



भारतीय जीव जन्तु कल्याण बोर्ड ANIMAL WELFARE BOARD OF INDIA

(पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार) Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India

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अध्यक्ष / Chairman

20th July, 2018

- 1. The Chief Secretary, of the State Governments / UTs
- Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary
 Department of Urban Local Bodies and Municipal Administration of the State Governments / UTs
- Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary
 Department of Development and Panchayat of the State Governments / UTs
- Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary
 Animal Husbandry Department of the State Governments / UTs
- 5. Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary, Department of Transport of the State Governments / UTs
- 6. The Chairperson, Food Standard Safety Authority of India (FSSAI)
- 7. The Chairperson, State Pollution Control Board
- 8. The Director General of Police (DGP) of the State Governments / UTs

Sir / Madam,

Sub.: Prevention of Sacrifice / Slaughtering and transportation of the Animals in violation of the Laws, Rules, Regulations, directions - Reg.

It is a fact that the large numbers of animals are sacrificed / slaughtered on various occasions likes Bali Pratha (ৰলি মুখা), Bakrid festival etc. in all over the country. It is noticed that during the transportation of animals, the owner of the animals does not follow the animal welfare laws and Transport of Animals Rules resulting in cruelty to the animals. The animals are subjected to various cruelties and some of the animals even die during transportation.

Unscrupulous persons are carrying on the business of illegal slaughtering in violation of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 and the Rules made there under. Such unlawful practice is also against the local Municipal Acts and Rules and the directions of the Supreme Court made in Writ Petition (C) No. 309 of 2003 dated 27th August 2013 in the matter titled as Laxmi Narain Modi v. Uol & Ors., 2013 (10) SCC 227. Such violation is also against the spirit of Article 48, 48 (a) and 51 A (g) of the Constitution of India.

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Further, the Board has constituted an Inspection Committee to visit and inspect any place(s) all over the country as per the direction of the Board to report cases of illegal transportation and sacrificing / slaughtering of animals. This Inspection Committee shall consists of the following persons:

- 1. Shri Sudhir Kumar Srivastava Inspector General, BSF, New Delhi
- 2. Dr. Sandeep Jain, Ludhiana
- 3. Dr. S. K. Mittal, Advocate, Mysore
- 4. Shri Kamlesh Shah, Mumbai
- Shri Vijay Pal Singh, Director Quality Control, Food Standard Safety Authority of India (FSSAI)
- 6. Shri Chandra Shekhar, State Animal Welfare Officer, New Delhi

And all the concerned States / UTs are requested to nominate the following officers as member of the Inspection Committee during their visit :

- 7. The Commissioner / Director, Transport Department or his representative not below the rank of Joint Commissioner / Joint Director.
- 8. The Commissioner of Police / Superintendent of Police or his representative not below the rank of Assistant Commissioner of Police / Deputy Superintendent of Police.
- 9. The Deputy Commissioner / District Collector / District Magistrate or his representative not below the rank of Additional Deputy Commissioner / Additional District Collector / Sub-Divisional Magistrate.
- 10. The Director, Animal Husbandry or his representative not below the rank of Joint Director.
- 11. The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation / The Chairman / President, Municipal Committee / Council not below the rank of Executive Officer / Secretary.
- 12. The Member Secretary or Senior Rank Officer of the State Pollution Control Board

It is therefore requested to direct all the concerned authorities to take all precautionary measures to strictly implement the Animal Welfare laws to stop illegal sacrificing / slaughtering and transportation of animals, provide all assistance to the above Inspection Committee and to take stringent action against the offenders violating the animal laws *viz.* PCA Act, 1960, the Transport of Animals Rules 1978 and its amendment, Slaughter House Rules, 2001, Motor Vehicle Act, Municipal laws and Food Safety & Standards Authority of India directions for slaughtering of animals during Bali Pratha (बिले प्रथा), Bakrid festival etc.

Action taken in this regard may kindly be intimated to the Board.

Yours faithfully

P. Gupta)

CC:

- Director, Urban Local Bodies / Municipal Administration of all the State Governments / UTs
- 2. Director, Development & Panchayat of all the State Governments / UTs
- 3. The Director, Animal Husbandry Department of all the States / UTs
- 4. The Chief Executive Officer, Food Standard Safety Authority of India (FSSAI)
- 5. The Member Secretary, State Animal Welfare Board, of the State Governments / UTs
- 6. Collector and Chairman. Society for Prevention of Cruality to Animala (SDCA)