

October 2023

An overview of the monthly Shelter activities of Kalimpong Animal Shelter

The month of October was devoted to offering assistance to distressed animals in the flash-flood-affected areas, namely Teesta, Rangpo, Melli, Bhalukhola, Ghelkhola, Najok, and Bangey in Kalimpong. Comprehensive rescue operations, including the vaccination of dogs against rabies in all flood-hit communities, were carried out to ensure the safety of both the community and the animals residing there.

The flash flood on October 4th claimed lives in Sikkim and caused extensive damage to houses in Teesta, Rangpo, and other affected regions. Numerous animals, particularly pigs, also fell victim to the disaster. The Shelter team promptly responded to the crisis, rescuing a lactating dog along with her one-week-old puppies from Teesta. Additionally, a distressed female dog, threatened by the dog menace, was saved from Teesta and named after the location. She now resides happily and safely in the Shelter. Three more female dogs and their puppies were rescued from Ghelkhola, underwent sterilization, and received post-operative care before being released to their original location.

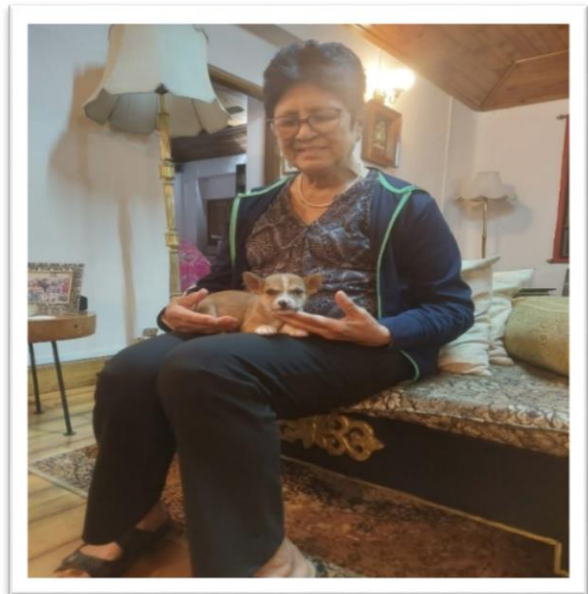
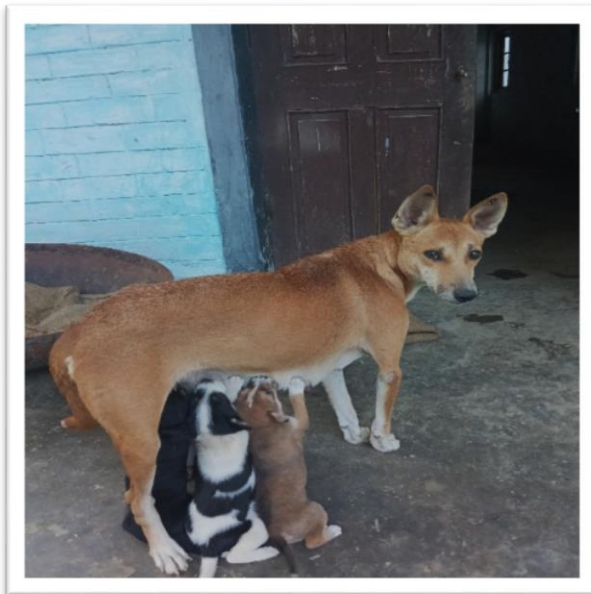


The team traveled to all affected areas, conducted surveys, and vaccinated a substantial number of dogs and cats. Special thanks go to Help Animals India for their invaluable assistance during this relief operation.



The Shelter team vaccinates dogs in the flood-affected area – Najok

The rescued puppies from the flash-flood-affected Teesta are thriving and growing rapidly. One of the four puppies has already found a loving family in Kalimpong, and we remain hopeful that the others will soon find forever homes as well.



The rescued mamma dog and her babies from Teesta out of which one has found a loving home (as shown in pic 2)

Below: Rescued dog Teesta and a few others released by the Shelter team after spaying and operative care
The rescued dog from Teesta undergoes spaying at the Shelter and happily joins the Shelter family



Dogs ready to be released at Ghelkhola (flood- affected) post-operative care



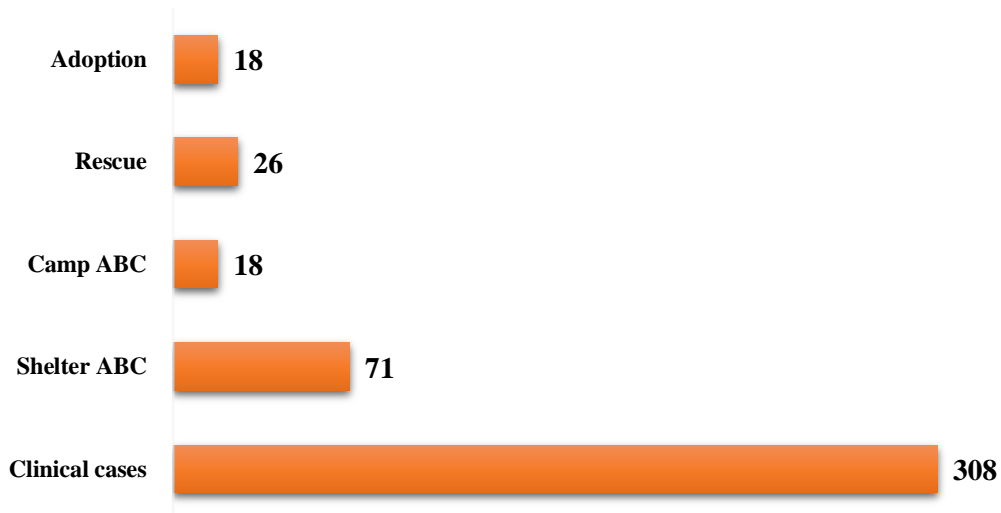
On behalf of our Shelter furry family, heartfelt appreciation is extended to Mr. Aasit and Mrs. Jay from Mumbai, India, for generously donating general medicine and IV sets crucial for the daily treatment of animals in the Shelter Clinic.



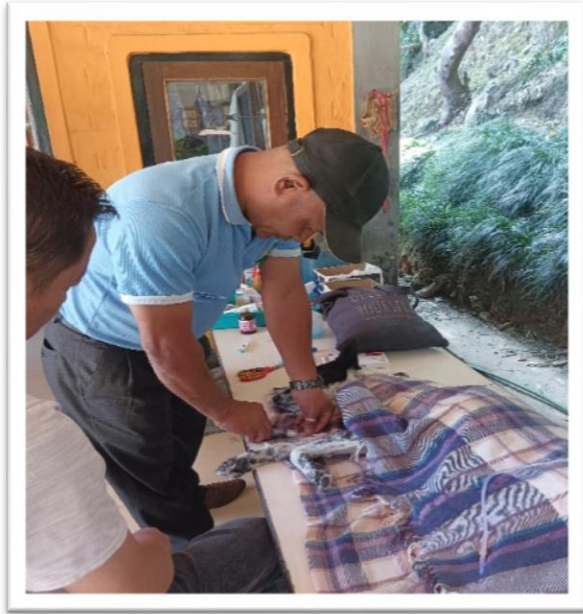
Mr. Lakpa sorts out all the donated medicines for the Shelter use

Figures below show the Veterinary report for the month of October

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As winter approaches, the Shelter is gearing up to ensure a cozy and comfortable season for our furry friends. The winter wishlist, featuring items such as blankets, hot water bags, heaters, etc., will soon be available for collection. Winter poses challenges for our fur babies, as many are susceptible to viral diseases like Distemper and Parvo virus. Unfortunately, these illnesses can lead to significant clinical cases at the Shelter.



The Shelter team attends to dogs suffering from Parvo virus

In October, the DGAS Trustee –Mr.Nirmal Jain visited Kalimpong Animal Shelter and met the Trustee-In-Charge- Mrs. Yamima and the team members. Also, it was wonderful meeting Steve Nation from Crookety House who visited KAS.

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