## GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA MUNICPAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

O/o Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, T.S., Hyderabad.

#### CIRCULAR

#### Lr.Roc.No.3233/2016/H3

Dt: 10/05/2016

Sub: Request to permit Organization for Awareness Campaigns to stop illegal sacrifice of Animals and Birds at Worship and Public Places – Reg.

- Ref: 1. Order dt. 22.07.2013 by the divine bench of Hon'ble High Court order in Pil. No. 370 of 2012 filed by Sri Sri Sri Sadguru Roop Rahit Ahimsa Yogishwar Veer Dharmaja Mata Jeeva Rakshaka Trust, Represented by its Managing Trustee, Kandadi, Jagajeevan Reddy, Son of Satyanarayan Reddy.
  - From Sri. Sadguru Rooprahit Ahimsa Yogishwar Veer Dharmaja Mata Jeevarakshaka Trust, R.R. District, SSS RAJT, Ref AMMA/JR/dt. 31.03.2016.
  - 3. Govt. Memo. No. 4502/F1/2016-1, Dt. 25.04.2016 of MA&UD Dept.

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The attention of all the Municipal Commissioners in the State is invited in the reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited, the division bench of Hon'ble High Court ordered to issue a notice indicating the provisions of the aforesaid Act to the temple authorities and the aforesaid notice must be issued within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Even after issuance of the notice, the sacrifices at the temples, as alleged, are not stopped, it would be open for the petitioner or any other person to make a complaint to the concerned Police Station. As it is a cognizable offence, the Police can take action immediately.

In the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> cited Sri Sadguru Rooprahit Ahimsa Yogishwar Veer Dharmaja Mata Jeevarakshaka Trust for the Welfare Organization of Animals and Birds, Gow Samrakshaka her holiness Pujya Sri Mathaji requested the Government to implement the order passed by Hon'ble High Court and also to implement the Animal welfare law to stop illegal sacrifices Animals and in true spirit.

The Municipal Commissioners of all ULBs are directed to implement the order of division bench of Hon'ble High Court in the reference 1 cited and also enforce the provision of Andhra Pradesh Animals and Birds Sacrifice prohibition Act 1950.

Encl: As above

Sd/- Lokesh kumar

Director

for Director

#### GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Memo.No.4502/F1/2016-1

Dated: 25.04.2016

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Sub: - Request to permit Organization for Awareness Campaigns to stop illegal sacrifice of Animals and Birds at Worship and public places - Reg.

Govt. of Telangana

Ref From Sri Sri Sri Sadguru Rooprahit Ahimsa Yogishwar Veer Dharmaja Mata Jeevarakshaka Trust, R.R. District, SSS RAJT Ref: AMMA/JR/ dated: 31.03.2016.

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A copy of the reference cited is sent herewith to the Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, Telangana, Hyderabad and he is requested to examine the same and take necessary action in the matter.

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The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, Telangana, Hyderabad (w.e.)

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

C.S.P. No.

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Tel.: 08506 - 280028

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Date:

Dated: 31

JR/ 1045 /2016 Chief Secretary

> Secretariat Hyderabad.

Respected Sir,

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ment Government of Telangana

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

Sub: Request to permit our Organization for Awareness Campaigns to stop Illegal Sacrifice of Animals and Birds at Worship and Public places- Request to issue directions to the concerned

departments- Regarding.

1)To implement the Hon'ble High Court Order in Pil.No.370 of Ref: 2012 Dated 22/07/2013.

2) Letter No. 304/CSP/2015, Dated 03/08/2015

We Jeevarakshaka Trust for the Welfare Organization of Animals and Birds, Gow Samrakshaka her holiness Pujya Sri Mathaji desired that acts enacted for the purpose the acts to implemented in true spirit.

It was said animals and birds sacrifice was in human and illegal, though there is ban on it, but sacrifices could not be stopped and curbed. In several worship places at cities on some or other occasion's animals/birds sacrifices are being carried throughout the year. The list is endless.. Namely 1) Sri Peddamma Temple at Jubilee Hills, 2) Sri Katta Mysamma Temple at Lower Tankbund, 3) Sri Renuka Ellamma Temple at Langer house and 4) Are Mysamma Temple at Langer house. Authorities are well aware of the issue and even the court order are brushed aside and the practice of animal and bird sacrifices goes on unchecked and unabated. We have been representing it since many years; Jeevarakshaka Trust is trying our best.

Jeevarakrshaka Trust has been spreading the campaign against the merciless sacrifice of birds and animals at places of worship and public places in different parts of the state. Unless and until a strict law for punishment against cruelty to the animal is not implemented, such disgraceful activities will keep on happening.

T.S./A.P. Chapter Anand Ashram, Pedda Shapur Village, Shamshabad Mandal, Dist.: Rangareddy, T.S.

COMA

It is therefore requested that specific directions be issued directing all the authorities concerned to take all precautionary measures to strictly implement the Animal Welfare Law to stop illegal sacrifice of animals, to ensure that the rights of the animals are protected and to take stringent action against the offenders violating the animal laws and by giving wide Publicity through Audio and leading electronic and print media with true spirit and put the end of evil practices.

Thanking You,

Yours Faithfully, JEEVARAKSHAKA TRUST

Convener

Encl: 1) High Court Order

Copy to: The District Collector/District Magistrate Hyderabad and Ranga Reddy Dist.

The Commissioner of Police Hyderabad and Cyberbad

The Commissioner GHMC Hyderabad

The DGP Govt. of Telangana

The Commissioner of Animal Husbandry Govt. of Telangana.

The Commissioner Endowment Department.

#### IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT HYDERABAD

(Special Criginal Jurisdiction)

MONDAY, THE TWENTY SECOND DAY OF JULY TWO THOUSAND AND THIRTEEN

#### :PRESENT:

# THE HON'BLE SRI KALYAN JYOTI SENGUPTA, THE CHIEF JUSTICE AND THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE K.C.BHANU

#### PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO: 370 of 2012

#### Between:

Sri Sri Sri Sadguru Roop Rahit Ahimsa Yogishwar Veer Dharmaja Mata Jeeva Rakshaka Trust, Represented by its Managing Trustee, Kandadi Jagajeevan Reddy, son of Satyanarayan Reddy aged 50 years, resident of H.No. 18-4-738, Aliabad, Hyderabad-500053.

PETITIONER

#### AND

- 1. State of Andhra Pradesh, Represented by its Principal Secretary, Revenue Department, Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.
- 2. State of Andhra Pradesh Represented by its Principal Secretary, Home Department, Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad
- 3. State of Andhra Pradesh Represented by its Principal Secretary Animal Husbandry Department, Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.
- 4. State of Andhra Pradesh Represented by its Principal Secretary Endowments Department. Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.
- 5. State of Andhra Pradesh, represented by its Principal Secretary Municipal Administration & Urban Development Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.
- 6. State of Andhra Pradesh Represented by its Principal Secretary Panchayath Raj & Rural Development Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.
- 7. State of Andhra Pradesh Represented by its Principal Secretary Forests Government of A.P. Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.
- 8. The Secretary, Pollution Control Board, A.P. Sanathnagar, Hyderabad.
- 9. The District Collector, Ranga Reddy District.
- 10. The District Collector, Hyderabad District.
- 11. The Director General of Police, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
- 12. The Commissioner of Endowments, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
- 13. The Commissioner of Animal Husbandry, Government of Andhra Pradesh Shantinagar, Masab Tank, Hyderabad.
- 14. Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, Represented by its Commissioner Lower Tank Bund, Hyderabad
- 15. The Commissioner of Police, Hyderabad Basheerbagh, Hyderabad.
- 16. The Commissioner of Police, Cyberabad Madhapur, Hyderabad.
- 17. The Defence Estate Officer, Secunderabad Contonment Board City Civil Court Compound, Secunderabad.
- 18. The Chief Executive Officer, Secunderabad Contonment Board City Civil Court Compound, Secunderabad.

...RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased to issue any appropriate Writ, Order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the inaction of the Respondents in not implementing the provisions of The Animals and Birds Sacrifices Prohibition Act, 1950 by considering the representations of the petitioner trust, as being illegal, arbitrary and violative of Article 14 of the Constitution of India and pending disposal of the writ petition, direct the respondents to prohibit sacrifice of animals and birds in the religious places, namely (i) Sri Are Mysamma Temple Langer House, Hyderabad. (ii) Sri Katta Mysamma Temple at Lower Tankbund Hyderabad. (iii) Sri Peddamma Gudi at Jublihills, Hyderabad. (iv) Sri Elamma Temple at Balkampet Hyderabad. and (v)Sri Renuk a Ellamma Temple at Shamshabad, R.R.District and also other temples in the entire state of Andhra Pradesh, including the Ranga Reddy District.

Counsel for the petitioner: SRI P. VENUGOPAL

Counsel for the respondent Nos. 1, 9 & 10 : GP FOR REVENUE

Counsel for the respondent Nos. 2, 11, 15 & 16: GP FOR HOME

Counsel for the respondent Nos. 3 & 13: GP FOR ANIMAL HUSBANDARY

Counsel for the respondent Nos. 4 & 12: GP FOR ENDOWMENTS

Counsel for the respondent No. 5: GP FOR GAD

Counsel for the respondent No. 6: GP FOR PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEV..

Counsel for the respondent No. 7: GP FOR FOREST

Counsel for the respondent No. 8: SRI. Y SRINIVASA MURTHY(SC FOR POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD)

Counsel for the respondent No. 14: SRI. C DAMODAR REDDY(SC FOR GHMC)

Counsel for the respondent Nos. 17 & 18: SRI. Y. V. RAVI PRASAD, SC FOR CONTONMENT BOARD

The Court made the following ORDER

#### THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE SRI KALYAN JYOTI SENGUPTA AND THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE K.C. BHANU

#### PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO.370 OF 2012

ORDER: (per the Hon'ble the Chief Justice Sri Kalyan Jyoti Sengupta)

In this public interest litigation, the petitioner has prayed for following relief:

"...to direct the respondents to prohibit sacrifice of animals and birds in the religious places, namely (i) Sri Are Mysamma Temple, Langar House, Hyderabad, (ii) Sri Katta Mysamma Temple at Lower Tank bund, Hyderabad, (iii) Sri Peddamma Gudi at Jubili Hills, Hyderabad, (iv) Sri Ellamma Temple at Balkampet, Hyderabad and (v) Sri Renuka Ellamma Temple at Shamshabad, Ranga Reddy District, and also other temples in the entire State of Andhra Pradesh, including Ranga Reddy District."

In our view, the Government is not supposed to take any action, as already there has been an Act, which is the Andhra Pradesh Animals and Birds Sacrifices Prohibition Act, 1950 (for short, 'the Act'). Sections 3, 4 and 5 of the Act provide as follows:

3. "No person shall sacrifice any animal or bird in any place of public religious worship or adoration or its precincts or in any congregation or procession connected with any religious worship in a public street.

Explanation:— For the purposes of this section and Section 4, 'public street' means a road, way or other place whether a thoroughfare or not, to which the public are granted access or over which they have a right to pass.

- 4. No person shall ...
  - a. Officiate or offer to officiate at or
  - b. Perform or offer to perform or
  - c. Serve, assist or participate in, any sacrifice,

in any place of public religious worship or adoration or its precincts or in any congregation or procession connected with any religious worship in a public street.

- 5. No person shall knowingly allow any sacrifice to be performed at any place which
  - a. is situated within any place of public religious worship or adoration
  - b. is in his possession or under his control."

If anyone contravenes the aforesaid provisions, then remedial measures have been provided in Section 6 of the Act. It is also mentioned in Section 8 that the aforesaid offences are cognizable one. Therefore, it would be open to anyone to make a complaint to Police, who will take action in accordance with law. In the petition, it is stated that there is violation of the aforesaid provisions of law.

Therefore, we direct the Commissioner of Endowments, Government of Anahra Pradesh, to issue a notice intimating the aforesaid provisions of law to all the temple authorities. The Commissioner of Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, and other municipal bodies outside the Hyderabad area shall issue a notice indicating the provisions of the aforesaid Act to the temple authorities. The aforesaid notice must be issued within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Even after issuance of the notice, the sacrifices at the temples, as alleged, are not stopped, it would be open for the petitioner or any other person to make a complaint to the concerned Police Station. As it is a cognizable offence, the Police can take action immediately.

With these directions, the public interest litigation is disposed of.

No order as to costs.

SD/-P.S.KAMESWARA RAO ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

- 1. The Principal Secretary, Revenue Department, Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.
- 2. The Principal Secretary, Home Department, Secretariat Buildings, Hyderat ad.
- 3. The Principal Secretary, Animal Husbandry Department, Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.
- 4. The Principal Secretary Endowments Department, Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.
- The Principal Secretary Municipal Administration & Urban Development Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.
- 6. The Principal Secretary Panchayath Raj & Rural Development

Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.

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19-One CC to Sri. P. Venugopal, Advocate (OPUC)

20. One CC to Sri. Y. Srinivasa Murthy, SC for Pollution (OPUC)

21. One CC to Sri. C. Damodar Reddy, SC for GHMC (OPUC)

22. One CC to Sri. Y.V. Ravi Prasad, SC for Contonment Board (OPUC)

23. Two CCs to G.P. for Revenue, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad (OUT)

24. Two CCs to G.P. for Home, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad (OUT)

25. Two CCs to G.P. for Animal Husbandary, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad (OUT)

26. Two CCs to G.P. for Endowments, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad (OUT)

27. Two CCs to G.P. for General Administration Department, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad (OUT)

28. Two CCs to G.P. for Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad (OUT)

29. Two CCs to G.P. for Forest, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad (OUT)

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HIGH COURT

DATED:22/07/2013

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ORDER

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#### CHIEF SECRETARY

### No.304 /CSP/2015, Dated 03.08,2015

A representation was received from Sri Sri Sadguru Rooprahit
Ahimsa Yogishwar Veer Dharmaja Mata Jeevarakshaka Trust, stating that
the animals and birds sacrifices in general during Bonalu Festival are being
done near the temples every year. This is not only against the law but also
spoils the public places. Necessary action has to be taken by GHMC,
the Collectors and the local police officers to curb these practices, as per
law.

Secy, Endowments

Commissioner, GHMC

Collector, Hyderabad

Collector, Ranga Reddy

DGP/Telangana