

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

Abstract

Chief Secretariat (AH) - Department of Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare - Re-constitution of “Union territory of Puducherry Animal Welfare Board” – Notification - Orders - Issued.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT (ANIMAL HUSBANDRY)

G.O.Ms. No.02/AH Puducherry, dated 16.10.2024

READ:

- 1. G.O.Ms.No.01/AH, dated 02.01.2015 of the Chief Secretariat (AH), Puducherry.
- 2. G. O.Ms. No.11/AH, dated 30.12.2020 of the Chief Secretariat (AH), Puducherry.
- 3. I.D.Note No.5025/DAH&AW/JD(LH)/2022-23/350, dated 26.12.2022 of the Department of Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare, Puducherry.
- 4. I.D.Note.No.129/Leg/2023-LD, dated 10.10.2023 of the Law Department, Government of Puducherry.
- 5. G.O.Ms.No.03/AH, dated 11.08.2023 of the Chief Secretariat (AH), Puducherry

ORDER:

The following Notification shall be published in the next issue of the Official Gazette of Government of Puducherry:-

NOTIFICATION

WHEREAS, the Hon'ble Supreme court of India by order dated 06th August 2008 in W.P. (Civil) No(s). 440 of 2000 in the matter of Geeta Seshamal Vs U.O.I. & Another, directed the States to constitute State Animal Welfare Board and that the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCAs) be constituted in every District as contemplated under the Rules;

2. AND WHEREAS, the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi vide letter dated 25th March, 2011 directed to constitute State Animal Welfare Board and to establish society in every District in the State for prevention of cruelty to Animals and a Board was constituted and notified vide G.O. Ms. No. 01/AH, dated 2nd January 2015 of the Chief Secretariat(AH), in the Union Territory of Puducherry with a tenure of 3 years and on expiry of the term, the Board was re-constituted for a period of two years w.e.f 30.12.2020 vide G.O.Ms. No.11/AH, dated 30.12.2020;

3. AND WHEREAS, the period of two years was expired on 29.12.2022, notification for Reconstitution of the Board was issued vide G.O.Ms.03/AH, dated 11.08.2023 of the Chief Secretariat (AH) by superseding G.O.Ms.No.11/AH, dated 30.12.2020 of the Chief Secretariat (AH).

4. AND WHEREAS, in the Puducherry Members of Legislative Assembly (Prevention of Disqualification) Act 1994, in the Schedule under Section 3, in column A, under the caption “Statutory Bodies”, after the existing Serial No.10, “The Union Territory of Puducherry Animal Welfare Board” have been inserted;

5. NOW THEREFORE, in supersession of the Notification issued vide G.O.Ms.No.03/AH dated 11th August 2023 of the Chief Secretariat (AH), Puducherry, the Hon’ble Lieutenant Governor, Puducherry is pleased to reconstitute the “Union Territory of Puducherry Animal Welfare Board” which shall consist of the following members:-

Sl. No	Members of the Board	Position
1.	The Hon’ble Minister for Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare, Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Chairperson
2.	The Secretary to Government (Animal Husbandry), Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
3.	The Secretary to Government (Finance), Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member

4.	The Secretary to Government (Law), Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
5.	The District Collector, Karaikal.	Ex-officio Member
6.	The Transport Commissioner, Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
7.	The Senior Superintendent of Police (L&O), Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
8.	The Chief Wildlife Warden, Forest and Wildlife Department, Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
9.	The Director, Local Administration Department, Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
10.	The Dean, Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Veterinary Education and Research, Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
11.	The Registrar, State Veterinary Council, Dept. of Animal Husbandry & Animal Welfare, Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
12.	The Director of School Education, Government of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
13.	The Regional Administrator, Mahe.	Ex-officio Member
14.	The Regional Administrator, Yanam.	Ex-officio Member
15.	One person actively engaged in animal welfare work in the U.T. (To be nominated by the Government)	Nominated Member
16.	Representative of Gaushala (To be nominated by the Government).	Nominated Member
17.	One person to represent SPCA (To be nominated by the Government after election of members)	Nominated Member
18.	The Director, Department of Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare, Government of Puducherry.	Member – Secretary

6. The Board shall be constituted for a period of three years from the date of reconstitution.

7. Duties and Responsibilities of the Board shall be:-

- i. To advise the Government in all matters concerning Animal Welfare, including financial and other assistance to the Bodies involved in Animal Welfare work;
- ii. To issue guidelines to the Organizations/Societies on matters connected with Animal Welfare;
- iii. To advise the Government on the measures to be introduced to prevent unnecessary pain or suffering to animals, generally, and more particularly, when they are being transported from one place to another or when they are used as performing animal or when they are kept in captivity on confinement;
- iv. To advise the Government or any Local Body/Authority or other person in the design and maintenance of slaughter houses with the provision of humane methods of slaughter, to alleviate unnecessary pain or suffering whether physical or intimidation in pre-slaughter stages as far as possible;
- v. To initiate such steps as the Board may think fit to ensure the destruction of terminal ill animals by local authorities, wherever it is necessary to do so, after being rendered insensible to pain or suffering;
- vi. To encourage the formation of rescue homes, animal shelter sanctuaries and the like ones, where animals and birds may find a safe shelter, when they have become old and useless;

- vii. To endeavour to impart education in collaboration with Animal Welfare Board of India in relation to the humane treatment of animals and to encourage the formation of public opinion against the infliction of unnecessary pain or suffering to animals and for the promotion of animal welfare, by means of lectures, books, posters, cinematographic exhibition and the like ones;
 - viii. The headquarters of the Board shall be Puducherry; and the Board shall meet at least twice in a year or as often as required in special circumstances, as the case may be;
8. The Director of Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare who shall be the Member-Secretary of the Board shall also be the Controlling Officer for countersigning the bills for this purpose.
9. The Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association of the Union Territory of Puducherry Animal Welfare Board are detailed in the Annexure – I & II to this G.O.
10. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide their I.D.No.092/FD/FC/F4/A2/2024-25, dated 18.07.2024.

// BY ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR //

(SUNDARARAJAN. P)
(DEPUTY SECRETARY TO GOVT. (AH))

To
The Director, Stationery and Printing, Puducherry.

With a request to publish the notification and to send 50 copies to the Secretariat for records.

Copy to:

1. The Chairman and Members of the Board.
2. The Finance Department, Puducherry.
3. The Director of Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare, Puducherry.
4. The Director of Accounts and Treasuries, Puducherry.
5. The Deputy Director of Accounts and Treasuries, Karaikal/ Mahe/ Yanam.
6. The Joint Director of Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare, Karaikal.
7. The Veterinary Assistant Surgeon, Mahe/ Yanam. .
8. The PS to Chief Secretary to Government, Puducherry.
9. The PS to Secretary (AH), Chief Secretariat, Puducherry.
10. The PS to Hon'ble Minister (AH), Puducherry.
11. The Central Record Branch, Puducherry.
12. G.O. file/Stock file /Spare copy.

BYE-LAWS OF THE BOARD

**MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION OF UNION TERRITORY OF ANIMAL WELFARE
BOARD**

1. Name of the Board: The Board shall be Union Territory of Puducherry
Animal Welfare Board (UTPAWB).

2. Office of the Board: The office of the board shall be situated at
Puducherry.

3. Location: The Department of Animal Husbandry and Animal
Welfare, Maraimalai Adigal Salai, Puducherry.

4. Address: No. 1, Maraimalai Adigal Salai, Puducherry.

5. Essential Character:

The Board shall be a corporate body, composed of its members with rights, powers, privileges and responsibilities provided for, from time to time, by the law of the country. The Board shall be a Body Corporate, having perpetual succession and a common seal with power, subject to the provisions to acquire, hold and dispose of property and may by its name sue and be sued.

6. The Objectives:

The purpose of the Board shall be to prevent the infliction of unnecessary pain or suffering on animals and to promote animal welfare.

7. The Functions of the Board:

The Functions of the Board shall be as follows:

(7.1) To promote Animal Welfare in general and advise the Government in all matters concerning animal Welfare. However, the Government may or may not accept the advice so rendered;

(7.2) To advise the Government on the making of rules under Act with a view to preventing unnecessary pain or suffering to all animals generally, and more particularly, when they are being transported from one place to another or when they are used as performing animal or when they are kept in captivity or confinement;

(7.3) To advise the Government or any local authority or other person on improvements in the design of vehicles so as to lessen the burden on draught animals;

(7.4) To take all such steps as the Board may think and fit for amelioration of animals by encouraging or providing for, the construction of sheds, water troughs and the like and by providing for veterinary assistance to animals;

(7.5) To advise the Government or any Local Authority or other person in the design of Slaughter houses or in the maintenance of slaughter houses or in connection with slaughter of animals so that unnecessary pain or suffering, whether physical or mental, is eliminated in the pre-slaughter stages, as far as possible, and animals are killed, wherever necessary, in as humane a manner as far as practicable;

(7.6) To initiate such steps as the Board may think and fit to ensure that unwanted animals are destroyed by local authorities, whenever it is necessary to do so, wither instantaneously or after being rendered insensible to pain or suffering;

(7.7) To co-operate with, and co-ordinate the work of, associations or bodies established for this purpose of preventing unnecessary pain or suffering to animals or for the protection of animals of all species of animals and birds;

(7.8) To give financial and other assistance to animal welfare organizations, functioning in any local area or to encourage the formation of animal welfare organizations in any local area, which shall always work under the general supervision and guidance of the Board;

(7.9) To encourage by the grant of financial assistance or otherwise, the formation or establishment of pinjarapoles, rescue homes, animals shelters, sanctuaries and the like, where animals and birds may find a shelter, when they have become old and useless or when they need protection;

(7.10) To advise the Government on matters relating to the medical care and attention, which may be provided in animal hospital and to give financial and other assistance to animal hospitals, whenever the Board thinks it necessary to do so;

(7.11) To impart education in relation in collaboration with Animal Welfare Board of India to the humane treatment of animals and to encourage the formation of public opinion, against the infliction of unnecessary pain or suffering to animals and for the promotion of animal welfare, by means of lectures, books, posters, cinematographic exhibitions and the like;

(7.12) The Board shall advise the Government, on any matter connected with animal welfare or the prevention of infliction of unnecessary pain or suffering on animals, in Animal Farms established for commercial breeding, research or experimentation in medical/ veterinary research institutions in the Union Territory;

(7.13) To advise the Government for strict implementation of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 and rules framed there under in letter and spirit in the Union Territory;

(7.14) To encourage the formation of animal welfare organizations in any local areas in this Union Territory and to issue guidelines to all N.G.O.s working in the Union Territory in connection with animal welfare activities and supervise their work;

(7.15) The Board shall recognize and affiliate Animal Welfare Societies/Bodies/Organization established in the Union Territory for the Purpose of preventing unnecessary pain or suffering to animals or for the protection of animals and birds and to cooperate with and coordinate the work and activities of all such N.G.Os;

(7.16) The Board shall recommend or grant financial or other assistance to N.G.Os engaged in animal welfare activities, which shall work under the general supervision and guidance of the Board;

(7.17) The Board shall formulate appropriate regulations for the administration of its affairs subject to approval of the Government for carrying out its functions;

(7.18) The Board shall call for any information from the Government, Local Bodies, Department and other Statutory Bodies pertaining to its work and also visit any place in the Union Territory for the purpose of discharge of its functions;

(7.19) The Board under Human Education Program, shall publish a quarterly magazine “Animal welfare”. The responsibility of bringing out the periodical should be that of the Standing Committee on Human Education.

8. Property and Assets:

The income of the Board, howsoever derived, shall be applied towards the promotion of the objectives of the Board in tune with this MOA.

9. The Government’s Power:

The Government may appoint one or more persons, to review the work and the progress of the Board.

10. Dissolution:

If on winding up or dissolution of the Board, there shall remain after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any assets and property, whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or dealt with in such manner as the Government may determine as such time.

11. Certification:

A certified to be a true copy of the rules i.e. Article of Association of the Board by three members of the Governing Body of the board is filed along with the Memorandum of Association.

12. General Body:

We, the several persons, whose names and addresses are given below, having associated themselves for the purpose described in this Memorandum of Association, and set our several and respective hands hereon to form ourselves into Board under the Society Registration Act, 1860.

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// By the order of the Lieutenant Governor //

(SUNDARARAJAN.P)
DEPUTY SECRETARY TO GOVT.(AH)

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF UNION TERRITORY OF
PUDUCHERRY ANIMAL WELFARE BOARD

1. Short title, extent and commencement

Name of the Board:

The Board may be called the Union Territory of Puducherry Animal Welfare Board.

These Rules may be called Union Territory of Puducherry Animal Welfare Board (UTPAWB)Rules 2018.

It extends to the whole of Union Territory of Puducherry.

2. Headquarters of the Board:

The headquarters of the Union Territory of Puducherry Animal Welfare Board shall be situated at Puducherry.

3. Definitions:

In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires, words or expressions contained but not defined in these rules shall bear the same meaning as in the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 or any modification thereof in force on the date published in the Official Gazette of the Government of Puducherry.

“Act” means the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 (59 of 1960)

“Chairman” shall mean the Chairman of the Union Territory of Puducherry Animal Welfare Board;

“Member” shall mean the members of Union Territory of Puducherry Animal Welfare Board;

“Executive Committee” shall mean the executive committee for the time being constituted under the Rules of the Board;

“Member Secretary” shall mean the Member Secretary of the Board.

4. Constitution of the Board:

Nomination as required shall be made by the Government of Puducherry. The Board shall consist of the following members namely:

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5. Cancellation of registration of the Board:

- (5.1) The term of office of a Member appointed, nominated or elected under clause 4 shall come to an end, as soon as, he ceases to be a Member of the body, which elected him or in respect of which he was nominated;
- (5.2) Remaining period is the term of office of a Member appointed, nominated or elected to fill a casual vacancy, shall continue for the remainder of the term of office of the Member, in whose place he is appointed, nominated or elected;
- (5.3) The Government may at its discretion remove the member, from the Board, without assigning any reason, thereof;
- (5.4) A member of the Board shall cease to be a member, if he dies or resigns his membership or becomes of unsound mind or insolvent or is convicted of a criminal offence involving moral turpitude or involves himself/herself in any matter of litigation against the Government.

6. Powers and Allowances of Board Members:-

- (6.1) The non-official members of the Board Shall receive such allowance, if any, as the Board may, subject to the prior approval of the State Government;
- (6.2) No act done or proceeding taken by the Board shall be questioned on the ground merely of the existence of any vacancy in, or defect in the constitution of the Board and in particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, during the period intervening between the expiry of the term for which the Board has been constituted under clause 4 and 5, the ex-officio members of the Board shall discharge all the powers and functions of the Board;
- (6.3) Vice-Chairperson – The Government shall nominate one of the members of the Board to be its Vice Chairperson and who shall exercise such powers and perform such functions as the chairperson may, with the prior approval of the Government, delegate to him/her from time to time.

7. Administration of the Board:

- (7.1) The Board shall meet at least twice in a year in any place, as may be decided by the Chairperson;
- (7.2) The Chairperson of the Board shall preside over the meetings of the General Body. In the absence of the Chairperson, the Vice Chairperson shall preside over the meeting;
- (7.3) The Quorum for Board meeting shall be 1/3rd of the total sitting members;
- (7.4) The meeting shall be held 15 days prior notice. Chairperson can call an emergency meeting, at any time;
- (7.5) Minutes of the Board's meeting shall be recorded by the Member Secretary. Minutes shall be circulated to all members and concerned organizations. Minutes approved by the Board shall be forwarded to the Government, by the Member Secretary of the Board;
- (7.6) The Member Secretary of the Board shall prepare the budget in advance in the month of October of each financial year;
- (7.7) Non-Official members of the Board shall be entitled to travelling daily allowances as per standing rules of the Government;
- (7.8) Any recommendations made by the Board shall be effected only after obtaining approval of the Government.

8. The Executive Committee:

- (8.1) The Executive Committee, to whom by the rules of board, the management of its affairs is entrusted shall consist of the following as member, namely:

Sl. No.	Members of the Board	Status
1	The Secretary to Government(AH), Government of Puducherry	Chairman
2	To be nominated by the Govt. of Puducherry.	Vice Chairman
3	The Development Commissioner, Govt. of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
4	The Secretary, to Government, Finance, Govt. of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
5	The Director General of Police, Govt. of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
6	The Transport Commissioner, Govt. of Puducherry	Ex-officio Member
7	The Director, Local Administration Department, Govt. of Puducherry	Ex-officio Member
8	The Chief Wildlife Warden, Department of Forest and Wildlife, Govt. of Puducherry.	Ex-officio Member
9	The Dean, Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Veterinary Education and Research, Govt. of Puducherry	Ex-officio Member
10	To be nominated by the Govt. of Puducherry.	Member
11	The Director, Dept. of Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare, Govt. of Puducherry	Member Secretary

- (8.2) The executive committee shall be called maximum four times in a tenure of one year, at a place, as decided by the chairman or when it is required;
- (8.3) The term of office of an ex-officio Member of executive committee shall continue so long as, he holds the office by virtue of which he is such a Member;
- (8.4) In the absence of the Chairperson, the Vice Chairperson shall preside over the meeting of the executive committee;

- (8.5) The executive committee shall constitute any number of standing committees on specific matters, as and when required. On each such committee, apart from 2-3 members of the Board, an expert/specialist may be invited for expert opinion on the subject;
- (8.6) The Quorum for executive committee meeting shall be 1/3rd of the total sitting members;
- (8.7) The meeting of the Executive Committee meeting shall be held 7 days prior notice;
- (8.8) The Executive Committee of the Board shall be entitled to exercise all such powers and to do all such acts and duties as the Board is authorized to exercise.
- (8.9) The Executive Committee shall recommend to the Government, regarding making amendment or repeal any bye-laws related to administration and management of the Board. The recommendation of the Executive Committee shall be required to be approved by the State Board. The Government may or may not accept the recommendations, so rendered;
- (8.10) To provide and arrange for training of all categories of personnel engaged in the field of animal welfare.

(8.11) The Powers of The Executive Committee is as follows:

- (A) To create any post, provided that no post is created without prior approval of the Government; as the case may be;
- (B) To appoint at its discretion, remove, retire or suspend such officers, clerks and employees in special services, as it may from time to time think fit and to determine their powers and duties and fix their emoluments, provided that if the officers and other employees are regular Government Employees of the Animal Husbandry Department or on the deputation, the service shall be regulated in accordance with the provisions of the CCS(CCA) Rules, 1965 ;
- (C) To institute, conduct, defend compound and abandon any legal proceeding by or against the board or its officers or otherwise concerning the affairs of board and also to compound and allow time for payment or satisfaction of any claims or demands by or against the Board;
- (D) The powers vest with the Member Secretary to release and other discharges for money payable to the board and for the claims and demands of the Board;
- (E) Subject to the overall control and policies of the Government, to develop and frame specific policies, lay down and enforce timely action schedule programme and methods for the implementation of the policies and to direct their administration and speedy execution in the most economic way;
- (F) To prescribe the policy and lay down procedure/guidelines for the operation of the Board;
- (G) To ensure the due observance of code of discipline at all levels by the employees of the Board;

(H) Approve Annual Budget estimate and to establish sound accounting, costing and financial in keeping with the general directives of the government and any other directives that shall be issued from time to time and to review and consider inspection notes, balance-sheet, etc. subject to the provision of these articles.

8.12. The Duties of the Executive Committee is as follows:

Committee shall cause minutes of the proceeding to be recorded in books provided for duties and powers of Executive Committee.

- (i) All appointments of officers shall be made at the meeting showing also the remuneration to be paid respectively to them;
- (ii) Of all names of the member present at each meeting of the committee and of any committee of the members;
- (iii) The names of the members, if any dissention forms or not concurring in any resolution passed at a meeting.

8.13 The Quorum for the Transaction of Business of the Executive committees is as stated as follows:-

(A) Questions arising at any meeting of committees shall be determined by a majority of votes of the members present and in case of an equality of votes the Chairperson shall have a second or casting vote.

9. The Funds, Accounts and Audit of the Board:

- (9.1) The funds of the Board shall consist of grants made to it from time to time by the Government and of contributions, subscriptions; bequests, gifts and the like made to it by any local authority or by any other person;
- (9.2) Recurring and non recurring grants made by the Government for the furtherance of the objectives of the Board;
- (9.3) Income from other sources;
- (9.4) Such other amount as General Body/Executive Committee shall decide to divert from the regular fund to special fund subject to approval of the State Government;
- (9.5) The books of the account shall be kept at the registered office of the board or at such a place as the Executive Committee shall think fit and shall be open to inspection by the members of the Executive Committee during office hours;
- (9.6) The Member Secretary shall be responsible for the maintenance of the accounts;
- (9.7) The Executive Committee shall appoint an auditor to examine the Board's account and record from time to time and certified balance will be produced in general body meeting;
- (9.8) The auditors of the board have the right to attend the meeting and shall be entitled to receive the notice of the general body meeting;
- (9.9) Copies of the annual accounts of the Fund duly audited and certified by the Member Secretary of the board submitted to the Government of Puducherry of every year in the 1st Quarter of the next financial year.

10. The Powers of the Member Secretary is as follows:

- (10.1) All Financial and Administrative powers shall resume with the Member Secretary;
- (10.2) The Member Secretary shall be supervised by and responsible to the General Body and the Executive Committee;
- (10.3) The Member Secretary shall have liaison with the Governments and Department of Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare, Union Territory of Puducherry Animal Welfare Board and concerned Ministries;
- (10.4) The Member Secretary shall have overall responsibility for planning and executing the work of Secretariat, for supervising the work of various committees, directing and overseeing implementation of various tasks through Animal Husbandry Department officers;
- (10.5) The Member Secretary shall also perform such functions as may be delegated to him/her by the board, Chairman and/ or Executive Committees from time to time.

11. The Powers and functions of the Standing Committee is as follows:

- (11.1) The Standing Committee for suggesting amendments of Transport of Animal, Registration of cattle premises, Training in Animal Welfare, ABC Program, SPCA Registration, NGO affiliation and Experimentation on animals may be constituted;
- (11.2) Recommendations made by the Executive / Standing Committee shall be forwarded to the Member Secretary of the Board, who shall place the same on the agenda for the next meeting of the board.

12. The Duties of the Member Secretary:

- (12.1) The Board shall keep proper books of all sums of money received and source thereof, all sums of money expended by the Board and the purpose for which such sums are expended.
- (12.2) The records of Boards assets and liabilities;
- (12.3) The other records shall include Agenda Register, Membership Register, proceedings register, cash Book, Records of Accounts, Disbursements and Dead Stock Register.

13. Modification of Objective:

- (13.1) The Board may alter and extend the purpose as per decision of the executive committee/General Body Meeting.

14. Modification of the Article/Regulation:

- (14.1) The Rules shall be altered or cancelled by the resolution passed by a majority of two third of the members present at a general body meeting of the board convened for the purpose. Rule can be modified, amended or repealed suo moto on the recommendation of the Government.;
- (14.2) The Modified Regulations will be deemed to have enforced in accordance with the provisions of the Board.

15. Procedure for Change of Membership:

- (15.1) The membership of General Body shall be added, altered by a resolution of the General Body and there after an approval of the Government shall be obtained;
- (15.2) The members of Executive Committee shall be added, altered by a resolution of the Executive Committee, thereafter an approval of the General Body and Government shall be obtained;

16. Procedure for Dissolution of the Board:

- (16.1) The Board shall resolve by a three fourth majority of the votes given at the meeting convened for that purpose, to dissolve the society provided that due notice of such resolutions have been given to the Members of the Board, in accordance with the procedure laid down in that behalf, by the Societies Registration Act, 1860 and provided that the prior approval of the Government of Puducherry, for such dissolution had been taken.

17. Miscellaneous:

- (17.1) Notwithstanding anything contained in these Articles, all submissions and references shall be made to the Government under any of these Articles shall be made through the Department of Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare, Government of Puducherry.

// By the order of the Lieutenant Governor //

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