

Copy of letter No.1 /77-FRY (WL) dt. 15<sup>th</sup> January 1979 from Asst. Inspector General of Forests, Ministry of Agri & Irrigation (Deptt. Of Agriculture) To the Asst. Director, Wild Life Regional Office, 73-A, II Main Road, Gandhi nagar, Adyar, Madras –

Sub:- Licenses granted under the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

I am directed to refer to your letter No.A-3306/WLP/SR/78, dated September 29, 1978 on the subject noted above and to say that the advice of the Ministry of Law, Justice and Company affairs (Department of Legal Affairs) was sought in the matter and they have opined that “trapping” and “dealing” of and in the Wild animals are two separate and distinct activities. The licenses for these two activities are required to be issued under different provisions of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

In view of the foregoing, trappers with trapping license should not be permitted to sell the animals trapped by them without a separate dealership license. Should not be permitted to sell the animal strapped by them without a separate dealership license. Similarly purchase of animals by a license directly from a trapper who does not hold a dealership licensee would also be illegal. It is, therefore, requested that the above should be taken care of while considering such cases.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

**M.K. Appayya,**  
Asst. Inspr. General of Forests.

Copy to:-

Chief Conservator of Forests.  
Chief Wild Life Warden.

Office of the Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Trivandrum, dt. 27-1-1979. Endt.

No.WL2-3348/79.

Copy forwarded to All Conservator of Forests/Divl. Forest Officers for information. Trapping/dealing in Wild Life etc. without valid licenses is to be treated as a grave offence. Such cases should be booked and referred to the undersigned.

Copy to Stock file.

Sd/-

Chief Wild Life Warden,

Head Accountant