Endangered Species Advisory Committee

Serving the Community -Service Standards Committee 45th Monitoring Report

Purpose

To inform members of the performance of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD) in meeting its pledges with respect to the licensing of endangered animals and plants under the "Serving the Community" Scheme.

Background

2. AFCD published its first Performance Pledge on 1 August 1993. The current Performance Pledge was published in April 2008. The Performance Pledge provides information on the services available from the Department and sets out the performance standards and targets which the Department aims to achieve in respect of twenty of its more popular services.

Monitoring Mechanism

3. To monitor the performance of the Department in achieving its various published standards and targets, a Service Standards Committee was set up. The Committee, chaired by the Deputy Director and comprising six other members drawn from the various divisions of the Department, reviews the results of the performance submitted by the various divisions of the Department on a quarterly basis and reports the findings to the different advisory committees according to their respective areas of interest.

Performance Results

4. The performance results for the quarter ending December 2018, March 2019 and June 2019 with respect to the licensing of endangered animals and plants as summarised in the **Appendix** have been reviewed by the Service Standards Committee.

5. There were 14,294 applications in the three quarters under review. Overall, 100.0% of the applications met the targets.

Comments by Service Standards Committee

6. The Service Standards Committee was of the view that the overall results were satisfactory. The committee also noted that no complaint on the services provided by the Department was received during the periods covered by this report.

Advice Sought

7. Members are requested to comment on and endorse the findings of the Service Standards Committee.

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Appendix

Performance results with respect to the services/applications on the licensing of endangered animals and plants

			4 th Quarter (Oct to Dec) of 2018			1 st Quarter (Jan to Mar) of 2019			2 nd Quarter (Apr to Jun) of 2019		
Item	Service/Application	Target Turnaround Time	No. of Applications	No. of Applications Meeting Targets	% of Applications Meeting Targets	No. of Applications	No. of Applications Meeting Targets	% of Applications Meeting Targets	No. of Applications	No. of Applications Meeting Targets	% of Applications Meeting Targets
	CITES Re-export Certificate for Animals and Plants	2 working days (except those requiring clarification from CITES Secretariat & overseas Management Authorities or overseas applications)	346	346	100.0%	300	300	100.0%	348	348	100.0%
	CITES Licence to Import (other than live animals)/Export/Re- export/Possess in respect of endangered species	2 working days (except those requiring clarification from CITES Secretariat & overseas Management Authorities or overseas applications)	4,547	4,547	100.0%	4,251	4,251	100.0%	4,174	4,174	100.0%
× 2	Import in respect of live endangered animals	5 working days (including 3 working days for processing the special permit by the Permit and Certificate Section)	14	14	100.0%	2	2	100.0%	6	6	100.0%
2(c)	CITES Licence to Import in respect of other live endangered animals	2 working days (except those requiring clarification from CITES Secretariat & overseas Management Authorities or overseas applications)	119	119	100.0%	98	98	100.0%	89	89	100.0%
		Total	5,026	5,026	100.0%	4,651	4,651	100.0%	4,617	4,617	100.0%
		Total no. of applications in the reporting period	14,294								
		Overall % of applications meeting targets in the reporting period	100.0%								