



LAWYERS FOR ANIMAL RIGHTS

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On the 29th of June 2020, Majlis Perbandaran Manjung issued a written circular stating that they will be carrying out a stray dog eradication/destruction process by way of SHOOTING from 1.7.2020-4.7.2020 and 6.7.2020-11.7.2020.

It was further stated that the team shooting and killing the stray dogs will comprise of a team of 6 shooters armed with 2 rifles.

It goes without saying that shooting dogs in public using live rounds would carry a certain element of risk and it is also our legal opinion that the said shooting will be contrary to the Animal Welfare Act 2015.

More importantly, using SHOOTING as a means of population control for animals such as dogs is reprehensible and causes a significant amount of pain and suffering.

As such, in an effort to stop the shooting of the said stray dogs in Manjung, we have filed an urgent *ex-parte* application for an injunction at the Ipoh High Court. This urgent injunction is to stop the shooting of the stray dogs pending an application for judicial review.

The hearing has been fixed at the Ipoh High Court on 7.7.2020 at 11.00am.

It is notable that, to our knowledge, this is the first-time animal rights activists have sought a court order to enforce the rights of animals. Your presence is very important.

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