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Ministry of Environment and Forests
(Wildlife Division)

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New Delhi - 110003
Dated: 3rd September, 2009

Office Memorandum

Sub: Action taken on the Minutes of the meeting on 'National Bird Control Committee (NBCC)' held on June 03, 2009 in Ministry of Civil Aviation- reg.

Sir,

Undersigned is directed to invite your kind attention to subject mentioned above regarding the meeting held in MoCA on June 03, 2009 under the Chairmanship of Secretary (MoCA) to discuss various issues related to Bird hit incidents and civil aviation safety.

In this connection, the list of selected experts of ornithology is enclosed herewith as per the action mentioned against this Ministry for taking further necessary action at that end.

Yours faithfully,


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Encl.: As above

To,

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Selected Ornithologist in India

1. Dr. A.R. Rahmani, Director, Salim Ali Chowk, Bombay Natural History Society, Mumbai.
2. Dr. Lalitha Vijayan, Salim Ai Centre for Ornithology and Natural History, Anaikatty Post, Coimbatore.
3. Dr. Rahul Kaul, Wildlife Trust of India, New Delhi.
4. Dr. Shanker Raman, National Conservation Foundation, Mysore.
5. Dr. K. Sivakumar, Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun.
6. Dr. Dhananjai Mohan, Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun.
7. Dr. Robert Grub, Institute for Restoration of Natural Environment, Nagercoil.
8. Dr. Ramana Athreya, National Centre for Radio Astrophysics, Pune
9. Dr. Dinesh Bhatt, Dept. of Zoology, G.K. University, Haridwar.
10. Dr. V. Santaram, Rishi Valley Education Centre, Chittoor- 517 352, Andhra Pradesh.
11. Mr. Kushal Mookherjee, Secretary Prakriti Samsad 65, Golf Club Road Kolkata- 700 033.
12. Dr. Priya Davidar, Salim Ali School of Ecology & Environmental Sciences Pondicherry University, Kalapet- 605 014.
13. Mr. M. Shafaat Ulla, H. No. 4, St. No. 1, Avenue 8 (Rd No. 3), Banjara Hills, Andhra Pradesh- 500 003.
14. Dr. P.O. Nameer Asst. Professor, College of Forestry Kerala Agriculture University (KAU) Thrissur- 680 656.
15. Ms. Usha Ganguli- Lachungpa Sr. Research Officer (WL), Government of Sikkim Department of Forest, Environment & Wildlife Deorali- 737-102, Gangtok..

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03/11/2009

To,

The Chief Secretary
Government of Indian States and Union Territories.

Subject: Enforcement of Rule 91 of aircraft act 1937- Prohibition of slaughtering and flying of animals, depositing of rubbish and other polluted or obnoxious matter in the vicinity of airports in India.

Dear Sir,

World over Bird strike to aircraft is a serious safety issue, a number of aircraft incidents involving bird strikes occurs every year in India. Damages inflicted by bird strike is usually minor, however some bird strike have resulted in serious incidents/accidents. Bird strike invariably result in expensive repairs to aircraft/engine, loses to airlines, and cancellation/delays of flights which causes inconvenience to passengers.

Government of India, Ministry of Civil aviation vide its order number AV.15018/003/2009-VE has constituted National Bird control committee(NBCC) under the chairmanship of Secretary Civil Aviation. The first meeting of committee was held in 03.08.2009, wherein it was pointed out that the provision of rule 91 of aircraft act rule 1937 are not being enforced effectively.

Aircraft rule 1937 (Rule 91) prohibit slaughtering and flaying of animals depositing of rubbish and other polluted or obnoxious matter in within a radius of 10 KM from Aerodrome reference point.(Copy enclosed , Annexure-I).

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Ministry of home affairs have issued a letter NO. 53/1/80-Public dated 7/05/1980 for constitution of Airfield environment management committees(AEMC) at airports . According to MHA letter these committees are to be headed by Chief Secretary/commissioner or Head of the District . NBCC during deliberation felt that AEMC need to take proactive measures on time bound bases and In view of the above following line of action is requested from state administration:

1. Chief Secretary/Commissioner or head of the district be advised to chair the AEMC meetings of airport along with Local civic bodies /police and list preventive measure to be implemented on fixed time frame. The meeting be held on regular basis.
- 2 .All police authorities be advised to take action under proviso of rule 90/91of aircraft act 1937.

It will be appreciated if a copy of instructions issued at state level be forwarded to this office.

Yours truly,

(A.K Chopra)

Joint Director General
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