## APPENDIX -III

## GOVERNEMNT OF MAHARASHTRA'S ORDER DECLARING PENCH TIGER RESERVE

## GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA

Revenue and Forests Department Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400 032.

Resolution No. WLP-1095/CR-11-/F-1 Dated: 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 1999

READ: 1) Letter of Chief Convervator of Forests (Wildlife) No. D-23(A)/C.No. 543/2322/98-99.

dated 14th October, 1998.

 Letter of Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) No. D-23(A)/C.N. 543/2532/98-99,

dated 10h November, 1998.

Government letter of even number dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 1999.

4) Letter of Joint Director, Project Tiger, Government of India, Ministry of Environment

and Forests No. 1-1/96-PT, dated 18th Jahuary, 1999.

## RESOLUATION

The Government of India has communicated its approval to the declaration of Pench Tiger Reserve comprising of the areas (257.26 sq.km.) of existing Pench National Park as the third Tiger Reserve in the State under Project Tiger subject to certain conditions vide its letter referred to at Sr.No. 4. The Government of India will provide 50% financial assistance for approved recurring items and 100% financial assistance for non-recurring items with the condition that the entire cost of salary of the staff employed in the Reserve will be born by the State Government. The Government of Maharashtra is now please to declare the area constituted by the Pench National Park as the third Tiger Reserve in the State under Project

 The Government is also pleased to designate the Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) Nagpur as eh ex-officio Field Director of the Pench Tiger Reserve.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

Sd/(V.R. Tiwari)
Officer on Special Duty
Revenue and Forests
Department