



THE MONTHLY REPORT FROM KALIMPONG ANIMAL SHELTER

September 2024



INTRODUCTION

Kalimpong Animal Shelter continues to work tirelessly for the welfare of animals in the region, addressing various medical, sterilisation, and rescue needs. This report outlines the key activities and achievements for the month of September 2024, highlighting the efforts made to improve animal health, manage population control, and promote adoption within the community.

OPD Cases

In September, the shelter's Outpatient Department (OPD) treated an array of cases, with dogs being the primary patients. Many dogs presented with conditions such as hemoprotozoan disease, maggot infestations, chronic kidney disease, and hepatic disease. These cases were diagnosed early through bloodwork and treated accordingly.

Additionally, a few dogs showed signs of cardiac issues, which were promptly addressed by Dr. Deo Pandey.

Although the number of feline cases was less, there were cats that required treatment for Urinary Tract Infections (UTIs) and received appropriate medication.

In total, the shelter managed 244 cases in September, including the treatment of 20 goats, 2 pigs, and 6 chickens during home visits.

Highlights

- OPD CASES
- ANIMAL BIRTH CONTROL CAMP
- RABIES DAY OBSERVANCE
- RESCUE & ADOPTION
- IN MEMORIAM
- VISITOS

No. of Animals
Treated

	175
	41
	20
	0
	2
	6

Animal Birth Control (ABC) Camp

On September 16, 2024, an Animal Birth Control camp was held in Kamsi Village, Bong Busty, located about one and a half kilometers from the shelter. Kamsi is the last village in the Bong Busty region, where agriculture is the primary livelihood. Given its proximity to dense forests, dogs in the area act as effective guard animals, making rabies prevention a key concern for the community.

Responding to a request from the local coordinator, the Kalimpong Animal Shelter team conducted an ABC camp, where 13 female dogs and 2 cats were sterilised to ensure their well-being and help control the stray population.



World Rabies Day

On the 28th of September, Kalimpong Animal Shelter participated in World Rabies Day, in collaboration with the Animal Resources Department (ARD) in Kalimpong. Together, KAS and ARD organized an Animal Birth Control/Sterilisation camp for community dogs.

Despite the heavy rains, which limited the number of dogs brought in for sterilisation, those that underwent the procedure were carefully monitored to ensure a smooth recovery from anesthesia.



Rescue Operations

In September, the shelter responded to numerous rescue calls, primarily involving dogs in need of sterilisation and abandoned puppies left to survive on their own. The KAS team successfully rescued 30 dogs, including several puppies, and one cat. Following their sterilisation, the adult dogs were returned to their familiar territories, ensuring their reintegration into their environment after the procedure.



ABC Statistics

In-house Animal Birth Control procedures, excluding the ABC camps, were conducted on 39 dogs and 12 cats during September.



Adoption

Many puppies arrive at the shelter in hopes of finding loving homes, often abandoned in nearby villages or towns. KAS provides foster care for these puppies until they are adopted. This month, four puppies were fortunate enough to find their forever homes with the help of the shelter team.



In Memoriam

It is with great sadness that we report the loss of two of our shelter dogs, Mithun and Kalu.

Mithun, who came to us from Gangtok, and Kalu, from Siliguri, were both provided sanctuary at KAS when they had nowhere else to go. After living with us for several years, they passed away due to natural causes related to aging.



Academic Visit

We were honored to host an Assistant Professor, currently pursuing her PhD in Animal Welfare, who visited Kalimpong Animal Shelter as part of her research. She interviewed the shelter's Vet-in-Charge, Dr. Deo Pandey, as well as team member Yogita.



Visitor Volunteer

We had a visitor from Gujarat, India, who helps many dogs in her township with sterilisation. She volunteered at Kalimpong Animal Shelter for two days, sharing her time and skills to support our mission.

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