



ANIMAL WELFARE BOARD OF INDIA

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Date: 28.06.2021

To,

The Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/ Secretary, Animal
Husbandry Department of all States/UTs

**Subject: Request to activate the functioning of State Animal Welfare Board-
regarding.**

Ref.: This office letter of even number dated 1st June, 2020 (Copy enclosed).

Sir/Madam,

Kindly refer to our letter cited under reference on the above subject.

You may be aware that as per the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P. (C) No. 440 of 2000, Geetha Seshmani v. Union of India &Ors. dated 06.08.2008 and W.P.No.(C) 881 of 2014, Gauri Maulekhi Vs Union of India &Ors dated 13.7.2015 has directed all the State Governments/UTs to make the State Animal Welfare Board functional at the State level and District Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCAs) at District level to address animal cruelty matters, to promote animal welfare programmes at the grass root level and to assist AWBI in implementation of the provisions of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 and the rules made thereunder to prevent unnecessary pain or suffering to animals.

2. In this regard, it is requested to ensure that State Animal Welfare Boards are made functional so that the provisions of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 and Rules made thereunder are implemented effectively to prevent the unnecessary pain and suffering to animals and also to follow the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

3. In view of the above, it is requested to kindly provide the following details in respect of your State Animal Welfare Board:

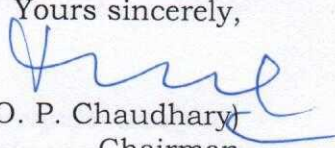
- i. Bye laws of the State Animal Welfare Board,
- ii. Copy of the latest Gazette notification of the reconstitution of the State Animal Welfare Board (if not reconstituted, the same may be done expeditiously)
- iii. Name, address, email ID and contact number of the Chairman and Member Secretary of the State Animal Welfare Board.

iv. Annual Report and activity report of the State Animal Welfare Board for the last three years.

4. Further, it is requested to encourage adoption of local breed of stray (dogs and cats) in line with the Hon'ble PM's 'Vocal for Local' call.

5. Therefore, you are requested to provide the above details at the earliest. You are also requested to comply the above suggestions to effectively address the issues related to cruelty to animals at grass root level to prevent the unnecessary pain or suffering to animals.

Yours sincerely,


(Dr. O. P. Chaudhary)
Chairman

Copy to:

1. The Director, Animal Husbandry Department of all States/UTs
2. All the Members of the AWBI.