

## **Abstract**

Forest & Wild Life Department – Insertion of a new Rule as 2(C) and amendment to Rule 4(f) of the 'Kerala Rules for Compensation to Victims of Attack by Wild Animals, 1980' - Orders issued.

FOREST & WILD LIFE (D) DEPARTMENT

GO (Ms) No. 105/2013/F&WLD

Thiruvananthapuram, Dated: 26.11.2013

Read: 1. Notification No. GO (Rt) No. 1062/1981/Forest dated 10.04.1981, published in Kerala Gazette No. 19 dated 12.05.1981.

- 2. GO(Ms) No. 32/2013/F&WLD dated 22.03.2013.
- 3. GO(Ms) No. 48/2013/F&WLD dated 29.04.2013.
- 4. Letter No. WL-1-2081/2011 dated 31.10.2013 from the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Thiruvananthapuram.

## ORDER

As per the Government Order read as 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> paper above, Government have issued orders amending 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 effect enhancement of the existing rate of Compensation.

In the amended Rule 3(a)(4) it has been stated that "the expenses incurred by the applicant shall be duly certified by a Medical Officer, who treat the injured person". Since this provision changed the conditions contained in Rule 4(f) of the Kerala Rules for Compensation to Victims of Attack by Wild Animals, 1980, Government felt it necessary to insert a Rule as 2(c) and make suitable amendments to Rule 4(f) for the effective implementation of the amendments made to Kerala Rules for Compensation to Victims of Attack by Wild Animals as per orders read as 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> paper above.

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In the circumstances, Government are pleased to insert Rule 2(c) and also amend Rule 4(f) of the Kerala Rules for Compensation to Victims of Attack by Wild Animals, 1980 as detailed below:

Rule	Present Rule	Amended Rule
Rule 2(c)	NIL	Rule 2(c) "Medical Officer" means a Registered Medical Practitioner who treats the injured person.
Rule 4(f)	A person who has become permanently incapacitated or injured on account of attack by Wild Animals shall produce a Medical Certificate from a Medical Officer not below the rank of a Civil Surgeon in Kerala Government Service in support of his claim.	Claim for re-imbursement of expenses incurred for Medical treatment of the injuries caused by attack of Wild Animals shall be supported by a Certificate on the expenses incurred for Medical treatment, issued by the Medical Officer who treated the injured person.

(By order of the Governor)

P. K. MOHANTY Additional Chief Secretary

To

- 1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Forces, Tvpm.
- 2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) and Chief Wildlife Warden, Tvpm.
  - 3. The Accountant General (A&E/Audit), Thiruvananthapuram.
  - 4. The Director, I&PRD
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