

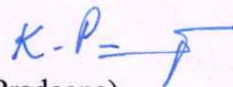
**Online Registration of Live Exotic Animal Species is now mandatory as per Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 (as amended in 2022)**  
**Apply online before 31/8/2024**

The Central Government has notified the Live Animal Species (Reporting and Registration) Rules, 2024, for owning and breeding exotic wild animals in captivity. These rules are established under Section 49M of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, to ensure better regulation and control over the possession and breeding of endangered exotic animals. As per the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, amended in the year 2022 and implemented from 01/04/2023, the Chapter-IVB of makes special provision for registration of live exotic animal species included in Schedule-IV, Appendix-I, II and III species has been made mandatory. In PARIVESH-2 portal Reporting and Registration in Format-1 is expected, the new online application for registration of exotic animals (Schedule-V) has been given a period of 6 months, accordingly all necessary proceedings for reporting and registration of live exotic animal species are to be done. While completing the online process, Application of registration of possession, Application for reporting and registration of birth, Application for reporting and registration of transfer, and manner for reporting death of animal species has to be included. Applicants will receive the application form on the portal of PARIVESH-2 and fees of Rs. 1000/- need to pay with online application.

There is a provision to reject the said application if any third party or the applicant's answer is found unsatisfactory during spot inspection. In this regard, the report in written form with signature will be uploaded on the online PARIVESH-2 portal itself. On receipt of the report from the field office, a 15-day internal registration/benefit certificate will be issued to the concerned applicant by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Nagpur.

Anyone who possess Schedule-IV exotic animals before 29/2/2024 and have registered with the Chief Wildlife Warden as per the Central Government's advisory dated 16/6/2020 will also have to apply for re-registration as per the new rules. Those who have not registered earlier or whose application is pending should also apply under the new rules. The period for making the said application shall be within 6 months of notification of the rules i.e. till 31/8/2024. It is mandatory to apply within the said deadline. Persons who have not acquired or will acquire exotic animals (Schedule- IV) after 29/2/2024 are required to apply for registration as per rules within 30 days from the date of acquisition of said animal. It may be noted that keeping such exotic animals without applying for registration within any registration period shall be considered a violation of the Act and shall be punishable under Section 51(1) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

Furthermore, for detail information, it is suggested to visit PARIVESH-2 portal or the office of concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests, Forest Department. (DCF, Dahanu & Jawhar for **Palghar District**, DCF Alibag & Roha for **Raigad District**, DCF Thane for **Thane, Mumbai, Mumbai sub-urban Districts** and Shahapur for **Shahpur Tehsil**)

  
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