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दस्त नोंदणी करणार आहेत का ?

फक्त प्रतिज्ञापनासाठी (अनुच्छेद-४)

प्रतिज्ञापन कोणाकडे सादर करावयाचे

प्रतिज्ञापनासाठी कारण

दस्त नोंदणी होणार असल्यास दुय्यम निबंधक कार्यालयाचे नांव-

मिळकतीचे वर्णन

घोषदला रक्कम-

मुद्रांक विक्री घेणाऱ्याचे नांव-

दुसऱ्या पक्षकाराचे नांव-

मुद्रांक मुक्त रक्कम-

मुद्रांक विक्री नोंद वही अनुक्रमांक-

मुद्रांक विक्री घेणाऱ्याची सही-

परवानाधारक मुद्रांक विक्रेत्याची सही

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21 JUL 2026

Sub Treasury Officer
Kagal

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as "MoU") is made at Kolhapur on this date ----
---- 2026,



By and Between

Field Director, Sahyadri Tiger Reserve, Kolhapur, 2nd floor, Vanwardhan building, opposite to post office Tarabai Park Kolhapur, 416003 hereinafter referred as 'First Party / Department', which expression shall unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, mean and include its successors and permitted assigns of the First Part

AND

SAHYADRI WILDLIFE FOUNDATION, a Non-Government Organization registered under the Societies Registration Act 1860 bearing registration number: MH1587 having their office at Kalpana 816/1/1, behind circuit house, Tarabai park, Kolhapur - 416003, Maharashtra, India hereinafter referred as 'Second Party / Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation', which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, mean and include its successors and assigns, of the Other Part.

(Both the parties are hereinafter, collectively referred to as the "Parties" and individually as the "Party")

WHEREAS:

- A. The First Party is Field Director, Sahyadri Tiger Reserve, Ministry of Revenue and Forest, Government of Maharashtra;
- B. Second Party is a NGO, set up with the objectives as set out in the Societies Registration Act dated 20th November, 2015, which *inter alia*, includes catalyzing and accelerating making of Urban Forests in India. The Parties are desirous of collaborating with each other to explore areas in which the Parties may undertake joint activities / Program in future ("Program"), which may include:
 - a. SWF was registered with the intent to protect, conserve and restore lost wildlife habitat in the Sahyadri range.
 - b. Collaboration towards environmental projects; Research and study of wildlife, collection of data (flora and fauna).
 - c. Empowering the forest department of STR.
 - d. Any other initiatives in field of protection, conservation, monitoring, livelihood, mitigation of human wildlife conflict, eco-tourism and habitat development.

The Parties shall mutually discuss and decide before jointly undertaking any project under this MoU. This MoU has been entered with respect to the

1. Sahyadri Tiger Reserve, Kolhapur comprises of Koyna Wildlife Division and Chandoli Wildlife Division
2. Kolhapur Wildlife Division Comprises of Radhanagari Wildlife Sanctuary and Sagreshwar Wildlife Sanctuary

By this MoU, the Parties agree that the following shall be the role and responsibility of each party towards achieving the aforesaid objective:

1. Responsibilities of:

A. First Party –Field Director, Sahyadri Tiger Reserve, Ministry of Revenue and Forest, Government of Maharashtra.

- (i) It shall be responsible for facilitating and supporting **mutually decided** initiative under the Program, for the smooth implementation and administration of the Program at the mutually decided timings and locations within the Program Location;
- (ii) It shall facilitate the Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation in obtaining the necessary approvals required for the purpose of the Program;
- (iii) Will not avail any subsidies and other benefits from government schemes for these projects.



- (iv) Amount spent will be in accordance with the approved uses. Procuring invoice copies & other requisite documents will be maintained and made available to Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation team as and when required.
- (v) It shall provide logistical as well as infrastructure support under the Program at its own cost and provide such other **necessary** support and assistance as may be requested by Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation.

B. Second Party – Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation:

1. It shall be responsible for implementing the initiatives under the Program.
2. It shall raise the necessary funds to support the Program excluding travelling, accommodation and food cost of the officials of the First Party.
3. Second party will submit annual report before 30 April for each financial year.
4. Second party will prepare annual plan of operation before starting of each financial year.

WHEREAS, Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation has successfully completed the following projects in the Sahyadri region:

1. School Workshops: Conducting wildlife and environment awareness workshops in schools within and around forest buffer zones to foster conservation values among the youth.
2. Medical Camps: Organising free medical camps (including over 200 cataract operations) for communities living in and around wildlife areas to promote social welfare and reduce dependence on forest resources.
3. Village Awareness: Conducting awareness programmes in forest-fringe villages on human-wildlife conflict mitigation, wildlife protection laws, and sustainable coexistence with wildlife.
4. Smokeless Chullah Distribution: Distributing energy-efficient smokeless cooking stoves to forest-dwelling communities to reduce firewood consumption, thereby lessening pressure on forest biomass.
5. Anganwadi Improvement: Upgrading Anganwadi (child care) centres in forest-fringe villages by providing infrastructure and facilities to improve early childhood care and community health.
6. School Improvement: Undertaking infrastructure improvement works in schools located within and around forest areas, including provision of furniture, sanitation facilities, and learning materials.
7. Open Well Fencing: Installing protective fencing / covers around open wells in forest-fringe villages to prevent accidental drowning of wild animals, thereby mitigating human-wildlife conflict.
8. Waterbody Rejuvenation: Restoring and reviving water bodies within and around forest areas to provide year-round water sources for wildlife and support local biodiversity.
9. Biofencing: Establishing live biofencing using thorny and native plant species along the boundaries of agricultural fields and human habitations to deter wildlife intrusion and reduce crop damage.
10. Chainlink Boma: Constructing chainlink enclosures (bomas) to protect livestock from predator attacks, thereby reducing retaliatory killings of wildlife and supporting human-wildlife coexistence.
11. Awareness Boards: Installing informational and awareness signboards at key locations within and around forest areas to educate visitors and communities on wildlife conservation and forest regulations.
12. Capacity Building: Conducting training programmes for forest department staff, village communities, and local volunteers to strengthen skills in wildlife monitoring, conflict resolution, and conservation management.



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13. Trap Camera Installation: Deploying camera traps at strategic locations within forest areas for scientific wildlife monitoring, documentation of biodiversity, and detection of poaching activities.
14. School Small Library: Setting up mini-libraries in schools within forest-fringe communities, stocked with books on wildlife, nature, and environment to encourage reading and build ecological awareness among children.
15. Borewell: Installing borewells in forest areas and buffer zones to provide reliable water sources for wildlife and reduce animal movement into human habitations in search of water.

Empowering Forest Department carried out as below till date :

1. Essential daily-use items were distributed to Forest Department staff residing in huts located in the core forest areas. The materials were distributed in the following forest ranges:

[1] Chandoli STR Forest

[2] Amba STR Forest

[3] Helwak STR Forest

[4] Dhebewadi STR Forest

[5] Koyna STR Forest

[6] Patan STR Forest

[7] Kandat STR Forest

[8] Bamnoli STR Forest

2. During the summer season, water sources in the forest become scarce, causing wild animals to enter nearby villages in search of water. This can lead to injuries to both villagers and wildlife. To help prevent such incidents, a tractor and water tanker were provided in the Sahyadri Tiger Reserve (STR) by Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation.

3. Bags were distributed to Forest Department staff members.

4. Camera traps were installed in the forest to accurately monitor wildlife and record their movements.

5. Solar fencing energizer machines were distributed to 50 farmers from Ud giri and Ukhalu villages located in the buffer zone of the Sahyadri Tiger Reserve.

6. Sliding windows were installed in Zilla Parishad schools located in the buffer zone of the Sahyadri Tiger Reserve.

7. A total of 65 school bags were distributed to students of Zilla Parishad schools located in the buffer zone of the Sahyadri Tiger Reserve.

C. Joint Responsibilities:



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- (i) Coordination: In order to streamline coordination between the Parties for effective implementation and monitoring of the said Program, First Party and Second Party will nominate a single point of contact from each side;
 - (ii) Projects identification and documentation: The two teams shall work together to identify the projects to be undertaken and shall document the objective, scope, deliveries, responsibilities, timelines etc. for each such project; and
 - (iii) Feedback: The Parties will engage with beneficiaries to determine their feedback on the Program. The Parties shall adopt qualitative improvements based on the feedback gathered.
2. This MoU shall operate for 3 (Three) years from the date of signing. However, the Parties may extend this MoU for such further period as may be mutually agreed by the Parties in writing.
3. The Parties acknowledge that this MoU will be subject to the laws of Maharashtra, India in case of any disputes. The courts of Mumbai shall have jurisdiction in relation to any disputes arising under this MoU, if the Parties fail to resolve the same amicably.
4. The Parties acknowledge that neither them nor their employees, agents, officers or representatives, have received or shall receive, purport to receive or seek, directly or indirectly, any payments or transfers in kind of any value from the beneficiaries and / or any other persons, including but not limited to any relatives/friends/other people / organization accompanying or known to the beneficiaries of the Program or people in general. The Parties further acknowledge that they have put in effective process to ensure working / compliance of the aforesaid arrangement.
5. The Parties acknowledge that this is a non-financial collaboration and it has not and shall not in connection with this MoU, make or has made any payment or transfer anything of value, directly or indirectly for securing the arrangement under this MoU or any other matter relating to this MoU:
 - (i) To each other, the other's employees, officers, managerial personnel or any person involved in the management and administration of each entity;
 - (ii) To any person(s) who are the subject of the initiatives/collaboration stated in this MoU, including any beneficiaries or their relatives, friends, people / organization accompanying them, etc.;
 - (iii) To any governmental official or employee (including employees of a government corporation or public international organization) or to any political party or trainee for public office; or
 - (iv) To any other person or entity if such payments or transfers would violate the laws of India.
6. None of the First Party's employees, workers or other man power shall be construed or deemed to be the employees of the Second Party at any time and vice a versa.
7. The Parties agree that neither of them will not be bound by any obligation other than those specified as a part of this MoU. Each Party will be solely liable for performance of the obligations and activities assigned to it under this MoU, including any third party claims arising from the respective Party's actions or omissions during the term of this MoU.
8. Unless otherwise provided herein, all notices or other communications under or in connection with this MoU shall be given in writing and may be sent by personal delivery or post or courier at the below mentioned address. Any such notice or other communication will be deemed to be effective if sent by personal delivery, when delivered, if sent by post, 7 (seven) days after being deposited in the post and if sent by courier, one day after being deposited with the courier. The Parties shall, in addition, to the post/courier, shall also send emails on the email addresses as mentioned below or to any alternative address notified by that Party and received by the other Party.

For First Party:

Mr. Tushar Chavan, IFS,
Field Director, Sahyadri Tiger Reserve, Kolhapur



2nd floor, vanwardhan building, opposite to post office
Tarabai Park Kolhapur, 416003
Email address: ccfwlkolhapur@mahaforest.gov.in

For Second Party:

Mr. Ashish Pilani, President
SAHYADRI WILDLIFE FOUNDATION
Kalpana 816/1/1, behind circuit house,
Tarabai park, Kolhapur - 416003, Maharashtra, India.
Email: info@sahyadriwildlifefoundation.org

9. The both parties may terminate this MoU, in whole or in part, at any time prior to the expiry of the term of this MoU by giving the thirty (30) days prior written notice to each other.
10. The Parties shall not be liable for any failure to perform any of its obligations under this MoU if the performance is prevented, hindered or delayed by a Force Majeure event (defined below) and in such case its obligations shall be suspended for so long as the Force Majeure Event continues. Each party shall promptly inform the other of the existence of a Force Majeure Event and shall consult together to find a mutually acceptable solution.
- "Force Majeure Event" means any event due to any cause beyond the reasonable control of the Party, including, without limitation, unavailability of any communication system, sabotage, fire, flood, explosion, acts of God, civil commotion, strikes or industrial action of any kind, riots, insurrection, war or acts of government.
11. The Parties acknowledge and agree that they do not and shall not, nor shall they be deemed to acquire at any time hereafter nor claim or assert any right, title or interest whatsoever in the intellectual property and intellectual property rights of the other Party or their group entities, as the case may be, or any combination thereof in any language, script or alphabet or take any action which shall or may impair its right, title or interest in or to the same. Unless specified herein, the Parties shall seek specific prior written approval of the other Party for usage of its logo, branding, name or other intellectual property, for any purpose, including for promotion or marketing of the activities in relation to this MoU.
12. The branding for the Program shall be decided by SAHYADRI WILDLIFE FOUNDATION in consultation with the First Party. The First Party shall also acknowledge the contribution of Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation that is supporting the CSR project under this MoU. At Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation's request the First Party shall also acknowledge the contribution from the designated partner of Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation who has contributed either directly / indirectly for the good of the project under the MoU.
13. Termination or expiry of the MoU shall not affect the branding installed while this MoU is in subsistence. The Department shall continue to acknowledge the contribution of Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation entity supporting the project by way of the approved branding herein and otherwise. The installed branding material shall continue to be maintained by the Department. There will be no third party branding by the Department, unless prior approval in writing is obtained from Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation and the respective third party for the same. The Department must take specific approval for each case and on case wise branding.
14. The Department shall be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the equipment/vehicle/ambulance/facility/garden/plantation/toilet/solar installation or any other installation/equipment / structure set up as a part of this MoU. The Department shall ensure that the said equipment/vehicle/ambulance/facility/garden/plantation/toilet/solar installation or any other installation/equipment is used for the purpose / intended usage, as originally envisaged. The Department shall not part with the physical asset or its ownership or will not transfer the same to any other location without written permission of Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation. Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation shall not be



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responsible / liable to anybody for any damages to equipment/vehicle/ambulance/facility/garden/plantation/toilet/solar installation or any other installation/equipment or for any casualty/mishap due to natural calamities or under any circumstances, whatsoever. Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation shall have the right to re-deploy in the event of improper or short usage.

15. The Parties may make public announcement(s) in relation to this MoU, including but not limited to internal communications, press releases, advertisements, social media, website and other publications. Such publications shall be to disseminate information to external media for informative purposes, publication in their annual reports and brochures to mention information regarding the partnership under this MoU. Each Party is authorized to use the name and logo of the other Party for the purposes mentioned above with prior written approval.
16. Each Party shall ensure that any mention of this collaboration/MoU, internally or externally shall be restricted to factual information and shall not include any exaggerations or shall not attempt to impose any obligation on the other Party beyond the roles and responsibilities documented in this MoU.
17. The Parties shall maintain confidentiality with respect to any data, information or documents that is shared under this MoU and is the confidential information of the disclosing Party.
18. In the event that any carbon credits / renewable energy certificate / other sustainability credit / any benefit in any form whatsoever accrues as a result of the Program under this MoU then the entitlement of the same at all times shall vest with the SAHYADRI WILDLIFE FOUNDATION entity supporting the CSR project being undertaken under this MoU. This clause shall survive the term of the MoU.
19. It shall be at the liberty to tie-up with any entity / entities of its choice, as per its internal process, for the purpose of getting support but entity / entities are not becoming a part of MoU.
20. This MoU constitutes the final and entire understanding between the Parties with respect to this collaboration and supersedes any previous agreement or understanding between the Parties and any amendments or waiver to this MoU shall be in writing and signed by both the Parties after mutual understanding.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF THE PARTIES HERE THROUGH THEIR DULY
AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVES HAVE EXECUTED THIS MoU ON THE DAY,
MONTH AND YEAR FIRST HEREIN MENTIONED.**

For First Party :-

**Field Director, Sahyadri Tiger Reserve,
Kolhapur**



**Mr. Tushar Chavan, IFS,
Field Director, Sahyadri Tiger Reserve,
Kolhapur.**

For Second Party :-

Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation

**Mr. Ashish Pilani
President, Sahyadri Wildlife Foundation,
Kolhapur.**



Date :- 29/07/2026

Place :- NAGPUR

Witnesses :-

1. vidya Ghodake 

2. Indrajeet A. Pawar 

3. Nilesh A. Patil 

1. Sharad S. Mali 

2. Hemant Desai 

3. Nagesh Desai 