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Dt.01.07.2021

To

1. Director General of Police,
State Police Headquarters,
Vellayambalam, Thiruvananthapuram-695010
Email: dgp@keralapolice.gov.in

2. The District Collector,
Collectorate office, Kodappanakkunu,
Thiruvananthapuram-695043, Kerala

Subject: Alleged Complainants regarding the cruelty against dog “Bruno” in
Thiruvananthapuramdistrict in Kerala – regarding.

Sir,

With reference to the above cited subject, it is stated that the Board has received
a complaint by many animal lovers from Kerala stating that the 8 yr old Labrador dog
named Bruno, owned by Mr. Christu raj was brutally killed by a few locals of the
Vizhinjam beach. A copy of the complaints is attached, which is self-explanatory.

2. In this regard, it is submitted that the Board vide its letter dated
14.08.2020(copy enclosed) has requested the Chief Secretary and Director General of
Police of all States/UTs to issue necessary direction to all the police stations and
officials to enforce the provisions of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Acts, 1960 and
its Rules effectively and also register the FIRs wherever necessary on priority basis so
that such enforcement become a deterrent to the infliction of cruelty on the helpless
animals. The copies of the same is attached for your information.

3. It is stated that as per the the Section 11(1)(l) of the Prevention of Cruelty to
Animals Act, 1960 “It is a cognizable offence if any person mutilates any animal or kill
any animal(including stray dogs) by the method of strychnine injections, in the heart or in
any other unnecessarily cruel manner”.

4. It is stated that the Section 428 of the Indian Penal Code 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 the person shall be
punished with imprisonment of either description for the term which may extend to two
years, or with fine or with both.
5. Therefore, in view of the above act of gruesome cruelty to an innocent animals and violation of various sections of Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960, and the Indian Penal Code 1860, it is requested to immediately initiate an enquiry and to ensure that a punishment is given to the culprits. Also, an action taken report of the same may be sent to the Board within 7 days of issuance of this letter.

"Please treat this as most urgent".

Yours sincerely,

(Dr. S.K. Dutta)
Secretary

Copy to: for information and further appropriate action.
1. Chairman AWBI,
2. The Superintendent of Police, Thiruvananthapuram,
   Email: dyspdertvnr.pol@kerala.gov.in