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#### NOTIFICATION

**No. B. 11023/31/2015 FST, the 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.** The Environment & Forests Department has been deeply concerned about the mass death of Serow taking place since the recent past in various parts of Mizoram and is constantly monitoring the situation. The Department of Environment & Forests felt that a wider appreciation of the problem and consultation among the experts and persons who are concerned with the epidemic are required to take stock of the situation and to suggest measures to prevent further spread of the epidemic and to control the same.

Accordingly, to deal with the situation more effectively as also to remove public apprehension, the Governor of Mizoram hereby constitutes a **"Consultative Committee on mass death of Serow in Mizoram"** comprising of the following members:

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| 1. Chief Wildlife Warden, Mizoram                                | - Chairman         |
| 2. Officer-in-charge, Disease Investigation Lab, AH & Vety Deptt | - Member           |
| 3. President, BIOCON   | - Member           |
| 4. Dr. Lallianpuii Kawlni, MVSc, Wildlife Health & Management    | - Member           |
| 5. Dr. C. Lalchandama, MVSc, Pharmacology & Toxicology           | - Member           |
| 6. Representative from Deptt of Veterinary Micro-Biology, CAU    | - Member           |
| 7. Deputy Conservator of Forests (Wildlife)                      | - Member           |
| 8. Conservator of Forests (Wildlife)                             | - Member Secretary |

**The terms of reference of the Consultative Committee are as follows:**

1. To determine the causes of the present epidemic and the extent of damage.
2. To examine the previous records of such epidemics, extent of damage, and the efficacy of the remedial measures adopted, if any.
3. To examine its possible effect on human health;
4. To examine the impact particularly on other wild and domestic animals, if any, and to suggest preventive and remedial measures.
5. To suggest appropriate control measures taking into account the expertise available including indigenous knowledge of tribals and other communities and recommend long-term preventive measures.

The Consultative Committee will meet once in a month and submit report and recommendations to the Government till the situation is under control or brought to normalcy.

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