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#### "Bonya Pran Sathi Prokolpa" (Honourary Wildlife Voluntary Service Programme), 2018-19

The Wildlife Wing, Department of Forests, Govt. of West Bengal invites applications to participate in the above mentioned programme. You are requested to visit the official website <a href="www.wildbengal.com">www.wildbengal.com</a> for details of the programme and the application form. The last date for submission of filled up application forms is 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2018.

Conservator of Forests, Wildlife (Headquarters), West Bengal Bikash Bhavan, Kolkata - 700091

## Bonya Pran Sathi Prokolpa

Government of West Bengal has notified the programme of "Bonyapran Sathi Prokolpa [Honourary Wildlife Volunteer Service Programme (HWVSP)]" vide Forest Department Notification No. 396-For dated 6<sup>th</sup> February 2017. This programme seeks to involve all adult residents of the State, willing and volunteering their time and skills to the cause of wildlife conservation. This programme will be co-ordinated by the Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife and Chief Wildlife Warden, West Bengal, located at Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata. The details of the programme are:

## **Eligibility Criteria**

- 1. The programme is open to all adults, over the age of 18 years on the date of applying for the programme.
- 2. The applicant must be a resident of the State of West Bengal at the time of applying.
- 3. The applicant must be medically fit for outdoor work in the forest areas of the State.
- 4. The applicant should be able to bear his/her expenses for participating in the programme.

#### **Selection Procedure**

1. Applications in the prescribed format shall be submitted to:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife & Chief Wildlife Warden, West Bengal, Bikash Bhavan, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, North Block, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091.

- 2. Application Form can be downloaded from the website <a href="www.wildbengal.com">www.wildbengal.com</a> / <a href="www.wildbengal.com">www.wildbengal.com
- 3. Filled in application form can be submitted through the e mail <u>bonyapransathibengal@gmail.com</u> and also a hard copy to be submitted at the address given in (1) above.
- 4. The application will be scrutinized by a Selection Committee comprising of:
  - 1. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife & Chief Wildlife Warden, West Bengal
  - 2. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Director, Sundarban Biosphere Reserve
  - 3. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife, West Bengal
  - 4. Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife (N), West Bengal
  - 5. Chief Conservator of Forests & Field Director, Buxa Tiger Reserve
  - 6. Chief Conservator of Forests & Field Director, Sundarban Tiger Reserve
  - 7. Representative of the Forest Department, Govt. of West Bengal
  - 8. One member of the State Board for Wildlife, West Bengal
  - 9. One NGO member
    - 10. Conservator of Forests, Wildlife (Headquarters), West Bengal
- 5. The applicant shall have an opportunity to indicate his choice of working area from any of the following four zones
  - a) P.A.s in the Hills;
  - b) P.A.s in the Dooars;
  - c) Sundarbans; and
  - d) Urban Wildlife Management.
- 6. The Selection Committee will make the final selection and the decision of the Selection Committee will be final and no appeal against it shall be entertained. The preference for the zones are in no way a guarantee that the selected candidate will be allotted the preferred zone only.

## **Terms and Conditions of the Programme**

- 1. The applicant selected by the Selection Committee will be able to participate in the programme for 2 (Two) calendar years.
- 2. Each selected person will be issued a selection letter and badge. A certificate shall be issued after completion of each activity, viz. Orientation course and each assigned forest visit.
- 3. Membership shall be personal for an individual only and non transferable.
- 4. The member shall have to undergo an orientation training organized by the Wildlife Wing, Forest Department, West Bengal.
- 5. The selected Bonya Pran Sathi shall be provided with facilities at per with those provided to the local forest staff camping / residing in the area. No special facilities will be provided under any circumstances. Participants have to keep in mind that the facilities available in forest locations/camp at time may not meet the basic living conditions, e.g. electricity etc.
- 6. The participants shall have to strictly abide by all provisions of the Indian Forest Act,1927 and the Wildlife(Protection) Act,1972 and other rules and regulations as applicable in the Protected Areas.
- 7. Any violation of any Act or Rules governing wildlife and forests will result in termination of membership and action will be taken for prosecution as per law and they will be debarred from participation in future.
- 8. Participants will not be allowed to carry any camera for still or video photography, however for documentation purpose camera of mobile phone may be used.
- 9. Any act of indiscipline will result in suspension of membership, pending enquiry. If found correct, membership will be terminated with immediate effect.
- 10. There will be no refund of any fees paid under this programme, even if the member does not participate during the given period.
- 11. The applicants will have to undergo medical examination as per attached format at their own expenses and submit the fitness certificate during the time of application. There will be no liability of the Forest Department for any medical exigencies.
- 12. Participants will have to submit a 'Voluntary Service Report' as per prescribed proforma (*Feedback Form*) to the Chief Wildlife Warden on completion of each phase of attachment.
- 13. The Range Officer / Beat Officer / Camp In Charge shall also submit a report in the prescribed **proforma** (*Feedback Form*) for each of the participant in their area.
- 14.Respective Protected Area Managers/ DFOs will have to submit a detailed evaluation report as per proforma annually regarding all the participants to the Chief Wildlife Warden through prescribed e- mail id.
- 15.Selected candidates should be aware that there will be some risk in staying in remote forest locations. There will be no liability of the Forest Department, Govt. of West Bengal for loss of life or disability while participating in this programme.
- 16.Participation fee will be Rs. 15,000 (Rupees Fifteen Thousand) only including the cost of Orientation Programme to be paid in the form of a Demand Draft payable at State Bank of India, Canning Branch, District 24 Parganas (South) in favour of "SUNDARBAN TIGER CONSERVATION FOUNDATION TRUST" to be deposited at office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife & Chief Wildlife Warden, West Bengal, Bikash Bhavan, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, North Block, Salt Lake, Kolkata 700 091 within the stipulated time as per direction to be given after selection of the candidates.

## Bonya Pran Sathi Prokolpa

Applic	ation Form (to be submitted within, 2018)	
	Application Number: of 20	
To		Recent Photo
	The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Chief Wildlife Warden, West Bengal	
	Bikash Bhavan, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, North Block, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091	Self Attested
0.		across photo
Sir,		
	Kindly consider my application for the <b>Bonyo Pran Sathi Prokolpa</b> for the year 20	(Signature should not cover
	My details are as follows:	the face)
1.	Name (In BLOCK LETTERS):	
2.	Sex:	
3.	Father/ Mother Name:	
4.	Age: years.	
5.	Current Postal Address with PIN Code:	
6.	Permanent Postal Address with PIN Code:	
_	Demonstrated details	
7.	Personal Contact details: Phone	
	FAX	
	e-Mail	
	Mobile	
8.	Contact Details of nearest kin: Name	
	Relationship	
	Phone	
	Fax	
	e-Mail	
9.	Mobile No Employment Status:	
7. 10.	Educational Qualification: HS / Graduate / Post Graduate / Professional / Any Other(specify)	
11. Pr	eferred area of Visit: (in terms of preference)	
	a. P.A.s in the Hills	
	b. P.A.s in Dooars c. Sundarbans	
	d. Urban Wildlife Management	
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11.	Indemnity	
I,		Son / Daughter of
	, aged years, do hereby declare	e that I am submitting this application,
beina	aware of all the terms and conditions of the programme. I further declare that I am well aware of the	the risks involved in participating in the
1	amme and the Forest Department will not be held responsible for any accident/mishap/untoward inc	
l		cident during my stay in the forest area
as pa	rt of this programme.	
	I also declare that, I shall be abiding by all the rules and regulations as prescribed from time to	time and shall be liable to prosecution/
action	n if I fail to follow existing laws and rules.	
	Signature of the Applicant	
Place		
Date		

Documents to be attached:  1. Proof of Identity (any one)		
•	ssport; Voter ID; Permanent lamina	ated driving license.
2. Proof of Age (any one) Birth Certificate; School leaving	Certificate; PAN Card; Passport; Pe	ermanent laminated driving license.
•	-	e; Latest telephone bills of 3 months; Electricity ered Rent Agreement.
Complete application form should l	oe sent along with all documents	<u>to</u> :
The Conservator of Forests, Wi PCCF, Wildlife & CWLW, We	ldlife (Headquarters) and Me	ember Secretary, Selection Committee, O/o
The Conservator of Forests, Wi	ldlife (Headquarters) and Me	ember Secretary, Selection Committee, O/o
The Conservator of Forests, Wi PCCF, Wildlife & CWLW, We	ldlife (Headquarters) and Mest Bengal, Bikash Bhavan, N For Office Use Acknowledgement	ember Secretary, Selection Committee, O/o North Block, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Salt Lake, Kolkata-

## Bonya Pran Sathi Prokolpa

#### **Medical Fitness Certificate**

A Certificate from any Government Hospital /Health Centre / Registered allopathic medical practitioner on his / her letter pad along with registration number.

## The Medical Fitness Certificate must highlight -

- 1. The General Fitness of the applicant to undertake arduous outdoor work.
- 2. The Mental Stability
- 3. Sound hearing faculty.
- 4. Good eye sight having no colour blindness. In case of defective vision, it must be corrected to at least 6/9 in the better eye and 6/12 in the other eye and the candidate must not suffer from any congenital or other diseases of the eye.

## Bonya Pran Sathi Prokolpa Participant's Feedback Form

SI	Particulars	Remarks
1.	Name	
2.	Location	
3.	Date of Arrival	
4	Date of Departure	
5.	How well you were involved in wildlife conservation activities	
6.	List things that appealed to you most during this ground level exposure	
7.	List things that did not appeal to you	
8.	List what you have learnt	
9.	Name of staff whom you like to mention who was most resourceful professionally	
10.	Give your overall comments about the program including improvements suggested	
11.	Any other points you may like to mention about the program	

Please rate the following in a scale of 1- 5 (1-excellent,2- very good,3-Good, 4-Average & 5-poor)

SI No.	Particulars	Rating
1	Pickup service & Drop service	
2	Accommodation	
3	Food arrangement	
4	Daily routine organised	
5	Courtesy of staff	
6	Your involvement in this wildlife conservation program	
7	Porter services, if availed	

Date:

## Bonya Pran Sathi Prokolpa Field Staff's Feedback Form

Sl	Particulars	Remarks
1.	Name of staff & Designation	
2.	Location	
3.	Name of Volunteer	
4.	Date of Arrival	
5	Date of Departure	
6.	Place where volunteer was accommodated	
6.	Duties performed involving volunteer	
7.	Areas of interest of volunteer noticed. Specifically state if whether he/she made it as a tourism activity	
8.	General views of volunteer about the program	
9.	List what you think the volunteer has learnt from the program	
10.	Your views about how to improve the program	

Please rate the following in a scale of 1-5 (1-excellent, 2- very good, 3-Good, 4-Average & 5-poor)

Sl No.	Particulars	Rating
1	Attitude of volunteer to the program	
2	Involvement in day to day activities	
3	General behaviour with staff and others	
4	Adjustment of the volunteer to the existing forest location conditions	
5	Orientation towards wildlife conservation	
6	Volunteer's eagerness to involvement in conservation effort	

Date:

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# Government of West Bengal Department of Forests Aranya Bhawan, Block-La/10A, Sector-II, Kolkata-98.

No.396-For

Date:06/02/2017

#### BONYA PRAN SATHI PROKOLPA

Honorary Wildlife Volunteer Service Programme (HWVSP)

## NOTIFICATION

Back ground: The State of West Bengal is the only State of India where the Protected Areas (National Parks, Wildlife Sanctuaries, Tiger Reserves and others) are located at 14000' in eastern Himalayas as well as at sea level in Sundarban. West Bengal has 6 National Parks and 15 Wildlife Sanctuaries and covers almost 40% area of forest, a feat no other state could match.

Wildlife Conservation cannot be done in isolation and it was under active consideration of the Government in the Department of Forests for some time past to involve local communities and wildlife loving peoples in wildlife conservation. In order to achieve and to create social fencing the Governor is hereby pleased to notify the 'Bonyapran Sathi Prokolpa' or 'Honorary Wildlife Volunteer Service Programme (HWVSP)' in the State of West Bengal.

### Objective:

- To involve the individuals in Wildlife Conservation Programme of Forest Department, West Bengal.
- To increase public support for wildlife conservation programme especially in Protected Areas.
- To impart nature education to civil society by capacity building through ground level exposure.
- 4. To provide an opportunity to people to serve "Wildlife" voluntarily

#### Salient features:

- This programme is aimed at providing an opportunity to the self sustained adult professionals of any stream, students, others to serve in Protected Areas of West Bengal to fulfill the passion for Wildlife Conservation.
- The programme is self-financing i.e. all cost for training, stay, travel and other expenses have to be borne by the persons selected for the programme. Govt. of West Bengal shall not bear any expenses for any individual for running the programme.
- 3. The interested persons have to apply to the 'Chief Wildlife Warden' in prescribed form after the program is launched.
- 4. The selection of individual will be done by a committee formed as:

a. The PCCF, Wildlife & CWLW, West Bengal	-Chairman
b. Representative of Forest Department	-Member
c. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife (N)	-Member
d. One member of State Board for Wildlife	-Member
e. One NGO working on field of Wildlife Conservation	-Member
f. The Conservator of Forests, Wildlife (Hqr.)	-Member Secretary

The Chairman of the committee shall choose the members in respect of serial number 'd' and 'e'.

- The Chief Wildlife Warden, West Bengal, shall calculate the cost of programme at 'No Profit, No Loss' concept and will inform all concerned at the time of launch of scheme.
- Once selected the Bonyapran Sathi' shall be asked to deposit the fee' (cost of programme) in an account to be informed.
- All funds of such programme shall be kept in bank account of SFDA/BTCFT/STCFT so as to make them readily available at short notices.
- 8. The selected individuals will be provided an "Orientation Training" (indoor and outdoor), details of which shall be decided by the Chief Wildlife Warden, West Bengal.
- 9. The trained Bonyapran Sathi' shall be asked to provide voluntary service in any forest area/ Protected Area of West Bengal for 7 to 15 days in a year for which they shall not be paid.
- 10. If an individual fail to give his/her services for 2 years, he/she shall be treated disqualified for the programme.
- 11.All the rules for the stay in forest/ Protected Areas shall be framed by the Chief Wildlife Warden, West Bengal and the Bonyapran Sathi' has to give an undertaking in writing to follow the rules.
- 12. The 'Bonyapran Sathi' under no circumstances shall be treated as an employee of the Govt. of West Bengal.

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## Eligibility:

- Any adult person who is resident of the West Bengal.
- Person has to be medically fit duly certified by doctor for outdoor, forest duties
- Person has to bear his/her expenses for the programme as the programme is of 'No Profit, No Loss' concept.

## Service Orientation:

The Voluntary service to be rendered by the participants will be in the field of Nature Interpretation, Nature Education, Forest Protection in low conflict areas, Community participation, habitat improvement programme, monitoring of Wildlife and Wildlife management etc

By order of the Governor,

Sd/-

(C. Sinha)
Principal Secretary,
Department of Forests,
Government of West Bengal.

No.396(5)-For/FR/O/11M-21/16

Date:06/02/2017

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

- The PCCF & HoFF, West Bengal
- The PCCF, Wildlife & CWLW, West Bengal
- 3. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife (N)
- A. The Conservator of Forests, Wildlife (Hqr.)
  - 5. The P.S to MIC, Forests.

OS.D. & E.O Joint Secretary, Department of Forests, Government of West Bengal.