



DARJEELING
ANIMAL SHELTER

June

June , proved that numbers don't define our success
our spirit does .



Report

June -A Month of higher highs and lower lows!
June was a highly successful month when we have to
talk about return after treatments.

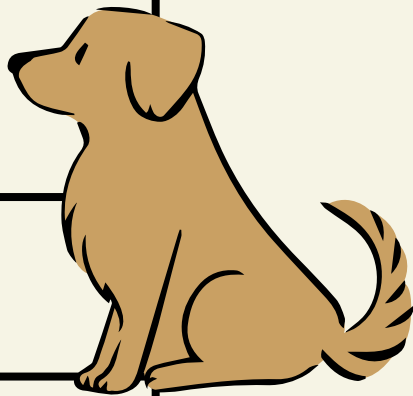
Our losses were incredibly low! More tails are
wagging back in their neighborhoods today because
of our team

Our Animal birth control programme has
progressed slow but we have hosted the pioneer of
animal welfare and ABC , the most important guest
of the month- Luke gamble , the CEO of WVS

Impact & Performance Report

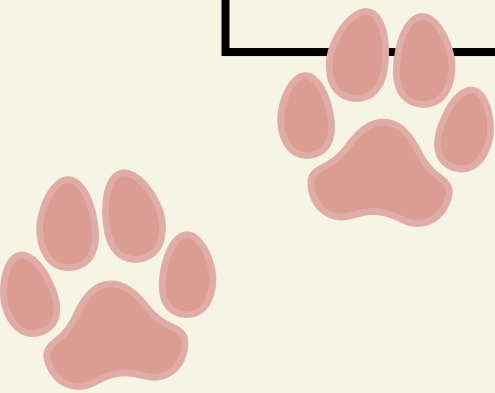
STERILISATION	DOG	CAT
SPAYING	46	7
CASTRATION	17	1

TotalABC—71



CLINICAL ACTIVITIES	DOG	CAT	Other
CASES TREATED	535	36	7
RESCUE	27	1	0
ADOPTION	7	0	0

X-RAY	7	1	0
SPECIAL SURGERIES	7	0	0
ARV	66	9	0
LFA TEST	6	0	0



RESCUE	ADOPTED	RETURN
26	7	11

Chicken Rice



A Story of Community Dog

Chicken Rice left a footprint on our hearts , written in pure resilience, joy, and an unstoppable appetite.

When he made his way to our shelter for the second time, he brought with him his usual kind soul, a wagging tail, and a very heavy burden. A massive, tumorous growth had formed across his back. While thankfully benign, its sheer size covered a huge area, making any potential surgery incredibly complex and risky.

A Two-Course Champion

Throughout his recovery, his appetite was consistent with two bowls. He established a strict, two-course late lunch routine that became the highlight of the shelter day:

- 3:00 PM (The Warm-up): A hearty bowl of beef and rice. He would take his time, savoring every bite for a leisurely 30 minutes.
- 3:30 PM (The Main Event): His absolute favorite—chicken liver and rice, lovingly provided by the shelter's neighbor. The mere sight of it turned him into a speed-eater, gulping the entire bowl down in a record-breaking 3 minutes flat.

Such a huge tumor, such a difficult surgery, and yet such an unbeatable love for food. That's exactly how our Chicken Rice beat the odds and recovered in no time.



The Race For Two Lives



**Inside the Emergency of Caprine
Vaginal Prolapse**

Veterinary Case Report:

Patient Identification: 1-year-old female caprine (Doe)

Case Status: Resolved / Recovered



The Story

At just one year old, this sweet young doe brought her very first kids into the world. It was a long, incredibly tough delivery that took a heavy toll on her young body, resulting in a severe postpartum prolapse. She was exhausted, weak, and facing a life-threatening situation just as her journey into motherhood began.

The Turnaround

Thanks to quick intervention, her body has gently healed and stabilized. Though the ordeal left her drained, her resilient spirit took over.

Current Progress

The Best News: She is doing wonderfully! The danger has passed, and she is back on her feet with a bright, healthy appetite. Watching her eat happily again is the ultimate sign that she has overcome the worst of it. Her strength is a true testament to her will to survive.

Alarming Incidences of Monkey BITE in



Darjeeling

-with monkey feeders increasing day by day, the monkey bite cases have been increasing with each day!

What once began as passive coexistence has transformed into a severe "monkey menace", with a dramatic rise in aggressive encounters



The alarming rise in monkey bites and human-wildlife conflict in Darjeeling has become a severe issue. Driven primarily by humans feeding the animals, this practice has drastically altered wild behavior and created a public safety crisis.

The Core of the Issue: The "Feeder" Effect

For years, locals and tourists—particularly around popular spots like Mall Road—have routinely fed monkeys snacks and fruits. While often well-intentioned, this has triggered a destructive cycle:



- **Loss of Wild Instincts:** Monkeys have abandoned their natural forest-foraging habits, choosing instead to rely entirely on human handouts.
- **Conditioned Aggression:** Because they expect food from humans, the monkeys have grown bolder and highly aggressive. When food is not freely given, they resort to aggressive food-snatching, harassment, and biting.
- **Rising Health Risks:** The surge in aggressive encounters has led to a worrying risk about rabies in the hill town, making the situation an urgent public health concern.

MOBILE TREATMENTS

——a Necessary. Step. For. The.



COMMUNITY

We are developing a mobile healthcare initiative or a community-based triage protocol for skin diseases—specifically targeting conditions that are urgent and require intervention, but are not immediate, life-threatening emergencies (i.e., they need action, but not a full-blown "rescue" or emergency room transfer). In community health and mobile medicine, a necessary and foundational step for this specific tier of care is establishing a Clear, Tiered Triage Protocols with Defined Action Thresholds.

An Unexpected Recovery of this month-



**The Gairibas survivor !
-with each day in question!**



Gairibas Dog:

A story of struggle and resilience!

A dog whose quality of life felt so questionable , a dog whose recovery was nothing short of miracle.

A dog who made us question empathy ,survived and made its recovery to be able to be released into its habitat.

The paralysed broken toe amputee hindlimb was an incredible success, our surgeon did the best she could but the complications kept rising everyday, chronic loose stool, enormous worm load and weakness

We were expecting him to stand on his three legs he exceptionally proved us right

We were expecting him to gain better weight to be released but quite contrary another complication “paraphymosis “another medical complication for him and us to fight for, arised.

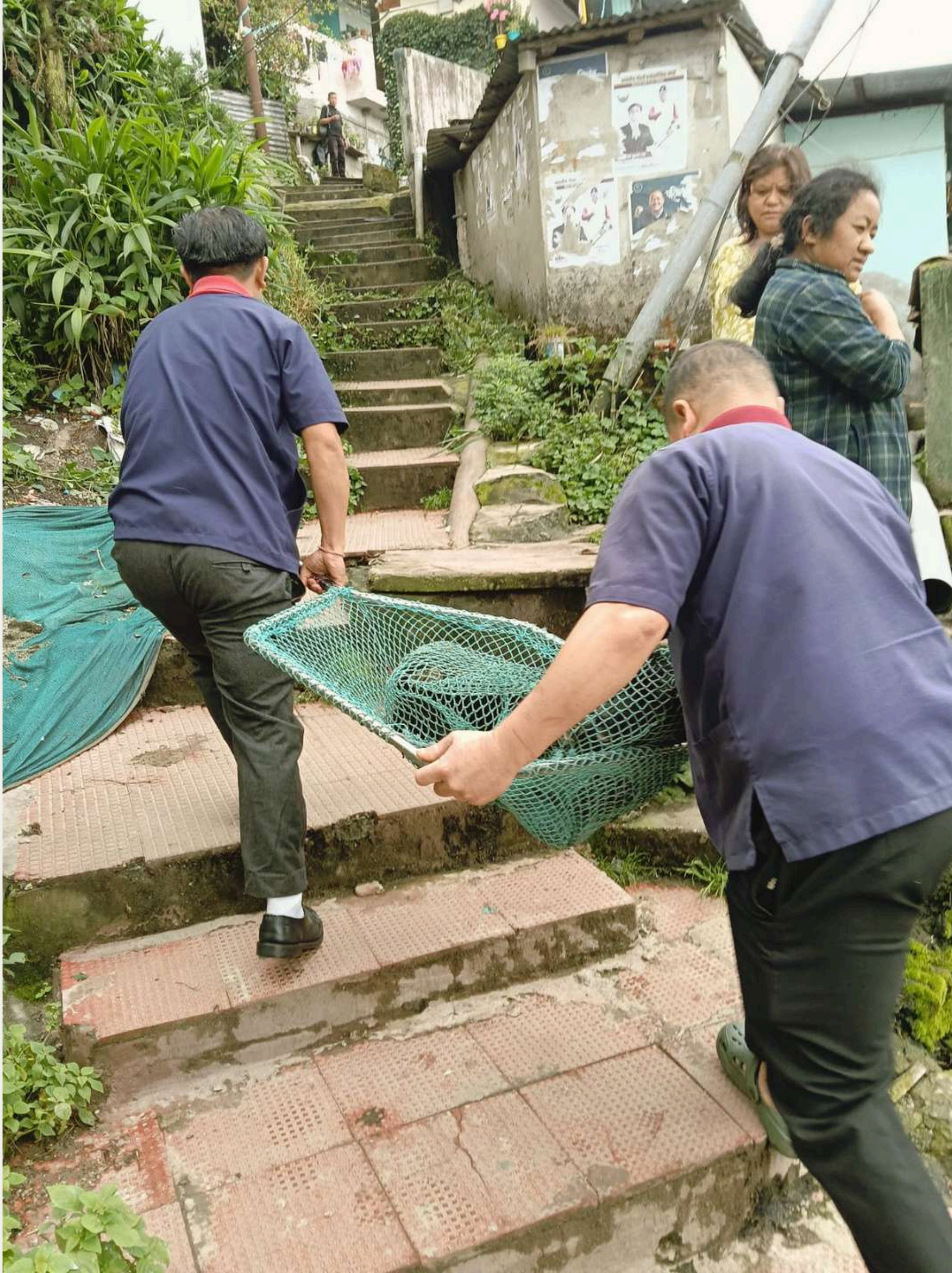
He went through another surgery and the resilient strong dog ,overcame through that

**The dog and us ,we have been through a lot
Almost 2 months of shelter life with this dog has been filled with incredible highs and lows**

An unwavering faith of him in us and us in him bought us to a day where his release happened.

**A success we all are incredible proud of!
He inspired us and hope he continues to inspire everyone around him!**

Animal birth control- With strategy in progress and results in question



The relentless rhythm of the monsoon had turned the city into a sprawling obstacle course. For the Animal Welfare team, the last few weeks had been an uphill battle against the elements.

The equation was simple, but the execution had become nearly impossible: Heavy Downpour + Gridlocked Traffic = Zero Momentum.

In response, we have overhauled our operational strategies for July to maximize efficiency. We are now collaborating with stakeholders to launch targeted camps, and have notably received inbound requests from non-municipal areas of Darjeeling to conduct camps, expanding our reach and resource backing

For municipal areas, we are deploying refined strategies—including micro-zoning and weather-adaptive scheduling—to eliminate wasted manpower transit time and boost efficiency.



Executive Summary: Strategy Shift & Operational Update

The Challenge (June/Monsoon Period)

- **Low Yield:** ABC catch counts were significantly lower than expected due to severe monsoon conditions.
- **Resource Inefficiency:** High transit times resulted in field manpower spending excessive time traveling back and forth with minimal operational output.

Our Strategic Pivot (July Outlook)

- **Restructured Operations:** We have overhauled our ways of working and overhauled field strategies to optimise manpower efficiency and maximise July outcomes.
- **Stakeholder Engagement:** We have proactively engaged key stakeholders to organise targeted, localised camps to streamline the catch process.

New Growth Opportunities

- **Inbound Demand:** We are receiving active, inbound requests from stakeholders in non-municipal areas of Darjeeling.

SHELTER HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS MONTH-JUNE

Deworming our shelter dogs:



As part of our commitment to maintaining a healthy environment and ensuring the highest standard of animal welfare, Darjeeling Animal Shelter (DAS) successfully completed a comprehensive deworming initiative for our shelter canine population this month.

Rabies and LFA test:

our shelter activities focused on high-impact disease prevention, digital surveillance, and rapid field diagnostics to improve shelter biosecurity and support community rabies elimination goals.



As part of the Mission Rabies initiative, our shelter activities focused on high-throughput, efficient rabies prevention and community safety, aligning with the global goal of zero human rabies deaths by 2030.

WVS TEAM VISIT:

The shelter hosted a specialized team from the Worldwide Veterinary Service (WVS), alongside a landmark visit from WVS founder, Dr. Luke Gamble.

Coinciding with these high-profile visits, the shelter underwent its intensive, mandatory Annual Deep Cleaning to break disease transmission cycles and ensure a sterile environment.

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RE-HOMING PROGRAMMES:

As a vital component of our community outreach and population management goals at the Darjeeling Animal Shelter, we successfully placed multiple rescued animals into permanent, loving homes.

While our medical and cleaning protocols keep the shelter running, the ultimate reward of our work at the Darjeeling Animal Shelter is seeing rescued animals step into a life of safety and love. This period marked a beautiful milestone for our team as we watched 7 dogs and 1 cat leave their shelter kennels behind for forever homes.







We would like to extend our deepest gratitude to the entire Shelter Team for their resilience and dedication during a challenging monsoon season. Confronted with difficult weather and tough transit conditions, their unwavering commitment ensured our operations kept moving forward. As we pivot into our new July strategy and expand into new strategies across Darjeeling, it is the team's hard work on the ground that makes this evolution possible.

Thank you for your continued grit, adaptability, and passion for the cause.

-Dr. Anna Pradhan

-Dr. Monika Prajapat