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NOTIFICATION *****

Declaration of Gangetic Dolphin as National Aquatic Animal. Sub:

In pursuance to the recommendation made by the National Ganga River Basin Authority (NGRBA) in its first meeting held on 5th October, 2009 and approval by the National Board for Wildlife (NBWL) in its 5th meeting held on 18th March, 2010, both under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister, the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India declares Gangetic Dolphin as National Aquatic Animal of India.

> Additional Director General of Forests (WL) & Director, Wildlife Preservation.

The General Manager. Government of India Press, New Delhi.

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