

**F. No. WL-8/62/2023-WL**  
**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Environment, forest and Climate Change**  
**(Wildlife Division)**

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**Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,**  
**Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj,**  
**New Delhi-110003**

**Dated: 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2023**

**Sub: Permissions under Section 12 of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.-**  
**Reg.**

*Whereas*, Section 12 of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 empowers the Chief Wild Life Warden to grant permit for "hunting" for: (a) education; (b) Scientific research; (bb) Scientific management; (c) collection of specimens for recognized zoo or for museums and similar institutions; and (d) derivation, collection or preparation of snake venom for the manufacture of life-saving drugs.

*Whereas*, in case the wild animal to be dealt is listed in Schedule-I of the Act, prior permission of Central Government is required.

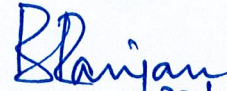
*Whereas*, the State Chief Wild Life Wardens have been forwarding proposals to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, seeking approval of Central Government for a wide range of activities like capture of wild animals, radio-collaring of animals, collection of blood, tissue samples, translocation etc. for the purpose of scientific research and/or wildlife management.

*Whereas*, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change had prepared a format for forwarding application to the Central Government under Section 12 of the Act. This format was forwarded by the Ministry to the Chief Wild Life Wardens of all States/Union Territories vide letter of even no. dated 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023 for inviting comments.

*Whereas*, the matter and the format was considered by the Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life in its 73<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023 under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, and was recommended.

*And now, therefore,* in exercise of powers conferred with the Central Government under Section 62B of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, it is directed that, henceforth proposals for seeking permission of the Central Government for hunting of wild animals under Section 12 of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, be submitted in the format as **annexed** to this letter.

*Also,* no applications/proposals under Section 12, that are not submitted as per the said format, shall be considered in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

  
22/08/2023  
(Bivash Ranjan)

**Additional Director General of Forests (WL)  
and Director, Wild Life Preservation**

**Encl: As above.**

**Distribution:** 1. The Chief Wild Life Warden, all States/Union Territories.

**Copy to:**

1. Additional Chief Secretaries/Principal Secretaries/Secretaries, Forest Department, All States/Union Territories.
2. PPS to Addl. DGF(PT) & Member Secretary, NTCA, MoEFCC, New Delhi
3. PS to Inspector General of Forests (Project Elephant), MoEFCC, New Delhi
4. PPS to Inspector General of Forests (Wildlife), MoEFCC, New Delhi
5. PPS to the Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Wildlife), MOEFCC, New Delhi
6. PS to Joint Director (Wildlife), MoEFCC, New Delhi.

## Annexure

**Format for submission of proposals for permission of Central Government under Section 12 of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972**

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	b. b. Address of applicant with aadhaar number and mobile number																																								
2	Title and duration of project under which permission is sought																																								
3	Whether it involves capture of live animals						Yes/No																																		
4	If 'Yes', the details of animals to be captured																																								
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8	Details of precautionary steps proposed to be taken																																								
9	Analysis of importance of the proposed activity on management of wildlife and conservation of species concerned particularly.																																								

10	Specific views of the Chief Wild Life Warden on the proposal	
11	Details of the present project ( <i>attach synopsis with detailed methodology for capture, outcome of the project, etc.</i> )	
12	Details of previous permissions granted by the MoEFCC to the same applicant ( attach copies of letters)	
13	Copy of the report for previous permission granted by Ministry to the same applicant	
14	Any other point that is to be brought to the notice of MoEFCC	

**Name and signature of the Chief Wild Life Warden,  
Date:**