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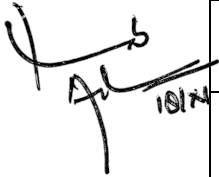
Subject: Suo Moto Writ Petition (C) No. 5 of 2025, Re: “City Hounded by Strays, Kids Pay Price” vs the State of Andhra Pradesh – Constitution of Committees thereof

Government Order No.:1497-JK(GAD) of 2025
Dated:18.11.2025

In pursuance to the Orders dated 07.11.2025 of the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India passed in Suo Moto Writ Petition (C) No. 5 of 2025, Re: “City Hounded by Strays, Kids Pay Price” vs the State of Andhra Pradesh, sanction is hereby accorded to the constitution of Union territory level Committee and District Level Committee(s), comprising the following, for ensuring effective implementation of the directions of the Hon’ble Court:

I. Union territory level Committee:

1	Administrative Secretary, Agriculture Production Department	Chairperson
2	Administrative Secretary, Housing & Urban Development Department	Member Secretary
3	Administrative Secretary, Higher Education Department	Member
4	Administrative Secretary, Public Works (R&B) Department	Member
5	Administrative Secretary, Home Department	Member
6	Administrative Secretary, Youth Services and Sports Department	Member
7	Administrative Secretary, School Education Department	Member
8	Administrative Secretary, Health & Medical Education Department	Member
9	Administrative Secretary, Department of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj	Member
10	Administrative Secretary, Transport Department	Member


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11	Administrative Secretary, Department of Law, Justice & Parliamentary Affairs	Member
12	Divisional Commissioner, Jammu/Kashmir	Member(s)
13	Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Jammu/Srinagar	Member(s)
14	Inspector General of Police, Jammu/Srinagar	Member(s)
15	Inspector General of Police, Traffic, J&K	Member
16	Transport Commissioner, J&K	Member
17	Deputy Commissioner, Jammu/Srinagar	Member(s)
18	Director, Urban Local Bodies, Kashmir/Jammu	Member(s)
19	Director, Animal Husbandry, Jammu/Kashmir	Member(s)
20	Divisional Railway Manager, Jammu Railway Division	Member
21	Representative from National Highways Authority of India	Member
22	Representative from Animal Welfare Board of India	Member

The Committee shall be serviced by the Housing & Urban Development Department, which shall also be the Nodal Department for implementation of decisions of the Committee in line with the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

The UT Level Committee shall meet frequently to review progress, and for preparation of compliance reports to be submitted before the Hon'ble Courts.

Terms of reference:

- i. To ensure implementation of directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in terms of Order dated 07.11.2025, and to ensure coordination among departments responsible for implementation of these directions.
- ii. To ensure implementation of Animal Birth Control (Dog) Rules, 2023, read with Prevention of Cruelty against Animals Act and Rules made thereunder; and other related statutes, rules, circulars issued in this regard.
- iii. To identify all Government and Private Educational Institutions, Hospitals (including district hospitals, primary health centres and Medical Colleges), public sports complexes or stadia, bus stands, depots (including

inter-state bus terminals) and railway stations and to oversee that the Administrative heads of aforesaid institutions shall through their respective local/municipal authorities under overall supervision of district magistrate concerned, ensure that the premises are secured by adequate fencing, boundary walls, gates and such other structural or administrative measures as may be necessary to prevent the ingress of stray dogs.

- iv. To ensure that all Departments, Corporations, Urban Local Bodies and District Administrations shall designate a Nodal Officer for the upkeep and cleanliness of the premises and for ensuring that stray dogs do not enter or inhabit the campus. The details of said officer to be displayed prominently at the entrance and notified to the jurisdictional municipal body/authority.
- v. To prepare a responsibility chart with timelines for all the concerned departments for implementation of the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter.
- vi. To ensure that municipal authorities and Panchayati Raj Institutions conduct regular inspections at least once in every three months of all such premises to ensure that no stray dog habitats exist within or in the immediate vicinity of these institutions and to fix the responsibility upon the concerned municipal officials/administrative authorities in case of any lapse in this regard.
- vii. To ensure regular awareness programmes for all the stakeholders regarding preventive behaviour around animals, first aid in case of dog bites and reporting protocols.
- viii. To ensure deployment of security/ground-keeping personnel in all institutions for round-the-clock vigil against entry or habitation of stray dogs.
- ix. To ensure that all government and private hospitals shall maintain a mandatory stock of anti-rabies vaccines and immunoglobulin at all times.
- x. To oversee implementation of the Animal Birth Control (Dog) Rules, 2023, including humane capture, sterilisation, vaccination, sheltering, record maintenance and functioning of monitoring committees.
- xi. To develop regular reporting mechanism by district level committees through Divisional Commissioners concerned and also ensure regular reporting to the Chief Secretary.
- xii. To ensure submission of fortnightly progress reports to the office of the Chief Secretary by all concerned Departments.
- xiii. To prepare and submit consolidated compliance reports of the Union territory for submission before the Hon'ble Court within the stipulated timelines.

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II. District Level Committee(s)

A. For Srinagar and Jammu Districts

1	Deputy Commissioner	Chairperson
2	Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Jammu/Srinagar	Member Secretary
3	Senior Superintendent of Police	Member
4	Superintending Engineer, Public Works (R&B) Department	Member
5	District Panchayat Officer	Member
6	Chief Medical Officer	Member
7	Chief Animal Husbandry Officer	Member
8	Chief Education Officer	Member
9	District Youth Services & Sports Officer	Member
10	Executive Officer(s) of Municipal Committee(s)	Member(s)

B. For Other Districts:

1	Deputy Commissioner	Chairperson
2	Senior Superintendent of Police	Member
3	Superintending Engineer, Public Works (R&B) Department	Member
4	District Panchayat Officer	Member
5	Chief Medical Officer	Member
6	Chief Education Officer	Member
7	Chief Animal Husbandry Officer	Member
8	District Youth Services & Sports Officer	Member
9	Chief Executive Officer/Executive Officer of Municipal Council	Member Secretary
10	Executive Officer(s) of Municipal Committee(s)	Member(s)

The District level Committee(s) shall meet frequently (initially twice a week and weekly thereafter) for review of implementation and preparation of compliance reports for submission to the UT Level Committee.

Terms of Reference:

- i. To ensure compliance of Circular no. 07-JK (HUD) of 2025 dated 05.09.2025, regarding "Compliance with Hon'ble Supreme Court Order dated 22.08.2025 and Animal Birth Control Rules, 2023."
- ii. To ensure implementation of directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in terms of Order dated 07.11.2025 relating to identification of all Government and private

educational institutions, district hospitals, primary health centres, medical colleges, public sports complexes, stadia, bus stands/depots including Inter-State Bus Terminals, and railway stations within the district.

- iii. To ensure that the premises of such institutions are secured by adequate fencing, boundary walls, gates and other structural or administrative measures, under the overall supervision of the concerned Deputy Commissioner.
- iv. To ensure setting up of designated feeding spots in every locality and animal shelters of sufficient capacity (for cattle, dogs and other stray animals), either within the existing facilities of Municipalities or Animal husbandry department wherever land and buildings are available.
- v. To ensure removal of every stray dog found within the premises of such institutional areas by the jurisdictional Municipal Corporations/Municipal Councils/Municipal Committees and shifting of such animals to designated shelters after sterilisation and vaccination strictly in accordance with the Animal Birth Control (Dog) Rules, 2023 and to ensure that such animals are not released back to the same institutional locations, in strict compliance with Hon'ble Supreme Courts directions.
- vi. To ensure that Municipal Corporations/Municipal Councils/Municipal Committees and Panchayati Raj institutions conduct regular inspections at least once every three months of all such institutional premises to ensure that no stray dog habitats exist within or in the immediate vicinity of these areas, and to fix responsibility in cases of lapse.
- vii. To ensure that all Government and private hospitals in the district maintain mandatory stock of anti-rabies vaccines and immunoglobulin at all times for handling dog bite cases.
- viii. To ensure that educational institutions conduct awareness sessions for students and staff on preventive behavior around animals, first aid in case of dog bites and immediate reporting protocols.
- ix. To ensure deployment of security or ground-keeping personnel in stadiums and sports complexes for continuous vigil against entry or habitation of stray dogs as mandated by the Hon'ble Supreme Court.
- x. To ensure that railway stations, bus stands/depots including ISBTs, and other transport hubs are secured and maintained so as to prevent habitation or movement of stray dogs, and that proper waste-management systems are implemented in accordance with the Hon'ble Supreme Court's directions.
- xi. To coordinate with Police, Public Works (R&B) Department and National Highways Authority of India for removal of cattle and other stray animals from National Highways, State Highways and Expressways within the district and for

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functioning of district-level highway patrol teams and helpline systems and their proper lodging, food, sanitation and upkeep at the designated shelters.

- xii. To ensure that Municipal Corporations/Municipal Councils/Municipal Committees submit Monthly Progress Reports on sterilisation, vaccination, sheltering, feeding mechanism, inspections and related activities as required under the ABC rules read with Prevention of Cruelty Against Animals Act and Rules.
- xiii. To ensure that every Department, Municipal Corporations/Municipal Councils and Municipal Committees in the district appoints a Nodal Officer to coordinate implementation of the directions of the Hon'ble Courts and the Animal Birth Control (Dog) Rules, 2023.
- xiv. To submit fortnightly district-level compliance reports for compilation at the UT level.

By Order of the Government of Jammu & Kashmir.

Sd/-

(M. Raju) IAS

Commissioner/Secretary to the Government

No.:GAD-ADM/9/2025-08-GAD

Dated:18.11.2025

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2. Director General of Police, J&K
3. All Principal Secretaries to the Government
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5. Joint Secretary, Department of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh Affairs, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.
6. All Commissioner/Secretaries to the Government
7. Commissioner/Secretary to the Government, Housing & urban Development Department. The departmental U.O. file is returned herewith.
8. Divisional Commissioner, Jammu/Kashmir
9. All Deputy Commissioners
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11. OSD/Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, J&K
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Under Secretary to the Government