



# Registration of Shops and Dog Breeders is now Mandatory

## Why in News?

On 27 March 2023, K.C. Vishnoi said that taking effective steps for the safety and protection of pets in the state, the **Animal Welfare Board has made it mandatory to register dog breeders and pet shops operating in the state with the Animal Welfare Board.**

## Key Points

- **The Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Rules 2017 and 2018** have been implemented in the state for registration.
- Chairman of the Animal Husbandry Board, K.C. Bishnoi told that it will be mandatory to apply in the prescribed form to the State Animal Welfare Board, for such pet shops and dog breeders organizations which are in the category of registration under **Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Dog Breeding and Marketing Rules) 2017** and **Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Pet Shop Rules) 2018**.
- The license will be given by the local government department only after the registration in the board. The license will be valid for a period of five years, after which it will have to be renewed.
- During the registration process, the organization will be inspected by the officers authorized by the board and after registration, inspections will be done from time to time, so that quality work can be done in relation to breeding and maintenance of pet shops.
- The Chairman of the Animal Husbandry Board said that now the breeders will not be able to do the work of breeding in the state without registration. Breeders and pet shop owners can approach the office of the Joint Director of the Districts of the State and the State Animal Welfare Board.

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