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GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR

CIVIL SECRETARIAT FOREST, ECOLOGY AND

ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT, JAMMU/SRINAGAR.

Notification

Srinagar, the 31st May, 2024.

SO-320. In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 64 of the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 (No.53 of 1972), the Government of Jammu and Kashmir hereby makes the following rules, namely :—

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1. Short title, extent and commencement.—(1) These rules may be called the Jammu and Kashmir Wildlife (Protection) Rules, 2024.

(2) They shall extend to the whole of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

(3) They shall come into force from the date of their publication in the official Gazette.

2. Definitions.—In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires ;

- a) "Act" means the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 (No. 53 of 1972);
- b) "Board" means Wildlife Board for Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir;
- c) "Chairman" means the Chairman of the Wildlife Board for Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir;
- d) "Form" means a form appended to these rules;
- e) "Fee" means amount chargeable from a permit holder;
- f) "Government" means the Government of Jammu and Kashmir;
- g) "Non-official member" means member of Wildlife Board for Union Territory of J&K referred to in clauses (d) & (e) of Sub-Section (1) of Section 6 of the Act ;
- h) "Permit" means permission granted under the Act and Rules made thereunder;
- i) "Section" means the Section of the Act;
- j) "Schedule" means a schedule to the Act; and
- k) All other words, expressions used herein but not defined in these rules shall have the same meaning as assigned to them under the Act.

3. Terms of office.—The term of office of a non-official member of the Board referred to in clauses (d) & (e) of Sub-Section (1) of Section 6 of the Act shall be two years from the date of his/her appointment.

4. Resignation.—(1) A non-official member of the Board may resign in writing under his hand addressed to the Chairman.

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of any other lawful business, shall obtain a permit which may be issued
by Chief Wildlife Warden or Wildlife Warden or any person authorized
by Chief Wildlife Warden in Form No.1.

(2) A permit issued under Sub-Rule (1) shall be subject to payment of fee at the rate prescribed by the Government from time to time.

(3) Fee for entry of light vehicles in National Parks, Wildlife Sanctuaries and Conservation Reserves shall be charged at the rate as prescribed by the Government from time to time.

(4) The Departmental Officers and officials while performing their duties in the Wildlife Protected Areas shall be exempted from payment of entry fee.

10. Cancellation of permit.—The Chief Wildlife Warden or Incharge of the National Park or Sanctuary or the Conservation Reserve may, for good and sufficient reasons, to be recorded in writing, cancel any permit granted under these rules.

11. Permission for making feature films.—Permissions for making feature films, documentary films, Television Serial or Professional Photography in a National Park or Sanctuary or Conservation Reserve shall be granted by the Chief Wildlife Warden on payment of fee at the rate as prescribed by the Government from time to time.

12. Power to exempt.—Where it is considered necessary to expedient so to do in the public interest, the Chief Wildlife Warden may exempt any person (s) and/or vehicle (s) from the payment of the fee payable under these rules.

13. Registration of certain persons in possession of arms.—The registration of certain persons in possession of arms shall be as under :—

- a. For the registration of arms as provided in Section 34, the person possessing the arm shall apply to Wildlife Warden on Form II.
- b. The fee to be paid as per Sub-Section (1) of Section 34 shall be at the rate as prescribed by the Government.

