

**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
URBAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT
ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR**

NOTIFICATION

Dated Shillong the 24th July, 2025

No. UAU. 71/2024/55 – In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 9 (4) of the Animal Birth Control Rules 2023, the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to constitute the Local Animal Birth Control Monitoring Committee for coordinating the implementation of the Animal Birth Control Program. The constitution of the Committee is under :-

a)	Municipal Commissioner or Executive Officer of the local Authority, who shall be the ex-officio Chairman of the Committee.	Chairperson, Ex-Officio
b)	A representative of the Public Health Department of the District.	Member Ex-Officio
c)	A representative of the Animal Husbandry Department of the nearby Block or District.	Member Ex-Officio
d)	A jurisdictional veterinary doctor.	Member Ex-Officio
e)	A representative of the district Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.	Member Secretary, Ex-Officio

Functions of the Committee:- The Committee shall be responsible for planning and management of dog control programme in accordance with these rules. The committee may:

- i) Issue instructions for catching, transportation, sheltering, sterilisation, vaccination, treatment and release of sterilized vaccinated or treated dogs.
- ii) Authorize veterinary doctor to decide on case to case basis the need to put to sleep critically ill or fatally injured or rabid dogs in a painless method by using sodium pentathol. Any other method is strictly prohibited. To be decided through a sub-committee comprising of two veterinary officers and a representative of a recognised animal welfare Organisation. The sub-committee shall specify reasons in writing for euthanasia of each animal.
- iii) Creating public awareness and solicit co-operation and funding.
- iv) Providing guidelines to pet dog owners and commercial breeders from time to time.
- v) Take such steps for the purpose of monitoring the dog bite cases and to ascertain the reasons of dog bite, the area where it took place and whether it was from a stray or a pet dog. For the purpose details may be collected from Human Hospital in a requisite format.

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- vi) Arrive at an estimate of the number of dogs within its territorial limits by conducting a census in the manner advised by the AWBI.
- vii) Ensure development of the infrastructure required to execute the Animal Birth Control Program for the estimated number of dogs. In order to do this, detailed project reports shall have to be prepared and submitted to the State Monitoring and Implementation Committee in coordination with the State Government.
- viii) The infrastructure shall be designed in such a manner to carry out area-wise animal birth control in a phased manner of at least 70 percent dogs in the targeted area before a new area is taken up. The infrastructure shall include, but not be limited to pre-operation preparation areas, Operation Theatres, post-op care, kennels, kitchen, store rooms for rations and medicines, parking area, residential rooms for veterinarians and attendants, quarantine ward, ambulances, etc.

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Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,
Urban Affairs Department.


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Copy to:-

1. The P.S to the Hon'ble Chief Minister for favour of information of the Chief Minister.
2. The P.S to the Chief Secretary for favour of information to the Chief Secretary.
3. The Commissioner & Secretary, Urban Affairs Department/ Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department/ Health & Family Welfare Department/ Community & Rural Development Department.
4. The Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong.
5. The Director Urban Affairs, Meghalaya, Shillong with reference to the letter No. DUA (M) 18/2006/290 dated 16.07.2025 for information and necessary action.
6. The Chief Executive Officer, Shillong Municipal Board, Shillong for information and necessary action.
7. The Director, Printing & Stationery, Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of publication of the above Notification in the Meghalaya Gazette.
- ✓ 8. The State informatics Officer, NIC, Meghalaya with a request to place the Notification in the Government website.

By Order, etc.


Deputy Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,
Urban Affairs Department.
