

**MINUTES OF THE 126TH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE BOARD
HELD ON 19.07.2023 AT CHANDERLOK BUILDING, NEW DELHI**

The 126th Executive Committee Meeting (ECM) of the Board held on 19.07.2023 at 11.00 AM at Chanderlok Building, New Delhi and the following were present in the meeting: -

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| 1. | Sh. O. P. Chaudhary, IFS | Chairman, AWBI |
| 2. | Shri Girish J. Shah | Member, AWBI |
| 3. | Shri Sunil Mansinghka | Member, AWBI |
| 4. | Sh. Rajeev Gupta, IAS (Retd.) | Member, AWBI |
| 5. | Sh. Vaidya Hitesh Jani | Member, AWBI |
| 6. | Sh. Ramakrishna Raghuvanshi | Member, AWBI |
| 7. | Shri S.P. Gupta, IAS (Retd.) | Member, AWBI |
| 8. | Dr. S.K. Dutta, | Secretary, AWBI |
| 9. | Mrs. Prachi Jain | Asst. Secretary, AWBI |

The nomination of the Representative of the Ministry of Finance is not received yet.

The Chairman, AWBI welcomed all the Members of the Executive Committee of the Board and then requested the Secretary, AWBI to start the meeting. The details of the agenda items discussed are given as under: -

Item No.1: Consideration of the matter pertaining to amendment of Animal Welfare Board (Administration) Rules, 1962

The matter pertaining to the Animal Welfare Board (Administration) Rules, 1962 has been discussed which are very old and does not serve the purposes for functioning of the Board and also being challenged by the C&AG Audit and Internal Audit Wing of the Administrative Ministry as DFPR mentioned in these rules are limited to very less amount and requires updation. These rules were submitted to the Ministry in 1991 and again in October 2003 and January 2017 for amendments but could not be amended so far.

The amended draft Animal Welfare Board (Administration) Rules as per the recent requirement for functioning of the Board was placed before the Board during its 51st General Meeting held on 04.07.2023 for approval but the Board referred the matter to the Executive Committee for approval of the draft. The amended draft Animal Welfare Board (Administration) Rules was placed before the 126th EC Meeting on 19.07.2023.

The executive committee deliberated on the matter regarding amendment of Animal Welfare Board (Administration) Rules, 1962 and after rigorous discussions and suggestions, the draft was approved by the Executive Committee during its 126th meeting held at Chanderlok Building, New Delhi on 19.07.2023.

The amended final draft Animal Welfare Board (Administration) Rules, 2023 are attached at **Annexure – I** of the minutes. On approval of the minutes, the final draft will be processed further for getting the Animal Welfare Board (Administration) Rules, 2023 notified.

Any Other Issue:

The Chairman and other members of the committee unanimously decided that the Annual General Meeting and the next Executive Committee Meeting of the Board will be scheduled to held at Rambhau Mhalghi Prabodhini (RMP), Keshav Shrushti, Bhayander West, Mumbai, Maharashtra in the month of September, 2023 wherein the Board will welcome Hon'ble Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying and visit the gaushala there.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to Chair.
