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APPEAL

Subject: Provide Bedding and Cots for Stray animals, during the Winter

I am writing this public appeal on behalf of the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI), which is a Statutory Body established under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animal (PCA) Act, 1960 and is an apex body for the protection and safeguard the rights of animals as well as to ensure that the five freedoms of the animals are upheld and no animals are subject to any unnecessary pain or suffering.

- 2. In this regard, it is stated that the current winter season, particularly in the northern parts of our country, is marked by a severe cold wave. As we grapple with an intense cold wave affecting our nation, it is crucial for us to address the well-being of our stray animals in the country.
- 3. Further, it is most urgent need to provide appropriate bedding and mattresses to stray animals. This measure is essential not only to meet their thermal requirements but also to ensure a level of comfort vital for their survival. This small gesture of providing bedding and cots to these stray animals, will enforce our humane commitment towards voiceless animals thereby fulfilling our fundamental duties envisaged under Article 51 A(g) of the constitution of India.
- 4. In view of the foregoing, given the urgency and sensitivity of the situation, it is kindly requested to all the compassionate citizen of this country to prioritize this matter. Your support will make a significant difference in safeguarding the well-being of the stray animals.
- 5. This is issued with the approval of competent authority.

Yours sincerely,

(Dr. S. K Dutta) Secretary