

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Forest & Wild Life Department – Amendment to Rules 3(a) (2), 3(a) (3), 3(a) (4) and 4 (g) of the "Kerala Rules for compensation to victims of Attack by Wild animals, 1980" - Orders issued.

FOREST & WILD LIFE (D) DEPARTMENT

GO(MS) No.32/2013/F&WLD Dated, Thiruvananthapuram 22/03/2013

Read:- 1. Notification No. GO(Rt) No.1062/81/Forest dated 10-04-1981, published on Kerala Gazette No.19 dated 12-05-1981.

- 2. GO(Rt) No.542/88/F&WLD dated 15-12-1988
- 3. GO(Rt) No.430/99/F&WLD dated 30-10-1999
- 4. GO(Rt) No. 41/05/F&WLD dated 20-01-2005
- 5. GO(Rt) No. 283/09/F&WLD dated 16-06-2009
- 6. GO(Rt) No. 297/10/F&WLD dated 07-07-2010
- 7. Lr. No. WL-1/2081/2011 dated 16-07-2012 from the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wild Life) & Chief Wildlife Warden.

ORDER

In the wake of spurt in man animal conflicts leading to increasing incidences of loss of human life, injury to human being, permanent incapacitation, loss of crops, cattle etc there is fact need to resist and scrutinize the existing rates of compensation being given to victims of attack by wild animals, for upward revision. An assurance in this regard has also been given by Hon'ble Minister (Forests, Sports & Cinema) in the Legislative Assembly. Accordingly, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wild Life) & Chief Wildlife Warden vide his letter read as 7th paper above has proposed for amendments to the Rules 3(a) (2), 3(a) (3), 3(a) (4) and 4 (g) of the "Kerala Rules for compensation to victims of Attack by Wild animals, 1980" in order to effect enhancement of the existing rate of compensation.

2. Government have examined the proposal in detail and are pleased to the following amendments to the "Kerala Rules for compensation to victims of Attack by Wild animals, 1980".

Existing Rule(s)	Amended Rule(s)
Rule 3(a) (2) Incapacitated permanently An amount up to Rs. 25000/- (Rupees Twenty five thousand only) shall be paid to persons who become permanently incapacitated on account of attack by wild animals	Rule 3(a) (2) Incapacitated permanently An amount up to Rs. 75000/-(Rupees Seventy five thousand only) shall be paid to persons who become permanently incapacitated on account of attack by wild animals
Rule 3(a) (3) Loss of cattle, crops, damage to houses, huts etc. The compensation for loss or damages to property such as houses /huts, crops, cattle etc shall be 100 % of the loss assessed subject to a maximum of Rs. 50000/- in each case.	Rule 3(a) (3) Loss of cattle, crops, damage to houses, huts etc. The compensation for loss or damages to property such as houses/huts, crops, cattle etc shall be 100 % of the loss assessed subject to a maximum of Rs. 75000/- (Rupees Seventy five thousand only) in each case.
Rule 3(a) (4) Injuries caused to persons When an injury is caused to a person by the attack of wild animals, compensation payable shall be up to Rs 5000/- (Rupees five thousand only) on the basis of seriousness of injury	Rule 3(a) (4) Injuries caused to persons When an injury is caused to a person by the attack of wild animals, the expenses incurred for the treatment shall be re-imbursed subject to a maximum of Rs.75000/- (Rupees seventy five thousand only). In case of tribals full expenses incurred for treatment shall be re-imbursed. In all cases, the express incurred by the applicant shall be duly certified by a Medical Officer in Kerala Government Service, designated for the specified purpose.
Rule 4(g) The payment of compensation under Rule 3 shall be made only once in a year to a particular individual.	Rule 4(g) The payment of compensation under Rule 3 shall be restricted to four times in a year to a particular individual.

- 3. Formal notification regarding these amendments will be issued separately.
- 4. The amendments to the aforesaid rules in the Rules 3(a) (2), 3(a) (3), 3(a) (4) and 4 (g) of the "Kerala Rules for compensation to victims of Attack by Wild animals, 1980" shall come into force from the date of this order.
- 5. Separate orders will be issued designating competent Medical Offices to issue the certificate specified under Rules 3(a) (4) of the "Kerala Rules for compensation to victims of Attack by Wild animals, 1980".

By Order of the Governor PRADEEP KUMAR, Principal Secretary.

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forests Force
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wild Life) &
Chief Wildlife Warden

The Accountant General (Audit/A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram. The Director, Information & Public Relations Department The General Administration (SC) Department (vide Item No. 3193) The Finance Department (vide 88415 /AW/B1/12/Fin dated 01-01-2013) The Stock File/Office Copy.

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