

## **ANIMAL ADOPTION SCHEME AT GOREWADA CENTRE**

The Government of Maharashtra, vide GR No.WLP-1099/CR-89/F-1/ dated 12/12/2005, took a decision to establish an International Standard Zoo & Biopark on the forest land at Gorewada, Nagpur. Subsequently, the Government vide GR No.WLP-1009/CR.119/F-1, dated 29/11/2011 accorded permission for establishing it through Forest Development Corporation of Maharashtra Limited (FDCM. Ltd.), Nagpur. In this project, a Rescue Centre was proposed which was established in the year 2015 and some animals and birds have been kept in this centre.

The Central Zoo Authority on 24/11/2015 accorded recognition to this Rescue Centre under Section 38H of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. The CZA Guidelines 2013 for developing mechanism for mobilizing financial support for supplementing management of zoos mentions "Adoption of Animals" as one of the revenue generation options. Accordingly, the zoos & Deer Parks in Haryana and Mysuru Zoo run their own animal adoption programmes.

Gorewada Rescue Centre houses various animals & birds that are provided with personal care & affection. Art. 51A, Part IV A of the Indian Constitution specifies the list of fundamental duties of the citizens, one of which is to protect and improve the natural environment including forests, lakes, rivers, and wild-life and to have compassion for living creatures.

So, to make the common masses aware of the conservation of wildlife & to involve them in this noble cause, a scheme for adoption of animals at Gorewada Centre is proposed.

### **Procedure for adoption:**

Following procedure will be followed for adoption of animals/birds in the centre:

1. Divisional Manger, Gorewada Project will display a list of animals/birds which are available in the Rescue Centre on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2017. This list will be revised on quarterly basis if there is a change in the number of animals/birds.

2. The intending adopter may choose one or more animals/birds from the list of animals notified by the Divisional Manger, Gorewada Project on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2017, or any other list notified thereafter.
3. The adopter will have to pay the full amount in advance for adoption of animals/birds at the rate & period as mentioned in Annexure I.
4. The adopter may adopt one or more animals/birds at a time by paying the full amount as mentioned in Annexure I.
5. The adopter shall be required to fill the prescribed form (Annexure II) & hand it over to the office of the Divisional Manager, Gorewada Project along with the payment (in cash or online).
6. The adopter will be issued a “Certificate of Adoption” in his/her name on the day of adoption of animal/bird by him/her.
7. The adopter will also be issued free entry passes for Jungle Safari at Gorewada Reserve for a family/group of 5 in the following manner:
  - 1 free pass for animal/bird adoption for a day.
  - 2 free passes for animal/bird adoption for a month.
  - 6 free passes for animal/bird adoption for a year.

These passes will be valid for a period specified on the pass. The passes will have to be collected by the adopter himself/herself from the office of the Divisional Manger, Gorewada Project.

### **Payment methods & details:**

- Whoever wishes to adopt an animal/bird can transfer the amount (non-refundable) to the Bank Account of Managing Director, FDCM Ltd., Nagpur.
- Once the transfer of amount to the above account is confirmed, the Divisional Manger, Gorewada Project would issue the adoption certificate and entry passes to the adopter.
- To make the scheme more attractive, efforts will be made by FDCM to seek exemption under Section 80G of the Income Tax Act.

## **Regulations:**

1. The ownership of the adopted animal/bird will remain with the Government/FDCM.
2. The adopter will not have a say in the diet, medicines, enclosures and other requirements of the animal/bird.
3. The adopted animal/bird shall not be allowed to be photographed.
4. The adopter cannot use the Certificate of adoption for publicity purposes.
5. If the adopted animal dies or is required to be translocated, the adoption amount shall not be returned to the adopter.
6. The management will have the right to make any changes in Annexure I
7. Changes in the Animal Adoption Scheme & its terms & conditions from time to time for any reason shall be binding on the adopter.
8. Divisional Manger, Gorewada Project shall have the right to scrutinize & select the forms received for Animal Adoption Scheme.
9. The management will have the right to refuse entry to any adopter at any point of time.
10. The management will have the right to withdraw the animal adoption scheme at any point of time.

## **ANNEXURE I** **Gorewada Project, Nagpur**

### **Animal & Bird Adoption Rate List**

Sr. No.	Animal /Bird	Daily charges	Monthly charges	Yearly charges
1.	Tiger	1,500/-	30,000/-	2,00,000/-
2.	Leopard	1,500/-	25,000/-	1,00,000/-
3.	Sloth Bear	1,500/-	20,000/-	75,000/-
4.	Bonelli's Eagle	1,000/-	5,000/-	25,000/-
5.	Eurasian Owl	1,000/-	5,000/-	25,000/-
6.	Reeve's Pehasant	1,000/-	5,000/-	25,000/-

## ANNEXURE II

### Gorewada Project, Nagpur

### Animal & Bird Adoption Form

<b>S N</b>	<b>Particulars</b>	<b>Details</b>
1.	Name of the Individual/Institution/Company/NGO	
2.	Address	
3.	Contact No.	Residence:  Office:  Mobile:
4.	ID proof (Aadhar/ PAN/ Driving License)	
4.	E-mail ID	
5.	Name & number of animal(s)/bird(s) to be adopted	
6.	Period of adoption	
7.	Amount for period of adoption	
8.	Mode of remittance	
9.	Entrance pass to be issued in favor of	
10.	Adoption certificate to be issued in the name of	

Date:

Place:

Signature of applicant