GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA <u>ABSTRACT</u>

EFS&T Department – Wildlife – Revision of rates for payment of compensation for various categories of Human Wildlife Conflict - Orders – Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (For.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 114 Dated: 19-12-2023. Read the following:

- 1. G.O.Ms.No.90, EFS&T (For.II) Dept., dt:01.08.2011.
- 2. G.O.Ms.No.57, EFS&T (For.I) Dept., dt:29.05.2014.
- 3. G.O.Ms.No.11, EFS&T (For.I) Dept., dt:02.03.2021.
- 4. From the PCCF (HoFF) & Chief Wildlife Warden (FAC), Telangana State, Hyderabad, Rc.No.8712/2018/WL-3, Dt: 23.02.2023.

ORDER:

In the circumstances reported by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) & Chief Wildlife Warden (FAC), Telangana State, Hyderabad, in the reference 4th read above, Government after careful examination of the matter, hereby accord permission for revision of rates for payment of compensation for various categories of Human Wildlife Conflict, as detailed below:

SI. No.	Category	Prevailing rates in G.O. Ms. No. 57, EFS&T, dt. 29.05.2014.	Revised rates
1	Human death	Max. Rs.5.00 lakh.	Max. Rs.10.00 lakh
2	Human injury	Simple injury: Actual cost of treatment.	Actual cost of treatment not exceeding Rs.1.00 lakh & Rs.10,000/- ex-gratia towards immediate relief.
		Grievous Injury: Actual cost of treatment & Rs.75,000/- ex-gratia for permanent incapacitation.	Actual cost of treatment not exceeding Rs.3.00 lakh & Rs.1.00 lakh ex-gratia for permanent incapacitation.
3	Cattle kill	Market price as assessed by livestock inspector.	Market price as jointly assessed by livestock inspector of Animal Husbandry Dept., Forest Section Officer, Sarpanch not exceeding Rs.50,000/-
4	Agriculture crop loss	Rs.6,000/- per acre.	Rs.7500/- per acre as assessed jointly by Agriculture officer, FSO and Revenue official.
5	Other horticulture crops	Rs.7500/- to Rs.50,000/- as assessed by Revenue Authorities.	Rs.7500/- to 50,000/- upper limit as assessed jointly by Horticulture officer, FSO and Revenue official.

- 2. The revised guidelines and criteria for payment of compensation to victims of Human Wildlife Conflict of different categories are given in Annexures appended to this order.
- 3. The compensation shall be paid as expeditiously as possible without any delay, immediately after the death/injuries/ damage has occurred to the next Head of the family based on the certificate issued by Revenue Authorities.

- 4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) & Chief Wildlife Warden (FAC), Telangana State, Hyderabad shall take necessary action for providing funds in the Budget under the relevant Heads of Account. He is also requested to see that the accounts are rendered to the Accountant General, Telangana State, Hyderabad for the expenditure incurred under Account by the Conservator of Forests/Divisional Forest Officer / Forest Divisional Officer concerned. This order comes into force with effect from the date of issue.
- 5. This orders issues with the concurrence of the Finance (DCM) Department vide their U.O.No.2306454/301/A2/DCM/2023, dt:15.12.2023.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

A.VANI PRASAD PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To,

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad.

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Telangana State, Hyderabad.

The Accountant General, T.S., Hyderabad.

The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, T.S., Hyderabad.

The Pay & Accounts Officer, T.S., Hyderabad.

Copy to:

All District Collectors,
The Finance (DCM) Department,
The Law (F) Department,
The PS to Minister (E&F)
The Joint Secretary to GoI, MoEF&CC,
CGO Complex, Loadhi Road, New Delhi.
SC/SF.

//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER

(Contd.in annexure)

ANNEXURE

(to G.O.Ms.No.114, EFS&T (For.i) Dept., dt:19.12.2023).

Eligibility guidelines and criteria for settling various categories of claims:

I	Cattle kill due to wild carnivore attack:		
	i)	No compensation to be paid for migratory cattle, Goats in Forests & Protected Areas.	
	ii)	No compensation to be paid for cattle kills in National Parks.	
	iii)	Information on incident to reach concerned staff within 48 hours.	
	iv)	The Cattle shall not be shifted from the site of kill till inspection by at least a FBO/FSO.	
	v)	The Cattle kill shall be certified by FSO and above, with Panchanama and photos.	
	vi)	The DFO/FDO to sanction & pay through Cheque.	
	vii)	Budget shall be made available in relaxation of Treasury Control.	
II	Human death or injury due to wild animal attack except by Snakes and Monkeys:		
		pot inspection by officer not below Forest Range Officer or SI of Police ithin 48 hours.	
	ii) Po	ostmortem and certification of cause of death by Asst. Civil Surgeon.	
	iii) The Victim should not be an offender under the Forest or Wildlife Acts at the time of the wild animal attack.		
	iv) Ex-gratia to be paid to legal heir on production of legal heir/ family members certificate from competent Authority.		
	v) Immediate payment of Rs.10,000/- as funeral charges in case of human death and as immediate relief in case of human injury.		
	vi) Sanction by Conservator of Forests /Circle Head and payment by DFO / FDO.		
	vii) B	Sudget shall be made available in relaxation of Treasury control.	
III	Agriculture & Horticulture crop loss due to wild herbivore attack:		
		amage to be reported by the victim with photographs, Pattadar assbook to FRO within 2 days.	
	ii. J	oint inspection of site by Forest Section Officer, Revenue Official and	
	iii. S	Agriculture/ Horticulture Officer to assess extent of damage of crop. Sanction by Conservator of Forests /Circle Head and payment by DFO / DO.	
		lo compensation is payable for encroached forest lands.	
	v. B	Sudget shall be made available in relaxation of Treasury Control.	

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