To

1. The Deputy Commissioner
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   Kishtwar, Jammu & Kashmir-182204
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Subject: Alleged complaint regarding the brutal killing of a dog by a cop and locals in district Kishtwar-Regarding.

Sir,

With reference to the above cited subject, it is brought to the notice of the Board by various news reports that the brutal incident of the killing of a dog by a cop and some locals in district Kishtwar, Jammu & Kashmir. This is a gruesome act of cruelty and torture been inflicted on innocent animal is heartbreaking and has stunned the common people. The people are showing against person responsible for such cruelty.

2. The cruelty to animals is an offense under Section 11(c) and also under Section 11(l) of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960, it is cognizable offence, if any person mutilates any animal or kills any animal (including stray dogs) by using the method of strychnine injections, in the heart or in any other unnecessarily cruel manner" and it is also a punishable offence under Section 11(3)(c) of The PCA Act, "if any person the extermination or destruction of any animal under the authority of any law for the time being in force'.

3. The Section 428 of the IPC deals with the punishment for committing mischief by killing, poisoning, maiming or rendering useless any animal or animals of the value of ten rupees or upwards and the person shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to two years, or with fine, or with both.

4. The Hon’ble Supreme Court had directed to take action against the erring officials as per the Para 77 of the S.L.P.No.(C) 11686 of 2007, Animal Welfare Board of India Vs A.Nagaraja & Others and the department of Personnel and Training, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pension had issued guidelines vide F.No.30/9/2006-Welfare dated 26.5.2006 to take action against such personnel violating the laws. The copies of the same is attached herewith for your information.

5. In view of the above complaint of cruelty to animal and violation of various sections of Prevention to Cruelty to Animals Act 1960, Wildlife Protection Act 1972 and The Indian Penal Code 1860, it is requested to initiate an enquiry and the culprit should get the exemplary punishment so that such kind of crime does not happen in future. Also, forward a copy of the action taken report to the Board for further necessary actions.

"Please treat this as most urgent"

Yours sincerely,

(Dr. S. K. Dutta)
Secretary
Encl: As above

Cc to: for information and further necessary action.
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