PROCEEDINGS OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS (WILDLIFE) AND CHIEF WILDLIFE WARDEN, KERALA

PRESENT: G.HARIKUMAR

Sub: Exemplary performance of Forest Intelligence Cell (FIC) during the last two years - Recognition for Award of "Distinguished

Service Certificate" - Regarding:

Read: Lr.No.FIC1/13 from the APCCF (Vigilance) dated 13.01.2015.

Order No.WL1-2122/2014 Dated 28.01.2015

Forest Intelligence Cell (FIC) of the Kerala Forest Department has significantly contributed to the cause of wildlife conservation by exercising strict vigil against wildlife traffic and illegal trade in wildlife trophies across the state. Their timely interventions have resulted in seizure of several wildlife trophies and live specimens. Apprehension of seasoned poachers from Vadasserikkara and Attappady areas during seizures of ivory and tiger pelt respectively and the seizure of 948 leopard claws at Guruvayoor are few instances worth mentioning.

Many live specimens of Slender loris, Star tortoise, Indian soft shelled turtle, Parakeet and Indian sand boa were also rescued by the timely intervention of FIC.

The exemplary performance of FIC could be attributed to the dedicated efforts of a handful of forest personnel associated with the wing. Recognition of their devoted service would be a morale booster that would help them to sustain the tempo. Hence, contributions of the following seven forest personnel in FIC deserve special commendation.

- 1. Mr.B.Santhoshkumar, Assistant Conservator of Forests, Forest Intelligence Cell.
- 2. Mr.J.R.Ani, Divisional Forest Officer, Flying Squad, Thiruvananthapuram.
- 3. Mr.V.Anilkumar, Beat Forest Officer, Forest Intelligence Cell.
- 4. Mr.P.K.Mohammed Shamim, Beat Forest Officer, Forest Intelligence Cell.
- 5. Mr.P.R.Gopakumar, Beat Forest Officer, Forest Intelligence Cell.
- 6. Mr.H.Shajahan, Beat Forest Officer, Forest Intelligence Cell
- 7. Mr.I.Shameer, Driver, Forest Intelligence Cell.

ACHIEVEMENTS BY THE INCUMBENTS

1. Mr.B.Santhosh Kumar

Mr.B.Santhosh Kumar is the Assistant Conservator of Forests in charge of Forest Intelligence Cell for the last two years. His leadership has resulted in maximum number of seizures of wildlife articles including live specimens by FIC.

2. Mr.J.R.Ani

Mr.J.R.Ani was the Range Officer in the period during which FIC had successfully carried out the maximum number of undercover operations. He masterminded, co-ordinated and participated in all operations. On getting promoted as Assistant Conservator of Forests also, he is closely associated with FIC wing in conducting undercover operations.

3. Mr.V. Anil Kumar

Mr.V. Anil Kumar, Beat Forest Officer is the person behind almost all the successful operations of Forest Intelligence Cell. His capacity for gathering vital intelligence regarding wildlife crimes and decoying the unsuspecting outlaws to submission is exemplary.

4. Mr.P.K.Mohammed Shamim

Mr.P.K.Mohammed Shamim, Beat Forest Officer is an integral part of a majority of undercover operations performed by FIC team. His skillful handling of covert operations and his nerve to stand up to the outlaws are worth mentioning.

5. Mr.P.R.Gopakumar

Mr.P.R.Gopakumar, Beat Forest Officer is too part and parcel of FIC team and he had played a lead role in most of the operations carried out by the wing. Presence of mind shown by him during covet operations is astounding.

6. Mr.H.Shajahan

Mr.H.Shajahan, Beat Forest Officer is also an integral part of most of the undercover operations by FIC. His ability to get disguised as a prospective buyer of the contraband article and to deal with the outlaws enticing them to strike the deal is commendable.

7. Mr.I.Shameer

The exceptional bravery of Mr.I.Shameer, driver and a daily wages employee with the Forest Department significantly helped FIC. He has been with FIC wing for the last seven years.

The incredible achievements of FIC wing have given a facelift to the Kerala Forest Department. Hence, I.G.Harikumar, Principal Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) and Chief Wildlife Warden, do hereby order the awarding of "Distinguished Service Certificates" of Kerala Forest Department and a cash award of Rs.500/- to each of the following forest personnel in recognition of their dedicated service.

- 1. Mr.B.Santhoshkumar, Assistant Conservator of Forests, Forest Intelligence Cell.
- 2. Mr.J.R.Ani, Divisional Forest Officer, Flying Squad, Thiruvananthapuram.
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- 7. Mr.I.Shameer, Driver, Forest Intelligence Cell.

The expenditure in this regard shall be met from the BH: 2406-02-110-68-Conservation of Biodiversity - 34 - Other Charges (Plan).

G.Harikumar

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Kerala.

To

The individuals (through their Heads of Office) - The officers keeping the Service Books of the above officers are requested to make necessary entries in the Service Book.

Copy to all PCCFs/APCCFs

Copy to APCCF (FMIS). He is requested to upload the Order in the Website.

Copy to the Accountant General for making entries in the Entitlement Registers of Mr.B.Santhoshkumar, Assistant Conservator of Forests , Forest Intelligence Cell and Mr.J.R.Ani, Divisional Forest Officer, Flying Squad, Thiruvananthapuram.

Copy to APCCF (Vigilance) for making necessary notings while submitting ACRs of Mr.B.Santhoshkumar and Mr.J.R.Ani.