To

1) The District Collector of all the
States /UTs
(as per list enclosed)

Subject: Request for closure of slaughter house(s) on the auspicious occasion of
Paryushan being celebrated in the country from 15-08-2020 to 24-08-20
- Regarding.

Ref. : The directions of the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India in C.A. No.5469 of
2005, Hinsa Virodha Sangh Vs Mirzapur Moti Kuresh Jamat & Ors
dated 14.3.2008 (Copy enclosed)

Sir / Madam,

With reference to the above cited subject, it is informed that the Paryushan
Parva will be celebrated from 15-08-2020 to 24-08-2020 in the Country. The Hon’ble
Supreme Court of India has also issued directions in C.A. No.5469 of 2005, Hinsa
Virodha Sangh Vs Mirzapur Moti Kuresh Jamat & Ors dated 14.3.2008, wherein
matter was discussed in a detailed manner by the Hon’ble Court and it was directed
that the slaughter house(s) and meat shops be closed for the above period. A copy of
the judgment is attached herewith for your ready reference.

The Govt.of India has enacted Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Slaughter
House) Rules, 2001 and it is stated that the animals to be slaughtered in a humane
manner. The law enforcement is carried out by the departments of the State
Governments and UTs. The Hon’ble Supreme Court of India has also considered the
five freedoms given to the animals in its judgment dated 7.5.2014. The animals are to
be slaughtered only in the licensed slaughter houses. The State Authorities are
empowered to initiate appropriate action against the offenders meting out cruelty to
animals and to take action as per the law. The Board had also already brought the
directions of the Hon’ble Supreme Court in its order dated 7.5.2014 for compliance of
law enforcement authorities for taking necessary action in the matter to prevent
unnecessary pain or suffering to animals. A copy of the extract of Para 77 is enclosed
for ready reference.

In view of the above, it is requested to issue the directions to the concerned
authorities immediately like municipal corporation / local bodies /Panchayat to close
the slaughter house(s) / meat shops /chicken shops on the auspicious occasion of the
celebrations of Paryushan Parva from 15-08-2020 to 24-08-2020 in the Country and
to take appropriate action. It is requested to kindly forward a copy of the action taken
report to the Board for information and record.

Yours sincerely,

(Dr. S.K. Dutta)
Secretary

Encl.: as above.
Copy to:

1) The Chief Secretary and Director General of Police of all States / UTs for information and necessary action.
2) The Director, Animal Husbandry Department of all States/UTs for information and necessary action.
3) The Principal Secretary, Municipal Administration and Urban Development for information and necessary action.
4) The Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad of all the Districts of all States/UTs for information and necessary action.
5) Chairman, AWBI for information.