Department of Forests Government of West Bengal Aranya Bhawan, Sector – III Blook LA-10A, Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700 106

No. 581-For/FR/O/N/6M-10/2020

Kolkata, the 30th April, 2021

ORDER

In order to contain the spread of second wave of 'COVID-19', it has been decided that entry of people to all units under this Department, where large congregation may take place, would be strictly regulated.

It is accordingly ordered that:

- All zoos and similar establishments under the control of the Forest Department shall remain closed;
- Visitors shall not be allowed in the Conservation Reserves, Wildlife sanctuaries, National Parks and Tiger Reserves under the control of the Forest Department;
- All eco-tourism projects and lodges shall not allow guests/visitors. Suitable steps may be taken for cancellation of bookings and refund of the amount if and where required; and
- 4. In respect of parks and gardens under the Department of Forests, the entry of visitors shall be strictly regulated and curtailed to avoid congregation or any sort of gathering and all Covid-19 protocols such as physical distancing, wearing of face-masks, sanitization, etc. shall be strictly enforced.

The above shall come into effect immediately and remain in force until further orders.

This issues in the interest of public service and in the light of Order No. 618-ISS/2M-22/2020 dated 30/04/2021 of the Chief Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal.

Sd/ Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

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Dated, Kolkata the 30th April, 2021

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

- 1) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest and HoFF, W.B.
- 2) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, WL & CWLW. W.B.
- 3) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (General), W.B.
- 4) MD, W.B. Forest Development Corporation Ltd.
- 5) Member Secretary, West Bengal State Forest Development Agency
- 6) Member Secretary, West Bengal Zoo Authority
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