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PUBLIC NOTICE

STOP FEEDING MONKEYS AT PUBLIC PLACES

It is brought to the notice of all concerned that the Hon'ble High court of Delhi vide its order dated 14.3.2007 in WP(C) No. 2600/2001 in the matter of New Friends Colony Residents Welfare Association Vs Union of India & Ors., has directed that,

"no person shall feed the monkeys or give food to them in public areas more particularly, around the western command, Rashtrapati Bhawan, Connaught Place, Central Secretariat and around, Qutab area and other habitat places wherever the monkeys are present in large number as of today". The MCD/NDMC is entitled to challan such persons for creating public nuisance and can impose fine in accordance with the provisions of the MCD Act/NDMC Act or any other law empowering them to act in this regard.

Any violation of the above directions of the Hon'ble Court would amount to contempt. Any persons found feeding the monkeys at public places are liable to be challaned by NDMC/MCD officials under their respective Acts, or any other law empowering them to act in this regard.

Feed for the monkeys may be handed over at the collection centres set up by the NDMC/MCD at the following places on Tuesdays and Saturdays:

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| a. | Hanuman Mandir, | Connaught Place |
| b. | Hanuman Mandir, | Yamuna Bazar |

1. The Civic Agencies (NDMC & MCD) shall arrange transportation of the feed so collected, to Asola Bhatti Wildlife Sanctuary for feeding the monkeys translocated/released in wild.
2. No feed shall be accepted directly from the public in the Wildlife Sanctuary, Asola.
3. Cooperation from all concerned is solicited in the endeavor of the Civic Agencies & the Forest Department in minimizing the monkey menace in Delhi.
4. Complaints against the persons found feeding monkeys at public places can also be lodged with the Police or PCR at Tel No. 100, MCD at No. 23977960 and NDMC at No. 23347080.

This is issued in public interest

Chief Wildlife Warden
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