



**FOREST DEPARTMENT
PANAJI – GOA**

“WILDLIFE VIDEO AND BIRD PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST”

AT

3RD BIRD FESTIVAL OF GOA 2020

17TH – 19TH JANUARY, 2020

The Forest Department, Government of Goa is pleased to announce the wildlife video and bird photography contest to be held at the 3rd Annual Bird Festival of Goa scheduled from **17th to 19th January 2020** at Forest Training School Campus, Valpoi, Sattari – Goa. Participants fulfilling following conditions can participate for the contest.

Contest is open to all citizens of India.

Birds should have been photographed only in the State of Goa during the period **1st January, 2019 to 14th January, 2020**.

The Wildlife video should be of minimum 2 minutes and should have been shot entirely in Goa during the period **1st January, 2019 to 14th January, 2020**.

Last date for submission of entries is **15th January 2020**.

Winners will be awarded with the following prizes:-

Prize	Wildlife video competition	Bird Photography contest
1 st Prize	Rs.20,000/-	Rs.15,000/-
2 nd Prize	Rs.10,000/-	Rs.10,000/-
3 rd Prize	Rs.7,500/-	Rs.7,500/-

Interested candidates are requested to submit their entries to the Office

address given below. For more details contact:-

The Dy. Conservator of Forests,
North Goa Division,
Ponda - Goa.

Ph:- 0832 2312856 / 2312095.

Email:- dcfnorth-forest.goa@nic.in

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WILDLIFE VIDEO CONTEST – RULES & REGULATION

1. This contest is open to people of all ages all over India. It is open to both individuals and teams.
There is no minimum or the maximum number of members for a team submission.
A representative or leader should, however, be designated in the case of a team submission.
2. Contest participants must create a video which will be based on the following theme:
❖ Wildlife of Goa
3. The suggested length of the video is two minutes. The video is not expected to be professionally produced but can be done using any technology (cameras, smartphones or animation) and edited by the participants themselves. The video should be in MP4 format only and max size of 150 MB.
4. The final video needs to be submitted on or before January 15, 2020,
5. **Entry to the contest is free.**
6. **The wildlife video should have shot entirely in Goa during the period 1st January 2019 to 14th January , 2020 only.**
7. Copyright of the submitted video remains with the respective entrants. However, in consideration of winning one of the prizes, each entrant grants a worldwide royalty-free perpetual licence to GOA FOREST DEPARTMENT to feature any or all of the submitted materials in any and all media for publicity and marketing purposes. This implies that any entry can be used for promotional purposes.
8. All contest participants grant GOA FOREST DEPARTMENT the perpetual licence to copy, edit, display, publish and make available their submission materials and agree that GOA FOREST DEPARTMENT may publish their names in connection with this video contest and the campaign.
9. It is the responsibility of each entrant to ensure that all videos have been taken with the permission of the subject(s) and no harm of any nature has been inflicted to any life form during filming the video. The person submitting the video also confirms that the video does not infringe on the copyright of any third party. Entrants guarantee that they own the copyright for the submissions and for the usage rights required by the contest, and that their entry does not infringe on the privacy rights, copyright or any other rights of any person.
10. **Two winning videos will be selected and will be awarded cash prizes as follows:-**

Prize	Wildlife video competition	Bird Photography contest
1 st Prize	Rs.20,000/-	Rs.15,000/-
2 nd Prize	Rs.10,000/-	Rs.10,000/-
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BIRD PHOTGRAPHY Rules and Regulations

Contestants must minimize disturbance to birdlife and habitat. Birds cannot be trapped or restrained. Judges will be asked to severely reduce the score or disqualify photographs of birds that appear to be stressed. Welfare of the subject should be the foremost consideration.

1. This contest is open to all.
2. Photographs of nesting birds or in the nests will be disqualified
3. NO photographs of tame or caged birds are allowed.
4. Flash Photography is NOT allowed and will be disqualified.
5. Bird photos must necessarily be taken in Goa during the period 1st January 2019 to 14th January , 2020 only.
6. The photographs, in its entirety, must be a single work of original material taken by the Contest entrant.
7. Each participant may submit a maximum of 2 entries and must be captioned.
8. EXIF information for the image must be intact to prove the date taken.
9. Images must be submitted with no borders and also no watermarks. All submitted images must be minimum 1024 pixel on the long side. The images are to be mailed on dcfnorth-forest.goa@nic.in
10. The file name has to be in the following format e.g. Ravi Desai_Shikra
11. A print in 8×10 inch has to be submitted to the Office of the Deputy Conservator of Forest, North Goa Division, Ponda on or before January 15, 2020 Ph. No.: 0832 – 2312856/2312095. Email: dcfnorth-forest.goa@nic.in
12. The details of the photographer (Name, contact No. & email id), location, date, time and caption is to be written on the back of the print.
13. All entries must be original (must show original RAW or JPG image file). Optimization of images or colour correction, color contrast, brightness is acceptable, as is cropping. Digital manipulation that distorts the reality of the images will not be allowed.
14. The entries are non-returnable. Participants retain the copyright of the photographs submitted. However, the entries may be used or reproduced by the organizers for promotional and educational purposes and Photo credits will be acknowledged.
15. The organizers will not be held responsible for any loss or damage to an entry.
16. A panel of Wildlife Photographers and Bird experts will evaluate all eligible entries based on the following Judging Criteria:(1) Interesting Behavior(2)Photographic quality (Sharpness, colors, exposure, etc).Decisions of the judges are final and binding. Winners will be notified at the prize giving ceremony.
17. The panel of judges reserves the right to call for original JPEG or RAW files for the purpose of authentication. An image may be disregarded if the original files cannot be provided.
19. BEST PHOTOS will be printed in A3 photo print and exhibited by the organizers at the Bird Festival venue.
20. **Three winners will be selected and will be awarded cash prizes as follows:-**
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21. The winners will be announced on January 15, 2020. Winners will also receive an email notification from the GOA FOREST DEPARTMENT.