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## GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY CHIEF SECRETARIAT (ANIMAL HUSBANDRY)

(G.O.Ms No. 3/AH., Puducherry, dated 11th August 2023)

#### NOTIFICATION

Whereas, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India by order, dated 06th August, 2008 in W.P., (Civil) No(s). 440 of 2000 in the matter of Geeta Seshamal Vs. U.O.I. and another, directed the states to constitute State Animal Welfare Board and that the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCAs) be constituted in every District as contemplated under the Rules;

2. And whereas, the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi *vide* letter, dated 25th March, 2011 directed to constitute State Animal Welfare Board and to establish Society in every District in the State for prevention of cruelty to Animals and a Board was constituted and notified *vide* GO. Ms. No. 01/AH., dated 02nd January, 2015 of the Chief Secretariat (AH.), in the Union territory of Puducherry with a tenure of 3 years and on expiry of the term, the Board was reconstituted for a period of two years *w.e.f.* 30-12-2020 *vide* G.O. Ms. No. 11/AH., dated 30-12-2020;

3. Now, therefore, in supersession of the Notification issued *vide* G.O. Ms. No. 11/AH., dated 30th December 2020 of the Chief Secretariat (AH.), Puducherry, without prejudice to the decisions taken by the then Board, the Hon'ble Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry, is pleased to reconstitute the "Union territory of Puducherry Animal Welfare Board" which shall consist of the following Members:-

S1.	Members of the Board	Position
No. (1)	(2)	(3)
1	The Secretary to Government (Animal Husbandry), Government of Puducherry.	<i>Ex-officio</i> Chairperson
2	The Secretary to Government (Finance), Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
3	The Secretary to Government (Law), Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
4	The District Collector, Karaikal.	Ex-officio Member
5	The Transport Commissioner, Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
6	The Senior Superintendent of Police (Law and Order), Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
7	The Chief Wildlife Warden, Forest and Wildlife Department, Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
8	The Director, Local Administration Department, Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
9	The Dean, Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Veterinary Education and Research, Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
10	The Registrar, State Veterinary Council, Department of Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare, Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
11	The Director (School Education), Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
12	The Regional Administrator, Mahe.	Ex-officio Member
13	The Regional Administrator, Yanam.	Ex-officio Member
14	One person actively engaged in animal welfare work in the Union Territory (To be nominated by the Government).	Nominated Member
15	Representative of Gaushala (To be nominated by the Government)	Nominated Member
16	One person to represent SPCA (To be nominated by the Government after election of Members).	Nominated Member
17	The Director, Department of Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare, Government of Puducherry.	Member-Secretary

4. The Board shall function under the Chairmanship of the Secretary to the Government (Animal Husbandry), Government of Puducherry, until necessary amendment to the Puducherry Members of Legislative Assembly (Prevention of Disqualification Act), 1994/reconstitute of Board.

#### 5. Duties and Responsibilities of the Board shall be:-

(i) to advise the Government in all matters concerning Animal Welfare, including financial and other assistance to the Bodies involved in Animal Welfare work.

(ii) to issue guidelines to the Organizations/Societies on matters connected with Animal Welfare.

(iii) to advise the Government on the measures to be introduced to prevent unnecessary pain or suffering to animals, generally and more particularly, when they are being transported from one place to another or when they are used as performing animal or when they are kept in captivity on confinement.

(iv) to advise the Government or any Local Body/Authority or other person in the design and maintenance of slaughter houses with the provision of humane methods of slaughter, to alleviate unnecessary pain or suffering whether physical or intimidation in pre-slaughter stages as far as possible.

(v) to initiate such steps as the Board may think fit to ensure the destruction of terminal ill animals by Local Authorities, wherever it is necessary to do so, after being rendered insensible to pain or suffering.

(vi) to encourage the formation of rescue homes, animal shelter sanctuaries and the like ones, where animals and birds may find a safe shelter, when they have become old and useless.

(vii) to endeavour to impart education in collaboration with Animal Welfare Board of India in relation to the humane treatment of animals and to encourage the formation of public opinion against the infliction of unnecessary pain or suffering to animals and for the promotion of animal welfare, by means of lectures, books, posters, cinematographic exhibition and the like ones.

(viii) The headquarters of the Board shall be Puducherry. It shall meet at least twice in a year or as often as required in special circumstances, as the case may be.

6. The Board Members shall draw Daily Allowances and Travelling Allowances for attending the meeting of the Board, at the rates admissible to them and the expenditure thereon shall be debited to the Head of Account, to which their salaries are debited.

7. The State Animal Welfare Board shall be treated as a Class-I Committee and the Non-official Members of the Committee shall be eligible to draw the TA and DA for attending the meeting of the Board, at the rates as admissible to the lowest rank of Class-I Officers under the rules in force. 8. The Director of Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare who shall be the Member-Secretary of the Board shall also be the Controlling Officer for countersigning the bills for this purpose.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

SUNDARARAJAN. P, Deputy Secretary to Government (Animal Husbandry).

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