

Rules of Bonyapran 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 6th 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 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 & Chief Wildlife Warden, West Bengal
Bikash Bhavan, 3rd Floor, North Block, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091
2. Application Form can be downloaded from the website www.wildbengal.com / www.westbengalforest.gov.in and **to be submitted within 31st July 2019.**
3. Filled in application form can be submitted through the e mail bonyapransathibengal@gmail.com 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:
 - Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Chief Wildlife Warden, West Bengal
 - Representative of the Forest Department
 - Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife (N)
 - One member of State Board for Wildlife
 - One NGO member
 - Conservator of Forests, Wildlife (HQ)
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) Sunderbans 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 applicants 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.
5. The selected Bonyapran Sathi shall be provided with facilities at par with those provided to the local forest staff camping / residing in the area. No special facilities will be provided under any circumstances. Participants has 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 Indian Forest Act,1927 and 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 to the Chief Wildlife warden in the designated e mail id 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** for each of the participant in their area through e mail on id mentioned before (bonyapransathibengal@gmail.com).
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 for loss of life or disability while participating in this programme.
16. Participation fee will be Rs. 20,000(Rupees Twenty Thousand) only for the first year including Orientation Programme.
17. Fees have to be deposited as per direction to be given after selection of the candidates.

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Application Form (to be submitted within 31st July 2019)

Application Number: _____ of 20_____		Recent Photo Self Attested across photo (Signature should not cover the face)
To	The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Chief Wildlife Warden, West Bengal Bikash Bhavan, 3rd Floor, North Block, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091	
Sir,	Kindly consider my application for the Bonyopran Sathi Prokolpo for the year 20_____. My details are as follows:	
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:	
7.	Personal Contact details: Phone FAX e-Mail Mobile	
8.	Contact Details of nearest kin: Name Relationship Phone Fax e-Mail Mobile No	
9.	Employment Status:	
10.	Educational Qualification: HS/ Graduate/Post Graduate/ Professional	
11.	Preferred area of Visit : (in terms of preference) a.P.A.s in the Hills b. P.A.s in Dooars c. Sunderbans d. Urban Wildlife management :	
11.	Indemnity	
I,	_____, Son / Daughter of _____, aged _____ years, do hereby declare that I am submitting this application, being aware of all the terms and conditions of the programme. I further declare that I am well aware of the risks involved in participating in the programme and the Forest Department will not be held responsible for any accident/mishap/untoward incident during my stay in the forest area as part 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 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)

Photo PAN card; Valid Indian passport; Voter ID; Permanent laminated driving license.

2. Proof of Age (any one)

Birth Certificate; School leaving Certificate; PAN Card; Passport; Permanent laminated driving license.

3. Proof of Address as given in application (any one)

Valid Indian Passport; Voter ID; Permanent laminated driving license; Latest telephone bills of 3 months; Electricity bill not older than 3 months; Postpaid mobile bills; Notarized registered Rent Agreement.

Complete application form should be sent along with all documents to :

The Conservator of Forests, Wildlife (Headquarters) and Member Secretary, Selection Committee, o/o PCCF, Wildlife & CWLW, West Bengal, Bikash Bhavan, North Block, 3rdFloor, Salt Lake, Kolkata-700091.

For Office Use
Acknowledgement

Received Application Number _____ of 20____ , dated _____ from

Mr. / Mrs/ Ms _____

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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 should 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 congenital or other diseases of the eye.