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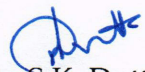
Subjects: Clarification regarding recent news reports of ban on various dog breeds.

It has come to the notice of the AWBI through recent news reports that the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI) has banned certain dangerous dog breeds from being kept as pets and intends to establish corresponding guidelines for the same.

2. In this regard, it is clarified that the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry, and Dairying issued a letter dated 12.03.2024, officially banning certain dog breeds. These breeds are prohibited from import, breeding, sale as pets, or for any other purposes as stipulated in the letter. Additionally, local bodies and the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying are directed not to issue any licenses or permits related to the sale, breeding, or ownership of these banned breeds.

3. It is imperative to note that the aforementioned letter, along with the list of banned dog breeds, was not issued by the Animal Welfare Board of India but rather by the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry, and Dairying after necessary consultation with the experts. Hence, any clarification in this regard may be sought from the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying.

Yours sincerely,


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Secretary