

**Court No.2**

**Case :-** Public Interest Litigation No. - 179 of 2022

**Petitioner :-** **Suo-Moto In Re: Menace Created By Stray Dogs**

**Respondent :-** State of U.P. and others

**Counsel for Petitioner :-** Vijay Dixit, Mohit Pandey, Abhishek Pratap (*Amicus Curiae*)

**Counsel for Respondent:-** CSC, Kuldeep Pati Triapathi, J.K.Sinha, Namit Sharma, Subham Tripathi

**Hon'ble Devendra Kumar Upadhyaya,J.**

**Hon'ble Subhash Vidyarthi,J.**

1. An extremely disturbing news report published in today's newspapers has been brought to our notice, according to which, an innocent child aged five years has lost his life and his minor sister aged seven years is struggling for life on account of the deadly menace created by stray dogs.
2. The newspaper reports published in 'Dainik Jagran' and the 'Times of India' are taken on record.
3. Nothing can be more pain giving for a human being than to learn a human life being lost in such a manner. As per the news paper reports, stray dogs attacked the brother and sister duo and killed the brother separating his sister from him forever, perhaps to meet in only the next birth. The description of the incident in the newspaper reports has the potential of disturbing even the strongest mind, which compels us to take *suo moto* cognizance of the issue relating to the menace created on account of unchecked stray dogs on the streets of Lucknow.
4. We thus direct the Public Interest Litigation Cell of the Registry of this Court to register *suo moto* Public Interest Litigation on the basis of the aforesaid newspaper reports. The cause title of this Public Interest Litigation shall be mentioned as "In Re: Menace Created By Stray Dogs".

5. This order has been passed in presence of Sri Kuldeep Pati Tripathi, learned Additional Advocate General for the State of U.P., Sri J. K. Sinha, learned Chief Standing Counsel for the State of Uttar Pradesh, Sri Namit Sharma along with Ms. Priyanka Singh, learned Standing Counsel for the Nagar Nigam, Lucknow and Sri Shubham Tripathi, learned counsel representing the King George's Medical University, Lucknow. We require the learned Additional Advocate General to serve a copy of this order upon the Additional Chief Secretary/ Principal Secretary, Government of Uttar Pradesh in the Department of Urban Development and also to Additional Chief Secretary/ Principal Secretary in the Department of Animal Husbandry. Learned Additional Advocate General shall apprise the State Government in the respective departments of the concerns of the Court.

6. We also require the learned counsel representing the Nagar Nigam, Lucknow to apprise the Nagar Ayukt, Lucknow of this order forthwith.

7. To ensure that the sister of the deceased, who is said to be seriously injured in the incident, is given proper medical care and attention and treatment, we direct the Chief Medical Officer, Lucknow to provide all medical assistance to her by contacting her family members and getting her admitted for treatment in the appropriate department of the King George Medical University, Lucknow. All possible medical treatment shall be given to the injured girl child without any charges. The charges, if any, shall be borne by the State Government. The Vice-Chancellor of King George's Medical University, Lucknow shall personally supervise the treatment to be given to her.

8. We also require the learned Additional Advocate General to apprise the District Magistrate, Lucknow of the incident and also of the concerns of the Court expressed in this order. He shall also seek

instructions as to how the family of the deceased- boy child can be monetarily or otherwise compensated on account of his tragic death in the incident narrated above.

9. Sri Shubham Tripathi, learned Counsel representing the King George's Medical University, Lucknow shall communicate this order to the Vice Chancellor and the Registrar of the King George's Medical University, Lucknow forthwith, without waiting for its certified copy.

10. Having regard to the significance of the issue, we appoint Sri Vijay Dixit, Advocate (Mob. No. 9415002269), Sri Mohit Pandey, Advocate (Mob. No. 9793200012) and Sri Abhishek Pratap, Advocate (Mob. No. 8400603000), practicing lawyers of this Court as *Amicus Curiae* in this case to assist the Court.

11. Office is directed to furnish a copy of this order along with newspaper reports which have been taken on record, to the learned *Amicus Curiae* forthwith.

12. List this case on **19.04.2022**.

13. When the case is listed next, the name of Sri Kuldeep Pati Tripathi, learned Additional Advocate General for the State of U.P., Sri J. K. Sinha, learned Chief Standing Counsel for the State of Uttar Pradesh, Sri Namit Sharma along with Ms. Priyanka Singh, learned Standing Counsels for the Nagar Nigam, Lucknow, Sri Shubham Tripathi, learned Counsel representing the King George's Medical University, Lucknow and Sri Vijay Dixit, Advocate, Sri Mohit Pandey, Advocate, Sri Abhishek Pratap, Advocate as *Amicus Curiae* shall be shown in the cause list.

**Order Date:** 7.4.2022

Ashish Pd./Abhishek Singh