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Dated 12th September 2014

To,

Ms. Lata Chauhan
1, Southern Avenue,
Maharani Bagh
New Delhi - 110065

Sub.: Information under Right to Information Act, 2005- reg.

Ref.: Your RTI Application No. Nil, dated 6.08.2014 received in this office on 13.8.2014.

Madam,

With reference to your above mentioned RTI application, the required information as obtained from the concerned officer of the Institute is annexed herewith in 02 pages for your reference.

In case you are not satisfied with this reply and want to appeal as per the provisions of RTI Act, 2005, the address of Appellate Authority is being given as follows:

Dr. V.B. Mathur, Director & Appellate Authority, Wildlife Institute of India,
Chandrabani, Dehradun – 248 001, Ph.: 0135-2640910.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(Aseem Shrivastava)
CPIO

Encl.: As above.

Answers to the queries raised by applicant Lata Chauhan, 1, Southern Avenue Maharani Bagh, New Delhi, 110065.

Detailed information required as following:-

1. Asiatic Water Buffalo

(i) Found in India

Ans: YES

(ii) If found in India, then (a) in which part of India and its (b) Indian Name

Ans: a) Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Chhattisgarh

b) Indian Name : Wild Water Buffalo, Wild Asian Buffalo, Asian Buffalo, Asiatic Buffalo, Indian Buffalo, Indian Water Buffalo, Water Buffalo

(iii) Is the Asiatic Water Buffalo a "Protected" Indian Fauna

Ans: YES

(iv) Is the Buffalo-*Synerus caffer caffer* (Africa) a "lookalike" of the Asiatic Water Buffalo

Ans: No.

Species mentioned above have no "Look alike" of Indian Fauna and can be easily identified based on their morphological characteristics, if found complete in all features.

2. Chinkara

(i) Is the Chinkara a "Protected" Indian Fauna?

Ans: YES

(ii) Is the Impala - *Aepyceros melampus* (Africa) a look alike with the Chinkara

Ans: NO

Species mentioned above have no "Look alike" of Indian Fauna and can be easily identified based on their morphological characteristics, if found complete in all features.

3. Warthog

(i) Is the Wild Pig (*Sus scrofa*) a "Protected" Indian Fauna?

Ans: YES

(ii) Is the Warthog a lookalike with the Wild Pig (*Sus scrofa*)

Ans: No

Species mentioned above have no "Look alike" of Indian Fauna and can be easily identified based on their morphological characteristics, if found complete in all features.

4. Crocodile

(i) Is the Crocodile (ssp. Listed in WLPA) a "Protected" Indian fauna?

Ans: YES

(ii) Is the Crocodile (*Crocodilus nilotica*) lookalike with Indian Crocodile.

Ans: No

Species mentioned above have no "Look alike" of Indian Fauna and can be easily identified based on their morphological characteristics, if found complete in all features.

5. To furnish a list of the Indian "PROTECTED" fauna.

Ans: The complete list of Indian protected fauna available at the given website:

envfor.nic.in/legis/wildlife/wildlife1.html

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