

**Press Release**

As enshrined in Article 51(A)(g) of the Indian Constitution, it is the fundamental duty of every citizen to protect and safeguard the welfare of animals, just as we do for fellow human beings." Accordingly, in alignment with the Constitution of India, the Government of Tamil Nadu, through G.O. (Ms) No. 208, Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (AH3) Department, dated 24.10.2018, constituted the "Tamil Nadu Animal Welfare Board." The Board has been undertaking various activities such as providing food, shelter, and medical care for community animals. Furthermore, the Board functions to monitor and address issues related to the welfare of animals across the State of Tamil Nadu.

Furthermore, to provide food, shelter, and medical facilities to animals that have been raised and abandoned by their owners, as well as to helpless community animals such as cows, dogs, cats, and horses. As stray and abandoned animals roam in the streets, it leads to accidents involving humans, conflicts between animals, and conflicts between animals and humans. It is not possible for the Board alone to provide food, shelter, and medical care for all such animals. Therefore, to implement this service effectively, the Tamil Nadu Animal Welfare Board is taking all possible measures to alleviate the suffering of animals by facilitating food distribution through animal welfare volunteers and organizations across the state. Furthermore, the Board has decided to raise funds through donors for providing food to animals. For this purpose, a dedicated bank account has been opened at SBI Bank, T.Nagar Branch, Chennai.

The general public and animal care giver are kindly requested to generously support this noble initiative of feeding helpless animals by contributing through electronic fund transfer from their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds.

**Bank Details:**

1. Account Name : TNAWB – Animal Care Foundation
2. Account Number : 44153955721
3. Bank Name : State Bank of India
4. Branch : T.Nagar, Chennai
5. IFSC Code : SBIN0001020
6. MICR Code : 60002054

It is also informed that demand drafts and cheques can be drawn in the name of "**TNAWB – Animal Care Foundation**" and sent to the following address - Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu Animal Welfare Board / Director, Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, 571, Anna Salai, Chennai – 35.

The contributions received as donations will be utilized by the Tamil Nadu Animal Welfare Board to procure and distribute food supplies based on the needs in respective areas through local animal welfare volunteers for street animals suffering due to lack of food.

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