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Abstract

Forest and Wildlife Department- Declaration of Elephant Tusks possessed by Dr. Mohanlal, F-4 Chorus, Kochar Road, Sasthamangalam, Thiruvananthapuram - Permission granted under Sec 40(4) of the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 - Orders issued.

FOREST & WILD LIFE (D) DEPARTMENT

GO (Rt) No.538/2015/F&WLD

Thiruvananthapuram, Dated: 16.12.2015

- Read : 1) Letter F.No.1-7/2015/WL dated 29/4/2015 from Ministry of Environment and Forest addressed to Dr. Mohanlal
2) Letter dated 01/06/2015 from Dr. Mohanlal
3) Letter No. BDC 2-504/2014 dated 17.10.2015 and 14.12.2015 from the Chief Wildlife Warden, Kerala

ORDER

As per letter read as 1st paper above Inspector General of Forests (Wildlife) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change informed Dr. Mohanlal that *“presently the Ministry has initiated a review of Wild Life Protection Act,1972 and your request, along with similar other requests would be considered during the review process. In the meantime you may also like to take up the matter with the concerned State Government/Chief Wildlife Warden, with respect to sub section(4) under Section 40 of the Wildlife Protection Act,1972.”*

As per letter read as 2nd paper above Dr. Mohanlal informed that the license of the Elephant Tusks in his possession is held by his friend and the same is not registered in his name. It is also informed that the Inspector General of Forests (Wildlife) in a letter addressed to him has shared his concern along with other citizens who could not declare the Wildlife Stock within the stipulated time period and informed that his request has grounds to be considered during the review of Wildlife Protection Act,1972.

As per letters read as 3rd paper above, The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) informed that as per Sec 40(4) of the Wildlife Protection Act,1972, the State Government is competent to issue notification for declaration of Animal and animal article including tusks. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) also informed that since the Central Government vide letter read as 1st paper above has directed the applicant to take up the matter with the State Government under Sec 40(4) of the Wildlife Protection Act,1972, the State Government may consider for issuing notification under Section 40(4) limiting to ivory artifact and tusks.

Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to grant permission to Dr. Mohanlal to declare the Elephant tusks with him to the Chief Wildlife Warden/Authorized Officer under subsection (4) of Section 40 of the Wildlife protection Act,1972 within 30 days from the date of this order.

(By order of the Governor)

P.MARA PANDIYAN
Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.

To

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The Accountant General (Audit/A&E) Thiruvananthapuram,
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