Weekly report update from Kalimpong & Darjeeling Animal Shelter

On observance of World Rabies Day & Animal Welfare Fortnight 2021-2, an Animal Birth Control camp was conducted by Kalimpong Animal Shelter at ARD Department, Dungra. The government vets from Dungra, ARD had set up a place for camp in their own work premise. The locals from nearby areas were notified of the camp so that they could bring their pet animals. The Animal Shelter Vet and team are often invited by the Govt. Vets for holding camps every year when they carry out mobile health camps for large animals.



The Kalimpong Animal Shelter (KAS) team sterilised 17 dogs and vaccinated many others at camp on Tuesday, whereas the ARD Department sensitised the crowd on 'rabies and importance of vaccination'.While the team had gone for camp, the KAS clinic had other team members to run the clinic and take care of animal cases.





Pictures above show the KAS clinic

Such clinical treatment goes on every day and all year. The KAS clinic is never empty.

Shelter dogs enjoying their day. Some of the friendly ones are always let out to play and they enjoy it to the fullest.



Coming to the sister Shelter, **Darjeeling Animal Shelter (DAS)** - The rescue work has been keeping the team busy. As mentioned many times, DAS receives numerous phone calls for rescues every day. Sometimes the kennels run out of space in both Shelters when there are ample rescues to look after.

The DAS team currently has rescued over five dogs and have released the older ones that have got their treatment done and have fully recovered.



Pic 1. Rescues undergoing treatment in the kennel at DAS

The Vet is on leave so the ABC work has been suspended for one week. Once Dr. Mihir resumes his duty next week, the ABC project supported by DTW will start again.

The team has been treating dogs in consultation with the Vet via phone and video calls.

The clinic has less cases at present in general but emergencies rush in anytime. The team has been handling such cases whenever there's a call.



Lucky cats and dogs who were once rescued have been living happily at the Shelter and look very content. On rotation, the cats and dogs are released to the compound so that they can play and have some fun. There are a few cats in Darjeeling who get along with some of the dogs and sometimes, they are playing together unlike Kalimpong Animal Shelter, where the dogs are not very much interested in loving cats.



Some of the rescued animals. DAS is their home now



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