



ANIMAL WELFARE BOARD OF INDIA

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To,

The Director General of Police of all the States/ UT's

Subject: Request to initiate action on animal welfare issues – regarding.

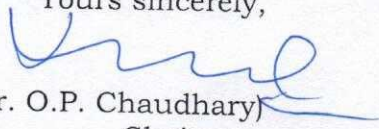
Sir,

I would like to draw your kind attention towards increasing man and animal conflicts in the country. This has been brought to the notice of the Board many times and it was observed that the animal caregivers, feeders or persons are being harassed by the local residents at the time of feeding of animals and rescue operations. Therefore, I would like to request to look into the matter and to cooperate by providing the following needful:

- I. Appointment a nodal officer not below the rank of ACP for effective dealing with the issues pertaining to cruelty to animals and to take cognizance of the matter where animal cruelty is being reported under the provisions of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 and rules made there under.
- II. Provide assistance and aid to animals in distress with the help of Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) or Animal Welfare Organizations' (AWO's) and Honorary Animal Welfare Officers (HAWO's).
- III. Ensure that the animal feeder and people showing compassion towards the animals are not being harassed and in case of any such incidents, necessary action may be initiated. In this regard, the Board has issued letters dated 25.08.2015, 28.10.2015 and 14.08.2020 and the copies of the same are enclosed for ready reference.
- IV. Direct the local Police Stations to coordinate with the RWA's, Animals feeders and activists to ensure harmony and peaceful co-existence between animals and humans.

2. May I request your good office, to issue a circular or directions to the personnel of all the police stations in your States to ensure that compassionate Citizen are not harassed unnecessarily and animal cruelty cases are investigated as per the provision of the law. The board will extend all necessary help to educate the police personnel regarding acts, rules guidelines and advisories issued by the board pertaining to Animal Welfare, if required.

Yours sincerely,


(Dr. O.P. Chaudhary)
Chairman

Encl.: as above.

Copy for information and further appropriate action to:

1. The District Collector(s) of all Districts in the respective State Governments/UTs
2. The Commissioner of Police, Delhi Email: cp.snsshrivastava@delhipolice.gov.in
3. The Members of Animal Welfare Board of India.