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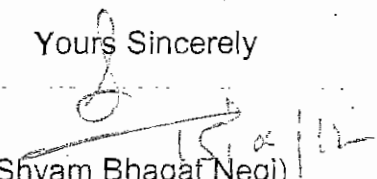
Sub: Illegal hiring of Langurs for the security of official buildings - reg.

1. Wild Life Crime Control Bureau (WCCB) is a statutory body constituted under the Wild Life Protection Act, 1972; for combating wildlife crime in the country. There have been complaints that some of the Ministries of the Government of India have hired the services of Langurs for the security of their buildings.

2. In this regard, it is mentioned that Langur (*Presbytis entellus*) is listed under Schedule – II of the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972, and it cannot be owned, traded or hired. Contravention of the provisions of the Act carries punishment upto 3 years of imprisonment or fine or both. For any violation, besides the handler, the officer of the Ministry responsible for hiring the services of the animal will be deemed to have contravened the provisions of the Act and liable for prosecution under Section 52 of the Act.

3. It is therefore requested that langurs if hired by your ministry should be removed from the service immediately and the animals be handed over to the Chief Wildlife Warden of the Government of NCT.

Yours Sincerely


(Shyam Bhagat Negi)
Additional Director

Copy to :

- (i). All Ministries of the Government of India, New Delhi.
- (ii). The Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt of NCT, New Delhi – He is requested to issue similar advisories to all Ministries of the Govt of NCT New Delhi.
- (iii). PPS to the ADG(WL), MoEF

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