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Sub: **Kerala Captive Elephants (Management & Maintenance) Rules, 2012 – Issuance of Permit for the vehicle for the transport of elephants – reg.**

Ref: Rule No. 9 (25)

The Rule 9 (25) of the Captive Elephants (Management & Maintenance) Rules, 2012 stipulates that "....Fitness Certificate obtained for the vehicle from the concerned officers of the motor vehicle department shall also be produced before the officer authorized under sub section (1) of section 48 A of the Act for obtaining permit for the vehicle for using it for transporting elephant...".

In this regard, it is pointed out that vide G.O. (P) No. 41/08/F&WLD dated 3rd July 2008, all the Territorial DFOs are authorized officers. Therefore, it is hereby directed that all the Territorial DFOs to issue permit to the vehicles for transporting elephants for within and outside the State. The validity of the Certificate shall be till the expiry of the Fitness Certificate issued by the motor vehicles officer or for one year whichever is earlier.

The details of the vehicles viz., No. and name and address of the owner shall be promptly intimated to the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (BDC), who shall immediately take steps to upload the details in the Departmental Website. Any incident of transporting elephants in violation of the stipulations of the Rules will be viewed very seriously and immediate disciplinary action will be taken against the concerned field staff, Range Forest Officer and the Divisional Forest Officer having jurisdiction over the place of commencement of transportation.

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All Principal Chief Conservators of Forests

The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (BDC) (File No.BDC2-1757/11)

All Addl. Principal Chief Conservators of Forests

All DFOs (Territorial/Wildlife/Social Forestry)