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Sub: Guidelines for using elephants for festivals

specifications of the vehicles used for transport - reg:

Ref: Government Order (P). No./03/2011/Forests dated

21..01..2012.

Your attention is invited to the guidelines issued by the Government vide the reference cited above for using elephants for festivals. The above guidelines are uploaded in our website. One of the important item in the guidelines is regarding the specifications of the vehicles used for the transport of elephants so as to minimize discomfort to the animals. However, it has come to the notice that even now, smaller vehicles are used for the above purpose causing trauma to the animals. Therefore, you are directed to give strict instructions to the Departmental officers to intercept such vehicles and to take appropriate legal actions so as to ensure the welfare to animals and also to reduce accidents and consequent public disturbances.

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