

The Study on Ethical Implications of Using Animals in Circuses for Entertainment with Special Reference to Chennai

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Abstract: *The use of animals in circuses for entertainment raises a significant number of ethical concerns. These concerns center around the potential for animal suffering, the unnaturalness of the environment and activities, and the inherent exploitation of animals for human enjoyment. Training animals for circus performances often involves harsh methods, including physical punishment, deprivation, and psychological manipulation. These methods can cause significant physical and psychological harm to animals. Objectives for Exploring the Ethical Implications of Using Animals in Circuses for Entertainment: To understand the scope of the issue, To investigate the potential harms inflicted upon animals in circuses, To evaluate the justifications for using animals in circuses, To analyze the legal and ethical frameworks surrounding animal use in circus, To explore alternative forms of animal entertainment, To inform public opinion and policy decisions. Modern circuses often prioritize flashy tricks and spectacle over genuine education about animal behavior and conservation. Animals are treated as commodities, exploited for human amusement, and denied their intrinsic value as sentient beings. Animals are deprived of the freedom to make their own choices and live according to their natural instincts. Performing unnatural and often dangerous tricks can cause physical injury and psychological trauma. The total number of sample respondents in the age group of 18-50 years are collected .The overall sample size collected through queries 206.The statistical tools used are Graphical representation the independent variables are age groups, gender, educational Qualifications, occupation and Place of residence*

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