No. 9-20/2021-2022/PCA

To
The District Collector,
Collectorate Office,
P.O & Dist: Patna, Bihar 800004
E-mail: bihpat@nic.in

Sub: Alleged complaint regarding the Banning of pet in the common apartment terrace, Patna – Reg

Sir,

With reference to the above cited subject, it is stated that the Board has received letter by Anonymously from Sharda Vihar Apartment near Kankarbagh Police Station, Patna stating that dogs and pets are not in the common terrace area of the apartment. They issued circular that pets are not allowed in the common area of the apartment.

2. The dogs and pets required exercise and it has illegal to deny them the exercise they require, Apartment association and Authorities can not 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 intimidation.

3. The cruelty to animals is an offense under Section 3 and Section 11(1) of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960.

4. The Animal Welfare Board of India issued guidelines/Circulars for allowing pet dogs in the public parks in the light of the directions contained in the order dated 12.11.2014 passed by the Hon’ble High Court of Delhi in WP(C) No. 7731/2014. The Hon’ble Supreme Court of India, in a detailed judgment pronounced in the matter titled “Animal Welfare Board of India Vs. A. Nagaraja and Ors” in SLP (C) No. 11686 of 2007 has emphasized that ‘Animal Rights’ (Copy is enclosed)

5. In furtherance of the spirit of co-existence and compassion for all living creatures endorsed by the constitution of India, and particularly by Article 51A(g) and 51A(h) thereof, Article 21 of the Constitution of India gives every citizen the right to decide how they choose to live, which includes the choice to live with companion animal.

6. In view of the above, it is requested to conduct an enquiry in the matter and take appropriate action as per the provisions of the law and to remove illegal circulars and forward action taken report to the Board immediately to take further necessary action.

“Please treat this as most urgent”.

Yours sincerely,

(Dr. S.K. Dutta)
Secretary
Copy to: for information and further appropriate action.
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