue Centre has failed to report acquisition of rescued animals, the CZA should serve a notice taking cognizance under Section 55(aa) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 for violation committed by the Zoo Operator and the Officer in-charge of the zoo under Section 38H(4) of the Act.

  
(Dr. Brij Kishor Gupta)



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**DATE: 24.11.2015** Email

To

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**Sub:- Recognition to Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Nagpur, Maharashtra under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 - Reg.**

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter no. Desk 23(4)/CR./613/2013-14, dated 15.05.2013.

The evaluation of the Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Nagpur, Maharashtra was carried out by Sh. S.K. Patnaik and Dr. A.K. Malhotra on 01.10.2015, Member of the Expert Group on Zoo Designing of CZA. The evaluation report of the Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Nagpur, Maharashtra as submitted by the evaluating officer was considered by the Technical Committee in its 76<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Central Zoo Authority held on 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2015.

The Central Zoo Authority has decided to grant of recognition to the Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Nagpur, Maharashtra as "Rescue Centre" under Section 38H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 for a period up to 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 subject to the compliance of the following conditions under the Recognition of Zoo (Amendment) Rules, 2013 and mid-term evaluation of the Rescue Centre:-

S. No.	Norm No.	Condition Stipulated	Time Period to Comply
<b>4. Animal housing, display of animals and animal enclosures</b>			
1.	4(6)	All the kraals, enclosures for monkeys, birds and snakes should be provided and enrichment as advised in the fields.	One month
2.	4(2)	The openings in the large carnivore enclosures should be suitable enlarges for smooth entry of keepers and veterinarians.	One month
3.	4(2)	In the large carnivore enclosures inbuilt squeeze cages may be provided in one of the night houses.	One month

4.	4(2)	The pucca flooring in the night houses of herbivore should be covered with soil.	One month
5.	4(2)	Suitable entry doors may be provided from the peoples gallery in all snake enclosures and suitable ventilation and lighting/sun light.	One month

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

Grant of recognition Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Nagpur, Maharashtra beyond the period of 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 would be considered on the basis of compliance of the condition stated above and general performance of the Rescue Centre at that point of time.

The recognition to the Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Nagpur, Maharashtra shall be revoked by the Central Zoo Authority, at any point of time if the Rescue Centre Operator is found not complying with the above stipulated conditions.

**Yours faithfully,**

  
 24.11.15  
**(Vinod Ranjan)**  
**Member Secretary**

**Copy to:-**

1. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Maharashtra for favour of information and with a request that the stipulated conditions may be got implemented.
2. The Director/Officer-in-charge, Rescue Centre, Gorewada for favour of information and necessary action.
3. Mr. Vivek Goel, DPA, CZA.

  
 24.11.15  
**(Vinod Ranjan)**  
**Member Secretary**