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**SUBJECT : Prohibition in display of Wildlife items in commercial premises – reg**

Section 49 C (3) of Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 provides as under:

“Where, in a declaration made under sub-section (1), the person making the declaration expresses his desire to retain with himself any of the item of the stocks specified in the declaration for his bona fide use, the Chief Wild Life Warden , with the prior approval of the Director , may, if he is satisfied that the person is in possession of such items, issue certificates of ownership in favor of such person with respect to all, or as the case may be, such of the items as in the opinion of the Chief Wild Life Warden , are required for the bona fide personal use of such person and affix upon such items identification marks in such manner as may be prescribed.

**PROVIDED that no such item shall be kept in any commercial premises.”**

The provision therefore prohibits the display of such articles in any commercial premises. However, it has come to the notice of this Bureau that such items are on display in certain commercial premises such as hotels etc.

All the field formations may therefore be suitably advised to take appropriate action to ensure the implementation of the above provision in letter and spirit and legal action may be taken against the violators. Standard protocols for inspection of such premises and to deal such cases may also be framed by the department.

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