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पशु कल्याण प्रभाग
पशुओं पर परीक्षण के नियंत्रण एवं पर्यवेक्षण के प्रयोजनार्थ समिति (सीपीसीएसईए)
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
Animal Welfare Division
Committee for the Purpose of Control and Supervision of Experiments on Animals (CPCSEA)



F. No. 25/28/2017 - CPCSEA

Dated: 29/03/2019

To

All establishments registered with CPCSEA

Subject: Instructions of CPCSEA - compliance thereof.

Sir/ Madam,

Please refer to CPCSEA's letter of even no. dated 1st February, 2019 regarding instructions for animal house facilities registered with CPCSEA (Copy enclosed). In this regard, following clarifications are made:

- i. The CCTV camera shall be installed in the procedure room where experiments are carried out and in clean & dirty corridors of Animal House Facilities. All experiments must be filmed.
- ii. The duration of storage and retrieval of footage of CCTV camera shall be the period between two Institutional Animal Ethics Committee (IAEC) meetings. The footage shall be shown to representatives of CPCSEA and its Nominees only, as and when asked for and will not be shared with anyone else to protect the confidentiality of the research done by the establishments.
- iii. The IAECs of establishments are directed to include the instructions of CPCSEA, issued vide letter dated 1st February, 2019 (Copy enclosed) in their Standard Operating Procedure (SOPs).

Yours faithfully,

Encl.: As above.


(Jerome Minz)
Deputy Secretary (AW) & Member Secretary (CPCSEA)

Copy to:

Nominees of CPCSEA - *With request to check the compliance of instructions of CPCSEA issued vide letter dated 1st February, 2019 (Copy enclosed) and respond to CPCSEA within a period of 7 days.*

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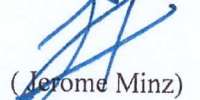
Subject: Instructions for animal house facilities registered with CPCSEA- regarding.

Sir/ Madam,

The establishments registered with CPCSEA are directed to install CCTV Camera in the animal house facilities to ensure that animals are being looked after and maintained as per guidelines of CPCSEA. The recorded footage of CCTV Camera should be available at the time of inspection for Nominee / representative of the CPCSEA.

2. The establishments where more than 40 research protocols are being dealt with annually, need to mandatorily convene the IAEC meetings once in three months to ensure proper scrutiny of research protocols, proper functioning of IAEC and checking the status of research protocols and health status of laboratory animals. For all the other establishments the IAEC must be convened biannually even if there is no agenda for IAEC meetings. Participation of Main Nominee, Scientist from outside the Institute and Socially Aware Nominee is mandatory in all the IAEC meetings. Link Nominee can attend in case main nominee conveys his/ her unavailability in writing to the Chairman of the IAEC. However, Link Nominee should be invited once in a year to update him/her about the activities of the IAEC.
3. It has been observed by the CPCSEA that part time Veterinarians are not able to regularly visit the animal house facilities and are not able to provide 24 hrs veterinary care to the animals as per the guidelines of CPCSEA. Therefore, all establishments registered/ getting registered with CPCSEA should have a permanent / full time Veterinarian for ensuring proper care and well being of laboratory animals.
4. Further, it has come to the notice of the CPCSEA that routine health check-up of animal attendants is not being carried out by the establishments. As there are chances of exposure to zoonotic diseases, toxic materials, animal bites, etc., such conditions may become harmful for animal attendants. Therefore, it is directed that the health check-up of animal attendants also needs to be ensured regularly and the health records should be available in the establishments.
5. This order will supersede all the previous orders in this regard.

Yours faithfully,


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