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16. Director, Botanical Survey of India, at Dehradun or his representative
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Sub: **Minutes of the 2nd meeting of State Board for Wildlife.**

The minutes of the 2nd meeting of State Board for Wildlife held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Minister, Haryana on 04-08-2015 at Main Committee Room, 4th Floor, Haryana Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh is enclosed herewith for your information and further necessary action.

Encl: As above



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A copy alongwith minutes of the meeting is forwarded to :-

1. PS to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Haryana.
2. OSD to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Haryana.
3. PS to Hon'ble Forest Minister, Haryana.
4. PS to Hon'ble Minister of State, Forests, Haryana.
5. PS to Principal Secretary, Forests, Government of Haryana.
6. Executive Engineer, AIIMS, New Delhi
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Proceedings of the 2nd Meeting of State Board for Wildlife, Haryana held on 04-08-2015 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Minister, Haryana.

Meeting of State Board for Wildlife, Haryana was held on 04-08-2015 at 10:00 AM in the Main Committee Room of Haryana Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh under the Chairmanship of Sh. Manohar Lal, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Haryana. List of members/officers who attended the meeting is attached **Annexure-1**.

Principal Secretary to Govt. of Haryana, Forest & Wildlife Department, Sh. Amit Jha, IAS, welcomed the Hon'ble Chief Minister and Forest Ministers Rao Narbir Singh & Sh. Karandev Kamboj, and other members/officers. Dr. (Smt.) Amarinder Kaur, IFS, Chief Wildlife Warden, Haryana being the Member Secretary of the Board gave a brief presentation regarding the re-constitution of the board, its function procedure. With the permission of chair the Member Secretary initiated the discussions on the agenda items.

Following agenda items were discussed.

Agenda Item No. 1

Confirmation of the minutes of the 1st meeting of State Board for Wildlife.

The Member Secretary informed the members that the minutes of the 1st meeting of State Board for Wildlife held on 20-02-2014 were circulated to all members on 3rd April, 2014. She added that no comments were received on the minutes. Accordingly the minutes of the 1st meeting were confirmed.

Agenda Item No. 2**Action taken report on the recommendations of 1st meeting of the State Board for Wildlife.**

1. Proposal for de-notification of Abubshehar Wildlife Sanctuary, District. Sirsa.

The member secretary informed that the proposal was approved for sending the case for de-notification of Sanctuary and its notification as community reserve to Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife. This matter was considered in the 31st meeting of NBWL and a Standing Committee recommended the proposal for de-notification of Abubshehar Wildlife Sanctuary with the condition that it be notified as a community reserve. As per Hon'ble Supreme Court of India order dated 13-11-2000 in IA No. 2 in WP(C) No. 337/1995 an interlocutory application has been filed in the Hon'ble Supreme Court on 16.07.2015 for de-notification of sanctuary.

The Board noted the action taken.

2. Proposal for Wildlife Clearance for setting up of Solid Waste Management Plan at Village Jhuriwala in Distt. Panchkula by XEN HUDA Division No. III, Panchkula.

The member secretary informed that the proposal was approved by the State Board for Wildlife and it was decided to send the case for setting above Solid Waste Management Plant at Village Jhuriwala in Distt. Panchkula for consideration of Standing Committee of NBWL. The proposal was considered in the 32nd meeting of the Standing Committee of NBWL held on 21.01.2015. The Standing Committee suggested that the proposal can be considered after technical and capacity details of the project are made available by the project proponent. State was advised to locate the project on another site, away from the

Khol Hi Raitan Sanctuary and resubmit the proposal with the details as suggested. Accordingly, the user agency was advised to submit the revised proposal but same is awaited.

The Board noted the action taken.

3. Proposal for Wildlife Clearance to Four Laning of Yamunanagar-Panchkula section of National Highway No. 344 (Old NH No. 73).

The Member Secretary informed that the proposal was approved for consideration of Standing Committee of NBWL. The proposal was considered in the 32nd meeting of Standing Committee of NBWL held on 21-01-2015. The Standing Committee recommended the proposal with the condition that NHAI shall take up mitigatory steps in consultation with Chief Wildlife Warden. The Chief Wildlife Warden has already suggested the mitigatory measures to be carried out by user agency in consultation with Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun. As the project is located inside the sanctuary so, in view of the directions dated 9th May, 2002 of Hon'ble Supreme Court, all such proposals in respect of a Sanctuary or a National Park also require Supreme Court's approval based on the recommendation of the NBWL. The user agency required to file IA in Hon'ble Supreme Court.

The Board noted the action taken.

4. Proposal for establishing Petrol Pumps in Abubshehar Wildlife Sanctuary.

The Member Secretary informed that the agenda was approved for sending it for consideration of Standing Committee of NBWL. The matter was considered in the 32nd meeting of Standing Committee of NBWL held on 21-01-2015 and same was recommended as the Standing Committee has already recommended the de-notification of the sanctuary.

The Board noted the action taken.

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- 5(a). Proposal for Wildlife Clearance for Development of IT Park located in Plot No. 12 Sector-22, HSIIDC, District , Panchkula.

The Member Secretary informed that the agenda was approved by the State Board for Wildlife. The project proponent was asked to submit the case as per guidelines dated 19-12-2012 for consideration of Standing Committee of NBWL. After repeated reminder, project proponent has not submitted the case.

The Board noted the action taken.

- 5(b). Proposal for Wildlife Clearance for residential township in Sector 3, 4 & 4A, Village Islamnagar District Panchkula.

The Member Secretary informed that the project proposal was approved in the 1st Meeting of State Board for Wildlife. The proposal was placed before the Standing Committee of NBWL in 33rd meeting held on 14-03-2015. The Standing Committee recommended the proposal with mitigation measures alongwith the conditions prescribed by Chief Wildlife Warden. It was also suggested that all the river systems between Bir Shikargarh WLS and Khol-Hi-Raitan WLS such as Ghagghar, Mala Nadi, Jabrot etc. may be included in the Eco-sensitive Zone of these protected areas. The Chief Wildlife Warden has suggested the mitigatory measures to be followed by user agency.

The Board noted the action taken.

6. Proposal for Wildlife Clearance to laying of Optical Fiber Cable from Telephone Exchange Yamuna Nagar to Paonta (Kaleshar/Lal Dhang) on NH-73 A.

The Member Secretary informed that the proposal was approved by the State Board for Wildlife and was recommended for consideration of

Standing Committee of NBWL. The proposal was considered in the 32nd meeting of Standing Committee of NBWL held on 21-01-2015 and the Standing Committee recommended the proposal with conditions to be stipulated by Chief Wildlife Warden. The Chief Wildlife Warden has suggested the mitigatory measures to be followed by user agency.

The Board noted the action taken.

- 7. Proposal for exclusion of Nilgai and Common Monkey from the purview of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 received from Sh. Abhishek Kadian, Member, State Board for Wildlife.

The Member Secretary briefed that the proposal was discussed in the meeting and the Chairman directed to drop the agenda regarding Monkey menace and expressed satisfaction over the existing procedure for culling of Nilgai.

The Board noted the action taken.

Agenda Item-3

Re-constitution of the State Board for Wildlife and Decision on Quorum of Board.

The Member Secretary informed that as per provision provided under Section-7(2) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, the Board shall regulate its own procedure including the quorum. it was proposed that one-third members of the State Board for Wildlife may form the quorum for holding meeting.

The Board noted and approved the proposal.

Agenda Item No. 4

Project proposal for National Cancer Institute (NCI) at village Badsha, District Jhajjar.

The proposal for setting up National Cancer Institute Village Badsha, District Jhajjar was discussed in detail.

The Member Secretary informed that a request was received from Executive Engineer of All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi to develop a National Cancer Institute, Phase-I at Badsha village in Jhajjar district of Haryana state, for which Govt. of Haryana has already allocated 300 acres of land.

She further added that the project site is located at village Badsha district Jhajjar which falls within the boundary of Eco-sensitive Zone (ESZ) of Sultanpur National Park. An area of 5 kms radius around the Sultanpur National Park have been notified as Eco-sensitive Zone vide Govt. of India Notification No. S.O. 191(E) dated 27-01-2010 wherein certain activities have been regulated/ restricted within boundary of ESZ. She also informed that the project site is 3.75 Km. from the boundary of Sultanpur National Park and thus, falls within the Eco-Sensitive Zone (ESZ) of Sultanpur National Park.

Considering the importance of project from Health Care and Medical Research point of view, after through deliberations, the board recommended the proposal with following conditions:-

1. Project authorities will not violate any provision of MoEF notification dated 27 Jan 2010 regarding Eco Sensitive Zone of Sultnanpur National Park issued by MoEF&CC and provisions of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

2. Project authority will extract ground water strictly on need basis preferably from outside the Eco- sensitive zone with approval of competent authority.
3. It is proposed by the project authority to install solar panels at the project site. This may cause disturbance to the normal activities and habitat of Avian fauna. Consultation with experts in the field can be carried out before taking up this activity.
4. As per the project document, the project proponent will raise green belt in this area. It is recommended that plantation of indigenous species be planted in consultation with forest & wildlife officials.
5. Project will not release any pollutant/sewage, waste during or after the construction to any stream, either natural or manmade to avoid the water pollution especially Gurgaon water canal which supplies water to the National Park. Regular monitoring of water quality atleast twice a year will be done by the project proponent. Wildlife Wing of Forest Department be informed accordingly.
6. Generator set to be used will match the best international standard so as to cause minimum, pollution.
7. Project authorities will not dump any solid waste, biomedical waste or other waste during or after construction process in Eco-sensitive Zone.
8. The project authorities will install insulated electric cables for power supply to avoid electrocution of birds.
9. The project proponent will make provision for labour camps with all necessary infrastructure and facilities such as fuel for cooking, mobile toilets, mobile STP, safe drinking water etc. so as to maintain proper hygiene and sanitation in the area, till the labour camps are required for the construction activities.

Agenda Item No. 5

Development/Re-development of Chandigarh Railway Station on the India Railway Network.

The Member Secretary briefed the board about the modernization proposal of Chandigarh railway station. She informed that a proposal of development / redevelopment of Chandigarh Railway Station on Indian Railway Network have been received from the Indian Railway Station Development Corporation Ltd., New Delhi. The main objective of the proposed project is to expand operation capacity of Chandigarh Railway Station and to develop it as a world class railway station.

She informed that in pursuance to the order of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 4th December 2006 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 460/2004, in case any project requiring Environmental Clearance, is located within the eco-sensitive zone around a Wildlife Sanctuary or National Park or in absence of delineation of such a zone, within a distance of 10 kms. from its boundaries, the User agency/Project Proponent is required to obtain recommendations of the Standing Committee of NBWL. The Khol-Hi-Raitan Wildlife Sanctuary is situated at an aerial distance of 4.75 kms. from the proposed project site.

It was pointed out that the project proposal site falls in the jurisdiction of Union Territory of Chandigarh and does not involve forest land. The Khol-Hi-Raitan is about 4.75 kms away from the project site. The area between Chandigarh Railway Station and Sanctuary is already urbanized.

The chairman desired that the project proponent shall take up the development equally on both sides of station i.e. Chandigarh and Panchkula side. It was informed by the project proponent that the railway authorities has already considered such provisions like equal passenger amenities, parking, circular

space, booking counters, mechanical vertical circulations, facilities for differently abled persons, reservation counters, platforms, escalators etc. on both sides of the railway station.

After through deliberations, the board recommended the proposal for consideration of Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.