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My dear Shivraj Singhji -

Thank you very much indeed for your letter of 17th August 2010 agreeing in principle to the proposal of Cheetah re-introduction in Kuno-Palpur and in Nauradehi, and for giving Dr. M.K.Ranjitsinh and Dr. Y. Jhala of the WII an opportunity to explain the proposal in some detail. The project would be a partnership between the State and Central Governments and other participating agencies such as the Wildlife Institute of India, the Wildlife Trust of India and others. The Cheetah Project would be a new project separate from Project Tiger and others and will have funding of its own, committed to it by the Ministry of Environment & Forests.

I am given to understand that the response of yourself and of the State Authorities was very positive and that you have assured that committed and willing personnel of proven merit would be posted on the project and that they will be retained on the job for a number of years so that the training that they will receive could be taken full advantage of.

I would wish to convey our thanks to you and to the State of Madhya Pradesh. As desired by you, we will give first priority to the re-introduction programme in Kuno-Palpur and take up Nauradehi in consequence. We would now be going ahead with the project. The next stage of it would be developed by the Task Force which I have appointed and on which your Chief Wildlife Warden is a Member. The first task would be to carry out a detailed survey of the two sites to prepare eco-restoration plans and other requirements and to also prepare a detailed budget for the next three years, in collaboration with the State Authorities.

With the active participation and cooperation of all participating parties to the project, I am sure we should be successful in implementing the project soon.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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