



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Forest & Wildlife Department - Inter Departmental State Level Coordination Committee (SLCC) and District Level Coordination Committee (DLCC) to deal with Human Wildlife Conflict in the State of Kerala - Constituted - Orders issued

FOREST & WILDLIFE (D) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.402/2021/F&WLD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram,
09/12/2021

- Read:- 1. Letter No.8-60/2020 WL dated 06.02.2021 issued by Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (Wildlife Division), Government of India.
2. Letter No. KFDHQ/3571/2021/CWW/WL11 dated 25.10.2021 from the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Kerala

ORDER

As per the letter read 1st paper above, the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India has issued an Advisory to deal with Human Wildlife Conflicts as per the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the National Board for Wildlife on its 60th meeting held on 5.01.2021. One of the management measures proposed in the Advisory is to constitute Inter-Departmental Coordination Committees at State Level and District Level for the prevention and management of Human Wildlife Conflict and associated death/killing of wild animals and for ensuring close coordination between Government Departments.

2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Kerala has submitted proposal as per letter read as 2nd paper above for the constitution of State Level Coordination Committee and District Level Coordination Committee to deal with Human Wildlife Conflict.

3. Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to constitute Inter Departmental State Level Coordination Committee (SLCC) and District Level Coordination Committee (DLCC) to deal with Human Wildlife Conflict in the State of Kerala as detailed below.

State Level Coordination Committee (SLCC)

1	Chief Secretary, Government of Kerala	Chairman
2	Additional Chief Secretary, Home Department, Kerala	Member
3	Additional Chief Secretary, Planning & Economic Affairs Department, Kerala	Member
4	Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department, Kerala	Member
5	Additional Chief Secretary, Local Self Government Department, Kerala	Member
6	Additional Chief Secretary, Environment Department, Kerala	Member
7	Principal Secretary, Forests & Wildlife Department, Kerala	Member
8	Principal Secretary, Agriculture Development & Farmers Welfare Department, Kerala	Member
9	State Police Chief, Kerala	Member
10	Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Kerala	Member
11	Divisional Railway Manager (Thiruvananthapuram/Palakkad) or Representative	Member
12	Additional Director General of Revenue Intelligence (Cochin Zonal Unit) or Representative	Member
13	Commissioner of Customs or Representative	Member
14	Chief Wildlife Warden, Kerala	Member Secretary

District Level Coordination Committee (DLCC)

1	District Collector	Chairman
2	District Planning Officer, Planning & Economic Affairs Department	Member
3	Representative of Finance Department	Member
4	Secretary, District Panchayat, Kerala	Member

5	Principal Agricultural Officer, Agriculture Development & Farmers Welfare Department	Member
6	Divisional Forest Officer, Forests & Wildlife Department, Kerala	Member
7	District Police Chief, Kerala	Member
8	Area Officer/District level officer (Railways)	Member
9	Representative of Railways	Member
10	Representative of Revenue Intelligence	Member
11	Representative of Customs	Member
12	Non official expert	Member (to be recommended by Member Secretary)
13	Non official expert	Member (to be recommended by Member Secy)
14	Representative of KFRI, Peechi	Special/Standing Invitee
15	Divisional Forest Officer/Wildlife Warden of District Headquarters/Deputy Conservator of Forests/Assistant Conservator of Forests	Member Secretary

The Officers included as the Divisional Forest Officer/Wildlife Warden of District Headquarters are given in Annexure to this Government Order.

The District Level Coordinate Committees are constituted in all 14 districts in the State as detailed above.

Functions of SLCC

1. With respect to managing the Human Wildlife Conflict, to review the required infrastructure, manpower and monitoring systems in the State and to take necessary measures to strengthen the same

2. Monitor the number of Human-Wildlife Conflict cases and their geographical spread, and provide guidance/instructions to different departments for action to be taken by each one of them in order to minimize/prevent Human-Wildlife Conflict in those areas

3. Review the quantum of ex-gratia relief, issue guidance / instructions for expedited payments, and work towards providing adequate funds for the same.

4. Review the cases for revenge killings of wild animals and other wildlife

related crime, and issue necessary guidance / instructions to the concerned departments / agencies as appropriate

5. Recommend to State Board for Wildlife and / or the Government, policy and programmatic measures, including for capacity building, required for fulfilling the objectives of the advisory read as 1st paper above.

The State Level Coordination Committee (SLCC) shall meet as many times as necessary, but no later than six months of the previous meeting.

Functions of DLCC

1. Ensure coordinated action by different departments of the Government to prevent killing /injuring/ illegal capturing of wild animals by snaring, use of explosives, poisoning, electrocution, etc. in areas outside forests, and if requested so by the Wildlife Warden, in forest areas also.

2. Ensure coordinated action by different Departments for expeditious payment of ex-gratia to persons affected by Human Wildlife Conflict

3. Seek assistance of Wildlife Crime Control Bureau (WCCB) or other expert organizations in capacity building for intelligence gathering, investigation and prosecution for prevention and dealing with wildlife crime.

The District Level Coordination Committee (DLCC) shall meet as often as required but no later than three months of the last meeting.

(By order of the Governor)
Rajesh Kumar Sinha
Principal Secretary

To:

The Additional Chief Secretary/ Principal Secretary
Home/Finance/Planning & Economic Affairs Department/Environment
/Local Self Government/Agriculture Development & Farmers Welfare
Departments

The State Police Chief, Kerala, Police Head Quarters, Vazhuthacaud,
Thiruvananthapuram

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force,
Kerala, Forest Head Quarters, Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife
Warden, Kerala, Forest Head Quarters, Thiruvananthapuram

The Commissioner of Customs, Kochi, Ernakulam

All District Collectors

All District Police Chiefs

The Divisional Railway Manager (Thiruvananthapuram/Palakkad)
The Additional Director General of Revenue Intelligence (Cochin
Zonal Unit, Kochi, Ernakulam
All Divisional Forest Officers, Forests & Wildlife Department, Kerala
The Assistant Conservator of Forests (SF), Alappuzha
The Wildlife Warden, Idukki
The Director, Kerala Forest Research Institute, Peechi P.O., Thrissur
The District Planning Officers, Planning & Economic Affairs Department
All District Panchayat Secretaries
All Principal Agricultural Officers

All Area Officers/District level officers of Thiruvananthapuram/Palakkad
Railway Divisions (through Divisional Railway Manager,
Thiruvananthapuram/Palakkad)

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ANNEXURE**OFFICERS AS THE WILDLIFE WARDEN OF DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS**

DISTRICT	OFFICERS AS MEMBER SECRETARY
Thiruvananthapuram	Divisional Forest Officer, Thiruvananthapuram
Kollam	Divisional Forest Officer, Punalur
Pathanamthitta	Divisional Forest Officer, Ranni
Alappuzha	Asst Conservator of Forests (SF), Alappuzha
Kottayam	Divisional Forest Officer, Kottayam
Idukki	Wild Life Warden, Idukki
Ernakulam	Divisional Forest Officer, Malayattoor
Thrissur	Divisional Forest Officer, Thrissur
Palakkad	Divisional Forest Officer, Palakkad
Malappuram	Divisional Forest Officer, Nilambur (North)
Kozhikode	Divisional Forest Officer, Kozhikode
Wayanad	Divisional Forest Officer, South Wayanad
Kannur	Divisional Forest Officer, Kannur
Kasaragod	Divisional Forest Officer, Kasaragod