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To

1.The District Collector,
Office of the District Collector,
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Andhra-Pradesh-535002,
Email: collector_vznm@ap.gov.in

2.The Superintendent of Police,
Office of the Superintendent of Police,
Cantonment Road, Vizianagram-535002,
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Sub: Alleged complaints regarding the Banning of pets in RWA Apartment, Vizianagram, Andhra Pradesh- Reg

Ref.: Email dated 03.04.2021 received Shri. Ravi Teja.

Sir,

With reference to the above cited subject, it is stated that the Board has received letter from Shri. Ravi Teja resident of Akshaynidhi Heights, Vizianagaram-535002, Andhra Pradesh stating that dogs and pets are not allowed in the RWA Apartment in Vizianagaram. They made a point in bye-laws to ban pets in his apartments which were also registered by laws and they are repeatedly asking him to remove the pet dog from the Apartment. A copy of the complaint is attached, which is self-explanatory.

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 and Section 428 of IPC.

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 Hight 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 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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2. Shri Ravi Teja, Email: raviteja77.rt@gmail.com