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**The Honourable Shri Pratapsinh Rane
Chief Minister
Goa Legislative Assembly Secretariat
Porvorim, 403521
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Mr Rane:

I am writing to urge you to stop the cruel and unlawful killing of pigs in Goa.

I was shocked and saddened by the enclosed video footage that was shot at the Baga-Calangute stretch by horrified tourists and that was shown to me by my friends at People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) India.

Research tells us that pigs are smarter than dogs and very young human children. Yet in the video, you will see the illegal slaughter of these animals in back yards. Knives with sharp ends are thrust into the pigs' hearts, causing the defenceless animals to writhe about and scream in agony while desperately gasping for air for many long minutes until they die.

PETA India has written to the relevant authorities in your state twice over the past two months asking them to take action, but nobody has bothered to respond. Please let me know that you will do what is needed to put an end to the horrific, clandestine backyard practice of killing these gentle animals.

Respectfully yours,



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