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- u/s 12 of the Pharmacy Act
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**Sub: Use of animals for dissections in various areas like in Pharmacy, Zoology, Veterinary, Medicine etc. across India- regarding**

- Ref: PCI Circulars Nos. 1) 10-1/2002-PCI-/3869-4376 dt. 3.6.2002.**  
2) 10-1/2002-PCI-/16593-17122 dt7 3.1.2013  
3) 10-1/2002-PCI-Pt-I/2934-3490 dt. 18.5.2004  
4) 10-1/2005-PCI-Pt-I/24101-25375 dt.25.11.2009  
5) 10-1/2010-PCI-Pt-I/13377-15229dt. 17.3.2011  
6) 10-1/2010-PCI-Pt-I/40704-42813dt. 19.1.2012

Sir/ Madam

With reference to the subject cited above, please find enclosed herewith a copy of letter No. 25/32/2013-AWD dt 19.6.2013 received from Dy. Secretary (AW) & Member-Secretary, CPCSEA, which is self explanatory for strict compliance.

Yours faithfully

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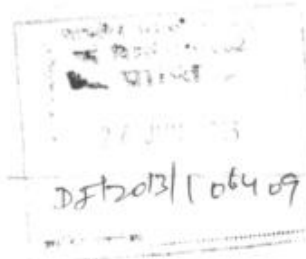
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Subject - Use of animals for dissections in various areas like in Pharmacy, Zoology, Veterinary, medicine etc. across India - regarding.

Sir/ Madam,

The Committee for the Purpose of Control and Supervision of Experiments on Animals (CPCSEA), under the Ministry of Environment & Forests is empowered to take all such

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measures as may be necessary to ensure that animals are not subject to unnecessary pain or suffering during or after the performance of experiments on animals.

2. One amongst the many duties of the committee as spelt out in Chapter 4 of the PCA Act 1960 in Rule 17 (d) which states that 'experiments on animals are avoided wherever it is possible to do so; as for example : in medical schools, hospitals, colleges and the like, if other teaching devices such as books, models, films and the like, may equally suffice.

3. The University Grant Commission has issued guidelines for discontinuation of dissection and animal experimentation in zoology / life sciences in the universities under UGC, which will apply to all departments in universities and colleges entailing animal experimentation in teaching and research.

4. In view of the above, animal use for experimentation should be avoided by using effective alternative available today for the teaching of Medical / Lifesciences / Veterinary, as the use of animals in the existing circumstances is a contravention of the PCA Act, 1960.

5. I request you to kindly direct all the institutions / establishments associated with teaching of Medical, Veterinary, Pharmacy and other Graduate / Post Graduate Courses in Life Sciences to strictly follow the UGC guidelines for discontinuation of dissection and animal experimentation in universities / colleges and introduce use of alternatives to animals experimentation under intimation to use.

Yours faithfully,



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