TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

Subject: Request to initiate necessary action on the following points regarding animal welfare issues—Reg.

It has been observed in recent times that human and stray dog conflict is increasing day by day in metropolitan or urban populations. This conflict has aggravated because of an increase in the number of societies where the people are residing in a group. This conflict is going to be increased in the future also, which will result in cruelty to animals.

2. Therefore, the dog feeder, police, and RWA should work together for building positive conditioning of the stray dog to reduce conflict in residential communities. The communities are treating the stray dogs as a menace which should not be done, they should change their behavior towards the stray dogs. The communities should use methods of positive conditioning of the stray dogs and educate their residents for the benefits of the stray dog as a community dog. Also, the communities should adopt the various humane methods of treating animals, modifying the behavior by mitigating with the stray dogs, such methods have made people more tolerant towards the stray dogs and have at the same time prevented the dogs from being relocated, poisoned, harassed or killed.

3. In addition to the above, the communities shall identify the animal feeding spots and shall comply with the guidelines issued by the Animal Welfare Board of India dated 26.02.2015 for residents to feed stray dogs. Further, the residents, communities, and dog lovers should adopt the above recommended methods to address the stray dog issues as this does not harm the animals or violate any laws.

Yours sincerely,

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Chairman
Distribution:

1. Additional Secretary/ Principal Secretary/ Secretary, Animal Husbandry Department of all the States and UT's.
2. All the District Collector(s) of Delhi.
3. All the members of AWBI.