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TO

Vice Chancellors of all Universities

- 2. Chairman, CBSE, Delhi
- 3. CEO cum Secretary, ICSE, Delhi
- 4. Principal Secretaries, Education of all States/UTs
- 5. Chief Wildlife Wardens of all States/UTs

Illegal use/ display of wild animals in laboratories/ museums of schools/ Sub: colleges - reg.

Sir

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 are complaints of some schools/colleges illegally using/ possessing wild animals in their laboratories/ museums.

- In this regard, it is mentioned that acquisition or possession of wild animal (any animal specified in Schedules I to IV of the Act) without the previous permission in writing of the Chief Wildlife Warden of the State or the officer authorized; is an offence agaist the Act. Capturing or injuring or killing of a wild animal is hunting and prohibited under law. Contravention of these provisions carries punishment upto 7 years of imprisonment or fine or both. For any violation, the Head of the school/college concerned shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.
- It is therefore requested that this may be brought to the notice of Heads of all 3. schools/colleges under your control and directed to surrender any illegal wild animal (including specimens) in their possession to the Chief Wildlife Warden of the State concerned. They may also be advised against acquisition of wild animal or wild animal specimen in future.

(Shyam Bhagat Negi) Additional Director

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