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To

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Karuna Society for Animals and Nature,  
2/138C, Behind S. C. Quarters Enumulapalli,  
Puttaparthi – 515 134, Andhra Pradesh  
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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.</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.

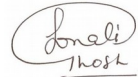
5. A compliance report to the Central Zoo Authority on implementation of the aforesaid conditions shall be submitted by the zoo within three months of issue of this letter followed by half-yearly report.

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).
3. File Computer No. 169809 – for records.
4. The DPA, CZA - to update database and to upload on website.

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