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- The Chief Secretary, of the State Governments / UTs
- Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary Urban Local Bodies and Municipal Administration of the State Governments / UTs
- Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary Development and Panchayat. of the State Governments / UTs
- 4. Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary Animal Husbandry of the State Governments / UTs
- Director General of Police (DGP) of the State Governments / UTs
- 6. The Director of Prosecutions of the State Governments / UTs

Sir / Madam.

Sub. : Nomination of the Honorary District Animal Welfare Officer, Honorary
State Animal Welfare Officer and Honorary State Legal Animal Welfare
Officer of AWBI-Reg

The Animal Welfare Board of India is a statutory body established under Section 4 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960. The functions of the Board include the promotion of animal welfare generally for the purpose of checking cruelty and for protecting animals from being subjected to unnecessary pain or suffering, in particular.

The Board is nominating the Honorary District Animal Welfare Officer, Honorary State Animal Welfare Officer and Honorary State Legal Animal Welfare Officer of AWBI. They will be responsible for all the animal welfare activities in the District and State level and coordinate with the District Administration and State Government respectively.

The Board may nominate any one of the Honorary State Animal Welfare Officer as representative of the AWBI in the State Animal Welfare Board and any Honorary District Animal Welfare Officer as representative of the AWBI in the District SPCA. The Honorary District Animal Welfare Officer may be asked to carry out the inspection of the shooting of performing animals used in Films / Ad Films / TV Serials / Documentary etc. with the coordination of the representative of the District Collector and the Animal Husbandry Department of the concerned State.

The Honorary State Legal Animal Welfare Officer will look after all the legal cases in their respective States and will be representing the Board in the legal matters.

The names of the concerned Honorary District Animal Welfare Officer, Honorary State Animal Welfare Officer and Honorary State Legal Animal Welfare Officer is being sent separately to the concerned authority. They will also be issued the IDs by the Board and the names will be uploaded on the Board's website for ready reference.

The Board had earlier issued Honorary Animal Welfare Officer (HAWO) IDs to the animal lover and animal welfare activists to prevent unnecessary pain or suffering to animals and all the said issued HAWO IDs shall stand cancelled with effect from 10.07.2018 and these will be replaced by the Honorary District Animal Welfare Officer, Honorary State Animal Welfare Officer and Honorary State Legal Animal Welfare Officer.

You are requested to kindly provide necessary assistance to the nominated representatives at the District and the State level to effectively implement the provisions of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animal Act, 1960 and its Rules made there-under at the grass root level to stop cruelty to animals and to prevent unnecessary pain or suffering to the animals.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. S. Bharat Kumar) Secretary (Officiating)

- CC: 1. The Chairman Gau Seva Ayogs of all the State Governments / UTs
  - 2. The Director Municipal Administration of all the State Governments / UTs
  - 3. The Director Development & Panchayat of all the State Governments / UTs
  - 4. The Member Secretary, State Animal Welfare Board, of the State Governments / UTs
  - 5. Collector and Chairman, Society for Prevention of Cruelty Act (SPCA)
  - 6. The Superintendent of Police of all States/ UTs
  - 7. The Municipal Commissioner of all the State Governments / UTs