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Newly constructed Dog Recovery Room donated by Mr. Baldevkrishan Sharma, Chairman, Marshalls Foundation, being inaugurated by him, and the Sick Cats ward with double tier cages donated by Mrs. Neela & Mr. Samir Bhatia



Best Animal NGO Award 2016 received from UBM India by Fizzah Shah. L-R in the group: Dr. Naina Athale Priya Somaiya Goodicia Vaidya Fizzah Shah Sudnya Patkar & Sarita Raturi.



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MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT:

Dear Patrons, Friends & Well-wishers,

It has been twenty years since our NGO was founded by a very determined and compassionate person, our dear Founder, Mrs Sudnya Patkar. In October 2016, we complete two decades of working continuously for animal welfare in more ways than one.

Our three large Centres at Deonar, Turbhe and CIDCO region (New Panvel) and the small Centre at Lonavala, are functioning smoothly and well, carrying out hundreds of ABC (spay/neuter) surgeries every month, despite several odds. Plus sterling work by our experienced and talented in-house Vets in mending broken limbs, healing very sick patients and seeing to the all round health of the homeless dog & cat population continues. This work is ably supported by the Medical Team on our Mobile Van which reaches out to animals in distress, in the by-lanes and distant localities of our Eastern Suburbs of Mumbai, as also in Navi Mumbai.

One herculean task that has always been challenging, is keeping the Centres free of diseases, maintaining hygiene and sanitation, as it can spread like wild-fire among the hundreds of our canine patients. Challenging because our kennels are always crowded and emptying out kennels for fumigation is really tough. But we are glad to report that the team effort has been highly successful, tackling this on a war-footing with each change of season. With our expert surgeon, Dr Ghanwat at the helm of all surgeries, ABC has been going full steam and at the same time, he deals successfully and efficiently with the most difficult and complicated surgical cases to save lives, like hernia, tumour, amputations, prolapsed organs, pyometra and so on.

Over the years, something very positive has been taking place on a regular basis. As we run our OPD at Deonar, we notice that more and more people are bringing their animals for treatment. They are all anxious to see that their special friends remain healthy. Even more encouraging is the fact that many healthy dogs and pups are brought in regularly for their annual vaccinations and their guardians seem well aware that this is a vital part of keeping them in the best of health.

In our eyes, animal welfare is going from strength to strength. The number of Care-takers of dogs and cats in each locality has been steadily growing. A couple of months ago we were proudly informed by a group of ladies living in a nearby locality, that they had just completed vaccinating and fixing one hundred dogs. Also they don't miss the annual vaccinations! There are individuals and groups all over Mumbai, working hard just like this. This augurs well for the health and welfare of the street animal population of our city, and in the long run, the health of the human population as well.

After twenty years, we are becoming ambitious in our planning for the future. With our staunch supporters always standing by, we are trying to make improvements in every area of our work. A lot of thought goes into how best to help our animal patients to recover in every way and be made strong and healthy once again. Our new initiatives have been: a new Injured Cat Ward with double-decker cages, so patients can spread out and be more comfortable which in turn speeds up the healing process, a new Recovery Room for dogs, airy, spacious with lots of sun coming in – all good for animals just out of surgery. And most ambitious yet, a Healthy Puppy Ward as we badly need a small sparkling sanitized room where our recovered puppies can be safely housed for a few days, until their adoption, or their release, as they are infants, and while they wait, they should stay healthy, as our Vets have worked very hard to bring them to this happy state. Similarly the cat runner for housing old, blind and handicapped cats, needs an upgrade, which is on the cards. We also have big

plans to greatly expand our Cat ABC Programme, which though on-going has been limited due to certain constraints.

All this has been possible because we have a very strong network in the form of our IDA India Team. At the helm, Sudnya Patkar followed by Fizzah Shah, Goodicia Vaidya, Dr Naina Athale, Dr Sangeeta Vengsarkar, Priya Grover and in far-off Atlanta, USA, Sarita Raturi, as also eminent Surgeons who are on the Management like Dr. H. G. Ghanwat, Dr. Makarand Chavan and Dr. Dinesh Vinherkar. A special mention for our hardworking staff at all levels, from Managers and our In-house Vets, ambulance staff, and ward boys who ensure cleanliness of our large Centres. It has always been a collective effort to function as well as we can, for the sake of animals in need. This is despite several odds, which I do not wish to enumerate here.

We always remain positive and empowered, because of all those who also help us out in so many ways. IDA's regular support every month is really helpful in supporting our finances, our Donors and Supporters who always support us in our efforts to improve and expand the ways in which we can help our animal friends.

Our main work has been mostly with companion animals, but we are always aware of all the other animal species who face a sad and traumatic future unable to enjoy any quality of life at all. The biggest and worst treated type by far are the so-called "Food" animals. To help in our own way to try and stem the tide of worldwide cruelty meted out to not just millions but billions of such animals, we brought out a small 'Vegan Booklet'. Our hope and wish is that at least a few people will think twice before actually eating our animal friends and refrain from using products obtained from animals, like leather products, silk, etc.

Fortunately, some of the wisest and most intelligent people who have lived in this world, have been advocates of animal rights. All of us in the IDA India family strive to live lives of kindness and compassion and each one of us has the capacity to influence many others through the way we live our lives. In the words of the Dalai Lama, "Life is as dear to a mute creature as it is to man. Just as one wants happiness and fears pain, just as one wants to live and not die, so do other creatures."

Working closely with animals for the last two decades as an organization committed to always protect and defend them, we recognize the wisdom and depth of these words and renew our commitment to work even harder towards our ultimate goal – justice for all living creatures on earth.

Yours truly

On behalf of all our animal friends

Vivienne Choudhury

President

Always.... In Defense of Animals.

ANNUAL REPORT for the year 2015-16

IDA India completes 20 years this year, having been established in October 1996. With a small beginning in 2 small garages, in 2 decades we have taken great strides to alleviate the suffering of animals. Today our major projects are as under:

- ✓ **Animal Birth Control (ABC) program for street dogs about 1200 per month** (400 in Mumbai, 400 in Navi Mumbai & 300 in CIDCO region, 100 in Lonavala & other smaller camps whenever held.
- ✓ **ABC Program in smaller towns** like Lonavala, Elephanta Island off Mumbai coast.
- ✓ **ABC program for street cats 90 per month** at Mumbai.
- ✓ **Other surgeries around 120 per month.** like hernia, haematoma, VG, amputation of limbs, extraction of infected eyes / teeth, removal of tumour, prolapsed organs, pyometra, wound suturing, etc.
- ✓ **Treatment to around 150 per month** seriously ill / injured dogs & cats brought in by our ambulances from nook and corner of Mumbai, Navi Mumbai & CIDCO regions.
- ✓ **Ambulance Service: 9 ambulances**, including 3 big vans and 6 small vans.
- ✓ **Treatment to 250 dogs & cats per month** for minor ailments on the road itself, with our Mobile Clinic in Eastern Suburbs of Mumbai, as also in Navi Mumbai.
- ✓ **Shelter to around 92 old, blind or handicapped dogs and cats**, that cannot fend for themselves on the road. Of these **44 blind dogs** are housed in exclusive wards.
- ✓ **Water bowls project** under which more than **6000 water bowls** have been placed in cities of Mumbai and Navi Mumbai, to provide clean drinking water to street animals..
- ✓ **Campaigning for rescue of elephants** begging in cities, tortured in camps under the guise of training and those dying on the railway tracks running through forests.
- ✓ **Awareness programs** for school children to sensitize them about kindness and compassion. The **Compassionate Children's Club** is an initiative in this direction.

Employees: **IDA India** employs a staff of **101 persons** including visiting Surgeons, qualified veterinarians, centre managers, supervisors, ambulance drivers, dog catchers, ward boys and administrative office staff, which enables the organisation to help so many animals as explained above. **Management is by Office Bearers on honorary basis.** (*Photographs showing some of the teams members at Deonar, Turbhe and New Panvel centres are on the back cover.*)

Notes:

- Vashi Centre started from 26th July 2006 but closed on 1st September 2010. It was restarted at Turbhe from 18th May 2011, after a gap of 9 months.
- Neral Centre for horses started from 28th August 2006 but closed from 1st July 2011.
- Two Mobile Clinics started in May 2005, but one was stopped from 1st January 2012.
- Project for large animals in Mumbai started in April 2007 but stopped in April 2011.
- CIDCO Centre at New Panvel started from 21st December 2012.
- Lonavala Centre started from 8th March 2013.

Number of animals that received help during the year 2015-16 (Summarized):

Sr. No.	Centres	Dogs spayed / neutered	Other surgeries incl. Cats ABC	Ill / injured animals treated	Animals treated by Mobile Clinic	Total animals benefited
1.	Deonar Centre	3,230	1,233	3,062	*2827	10,312
2.	Vashi Centre	5,107	588	1,267	659	7,621
3.	CIDCO Centre	3,238	250	198	24	3,710
4.	Other Camps	258	12	62	--	332
	Total animals helped in 2015-16	11,833	2,083	4,549	3,510	21,975

*includes treatment on the road

Breakup:

Description of assistance rendered	Deonar Centre	Vashi Centre	CIDCO Centre	Other Camps	Total
SURGERIES					
Number of dogs neutered	3,230	5,107	3,238	258	11,833
Number of cats neutered	698	06	--	10	714
Cases of Hernia	71	46	18	--	135
Cases of V G	41	97	65	--	203
Cases of hematoma	84	26	03	--	113
Amputation limb / eye/ digit/ scrotum	90	89	25	01	205
Tumour / Cancer of Penis / Prolapse	95	57	21	01	05
Wound Suturing	148	265	115	--	528
Others	06	02	03	--	169
Total of other surgeries	1,233	588	250	12	2,083
TOTAL SURGERIES	4,463	5,695	3,488	270	13,916
TREATMENT					
Maggot wound cases (dogs)	1,283	501	92	46	1922
Maggot wound cases (cats)	171	--	04	--	175
Accidents (dogs)	596	230	52	14	892
Accidents (cats)	223	--	--	--	223
Gastro & Hepatitis	140	--	05	--	145
Distemper cases	04	--	--	--	04
Skin infections	91	177	16	--	284
Ear infections	28	--	--	--	28
VG / Cancer	67	47	14	02	130
Cat Treatment	154	--	--	--	154
Others Like cancer, fracture, etc.	265	312	15	--	592
TOTAL	3,022	1,267	198	62	4,549
Handled by Mobile Clinic	2,827	659	24	--	3,510
GRAND TOTAL	10,312	7,621	3,710	332	21,975

Mobile Clinics (treatment to animals on the road in Mumbai) – all centres

Wounds	486	Anorexia	384
Maggot Wounds	287	G. I. Disorder	112
Ecto / Endo Parasites	241	Urinary Disorder	03
Skin Infection	310	Respiratory Disorder	138
Otitis	38	Canine Distemper	78
Accident cases	170	Vaccinations given	97
Fracture / Lameness	87	Miscellaneous	1067
V. G.	12	Total cases	3510

Spay-neuter surgeries performed on dogs since inception of the organisation:

Financial Year	Deonar Centre	Turbhe Centre	CIDCO Centre	Mobile camps	Total Dogs	Total Cats sterilized
1997-1998	--	--	--	252	252	--
1998-1999	--	--	--	710	710	--
1999-2000	--	--	--	802	802	--
2000-2001	2290	--	--	--	2290	--
2001-2002	2448	--	--	--	2448	--
2002-2003	2460	--	--	--	2460	--
2003-2004	2010	--	--	--	2010	97
2004-2005	2361	--	--	--	2361	172
2005-2006	3942	--	--	--	3942	237
2006-2007	4024	1582	--	--	5606	282
2007-2008	6112	2331	--	225	8668	306
2008-2009	7727	3070	--	1189	11,986	255
2009-2010	7,784	3,465	--	1,679	12,928	351
2010-2011	7,210	2,199	--	610	10,019	521
2011-2012	5074	5150	--	449	10,673	636
2012-2013	4688	5035	655	1023	11401	733
2013-2014	3,578	4,589	4,213	1,242	13,622	444
2014-2015	2,076	5,977	3,810	475	12,338	760
2015-16	3,230	5,107	3,238	258	11,833	714
Total	67,014	38,505	11,916	8,914	126,349	5,508

Surgeries other than dogs & cats sterilization performed, e.g. hernia, hematoma, removal of tumour, amputation of limb, prolapsed of organ etc. performed since 2005. (Data of such cases handled before 2005 is not available)

Financial Year	Deonar Centre	Turbhe Centre	CIDCO Centre	Mobile camps at different location	Total
2005-2006	350	--	--	--	350
2006-2007	554	64	--	--	618
2007-2008	688	205	--	--	893
2008-2009	605	202	--	29	836
2009-2010	567	238	--	34	839
2010-2011	743	170	--	04	917
2011-2012	587	397	--	04	988
2012-2013	581	575	54	02	1,212
2013-2014	468	540	322	08	1,338
2014-2015	420	628	350	04	1,402
2015-2016	535	582	250	02	1369
Total	6,098	3,601	976	87	10,762

Treatment cases handled since 2005:

Financial Year	Deonar Centre	Vashi centre	CIDCO Centre	Other camps #	Mobile Clinics	Total
2005-2006	1,363	--	--	--	No record	1,363
2006-2007	1,793	51	--	--	No record	1,844
2007-2008	1,896	451	--	--	1,253	3,600

2008-2009	1,645	448	--	--	2,760	4,853
2009-2010	1,651	507	--	--	4,977	7,135
2010-2011	2,345	808	--	--	5,972	9,125
2011-2012	2,186	635	--	--	4,456	7,277
2012-2013	2,547	565	28	--	2326	5,466
2013-2014	2,164	796	71	23	2,332	5,386
2014-2015	2,840	1,296	91	38	1,588	5,853
2015-2016	3,022	1,267	198	62	3,510	8,059
Total	23,452	6,824	388	123	29,174	59,961

Other camps at Lonavala & Elephanta Islands

In Defense of Animals (IDA)

IDA India continues to get support from **In Defense of Animals (IDA)**, to the tune of around 12% of our cash flow. We are grateful to **President Emeritus, Dr. Elliot M. Katz, President Marilyn Kroplik and the Board of IDA**, for their support to our endeavours.

Deonar Centre completed 16 years:

1st February 2000 was a historic day for **IDA India** as on that day our Deonar Centre and our first ambulance service had come into existence. In February 2016 we decided to celebrate 16 years of this centre, with our staff, their families and our associates. At a small gathering we honoured 6 members of **IDA India** family who have been with us for 10 years or more viz. **Manager Krishna Shenoy, Driver Sanjay Ubale, Sunil Chavan, Mahendra Waghmare, Hemant Salunkhe & Deepak Shinde. Mr. Baldevkrishan Sharma, Chairman of Marshalls Wall Papers Ltd. & Marshalls Foundation** very graciously did the honours of handing over trophies and cash awards to them (pictures on the back cover)

Turbhe Centre completed 10 years:

26th July 2006 was another historical day, as **IDA India** had for the first time spread its wings outside of Mumbai and ventured into Navi Mumbai. It was a new challenge we had taken up, as there was no Dog Sterilization Program being undertaken in this megacity at that time. This happened entirely due to the efforts of **Dr. Naina Athale**, when she made **Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation (NMMC)** realise that it was mandatory for every Municipal Corporation to undertake this program, and **IDA India** was best suited for this work. Thus a centre was set up in Koparkhairne, Vashi on this day. Unfortunately the infrastructure provided by NMMC was on the verge of collapse, and being found hazardous to staff and animals, this centre was closed after 4 years from 1st September 2010. NMMC then found an alternative site at Turbhe, and the centre again became operational from 18th May 2011. It is since then working full fledged, and is now overseen by our **Chief Surgeon, Dr. H. G. Ghanwat**. The site of this centre is also not suitable, as it is in the midst of immense air pollution caused by stone quarries and asphalt plants. NMMC is trying for an alternative site, but until then we are continuing to work from here, so that Dog Sterilization Program is not halted, and all the efforts made since July 2006 to curb the dog population, are not wasted.

Dog Sterilization:

Animal Birth Control (ABC) for street dogs became mandatory in 2001, but **IDA India** had commenced this work earlier in 1997 soon after inception, and have made a sizeable contribution towards reduction in the street dog population. Our centres in Mumbai, Navi Mumbai & New Panvel work in full swing, with support from respective Corporations, besides the centre at Lonavala. Sterilizing 12,000 dogs per year is by no means a small feat. Besides we endeavour to reach out to smaller towns, where no such programs exist e.g. Elephanta Caves Island.

Cat Sterilization:

While dog sterilisation is going on in full swing, there is a crying need to accelerate cat sterilization as well. We started this a few years ago at Deonar, but without support from the Corporation, our work has been limited to about 700 cats per year.

Mumbai has a large population of street cats. They perform an important function of controlling rodents in this mega city that generates tons of garbage every day. How many cats are there is anybody's guess, but a female cat delivers up to four times a year, giving birth to 3-4 kittens each time, so the numbers that add up can only be imagined. Infant kittens are fragile and vulnerable. They get sick, injured or get run over by traffic.

The plight of female cats is pitiable too. Frequent cycles of mating, pregnancies and birth are as such traumatic for her, but she undergoes further trauma when her kittens are dumped like garbage by ruthless people, while she searches for them in vain. Multiple pregnancies and deliveries also cause a painful condition called pyometra, which is accumulation of pus in the Uterus. Such cases need emergency surgery or they can die a very painful death.

Adult male cats no less, as they get into terrible fights during mating season. Treatment for such injuries is prolonged and difficult, and for the few who get admitted, it is life-saving, though it takes months to heal. They are thereafter neutered, vaccinated and released at their locations. But all are not so lucky as catching them is difficult. Such males slowly heal by themselves, and are back to fighting at the next mating season and the vicious cycle continues.

Sterilization therefore is the effective way to ensure welfare of these feral cats. They become docile, no longer engage in fights and live peacefully. We started Cat ABC way back in 2003 but in 13 years we could sterilize only around 5000 cats, reason is lack of financial support to develop infrastructure and high cost of surgery. Presently people bring cats for surgery and pay the basic costs. Of course we make exceptions if someone cannot afford even that. We hope to give cat ABC a priority in the coming years, and to pursue with the Corporation.

Other surgeries:

When we talk of animal welfare, we usually think of spay/neuter and treatment, but there is another important aspect viz. performing surgeries like Hernia, hematoma of the ear, amputation of a limb, removal of venereal growth, tumour, cancer of the penis, extraction of damaged eye, digit or tooth, prolapse of organs like uterus, rectum, urinary bladder. We also suture wounds in a big way so that they do not get infected and heal faster. During the year 2015-16, we performed **1370 such surgeries**, i.e. nearly 120 every month. These are life saving surgeries and require tremendous post operative care.

One such case worth mentioning is of a beautiful cat that came to us. **Goodicia** saw him in the garden at Dadar and managed to catch him with help of our staff. He was drooling and salivating and unable to eat. Our **Chief Surgeon Dr. H. G. Ghanwat** finding that he had a sublingual growth, took him for surgery and removed the growth using the electro cautery diathermy unit. He made a marvellous recovery & was released after three weeks. He was happy to be with his friends once again in the garden. Pictures of this particular cat, a dog with a mammoth cancerous growth on his neck, an old dog with a hanging tumour on his hind leg, a dog with a bone stuck in his teeth are seen on *inside cover*). We feel satisfied when they are released after full recovery. Incidentally, this cautery diathermy unit was recently purchased by us for Rs. 45,000/- and when we see such cases making quicker and wonderful recovery from surgeries, it makes every rupee spent on it, worth its while.

Treatment at centres – Injuries are a part and parcel of street animals as they get run over by heavy traffic, due to territorial fights, over a mate in the mating season. These wounds get

infested by maggots, and if untreated, their condition worsens. Such animals are admitted at the centres until full recovery, some staying on for months together.

Besides illnesses like gastro, hepatitis, skin infection, ear infection, and even the fatal canine distemper cases need help. While our endeavour is to help the ill / injured animals, we regretfully have to refuse admission to canine distemper cases, as this highly infectious virus can infect dogs recovering from other ailments, when their immunity is low. We also get several cases of mother dogs/cats dumped outside our gate with their babies, or mothers found in serious conditions and unable to care for their babies. This puts us in a spot each time as space is restricted but we are unable to say 'no' to these helpless animals.

Treatment by Mobile Clinics greatly helps in reducing crowding at centres, as minor ailments are treated on the spot by our team.

Night Ambulance Service in Mumbai has been discontinued due to several problems. Navi Mumbai centre continues to render 24x7 service. Nights are dangerous to animals as they get run over by speeding vehicles, when they are out looking for food or protecting their territories. Bad maggot wound cases go into hiding during the day and come out only during the night. The night ambulance is supported by **Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation**.

OPD: IDA India's OPD is a boon to all types of animals, be it dogs, cats, goats, rabbits, donkeys, cocks and even mice, and helps reduce their suffering animals, as otherwise they remain untreated by their not-too-well-off guardians due to high cost of veterinary treatment.

Upgradation of Deonar Centre:

When Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai (MCGM) handed over Deonar Centre to us in December 1999, as directed by the Hon'ble Bombay High Court, it was a barren land with 1 kennel with 10 rooms and a small office building. Over the years we planted trees and developed the place with help of donors / supporters. Today we have facilities to house 400 dogs and 100 cats at one time, like dog wards for sterilization, maggot wound cases, post surgical cases, accidents, skin ailments, individual cages for serious cases, Isolation Ward, blind dogs ward, Operation Theatre, Recovery area, a sick cats ward, a cat sterilization ward, a kitten ward, a puppy pen, kitchen, godowns, office and staff room. While we did this with help of donations, we were requesting MCGM to help with raising the compound wall (to stop nuisance from the neighbouring slums), put paver blocks in the compound and improve the drainage system. With the intervention of **Ms. Suprabha Marathe, Deputy Civil Engineer (Health Infrastructure Cell)** in MCGM, who is herself a great animal lover, and her team of Officers comprising of **Ms. Minu Momin, Mr. Chetan Pendse & Mr. Vinod Kekan**, this work was finally taken up by MCGM in January 2016. She also arranged for two additional sheds to be constructed, put up street lights and an illuminated name board. This has made the centre look fresh and vibrant. Our grateful thanks to **Ms. Suprabha Marathe** and her team for this support!

New Dog Recovery at Deonar Centre: We were using a long passage between kennels for recovery, so this year we decided to construct a new Dog Recovery Ward. We were supported in this project by **Mr. Baldevkrishan Sharma, Chairman, Marshalls Foundation**. Our grateful to him for this wonderful support! (A picture of **Baldevji** inaugurating the '**Marshalls Dog Recovery Room**' is on inside cover).

New Ward for Sick / Injured Cats: There was overcrowding of sick / injured cats and we had the unpleasant task of either housing 3 cats in one cage, or refusing admissions to new cases. Thus we made a new cat ward for sick / injured cats, with double-decker cages, and doubled the capacity from 20 to 40 cats. We were supported in this project by **Ms. Neela & Mr. Samir Bhatia**. (The picture of the '**Bhatia Sick / Injured Cat Ward**' is on inside cover).

New Ward for Cat ABC: In response to our appeal for a new Cat ABC Ward, ***HDFC Ltd.*** responded positively and supported us with a donation from the ***H. T. Parekh Foundation.*** We are extremely grateful to ***Mr. Deepak Parekh, Chairman of HDFC Ltd.*** for including the cause of animals in their CSR activities, and to ***Mr. Sunilbhai Shah,*** for putting in a word for us to him! The new ***'HDFC ABC Cat Ward'*** has a capacity to house 60 cats, as against 25 in our old ABC ward.

With infrastructure for cats in place, we hope to get financial support from Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai, well wishers and donors, so that we can sterilize cats in a big way, our target being 300 cats per month.

Ambulances: Ambulances are the lifeline of ***IDA India.*** We have 9 ambulances running in Mumbai, Navi Mumbai and New Panvel. A few need replacement as they are old, in run down condition and running on diesel, while newer ones run on CNG that help to curb pollution and cut fuel costs.

ABC Camps at Elephanta Islands:

Last year we had reported about our efforts to hold camps at the island of Elephanta Caves, 10 km off the coast of Mumbai, a major tourist attraction for its amazing caves and a small community of local inhabitants. Despite all odds a team of Surgeons ***Dr. Jinesh Shah and Dr. Zenobia Chinai*** and our support staff, managed to conduct 3 camps, and sterilize / vaccinate 56 dogs. The residents of the island are happy with the program and the Chief of the Community gave us a letter of appreciation. Our endeavour is to hold more camps so that dog population on this island is curbed humanely and their health improves.

Adoptions:

During the year we could find homes for 37 animals, that include 17 puppies, 3 adult dogs, rehoming of 6 abandoned dogs, 6 kittens, 2 adult cats and 3 physically challenged animals. All due to the efforts of ***Priya Somaiya.*** The most precious among all adoptions was those of 3 cats who are totally blind in both eyes. There was no hope for them to get into a home as few people adopt handicapped animals. However Priya managed to find wonderful families that immensely love and care for them.

IDA India gets recognition:

IDA India got honoured as ***'Best NGO-Animals'*** at the ***UBM INDIA GIVING BACK 2015 – CSR & NGO Awards'***. Our ***Fizzah Shah*** accepted the Award and Certificate on our behalf. UBM India is India's leading exhibition organizer that provides the industry with platforms that bring together buyers and sellers from around the world, through a portfolio of exhibitions, content led conferences & seminars. UBM INDIA is owned by UBM Plc which is listed on the London Stock Exchange.

These awards have been created to honour and recognise the efforts & contributions of corporates, foundations, and NGOs working towards the betterment of society. ***IDA-INDIA WON IN THE BEST ANIMAL NGO CATEGORY and competed with 65 NGOs all over India!*** The award function was a grand affair held on the 22nd December 2015 at the Hotel Lalit, Mumbai. *(Pictures of the Award, and Fizzah receiving it on inside front cover)*

This award bears witness to the team work and commitment of all our employees and individuals on management. We have faced numerous challenges every single day of our existence, but we keep going nevertheless...always for our beloved animals.

Dinner Fund Raiser organised by Sarita Raturi at Atlanta, Georgia U.S.A.

Sarita Raturi usually organizes the '5 Km Run/Walk....In Défense of Animals' to raise funds for **IDA India**, but this year she thought of a new concept of having a Dinner Fund Raiser and Silent auction on 11th October 2015. It was a wonderful evening with all Vegan delicious appetizers, entrees, desserts, DJ and a silent auction of beautiful paintings, jewellery and more. Tickets at \$ 35 per person were sold like hot cakes, and **Sarita** managed to raise \$6,235.00 that evening. This amount helped tremendously to tide over our financial crunch, and paying off unpaid bills.

This event was organized by **Sarita**, single handedly with a some help from her husband **Dinesh** and son **Karan**. It was a huge success with 120 people participating. (*Pictures on the back cover*).

Fund Raising 'Swara – the Musical Journey'

Dr. Sangeeta Vengsarkar Shah organised **IDA India's** Fundraising event '**Swara – a musical journey**' on 23rd March 2016 at the Savarkar Smarak Auditorium in Mumbai. The artist for the evening was **Ms. Urvashi Gadekar**, who rendered beautiful, melodious film songs based on Indian classical music. Her choice of songs and her sweet rendering enthralled the audience at the event that was well attended by supporters and celebrities.

IDA India's Brand Ambassador **Ms Raveena Tandon** and the Guests of Honour **Mr. Boman Irani** and **Mr. Cyrus Broacha** were present throughout the evening, despite their busy schedules. They expressed strong views in support of animal welfare and animal rights, and spoke with conviction from the bottom of their hearts, about the need for kindness and compassion to all living beings, and right of animals to share this earth with humans.

Raveenaji came with her two young children, **Ranvirvardhan & Rasha**, who like their mother are staunch supporters of the cause of animals and environment. They both took the oath of kindness and compassion, and promised to become the torch bearers for **IDA India's Compassionate Children's Club**. Our **Fizzah Shah** spoke about the **CCC** and introduced **Ranvirvardhan & Rasha** to the gathering.

Mr. Boman Irani surprised the audience by singing two beautiful songs, one was an old Frank Sinatra song...'*my way*' and a remix of song from the film 3 Idiots....'*give me some sunshine and give me some rain*'. His rendering of both songs was beautiful and endearing, and kept the audience enthralled! **Mr. Cyrus Broacha's** short stand-up comedy item brought down the house with his humour and charm. A short 3 minute film made by **Mr. Kayoze Irani** (son of Mr. Boman Irani) at his own cost, showing **IDA India's** Deonar Centre, was shown at the event, amidst thunderous applause.

The show was sponsored by **Sunil & Shaila Jhangiani of 'Chemistry'** and co-sponsored by **Prahlad Advani of Advani Hotels & Resorts Pvt. Ltd.** Others who contributed towards the success of the event were **Anup Anand of Anand Enterprises, Dr. Sangeeta Vengsarkar Shah, Gauri Keskar, Pankaj Mehra and Sharmila Karve. Volunteers who helped were Radhika Sarkar, Akshata Gulvadi, Priyanka Shah, Nimisha Verma, Abhinav Rajesh, Vidhi Desai and Jasna Nambiar.** The event was beautifully anchored by **Dr. Nimish Shah**. Our grateful thanks to all!

Water Bowls Project: Water Bowls Project: **IDA India's** Water bowls project was initiated by **Sarita Raturi** in 2010. More than 7000 water bowls have been placed in Mumbai and Navi Mumbai area since then. She is supported by **Sharmee Bhatt** who has been involved since its inception. Besides **Sarita** advises people in other cities on how to start and implement this project in their respective cities. Volunteers who maintain the Water Bowls

on a **daily basis**, are provided free cement water bowls by **IDA India**. These bowls are cemented to the ground or placed at inconspicuous locations, help animals quench their thirst. We would like animal lovers to come forward and take our cement Water Bowls and place them in their areas with fresh water every day for our strays. If you are interested to fill a bowl, please email saritaraturi@hotmail.com.

Conference at Borneo: Vivienne & Goodicia went to Asia for Animals Conference in Borneo. They went at their own expense, and came back with a wealth of knowledge about the happenings in animal welfare in Asian countries. There were very good speakers with great suggestions & ideas. The conference brought up various topics including terrible crimes in the dog meat trade. The Ghadimai festival in Nepal was discussed. This time 82% of buffalo babies escaped death because of the efforts of NGOs in Nepal supported by the Government of India with initiative by **Mrs. Maneka Gandhi**. This NGO has made an agreement with the temple priests and hopefully this horrible crime will never happen again.

Compassionate Children's Club:

IDA India's Compassionate Children's Club got a boost this year. We started this Club, keeping in mind that all children have an innate love for animals which needs to be encouraged and nurtured. The Club has a fun and attractive E-Mag posted at intervals with articles, poems, drawings and stories sent in by the children themselves. Birthday wishes And Competitions also form a part of the online publication to encourage children to think of animals, their needs and their rights.

We have had an enthusiastic response from our young members. One response to a Nature Study competition was so exceptional, that the Case Study submitted by our **CCC** Member Ramprasad, has been given pride of place, posted in the IDA India website itself. It was a big moment when our Brand Ambassador **Raveena Tandon's** little daughter **Rasha** and son **Ranvirvardan** stood on stage at our Fundraiser and promised to be Torch Bearers of animal welfare and CCC. **Rasha** recently handmade colourful wrist bands and raised funds for **IDA India**. She inspired her other young friends to help **IDA India** and have become **CCC** members themselves. One of them sold cupcakes, another girl **Kaira**, collected all her birthday gifts in cash, and donated the entire amount for our animals! Yet another charming pair of siblings, **Ishaan and Ilana**, have taken an oath to go vegetarian at least one day of the week, never to go to any circus that involves animals and never to treat any animal as a toy to be simply played with.

Our supporters are enthusiastic about encouraging this Club for young animal enthusiasts. **Mr. Baldevkrishna Sharma, Chairman of Marshalls Foundation**, sponsored cash prizes for the first three winners of an Essay Competition on 'Why Animals Need Clean Drinking Water'.

We look forward to more and more children joining the Club to learn about how to always think of animals who need help from humans and learn to be compassionate. Most of these wonderful young members are well on the way to achieving just that. We urge parents to encourage children to do so.

IDA India's table calendar: We have been making table calendars since 2012. Our 2016 theme was 'Happiness in adopting a lovely & faithful friend' highlighting success stories of adoptions through **IDA India**. This calendar was conceived by **Vivienne Choudhury & Priya Somaiya**, designed by **Vishruti Agrawal** and printed free of cost by **Sundaram Art Printing Press**. **Priya** who looks after adoptions arranged for pictures with their loving families. **Purva Desai & Darshak Shah** took wonderful pictures to make the calendar look attractive. Thank you all for bringing out such a wonderful product!

In the current year (2016-17)

Replacement of large Ambulance at New Panvel Centre:

We presently have 3 are big ambulances (Tata 407), two working at Turbhe and one at New Panvel. The oldest at New Panvel has served us for 13 years, and needs replacement, as it entails constant repairs and is fuel inefficient. More importantly it breaks down often, and when loaded with animals in the hot scorching heat, it is a major cause of tension. Due to larger work load of Turbhe Centre, we decided to get a new big ambulance for Turbhe, and send one ambulance from Turbhe to New Panvel. We got a spontaneous response from **Ms. Pallavi Choksi & Ms. Saikrishna Choksi of Choksi Charity Foundation**, who immediately sanctioned a grant of Rs. 12.55 lakhs. Eicher make chassis has been purchased and body building is under progress. We hope to inaugurate this ambulance in coming months. Our sincere and special thanks to the Trust and the ladies for this wonderful support!

New Ambulance for Deonar Centre:

Deonar centre has 3 Maruti Omni ambulances, one is used as a Mobile clinic, another is used as rescue van to bring in bad cases for admission, and the third is used for picking up dogs for ABC program. We decided to add one more vehicle for picking up ABC dogs, to gear up the number of spay / neuter surgeries. This need is being fulfilled by our **Trustee, Ms. Sarita Raturi**, who resides in Atlanta, U.S.A. She is raising funds towards purchase of a Tata Magic Ace that will cost around Rs. 5.50 lakhs.

Replacement of two small Ambulances at Turbhe & New Panvel Centres:

Due to heavy work load at Deonar Centre, our practice has been to give a new vehicle to Deonar, and send older vehicles to Turbhe or New Panvel. But we realise that these centres cater to vast areas from Airoli / Vashi on one side to Nhava / Dhronagiri (almost up to JNPT port) on the other. It was decided to replace their ambulances with new vehicles.

Our appeal was spontaneously met by **Ms. Varsha Taurani, Ms. Rachna Nakra, Ms. Shanti Shivaram & Ms. Radhika Dhawan** of 'Fuffabulous' who organized a 'Shop with a Heart' sale of designer clothes & accessories donated by film celebrities and raised Rs. 2.25 lakhs. Hotel **Le Sutra** provided wonderful venue for the sale. **Varsha & Tips Industries** further donated Rs. 1.25 lakhs so that total amount of Rs. 3.5 lakhs can go towards purchase of a Maruti Omni. **Mrs. Ushaben & Mr. Gautambhai Shroff** also spontaneously agreed to sponsor the second vehicle and sent in Rs. 3.5 lakhs for purchase of a Maruti Omni. In the meantime, Maruti Udyog has stopped production of Omni model, and therefore we have to look for an alternative make.

With these vehicles we can say that we have a refurbished the fleet of ambulances, and all this would not have been possible without the wonderful support of all these persons. Our grateful thanks to them!

Reconstruction of 3 kennels:

To give a boost to the ABC program, we decided to shift the kittens and cats to another place, and convert the kitten and cat ward into Dog ABC Wards. In this place, 3 kennels can come up. **Ms. Kanan & Mr. Hemang Shah**, and their children had a dog **MILO**, who suddenly passed away as a young one year old. His loss is difficult to bear, and the family has decided to do something for Milo's less privileged brethren living on the streets. They have thus contributed towards the construction of one of these 3 kennels. The second kennel is being sponsored by our **Fizzah Shah**, in memory of her dear husband, **Mr. Navanital R. Shah**, who was a great supporter of **IDA India** and had contributed immensely

by way of several ambulances, construction of kennels, and so on. Our since thanks to all of them, for supporting this project, in larger interest of spay neuter program for street dogs.

Building a Corpus:

The cost of running this huge operation comes to nearly Rs. 17 lakhs per month, and with no definite source of income, it is a huge pressure to keep the work going. About 12% of our requirements come from our Principles, ***In Defense of Animals***, about 50% from the Municipal Corporations for the sterilization program for stray dogs and balance 40% i.e. approx. Rs. 8 lakhs per month comes through donations from well wishers and supporters. In all the daily struggles to do our very best, we have hardly given any attention to the most important thing to keep the work going smoothly in years ahead to tackle raising prices and growing needs of our animals and staff; namely the building of a healthy corpus. We have managed so far to keep up with the pace to serve the animals we all so love and care for. But the concern in our minds is, that we should have some part of this amount coming in as regular income generated by a Corpus.

This year we appeal to our supporters to contribute generously towards our Corpus Fund. Donations to the Corpus are also tax exempted under Section 80-G of the Income Tax Act. Our target is to develop a Corpus Fund of Rs. 5 crores, so that with 8% p.a. return, a stable income of Rs. 3 lakhs per month is generated, to keep our work on-going. It is a tall order, but with your help, we hope to plant the seed of stability for the future of ***IDA, India***, so that all the abused, helpless and vulnerable animals can heal and shelter securely under the shade of your generosity for decades to come.

Funds:

Those who supported us in our endeavour during the year:

- ***In Defense of Animals (IDA)*** continued their support to ***IDA India*** so approx. 12% of our monthly inflow comes from them. Our grateful thanks to ***Dr. E. M. Katz***, President Emeritus, ***Ms. Marilyn Kroplik***, President & the entire ***Board of IDA***.
- ***Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai*** funding for ABC program was revised retrospectively from 1st April 2013 to Rs. 600 / dog brought by Municipal Vans and Rs. 900/- / dog brought by ***IDA India*** ambulances. Other surgeries, cat surgeries and treatment cases are not funded by MCGM, but hopefully this will happen in future. We are also requesting MCGM to support the cat sterilization program.
- ***Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation*** continues to fund treatment of dogs as well besides spay-neuter program, and as per the new arrangement, from 1st August 2014, we render 24x7 service for animals in Navi Mumbai with support of NMMC.
- ***CIDCO*** funds the dog sterilization program @ old rate of Rs. 550/- per dog. Our request to increase the rate, waive clause of 30 spay-neuter each month to be done free, waiver of water charges and electricity, is yet under consideration.

Our other donors:

We would like to express our immense gratitude to all our donors, who have contributed towards this cause of animals, as without their support we could not have helped so many animals. Due to constraint of space in the Annual Report, we have published the names of donors who have contributed Rs. 10,000/- or more. We wish to reiterate that we are extremely grateful to all our donors, and absence of their names from this list should not be construed as our lack of gratitude.

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Raveena Tandon & Boman Irani	Being a Brand Ambassadors of IDA India
Baldevkrishan Sharma Marshalls Foundation	Construction of the Dog Recovery Room.
Neela & Samir Bhatia	Construction of Sick / Injured Cat Ward.
Deepak Parikh & HDFC	Construction of new Cat ABC Ward
Ms. Pallavi Choksi & Ms. Saikrishna Choksi of Choksi Charitable Trust	Donating a big van of Eicher make, with body constructed over it, for Turbhe Centre.
Ashokbhai, Shivanand & Sheetal Bagwe, Sunderam Art Printing Press	Printing our Annual Report and Calendar 2016 free of cost
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Sarita, Dinesh & Karan Raturi Atlanta, Georgia, U.S.A.	Stupendous efforts to 'Fund Raising Dinner at Atlanta U.S.A.
Shaila & Sunil Jhangiani & 'Chemistry' Prahlad Advani, Advani Hotels & Resorts	Sponsoring 'Swara – the musical Night' held on 23 rd March 2016
Kayoze Irani	Short film on IDA India at his own cost
Manoor Sachadeva	Free fostering and training dogs with behavioural problems
Paresh Amare	Designing Dadar & Deonar offices & Gift shop
Vishruti Agrawal, Priya Somaiya & Vivienne Choudhury	Putting together the calendar for 2016
Purva Desai & Darshak Shah	For visiting families and taking lovely pictures of adopted dogs and cats in their new homes.
Godrej Tyson Foods Ltd. Taloja	Supplying 50 kg. Chicken waste daily to Deonar centre , and 20 kg. to Turbhe / CIDCO Centres.
Suchith Kamath	for making lovely soft toys & donating to IDA India as a fund raising.
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Mohanlal Metha & Hareshbhai Sonesawar & Vijaybhai of Jai Jalaram Mandir, Ghatkopar	Feeding of all animals twice a month on full moon & new moon days, & sending 1000 chapatis daily to Deonar centre.
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Mr. Vijendra & Shanaya Gairola	Ms. Manek Guzder	Mr. Kavas Warden
Ms. Bakul Khatau	Ms. Suprabha Marathe	Mr. Amit Choudhury
Bombay SPCA	Dr. Prashant Athale	Mr. Pushpakant Vaidya
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Dr. Nimish Shah	Mr. Rajendra Somaiya	

Mumbai: 3rd September 2016

A Challenging Rescue by Turbhe Centre:

- **Dr. Naina Athale**

18th November 2015 was a challenging day for our Navi Mumbai center. We had a call from the Navi Mumbai Fire Brigade about an animal stuck in a gutter inside the Siemens company in Airoli. Siemens is a big MNC. It has a large compound and the security guards heard the faint sound of an animal in distress while he was on the rounds on the periphery of their premises. He called the Fire Brigade who in turn somehow always call us for their animal rescue.

Anyway, once the call came in, we quickly responded and were there right away. From the sounds, it was evident that it was an adult dog in distress. With great difficulty and only a small torch as a guidance, one of the employees bravely crawled in on his stomach inside the gutter pipe taking care not to get stuck himself. The poor dog was snapping at him in her anxiety, but he carefully put the noose at the end of the rod round the neck of the dog and she was pulled out safely. They took complete care not to suffocate the dog. from start to finish, it was a 30 minute operation.

After bringing her out, she was immediately taken into the ambulance and was thoroughly checked up by the vet. Her mouth had to be tied up as she was in shock and was snapping. Luckily she had no internal or external injuries. She was given some peaceful time, was watched for a while, given some pedigree to eat only after her breathing was normal and the Vet was sure that the food would not enter her lungs in her anxiety. The premises are very large and the canteen is far away (a 10 minute walk to the main building) hence after she ate a bit, she was given a bowl of milk and then was released. The employees hung around to watch her walk away to be assured that she was well. A very challenging rescue which ended well! She is not a resident of the property hence it is concluded that she had got in from outside the premises and had crawled/walked in quite a distance before getting stuck, luckily close enough for the staff to reach her.

Thanks to our Vet Dr. Vishwanath Jadhav and our other staff Prashant Sawant, Sandeep Shirsat, Ravi Manjrekar, Sudhakar Kadam and Sachin Rathod. Well done boys, we are proud to have you brave hearts working for us!!

Incidentally, we have also spoken to the company to put a net on either side of the pipe to prevent further such mishaps. I will be personally following this up till they do it. If you wish to view the clip, try this link :

<https://www.facebook.com/India.IDA/videos/907638615981331/?theater>

The plight of abandoned pets:

- **Vivienne Choudhury**

She was one of the most beautiful dogs we had ever seen; rippling coat of gold, chocolate brown eyes, limpid and glowing. She was a Golden Retriever and we were called to rescue her. She had been spotted searching for food in a rubbish bin and she looked lost and helpless. When she was brought to our Deonar Centre, the regular regime of good treatment, good nutrition and care was extended to her and slowly she responded. We wondered why exactly she had been abandoned, but we soon found out when she started moving about on the premises. When this dog ran for some distance, she would fall down in a dead faint. Like other Pedigree dogs, she had a particular genetic defect and it was

probably the reason for her being dumped in this manner. She must have surely been 'purchased' at a fancy price but thereafter she was a 'burden' to these heartless people.

In the course of our close work with dogs and cats over the last two decades, we have come to understand that the most pathetic and abused animal is the dog that is abandoned by a family. The most terrible injuries can be healed and the dog can bounce back to normalcy in no time. But those who are abandoned, left on the road, thrown out of cars and deserted in the most reprehensible and cowardly way, sometimes never return to normal. The emotional scars that they have cannot be seen, but they cause terrible suffering and do lasting damage to the abandoned animal.

What does it mean to a dog to lose the person he/she loves most in the world? Sometimes the effects are so bad, they can actually lead to death. The dog simply gives up and relinquishes life itself. Sadly, over the years, we have witnessed three such cases where the dog had lost the person they loved the most in the world, and had given up on life. One was a very old dog whose elderly loving Guardian was alone and too ill to take care of her. Another was a young female pup of 10 months, ordered out of the house by a callous family member who had returned from abroad and found her in the house, living as part of the family. The third was an adult male in his prime. His beloved Guardian had had a heart attack and died in front of his faithful friend. All these three just would not respond to any type of treatment and care, and all, without exception, died within a few weeks of being rescued. They just couldn't cope with the loss of the one person who they loved them the most and who they had loved completely in return.

But there are many other terrible cases of deliberate abandonment. We know as we rescue these dogs at a steady rate throughout the year. How do we know they have been abandoned? They look lost, alone and helpless as any child abandoned by his or her family on the road would be. They are attacked by the dogs of the locality as they don't belong there. They are dumped far away from home, sometimes with collars.

One such was a very sweet natured and obese female Labrador. She was too fat to even run off when attacked, as she had been simply left on a pavement in the open, and when she was rescued, we found she had been bitten quite badly. Our most common rescues are the little Pom/Spitz who are regularly dumped when they have reached the end of their lives, are very old, blind sometimes and completely helpless on the road. Last year a beautiful female mongrel wearing a nice red collar, obviously someone's pet, was brought in a rickshaw and dumped outside our Centre gate along with her five pups, two months of age. This just goes to show how irresponsible and downright callous people can be even after deciding to take one of these precious creatures into their home as family members. Of course, it is difficult for the dog to be accepted into the family circle if he or she has been bought like any other commodity, so who knows when their suffering starts?

On our part as animal welfare people, we can only rescue and try to rehabilitate these abused animals through a good adoption program that is handled by our **Priya Somaiya** and try and educate the public on the hazards of carelessly buying or adopting a dog. Each one of these animals is an intelligent, living, breathing creature and deserves to be treated and accepted as an integral part of the family that has taken him or her in. Long long ago, dogs have proved that they have chosen to be man's best friend and we should always remember that is exactly what they are and so deserve our respect and consideration in every way, especially if we chose to make them a beloved part of our family.

What this world needs is a new kind of army – the army of the kind.” – Cleveland Amory

On my way to work two decades ago, I saw a little boy of around six years and his mother standing by the side of the road. Suddenly and unprovoked he turned around, saw a very little pup on the pavement and kicked it hard! It yelped and screamed and the boy gave a delighted yell himself and kicked it harder as a few of us watched in shocked horror. Shaken out of my freeze, I rushed forward and yanked the little brute off the pup whose mother had come by then and was snarling at the child. The mother of the child meanwhile had picked up a stone to hit the mom dog when I caught her hand too. The mother turned on me, grabbing her precious child and then started abusing me. I stood my ground till she said, “how does it matter to you? He kicked a pup not you or your child!” I reacted “But why should he do such a horrible thing? Did you not see how much it hurt the little pup? Your son cannot be allowed to do such cruel things!” “He will do whatever he feels like doing he’s my child not yours!” I stared at her in disgust and retorted “well just pray then to your god that when he grows into adulthood and you are old, he doesn’t ‘feel like’ kicking you and your husband around, just because he feels like doing so and just because you never taught him better!”

Recently this incident came to mind vividly, when I learnt about the spate of cruelty to animals; the throwing of the dog off the terrace by two students, or the torture and killing of a monkey; both incidents by medical students. I also recalled the many cruelty cases handled by us at IDA India and the regular murder of wildlife all over the country or the attempt at systemic genocide of stray dogs in one of our states.

Maybe the little child grew up to be one of the abusers? Or has he done something worse and not been caught yet? How is he treating his parents? Has he abused his girlfriend or a child or his wife? Has he turned into a monster? So many thoughts.....

One hears of other horror stories as well all the time in the papers and the media. Looking around the world, life is not much better for children or the vulnerable groups. Trafficking of children and young girls as sex slaves or as child soldiers, rape and abuse of children, bombing and killing...meanwhile, how can we leave out the shameful insensitivity and cruelty to animals in various forms; food, clothing and cosmetic industry, zoos and circuses, breeders and using animals for sports and religion etc. a long list of abuse there too. All this has its genesis in the normalisation of cruelty, of the wilful act of abetment to cruelty, or neglect to teach kindness and compassion. Of the culture of misconception in some parents to allow their boys to be mean to animals as it will make ‘men’ out of them. The numbing of the senses of young men and children to turn them into terrorists and members of mobs and gangs which begins with teaching them unthinkable cruelty to animals to desensitise them. Reams of research around the world on child abuse especially sexual abuse has also proved that for a large percentage of them, it all began with cruelty to animals. The link between animal abuse and human abuse is thus clear. Both are on a continuum and if a person has abused an animal he/she would rarely be capable of having loving and caring relationships with humans, because the mind is one and

also because it is difficult to be horrifyingly mean and cruel on the one hand and be kind and sensitive also on the other.

Therefore, if we have to live in peace and enjoy our lives, it is imperative that the animals live the same way too. Sensitising an entire generation at a young age by turning them into compassionate human beings is the only hope for the future of mankind and of the non-human species as well. Compassionate and loving children rarely do desperate things in childhood as well as when they become adults.

How do we go about this? To begin with, awareness has to be built with parents and schools regarding the importance of teaching children kindness in schools and homes. Again, instead of dry and boring lessons in moral science, children have to attend vibrant and interactive well tailored classes to teach compassion and kindness in schools and colleges which should include human rights as well as animal welfare. Parenting workshops and training programmes should emphasise the teaching of kindness and gentleness and the need to inculcate these values within themselves and their families. Mass awareness programmes via classes, social media, short films and adverts etc. is also important for NGO's in both human and animal welfare to take up.

When there is compassion unlimited there is peace and love all around....for the non-human beings as well as for the humans. Surely a win-win situation?

(Dr. Naina Athale is a Child Counsellor, a Master Trainer & Consultant in Child Protection)

Report of an auditor relating to accounts audited under sub-section (2) of section 33 & 34 and rule 19 of the Bombay Public Trusts Act.

Registration No. **F – 18786 - Mumbai**

Name of the Public Trust **IN DEFENCE OF ANIMALS**

For the year ending **31st March, 2014**

a)	Whether accounts are maintained regularly and in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the rules;	Yes
b)	Whether receipts and disbursements are properly and correctly shown in the accounts;	Yes
c)	Whether the cash balance and vouchers in the custody of the manager or trustee on the date of audit were in agreement with the accounts;	Yes
d)	Whether all books, deeds, accounts, vouchers or other documents or records required by the auditors were produced before him;	Yes
e)	Whether register of movable and immovable properties is properly maintained, the changes therein are communicated from time to time to the regional office, and the defects and inaccuracies mentioned in the previous audit report have been duly complied with;	Yes
f)	Whether the manager or trustee or any other person required by the auditor to appear before him did so and furnished the necessary information required by him;	Yes
g)	Whether any property or funds of the Trust were applied for any object or purpose other than the object or purpose of the Trust;	No
h)	The amounts of outstanding for more than one year and the amounts written off, if any;	Nil
i)	Whether tenders were invited for repairs or construction involving expenditure exceeding Rs.5000/-;	No
j)	Whether any money of the public trust has been invested contrary to the provisions of Section 35;	No
k)	Alienations, if any, of the immovable property contrary to the provisions of Section 36 which have come to the notice of the auditor;	Nil
l)	All cases of irregular, illegal or improper expenditure, or failure or omission to recover monies or other property belonging to the public trust or of loss or waste of money or other property thereof, and whether such expenditure, failure, omission, loss or waste was caused in consequence of breach of trust or misapplication or any other misconduct on the part of the trustees or any other person while in the management of the trust;	Nil
m)	Whether the budget has been filed in the form provided by rule 16A;	Yes
n)	Whether the maximum and minimum number of the trustees is maintained;	Yes
o)	Whether the meetings are held regularly as provided in such instrument;	Yes
p)	Whether the minute books of the proceedings of the meeting is maintained;	Yes
q)	Whether any of the trustees has any interest in the investment of the trust;	No
r)	Whether any of the trustees is a debtor or creditor of the trust;	No
s)	Whether the irregularities pointed out by the auditors in the accounts of the previous year have been duly complied with by the trustees during the period of audit;	N. A.
t)	Any special matter which the auditor may think fit or necessary to bring to the notice of the Deputy or Assistant Charity Commissioner.	None

Dated : 17th September 2014
Mumbai

For **Sathe & Sathe**
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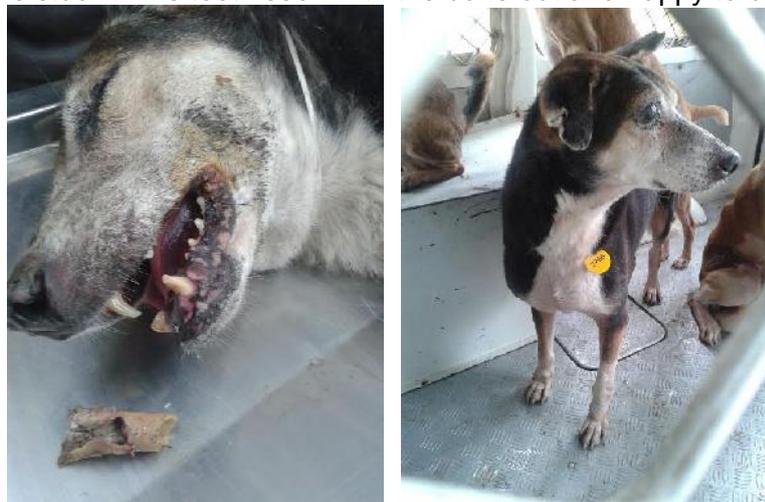
Cat with a sublingual growth that made wonderful recovery after surgery:



Dogs with cancerous growth, tumours



Dog with a bone stuck in his teeth seen with the bone out and happy to be going back



Fund Raising Dinner organised by Sarita Raturi in Atlanta on 11th October 2015



Deonar Team



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New Panvel team



Staff honour on completing 10 years' service



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