Government of Tripura Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,

Aranya Bhavan, Pandit Nehru Complex, P.O. – Kunjaban, Agartala, West Tripura

No.F.12(1)/Gen/For-2020/COVID-19/27747-785

Dated, the 7th October, 2020.

Office Order

Subject :- Re-opening Guidelines - Tripura.

Govt. of India has issued Re-opening Guidelines vide D.O.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 30/09/2020 and subsequently State Govt. have also issued guidelines. In view of these guidelines, Forest Department has decided to open Sepahijala picnic spot, Boat Ghat and other amenities at Sepahijala WLS and other Wildlife Sanctuaries as well w.e.f. 15th October, 2020 with limited entry, following social distancing measures and sanitization.

2. Sepahijala Zoo is proposed to be opened following social distancing measures, compulsory wearing of masks, proper sanitization at the Entry and Exit Gate, separation of the visitors from Animal enclosures by suitable rope / bamboo fencing and sanitization in the evening after the visitors leave.

In the morning, 20(Twenty) visitors will be allowed entry in the first hour and thereafter, 10(ten) visitors per hour can be allowed. The number of visitors will be regulated and at any instant not more than 20 visitors should be present inside the zoo. The person manning the gate should manage the inflow/ outflow of visitors.

- 3. The following points should be kept in mind while following SOP in different locations:-
 - (i) In Picnic Spot at Sepahijala, initially 20(twenty) visitors should be allowed entry in the forenoon and 20 (twenty) visitors in the afternoon.
 - (ii) For utilizing boating facilities, only 50% of seating with social distancing should be permitted.
- (iii) At the Ticket Counters, measures should be taken for maintaining social distancing from person to person.
- (iv) Provision for thermal scanning (using IR temperature scanner) should be made at entry point of Wildlife Sanctuary/ Zoo and other parks for screening of visitors. Hand wash and sanitizer should be provided at the entry/exit points of the Wildlife Sanctuary/ Zoo.
- (v) All staff dealing with visitors should mandatorily wear face cover/ face mask.
- (vi) Visitors wearing masks should only be allowed entry. They should preferably keep sanitizer also with them. Social distancing should be maintained by the visitors during their visit. This includes seating in vehicles and boats, utilized during their visit.

These Guidelines will be **reviewed on 30th October, 2020** and appropriate modification, if required, will be suggested. These issues with the approval of the Government.

To The District Forest Officer, West/Sepahijala/ Gomati/ South Khowai(Teliamura)/ Dhalai/ Unakoti North Tripura District.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & HoFF & CWLW, Tripura

Copy to:

- 1. PS to PCCF (PF & ME), Tripura.
- 2. APCCF (APR)/ (Project Formulation)/ CEO, IGDC/ JICA.
- 3. Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial)/(P&D)/ (WP &S)/ (Legal & Vigilance) FHQ / IT, F#&
- 4. Wildlife Warden, Sepahijala/ Trishna/ Gumti/ Rowa for taking adequate measures in this regard.
- 5. All SDFOs (By e-mail).