



ANIMAL WELFARE BOARD OF INDIA

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Dt. 08.04.2021

To

1. The District Magistrate East, Delhi
Office of District Magistrate (East)
L.M. Bund, Shastri Nagar, Delhi – 110031
Email : dceast@nic.in

2. The Director,
Animal Husbandry Department,
Govt. of NCT of Delhi Animal Husbandry Unit,
Zorawar Singh Marg, Tis Hazari, New Delhi, Delhi 110054.

Subject : Alleged complaint regarding cruelty inflicted to street dogs, Relocation, Banning of Pets in Park and repeatedly harassment of compassionate citizens – Reg

Ref: Refer to our letter even number dated 25.08.2015, 28.10.2015 and 14.08.2020 on the above subject.(Copy enclosed)

Sir/Madam,

With reference to the above cited subject, it is brought to the notice of the Board dated 01.04.2021 by Ms. Malti Gupta (Honorary Animal Welfare Officer, Animal Welfare Board of India stated that During lockdown March 2020 to till date, I have received many complaints from Residential Welfare Association members of Mayur Kunj, Pocket-6, Mayur Vihar Delhi-110096 in regarding to the Cruelty inflicted to the stray/Pet dogs and harassed the compassionate citizens by threatening and abusing them. And, they are also fixed a board outside the parks that pets are not allowed in the parks. It is stated that it is fundamental duty given under Article 51 A(g) of the Constitution of India and it states that *"It shall be duty of every citizen of India to protect and improve the natural environment including forests, lakes, rivers and wild life and to have compassion for living creatures."* A copy of the complaint letter is attached herewith for your ready reference.

2. Dogs and pets required exercise and it has illegal to deny them the exercise they require, Apartment association and Authorities cannot pass any law against the pets for using Gardens, Parks, and other Public Spaces, the oppressive circulars and notices that they are issuing, are illegal, and often tantamount to criminal

3. The Cruelty to animals is an offense under Section 3 and Section 11(1) of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 and Section 428 & 429 of IPC, 1860.

4. The board has issued advisory requesting Chief Secretaries and Director general of police of all States/UT's to issue directing all their police station and officials to enforce the provisions of the prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 and its Rules effectively and also register the FIRs wherever necessary on priority basis so that such enforcement become a deterrent to infliction of cruelty on the helpless animals.

4. The Hon'ble Supreme court of India has also issued direction dated 07.05.2014 in matter of AWBI vs. A. Nagaraja & Ors to all the State Governments/UTs for implementation of the provisions of the PCA, Act, 1960 and its rules effectively so as to prevent unnecessary pain or suffering to animals and also to take appropriate action against the offenders inflicting cruelty to animals (copy enclosed)

5. In view of the above, it is requested to ensure the proper enforcement of The prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 and its Rules and to provide justice and protection against the ill-treatment and harassment of the citizen showing compassion towards the animals.


6. It is therefore requested to identify a spot, which is not used by children, senior citizens and other residents, so that the said specific spot can be used for purpose of feeding and

taking care of the street dogs etc. Once the said spot is identified, the dog lovers feed and take care of the street dogs at the particular spot, and no hindrance, whatsoever, shall be caused to the petitioner in carrying out any activities in respect of the street dogs at the said spot.

A copy of the action taken report be forwarded to the Board within 7 days from the receipt of this letter and to take immediate and necessary action to ensure that such cruelty to animals and harassment of compassionate citizens does not take place anywhere or at any time in future.

"Please treat this as most urgent.

Yours sincerely,


(Dr. S.K. Dutta)
Secretary

Encl.: as above.

Copy to: The Complainant for information and further necessary action.

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2. Ms. Malti Gupta (HAWO), Email: awbihdawo259@gmail.com