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Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change
Project Elephant Division

Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi-110003

Dated 11th April, 2018

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden,
Government of Kerala,
Forest Head Quarters,
Vanalakshmi, Thiruvananthapuram.

Sub: PETA India's investigation report covering the appalling cruelty meted out captive elephants, at Kerala's annual Thrissur Pooram festival in the year 2017-reg.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of the letter received from Shri Karuvaki Mohanty, Public Policy Officer, PETA India dated 10th March, 2018 regarding the subject cited above which is self explanatory. It is requested to take necessary action for ensuring compliance of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, the Guidelines issued by the Ministry for Welfare and Management of Captive Elephants dated 08.01.2008 and the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960. A report on the action taken by the State Government in this matter may please be forwarded to this Ministry by email at projectelephant.moef@gmail.com at the earliest please.

Encls: as above.

Yours faithfully,

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Copy to: Shri Karuvaki Mohanty, Public Policy Officer, PETA, Juhu, Mumbai - 400049