

Darjeeling Animal Shelter Monthly Report - January 2024

In January 2024, Darjeeling Animal Shelter faced the challenges of bitterly cold weather, yet continued its unwavering commitment to the welfare of its furry residents. Despite the adverse conditions, the Shelter's dedicated team, led by compassionate veterinarians Dr. Mihir and Dr. Mohit, ensured the well-being of animals through meticulous care, proactive disease management, successful sterilization efforts, and prompt rescue operations.

Weather Conditions and Welfare Measures

The month began with Darjeeling experiencing intense cold, posing difficulties for the sheltered animals. Nonetheless, the compassionate staff ensured warmth and comfort for all residents. The Shelter's workflow, characterized by the zeal and passion of the veterinary team, remained steadfast. From the Animal Birth Control Programme to individualized treatments, every aspect of animal care was executed with meticulous attention.

The OPD cases seen in the month of January totaled **261**.



Disease Management

Despite the challenges, the Shelter faced an outbreak of Hema protozoan disease in cats, a form of feline infectious anemia. Common signs of hemaprotezoa disease include: lethargy, lack of appetite, high temperature, and anemia. The team, under vigilant leadership, monitored the situation closely and implemented strict measures to safeguard the health of the feline population. Unfortunately, some felines succumbed to the disease, prompting immediate quarantine measures to contain the outbreak.

Animal Birth Control Programme

The Animal Birth Control Programme, spearheaded by Dr. Mihir and Dr. Mohit, achieved commendable success with the sterilization of twenty dogs and two cats under the Dogs Trust Worldwide Project. Besides, the clinic, bustling with activity, catered to over two hundred and sixty-one out-patients, addressing challenges posed by seasonal viral illnesses such as Canine Parvovirus and Distemper.

Rescue Operations and Adoptions



Rescue

Despite harsh weather conditions, the Shelter conducted twenty-nine rescue operations, rescuing sick and wounded animals, including puppies.

The promptness of the DAS team in rescue operations was instrumental in securing loving homes for two rescued puppies through successful adoptions.



Happily Adopted

Animal Birth Control Camps:



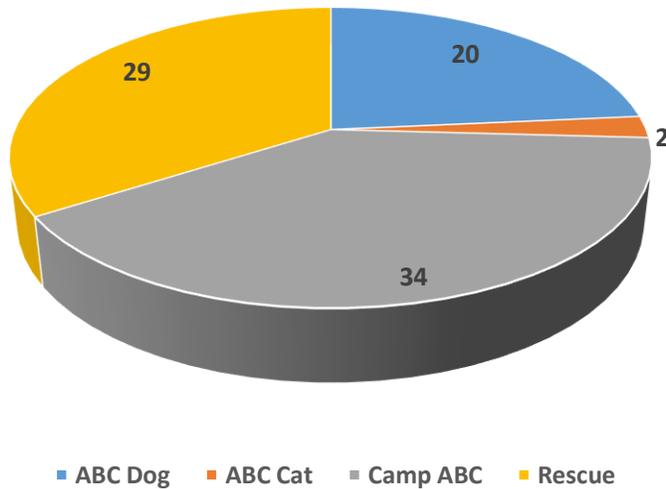
In collaboration with the Animal Resource Department, two consecutive Animal Birth Control camps were organized. The first camp, held in Kurseong on January 16, witnessed the successful spaying of four dogs.

Subsequent camps in Bijanbari on the 24th and 25th of January, conducted in collaboration with Dr. Uttam and Dr. Sangay, led to the sterilization of thirty dogs. Also, the DAS team emphasised post-care for these animals, ensuring their well-attended recovery.



Fig below show the DAS Activity report for the month of January 2024

DAS Activity for January 2024



Conclusion

January 2024 presented Darjeeling Animal Shelter with unique challenges, met with resilience, dedication, and compassion. The successful execution of the Animal Birth Control Programme, effective disease management, and impactful rescue operations exemplify the Shelter's commitment to creating a safer and healthier environment for all its residents. As we continue into the New Year, the Shelter remains steadfast in its mission, embodying the spirit of care and compassion for the well-being of our furry friends.