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Secretary DBT

Dy. No. 2712/135

Date 10/3/15

The Secretary  
Department of Scientific & Industrial Research,  
Technology Bhavan,  
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New Delhi-110016

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Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith an Advisory issued vide F.No.I-52/2014-WL-I dated 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2015 by Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, New Delhi for information and necessary action at your end.

Yours faithfully,

JS DSIR

(D.N. Singh)

Encl: As above

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**F. No. 1-52/2014-WL-I  
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Date: 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2015

**Sub: Advisory in the context of human-wildlife conflict- reg.**

Human wildlife conflict is one of the serious issues and is being raised at various fora. Hon'ble Members of the Parliament have raised these concerns in the Parliament. The Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 has provisions to deal with situations arising out of Human-Wildlife conflict. It specifically empowers the Chief Wildlife Wardens of the States to permit hunting of animals which have become dangerous to human life or are so disabled or diseased as to beyond recovery. The Act also has provision to list animals and birds under 'vermin' in case the situation so requires.

In the mean time, the High Level Committee constituted by Ministry to review the various Acts administered by this Ministry has also recommended that this Ministry may issue a circular apprising the States of the legal position and suggesting to take legal action as appropriate to deal with human-wildlife conflict.

Accordingly, this Ministry had issued an Advisory in the context of human-wildlife conflict to the Chief Wildlife Wardens of all the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations. The Ministry has specifically sought proposal from States/UTs, after objective assessment of the situation, details of the areas in which it is essential to issue the notification under section 62 by this Ministry, for declaring any Wild animals as vermin for specified period. A copy of the same is enclosed.

In this regard, the undersigned is directed to state that the Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C), Environment, Forests and Climate Change has desired that the advisory may be brought to the notice of all Ministers in the Central Government. Accordingly it is requested that it may be brought to the notice of the Hon'ble Minister.

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To,

PS to Hon'ble Minister  
All the Ministries under Government of India

*Shiv* 19/2/15  
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Joint Director (WL)



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Dated: 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2014.

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject:            Advisory in the context of human-wildlife conflict**

Prevalence of human wild life interaction, at times conflict, causing damage to human life, crops and other properties has been increasing in recent times. The issue of human wildlife conflict is being raised at various fora and many Hon'ble Members of Parliament have raised these concerns in the Parliament. The Ministry has also received representations to take steps towards mitigation of human wildlife conflict.

2. In this context, specific advisories and guidelines have been issued from time to time from the Ministry for dealing with the problematic animals and location specificity of conflict management solutions has been discussed many times. Such guidelines have been issued for Tiger (standard operating procedures), leopard, blue bull. Further, the provision for management of human wildlife conflict is part of the activities qualifying for central assistance under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats.

3. In this regard, there have been suggestions from many quarters that there is at times need of hunting of the wild animals causing harm to life and property especially agriculture crops, and that the state forest departments are not equipped with the powers to deal with such situation. It has been suggested that species like blue bull and wild bear should be put in schedule V of WLPA (vermin), so that killing of such animals is out of the purview of regulations. Though the technical analysis by Wild Life Institute of India for blue bull management and the recent recommendations of the TSR Subramaniam Committee indicate that no purpose will be solved by this step, this aspect is also being examined objectively.

4. The Subramaniam Committee has recommended that MoEF&CC may issue a circular apprising the states of the legal position, suggesting that they may take appropriate action based on the same. In these circumstances, it has become necessary to clarify the legal provisions for objective management of human wild life conflict.

i) The Section 11(1)(a) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 authorises the Chief wildlife Wardens to permit hunting of any wild animal specified in Schedule I if it has become dangerous to human life or is so disabled or diseased as to be beyond recovery. However, killing of such animals can be resorted to only when such animal cannot be captured, tranquillised or translocated.



- Period for which the notification is contemplated.
- The basis of recommendation - any study, consultation, expert opinion, survey etc.

7. In this context, it is further informed that for the activities for mitigation and management of human wildlife conflict outside the protected areas the Ministry in the last financial year had requested for proposals to seek Central assistance for dealing with human wildlife conflict as part of Annual Plan of Operations under CSS Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats under the component Protection of Wildlife outside Protected Areas. However, hardly any proposal was received in this regard.

It is requested that appropriate proposals for mitigation of human wildlife conflict may be sent as part of Annual Plan of Operations for the year 2014 - 15 under the component Protection of Wildlife outside Protected Areas, but separate component.

8. I am, accordingly, directed to request you to kindly take appropriate actions.

*Shr* 24/12/15  
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The Chief Wildlife Warden,  
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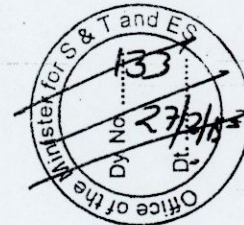
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