"World Environment Day"

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To: 1. The Member Secretary, West Bengal Zoo Authority

2. All CCFs (Territorial and Wildlife), FD/STR, FD/BTR & CCF/C&E.

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All DCFs (Territorial and Wildlife), DRs/STR & BTR.

Sub: Observance of World Environment Day – 5th June, 2018.

Ref: Meeting on 18.05.2018 at Aranya Bhawan for celebration of World Environment Day

of 2018.

Sir/Madam,

As you are aware the World Environment Day is celebrated every year on 5th June to raise global awareness to take positive environmental action to protect Mother Nature and as the step towards making the planet earth conducive to living being as declared by UN since 1972. A platform for action, the World Environment Day is UN's most important day for encouraging wildlife awareness and action for protection of environment.

India is the global host of 2018 Environment Day which will take place on 5th June,2018. "Beat plastic pollution, the theme for World Environment Day,2018 urges governments, industries, communities and individuals together to explore sustainable alternatives for protection of damaging marine life and threatening human life.

With this background, a meeting involving senior forest officers based in Kolkata was convened and chaired by PCCF (HoFF) and discussion was held regarding of

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observance of World Environment Day, 2018. Accordingly, the following decisions were taken:-

- 1. All parks and gardens of Forest Directorate will be made plastic free.
- A programme will be launched in all parks and gardens of Forest Directorate whereby plastic bags/packets will be exchanged with biodegradable bags/packets of this Directorate.
- 3. At Banobitan at Salt Lake a programme will be organized for tree plantation.
- All DFOs will undertake cleanliness drive to observe World Environment Day from 1st June to 15th June, 2018.
- 5. A cleanliness drive will also be undertaken at all the eco- tourism centres, nature interpretation centres, zoological parks, wild animal safaris, forest rest houses, parks and gardens and other similar establishments of this Directorate which have a public interphase.

All the divisional units will be allotted Rs. 10,000/- to carry out the aforesaid instructions.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, HoFF
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