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***Sub: Kerala Forests & Wildlife Department – Safe Custody of
Camera Trap Recordings – Instructions – Reg:***

It has come to the notice that camera trap recordings are in circulation in social media. As you are aware the Department is making efforts to use camera traps as a tool for management purposes and therefore the photo documentation and data generated therein has immense security implications in terms of protection and management of natural resources.

Circulation of camera trap photographs and data in the social media will have far reaching implications. All officers dealing with camera trap exercise are directed to keep the documents under safe custody and shall share only on a need to know basis with due authorization by Divisional Forest Officers/ Wildlife Wardens.


Receipt of Circular should be acknowledged.



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To

All Field Officers involved in camera trap exercise. DFOs / WLWs should ensure that the content of the Circular is conveyed upto the level of Forest Watchers.

Copy to: The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FMIS) for uploading the circular on official Web site of the department.


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