

SUB:- DIRECTIVE OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT ON
FEROCIOUS DOG BREEDS

Unstarred Question No. 007 tabled by Shri Aleixo Lourenco, MLA, to be answered on 07/08/2024.

QUESTION	ANSWER
Will the Minister for Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services be pleased to refer to starred LAQ No. 017B answer on 7-2-2024 and State;	By Shri Nilkanth Halarnkar, Hon'ble Minister for Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services.
(a) furnish names of the ferocious dog breeds as well as the copy of The March 2024 directive of Central Government to the States and Union Territories of India for banning the import, sale and the breeding of such type of canines;	Sir; the following are the names of the ferocious dog breeds: Pitbull Terrier, Tosa Inu, American Staffordshire Terrier, Fila Brasileiro, Dogo Argentina, American Bulld, Boerboel, Kangal, Central Asian Shepherd Dog (ovcharka), Caucasian Shepherd Dog (ovcharka), South Russian Shepherd Dog (ovcharka), Tornjak, Sarplaninac, Japanese Tosa and Akita, Mastiffs (boerbulls), Rottweiler, Terriers, Rhodesian Ridgeback, Wolf dogs, Canario, Akbash dog, Moscow Guard dog, Cane corso and every dog of the type commonly known as a Ban Dog (or Bandag) (D.O. letter and Public Notice enclosed at Annexure 'A').
(b) if so, the details of the steps taken by the Department to follow the aforesaid directives of the Centre in toto in banning the import, sale and breeding of the aforesaid ferocious canine breeds;	The Central Government had issued a D.O. letter dated 12 th March 2024 recommending prohibition for import, breeding, selling as pet dogs & other purposes, 24 breed of dogs. However, in view of the reservations made by the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka, the enforcement of prohibitions has been withheld until further order. Comments in this regard have been

	<p>sought from all registered organizations/ Stake holders for further action (D.O. letter and Public Notice enclosed at Annexure 'A').</p> <p>In view of above, the proposed ban by the State Government on ferocious breeds of dogs was kept on hold.</p>
<p>(c) the details of the measures taken up in the past one year for delegating proper places in the centres of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services to keep such ferocious breed of dogs who have attacked the general public including children; and</p>	<p>'The Policy for street and pet dog care giving in the form of guidelines (Revised)' has been notified recently. Copy enclosed at 'Annexure - B').</p>
<p>(d) the details of the plans in the pipeline to arrest the increasing instances of pet and stray dog attacks all across Goa?</p>	<p>The stray dogs live in packs and there is competition for feeding. Hence they develop mentality to attack passerby, in groups. But the stray dogs don't bite generally, unless provoked. Owned dogs of some breeds which are ferocious are difficult to control for the handler and this leads to attack on strangers when they are walking on the streets. Awareness programme regarding dog behavior, feeding of stray dogs, rabies as a disease, are taken up by Mission Rabies in various Educational Institutions, Village Panchayats, Clubs etc. which will help understanding dog Psychology & behavior and reduce the dog bites. The department has also notified a policy for Street and Pet dog care giving in the form of guidelines.</p>