



ANIMAL WELFARE & PROTECTION LAWS OF INDIA



KARNATAKA ANIMAL WELFARE BOARD

DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND VETERINARY SCIENCES

It shall be the duty of every citizen of India to protect and to have compassion for living creatures. Article 51A(g) of Constitution of India

STOP PHYSICAL VIOLENCE



PCA 1960, Sec 11(1)(a) Beating, kicking, torturing or causing unnecessary pain.

Punishment: Up to 3 months imprisonment.

UNFIT LABOUR



PCA 1960, Sec 11(1)(b) Using sick, injured, old or unfit animals for work.

Punishment: Fine &/or imprisonment.

POISONING



BNS 2023, Sec 325

Administering poison or toxic substances to animals.

Punishment: Up to 5 years imprisonment.

INHUMANE TRANSPORT



PCA 1960, Section 11(1)(d) Overloading or transporting animals in cramped conditions.

Punishment: Fine &/or imprisonment. .

CONFINED SPACES



PCA 1960, Sec 11(1)(e)

Keeping animals confined without natural movement.

Punishment: Facility closure + legal action.

SHORT LEASH/CHAINS



PCA 1960, Sec 11(1)(f)

Using unreasonably short or heavy chains for long periods.

Punishment: Legal action against owner.

LACK OF EXERCISE



PCA 1960, Sec 11(1)(g)

Neglecting dogs kept chained or confined.

Punishment: Owner liable for negligence.

PROVIDE ESSENTIALS

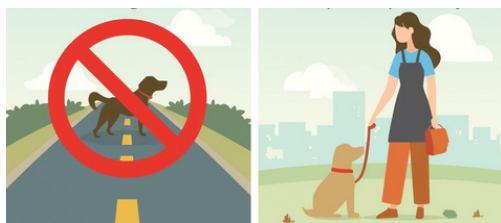


PCA 1960, Sec 11(1)(h)

Failure to provide daily food, clean water, shelter.

Punishment: Up to 3 months imprisonment.

ABANDONMENT



PCA 1960, Sec 11(1)(i)

Leaving animals to suffer from hunger or thirst.

Punishment: Punishable offence.

PUBLIC SAFETY NEGLIGENCE



PCA 1960, Sec 11(1)(j)

Allowing diseased animals to roam or die on streets.

Punishment: Fines and sanitation penalties.

STOP ILLEGAL SALES



PCA 1960, Sec 11(1)(k)

Selling animals that are injured, mutilated, hungry or thirsty.

Punishment: Seizure of animals + shop closure.

STOP MUTILATION



PCA 1960, Sec 11(1)(l) & BNS 2023, Sec 325

Mutilating or killing animals cruelly (including strays).

Punishment: Severe criminal penalties.

ANIMAL FIGHTING & BAITING



PCA 1960, Sec 11(1)(m)(n)

Using animals for fights, baiting, or organising such fights.

Punishment: Imprisonment + Venue closer.

CATTLE SLAUGHTER

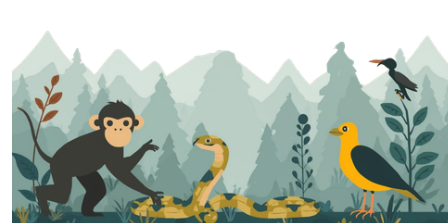


KPSPCA 2020, Sec: 4, 5, 7, 8, 12

Slaughter, transport, or possession of cattle for slaughter is illegal.

Punishment: Imprisonment, fine & vehicle/property seizure.

WILDLIFE IS PROTECTED



WLPA 1972, Illegal capture or trade of monkeys, snakes and other wildlife.

Punishment: 3 to 7 years imprisonment.

PET SHOPS/DOG BREEDERS MUST BE LICENSED



License & registration from KAWB and Local body is mandatory

Punishment: Mandatory closure & Prosecution.

REPORT CRUELTY : LOCAL POLICE | ANIMAL HUSBANDRY DEPT | SPCA | FOREST DEPARTMENT

References:

1. The Constitution of India
2. The Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 (PCA 1960)
3. The Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (BNS 2023)
4. The Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 (WLPA 1972)
5. The Karnataka Prevention of Slaughter and Preservation of Cattle Act, 2020 (KPSPCA 2020)

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ANIMAL BIRTH CONTROL RULES, 2023

Under Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960



HUMANE, SCIENTIFIC & LEGAL MANAGEMENT OF STREET DOGS

WHAT THE RULES SAY

- ✓ No Relocation of Street Dogs
 - Dogs cannot be removed from their territory except for sterilization and vaccination.
- ✓ Only Legal Method: ABC (Sterilization + ARV)
 - Mass killing or poisoning is illegal.
- ✓ Municipalities / Local Bodies Are Responsible
 - Urban and Rural Local Bodies must implement ABC programs scientifically and regularly.
 - Ensure that adequate infrastructure and facilities are provided.
- ✓ Capture–Neuter–Vaccinate–Release (CNVR)
 - Dogs must be returned to the same location after sterilization.
- ✓ Anti-Rabies Vaccination Mandatory
 - Vaccinated dogs must be ear-notched for identification.
- ✓ Feeding of Community Dogs is Legal
 - Feeding should not cause public nuisance. Local Authorities must designate feeding spots with sign boards.
- ✓ Handling Aggressive or Rabid Dogs
 - Only trained personnel can handle suspected rabid dogs following veterinary protocols.
- ✓ Mandatory registration of Animal Birth Control Agency
 - AWBI recognized NGOs may assist in ABC implementation.
 - Project Recognition is mandatory.
- ✓ Constitution of Monitoring Committee
 - Every local body must form a Monitoring and Implementation Committee.



OBJECTIVES

- ✓ Control street dog population humanely
- ✓ Reduce rabies transmission
- ✓ Promote coexistence
- ✓ Protect both public health and animal welfare

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Municipal Commissioner or Executive Officer of the local authority
- Public Health Dept. Representative
- Animal Husbandry Dept. Representative
- Jurisdictional Veterinary Doctor
- Representative of SPCA

WHAT IS ILLEGAL?

- Killing street dogs
- Relocating dogs outside their territory
- Using inhumane capture methods
- Conducting sterilization without veterinary supervision
- Obstructing lawful feeding

COMPLAINTS / IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES

Contact: Municipal Corporation / Panchayat / District Animal Husbandry Officer

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