

The monthly report from Kalimpong Animal Shelter

The dogs are hating this cold winter weather and are waiting desperately for summer to begin which is still far away. Every day the dogs scamper to grasp the short winter sun for a little amount of Vitamin D. They hate this weather as they catch colds and coughs and many also suffer from the viral disease. Luckily, the sick ones have recuperated and doing great.

Mr. Padam, the caretaker at Kalimpong Animal Shelter is attending to dogs' needs every day and keeping them warm. The dogs' strength has also gone up. The dogs in the house are over 70 and many other cats to attend to.

Food and their treatment have always been our top priority and they are having access to it all every day. The dogs are therefore healthy and happy with their daily meals.



Many sick animals are visiting the Shelter daily for treatment due to Canine Parvovirus. They are kept on IV fluids for a period of seven days so every day the Vet and Paravets have to monitor these patients.

Other than that, this month, there was a dystocia case of a dog and a few other home visits for cow treatment.





It had been two years since we had students from Colby College, US for a tour of the Animal Shelter. As part of the exchange program these students travel to India with their guides and the host, Anu Radha Lal who is an ardent animal lover and also a yearly donor to the Shelter. Mrs. Anu Radha brings them to the Shelter every time students visit Kalimpong so that they could feel encouraged to help animals in various ways.



There were two batches where the first batch had fifteen students and the second had around 18 students in total. Most of the students were in their first year of College and they were intrigued by the way the Animal Shelter was operating and to know about the Shelters' founder and donors without whom the work of the Shelter isn't possible.



The students and professors from Colby College were delighted to see and pet all the companion animals living in the Shelter. It was a great interactive session with the students where there were questions on rabies, the Animal Birth Control Programme, and Wildlife. Dr. Deo, Yogita, Mr. Arpan and Mr. Alain were happy to explain to the students and show them around followed by a small refreshment. The students also greatly enjoyed the delicious cake baked by Trustee Mrs. Yamima followed by some photo sessions with the group.



Thank you is not enough for all the food donated by Pedigree and IAMS for the Shelter furry beings



The shelter dogs feel blessed that the Shelter exists for them and that they are taken good care of and given good meals every day. On top of it all, when they know they have so many kind-hearted people around who are ready to offer them help, their joy knows no bounds.

Who doesn't like a good treat after all? So the dogs are once again grateful to Pedigree India and IAMS for sending the truckload of food for them. With this food donation, they now have a surplus amount of food left for them for another six months.

Two Village camps were held in the month of January. One was organised by Mrs. Anu Radha Lal at Sherpa Goan, Homes where fourteen dogs were spayed in total by Dr. Deo Pandey.



The other Animal Birth Control camp was organised by the Govt. Veterinary Department at Relli, Kalimpong where eleven dogs and one cat were spayed in total by the KAS team.



Highlights



Dr. Deo making a home visit to check on a cow with high temperature



Mr. Sanjeev and Roshan bringing a street dog for the ABC Prg.



Kids time – two sisters enjoying their time petting puppies at KAS