



THE ADMINISTRATION OF UNION TERRITORY OF LADAKH
लद्दाख संघ शासित प्रदेश का प्रशासन
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE, LEH
कार्यालय कार्यकारी अधिकारी, नगर समिति, लेह

Subject: - Compliance with directions of the Hon'ble Rajasthan High Court, as reaffirmed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, regarding removal of cattle and stray animals from Highways.

ORDER

Whereas, the Hon'ble Rajasthan High Court at Jodhpur, vide order dated **11th August, 2025** passed in **D.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 14726 of 2025**, issued directions for removal of all cattle and other stray animals from **State Highways, National Highways and National Expressways**; and

Whereas, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, in **Suo Motu Writ Petition (Civil) No. 5 of 2025**, titled "*City Hounded by Strays, Kids Pay Price*", has reaffirmed the aforesaid directions and directed all Municipal Authorities, Road & Transport Departments/Public Works Departments of States/UTs and the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) to ensure strict compliance thereof; and

Whereas, Municipal Committee, Leh is duty-bound to ensure public safety and prevent road accidents caused due to the presence of stray cattle and animals on highways within its jurisdiction;

Now, therefore, in compliance with the aforesaid directions of the Hon'ble Courts, it is hereby ordered that:

1. All cattle and other stray animals shall be immediately removed from the State Highways and National Highways falling within the municipal limits of Municipal Committee, Leh.
2. The concerned field staff of Municipal Committee, Leh, including Sanitation/Enforcement teams, shall conduct regular drives and continuous monitoring to ensure that no stray cattle or animals are found roaming on the said highways.
3. Cattle owners, if identified, shall be proceeded against as per the applicable municipal laws, rules, and by-laws, and penalties shall be imposed wherever warranted.
4. Necessary coordination shall be maintained with the Police Department, Animal Husbandry Department, PWD/R&B, and other concerned agencies to ensure effective & sustained compliance.
5. This order shall come into **immediate effect** and shall remain in force until further orders.

All concerned are directed to ensure **strict compliance** of this order in letter and spirit.


(Stanzin Rabgais)
Executive Officer,
Municipal Committee, Leh.

No: - 2182-91/MCL/2025

Dated: - 03.01.2026

Copy for information to the: -

1. Deputy Commissioner/CEO, LAHDC, Leh.
2. Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ladakh.
3. Administrator, Municipal Committee, Leh.
4. Chief Animal Husbandry Officer, Leh.
5. DIO, NIC, Leh with request to upload this order on District Leh website.
6. AD, Information Leh with the request for wide publicity & awareness among general mass.
7. All Members, Local Animal Birth Control Monitoring Committee (LABCMC), Leh.
8. All Leh based Animal Welfare Organizations/NGOs.
9. PA to Administrative Secretary Housing & urban Dev. Deptt, Ladakh for kind info of A/S, HUDD.
10. Editor, Earth News, Leh – with the request to publish this order in daily newspaper.