Compassion Unlimited Plus Action
Annual Report 2014-2015

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Celebrating the link that brings us together – our love and compassion for animals...

Winners of the CUPA #SelfieWithYourStreetie contest!!

Krystle Mahbubani with Coffee
Mallesh with Choco
Shubhaprada A with Nithya

Yamini Harish with Kencha

Dr. Moii with Scooby

Subhram Chakraborty with Snoffy

Archana Guruprakash with Rocky

Geetha Arekal

Anushree Thammanna with Pixie

Vijay Deshpande

Archana Guruprakash

Susan Bakshi with Sammy

Rochelle Lucas with Kala

Nikita Goswami with Pinku

Chandru Mahbubani with Trixie

Subhalakshmi John with Deedee

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OUR MISSION

To prevent cruelty to animals
To protect them from injury
To promote animal care and welfare
To foster the human-animal relationship
To inculcate humanistic values among humans
To help the sick, the injured, the needy, the exploited, the handicapped and the starved
To bring about respect and balance in the human-animal relationship and mutual dependence

CUPA Annual Day held on November 15, 2015 at Wadiyar Hall, Century Club, Cubbon Park, Bangalore 560 001 at 12 Noon
Constitution of CUPA

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CUPA is also registered with the Animal Welfare Board Of India (AWBI).
President’s Message

Donkeys! The word itself would instantaneously evoke responses of puzzlement, amusement and indignation. But little does one realize the bonhomie that exists within a herd of donkeys. They care for each other, they caress each other, they defend each other. Yes, this is what we at CUPA have learned over the years. This is but one example of the wonderment and joy that these creatures that we rescue give us. Our donkeys - Jenny, Pedongi, Tuluk and other animals never fail to delight us and our visitors at our Centres.

This year, 2014-2015 has been an eventful year with CUPA delving into fields that go beyond rescue and care of animals. Indifference and inhuman treatment of pet animals has come to the forefront. Our experiences and involvement have given rise to raising our voice against unregulated breeding of dogs. An investigative report compiled by CUPA and commissioned by the Animal Welfare Board of India on unethical dog breeding has been successfully completed.

Support from corporate organizations has always been a crowd puller. Comments as, “It has been a great Community Team Work season this year and we have received an amazing feedback on all of CUPA’s projects. Personally, I had a wonderful experience working with you for three years now and do not have adequate words to describe my fondness on the excellent work that you do towards these lovely species.” Navneeta Dutta, Goldman Sachs Services Pvt Ltd – gladdens our hearts. The Deutsche Bank Group, Goldman Sachs, Himalaya Animal Health, Accenture, Cisco and several others have once again supported our cause.

Unique events like the Harley Owners Group rumbling into our Large Animal Centre on their majestic bikes on a Sunday morning in May 2014 made this year an exciting one! The Amazon India team has overwhelmed our centres with gift boxes donated by their customers and The Himalaya Animal Health Division is not far behind in supporting our Adoption programme of dogs.

The Tata Consultancy Services World 10K Marathon in May 2015 gave our enthusiastic volunteers a chance to unleash their creativity and let their hair down during the costume
competition, raising awareness about cruelty to animals and coming home triumphant!

The Hon. Animal Welfare Training Programme held in March 2015 with support from Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI) was a step towards empowering committed members of the public with knowledge about the laws of our Country relating to animals and their welfare.

Awareness is the key to education – with this as its focus, CUPA’s visits to schools, colleges and educational institutions is an on-going activity. Children’s visits to our centres always initiates that spark which hopes to ignite an awakening, a realization in the forthcoming generations towards animals.

The magnanimous donation for two ambulances by Barrett Foundation, US and donations from several of our donors are the economic and emotional backbone of our organization. We are ever grateful to them.

There are always those moments at CUPA which bring tears of sorrow as we bid a final farewell to some of our oldest residents at our various centres as they pass on. We have lost Jimmy, Sparky and a few others and they will always be missed.

CUPA’s sincere efforts may face some opposition from those who have reservations and contradictory perspectives on our work, however there are others who far outnumber the former. The Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce & Industry August 2014 Issue magazine shared a write-up on CUPA - 'Top Corporates wooed by CUPA's Unlimited Compassion’ encouraging corporations to do their bit for animal welfare too.

It is with this note that I would like to conclude wherein CUPA shall always have the capacity to reach out to as many animals as possible, but with the full support of our well-wishers. As you turn the pages of this Annual Report, we promise you a bouquet of informative, tearful, comical and joyful moments. God Bless and Thank You all.

Sanobar Z. Bharucha
Hon. President
Geriatric Centre
for aged dogs
Mylapannahalli
Open 9:30 am to 5:30 pm,
Mon-Sun
☎ 080 22947317

Trauma Centre
for sick and injury cases
Veterinary College Campus,
Hebbal
From April 1st, 2014
Open 9:30 am to 5:30 pm,
Mon-Sun
☎ 080 22947300/301

Large Animal Rescue & Rehabilitation Centre
for working animals, bovines & equines
Upadhyaya Layout, Kengeri
Open 9:30 am to 5:30 pm
Mon-Sun
☎ 080 22947317

Wildlife Rescue & Rehabilitation Centre (WRRC)
Bannerghatta Rescue Centre (BRC)
for urban wildlife
☎ 080 22947307

CUPA Centres
CUPA Care Clinic 24/7
for all pets
Devegowda Rd, RT Nagar
☎ 080 22947312/13

Wildlife Rescue & Rehabilitation Centre (WRRC)
Elephant Rescue Facility (ECF)
Malur, Karnataka
☎ 080 22947307/317

CUPA Admin office
Kensington Apartments,
Behind Ulsoor Telephone Exchange
Open 9:30am to 5:30pm,
Mon-Sat
☎ 080 22947317/307

BBMP-CUPA ABC Centre
for stray dog sterilization
LaxmanRao Nagar,
Koramangala
Open 7:30 am to 3:30 pm,
Mon-Sun
☎ 080 3252 4747

Second Chance Adoption Centre
for abandoned pet dogs
Silkboard Junction
Open 9:30 am to 5:30 pm, Mon-Sun
☎ 94801 73793

The CUPA Administrative Office lies at the heart of CUPA, from where important communication & documentation takes place. The team in 2014-2015 included Mr. Pandurang Joshi and Mrs. Neena Bijlani in the Accounts Section, Mrs. Kiran Rao as the Secretary, Mr. Jagadeesha B as Liaison Officer and Ms. Shilpa Mahbubani in Public Relations.
Dedicated to sterilizing and vaccinating Bangalore’s community dogs since 1994.

Compound previously an execution centre where stray dogs were inhumanely killed by electrocution.

After CUPA took over, dogs are caught safely and transported securely back to the centre for sterilization and inoculation.

Healthy, friendly, sterilized and vaccinated dogs released in the same areas four days after they were picked up.

The centre has the capacity to sterilize 30 dogs every day, currently performing an average of 500 surgeries a month.

**ABC statistics – April 2014 to March 2015**

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ABC beyond borders
We receive several requests from villages and institutions situated outside BBMP’s urban scope, for sterilization and vaccination of dogs to ensure public health and animal welfare, and this year CUPA extended it’s Animal Birth Control – Anti-Rabies Vaccination (ABC-ARV) services to locations outside Bangalore limits.

CUPA took up one such request in Arekere (Hesaraghatta), which included transporting our veterinarian, animal handlers and all equipment and medicines on-site. 20 dogs were successfully neutered and arrangements made for post-operative care. Local residents pooled in funds that helped cover costs incurred.

The process of neutering community dogs (catch – secure – transport – house – operate – feed – post op care – secure – release) is not an easy one, but the entire operation is running smoothly thanks to Mr. John Raj and Mr. Vijay Kumar who lead the team every day. Mr. Jagadeesh B, CUPA Liaison Officer, ensures timely and accurate reports are submitted to the Animal Husbandry Department of the BBMP which monitors and directs this valuable public health program.

Rescues by the ABC Team
The Yemlur Runner! An expert escaper that no one could catch was chased by Team CUPA until she (and the team!) were out of breath and brought to the shelter where a piece of plastic that had been lodged in her neck for over 2 years was finally and successfully removed. She was released back into familiar territory to continue her life, completely free of pain and injury.

What Bangaloreans have to say

Dear Mr. John, I wish to record my appreciation to your organization for removing the misery of a canine which was tied with a metal wire on the tail by some miscreants. Your organization is doing great work. May it grow from strength to strength. ~ Regards, Pushpita Deb Varman

I want to thank you for trying to save the dog I reported, which unfortunately died later due to very serious injuries, but thank you for coming and trying. Please keep up the good work! ~ Roshan
Is the core of all CUPA functions

Operates the ambulance service that picks up stray injured animals from across the city

Houses anywhere between 50-60 animals at any point in time

Animals are returned to their respective neighborhoods on successful recovery

Several animals re-homed and rehabilitated during their stay at the Centre

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**CUPA Trauma Centre Statistics**

**April 2014 to March 2015**

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Miracles Everyday

Pick-up priority is given to animals that have fallen victim to road rage, abandonment and cruelty. The animals, mostly dogs and cats, spend the day free in the open space and are placed in groups in large kennels at night. A special focus is on adoptions, and placing healthy, recovered animals in loving homes.

Treating injured cows can be tricky – these animals come with a significant financial responsibility, and the owners are often reluctant or unable to pay for their care and wellbeing. Instead, whenever possible, a doctor is taken to the reported site and first aid is administered.

The hustle-bustle of this centre is managed by the team – Centre Manager Mr. Vijay Kumar assisted by Senior Veterinarian Dr. Lalrin Moii. Impressive numbers of pet adoptions took place under the guidance and supervision of Ms. Anushree Thammanna, Animal Care & Adoptions Manager.

Ambulance Service – A Lifeline

Two ambulances together clock almost 3000 kilometers every month, picking up injured animals everyday while simultaneously releasing healthy animals that have made successful recoveries. Even with this considerable movement across the city, we sometimes find ourselves unable to reach an animal in time. Rescue groups and other concerned citizens have helped with ferrying animals to and fro, and we continue to admire their commitment to saving distressed animals from all over the city.

Pet Cruelty Inspection

The number of abandoned dogs is sometimes only surpassed by the number of cruelty cases reported from all over the city. Our animal welfare officer Mr. R. Shanthakumar has attended to an average of 20 cases per month revealing total neglect to complete abuse – human apathy seems to know no bounds.

What Bangaloreans have to say

At the outset, we would like to thank the team for taking personal care of Blackie. Though Blackie did not survive due to very severe injuries, we cherish our association with CUPA. May God give you the enthusiasm & heart to continue treating sick and injured stray animals.

~ With regards, Geetanjali and Surya Prakash Rao

I came to know about CUPA from an article in The Hindu. When I visited the facility at Hebbal and found that the people behind CUPA were a dedicated group who genuinely cared for the various animals that were there. I want to thank CUPA on behalf of all concerned residents of Bengaluru for their wonderful service ~ Sampath Kumar
An exclusive center for pet adoption inaugurated in September 2013

Shelters perfectly healthy and friendly dogs as they transit to new homes

Almost all residents rescued from abandonment, neglect or indifference by previous owners

Popular with visitors who come over to socialize, pet and groom the residents

Prospective pet parents encouraged to visit the centre a few times and adopt after falling in love!

This centre averages about 10 successful adoptions every month

Second Chance Adoption Centre Statistics
April 2014 to March 2015

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You can’t buy love, but you can Adopt!
There is absolutely no reason for Bangalore’s well-informed, modern family to demand a ‘pedigree’ pup anymore. Puppy mills and breeding are cruel industries and the demand needs to end. The Second Chance Adoption Centre deals with the brunt of this stone-hearted industry, taking in abandoned pet dogs and ensuring they get placed in good homes.

CUPA’s focus continues to be on promoting adoption with particular emphasis on the adoption of the Indian street dog, equal in loyalty and intelligence with their western purebred counterparts. We are grateful to families that have taken home our precious residents, given them love and care, only to receive even more love in return! Volunteer and ex-manager, Sanjana Madappa, personally looks into the re-homing of each our residents and ensures that each adoption is a permanent one. Our Assistant Manager Mr. Sauvik Mallik, with his gentle ways, handled the centre in an able manner.

Success Stories
Hachi and her siblings were just three months old when they first arrived at the CUPA Second Chance Centre. She was the last to be adopted and finally went home with Anita, a Spanish national who fell in love with Hachi at first sight.

It was soon time for Anita and her husband to go back to Spain, and after elaborate planning and preparation, Hachi flew with her parents to Madrid on September 3, 2015. Hachi’s extended family welcomed her with open arms and now they are one big happy family that enjoys time on the beach every weekend.

What Bangaloreans have to say

"You guys really are doing an amazing job and I’m happy to donate every month.... I wish I had more time to spend! " ~ Fatima Dowling

"Dear Sauvik, Thank you very much for giving us the opportunity to spend time with all your residents. :) We all loved it would like to keep coming back to meet all of them - most of us seem to have found our favorites already! Our regards to your team and all our furry friends, Will keep in touch, Vishakha :)"
Large Animal Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre

Kengeri, Off Old Mysore Road, Bangalore | 080 2294 7317

CUPA’s largest centre with over two acres of open space

Is a shelter for large working animals such as cows, buffaloes, donkeys and horses that have been abandoned by their owners

Works to treat and rehabilitate these animals to folks who have large open spaces and large hearts!

Going green with assistance from the Deutsche Bank Group – equipped with rainwater harvesting and biogas systems, and shortly, solar lighting

Organizes healthcare camps for cattle animals in rural areas who would otherwise have little or no access to veterinary care

Large Animal Rescue & Rehabilitation Centre Statistics – April 2014 to March 2015

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The Larger Picture

Dairy cows seem to be doomed one way or the other - kept impregnated for the entirety of their calf-bearing years in order to produce milk, then sent to the slaughter house when found infertile. The cows we see on the streets belong to callous dairy unit owners who want to maximize profit from these animals, unwilling to spend on basic feed and upkeep. Cows end up manoeuvring through reckless traffic in search of food and refuge. Road rage is a real threat even to us but it is these slow-moving animals that fall victim to accidents. These are the animals that are admitted to LARRC for long term care, keenly supervised by Supervisor Mr. Munirammana.

Rural counterparts are saved from traffic accidents but also have little or no access to veterinary treatment. CUPA closes this gap by conducting healthcare camps for rural cattle animals when specific funding comes in. We thank the Deutsche Bank Group and their volunteers for pitching in with funding & manpower year after year.

Beautiful Things Come in Big Packages

A small male calf was reported alone and abandoned in Cubbon Park. This bull, then the size of a dog, was brought to LARRC in the ambulance and given intense care for the first month. Cubbon Little survived the ordeal and now, a year later, responds only when called “Master Cubbon”!

“Please hurry! She’s bleeding from under her tail!” was the only thing we heard that ill-fated morning, when a pregnant female donkey was hit by a speeding mini-van. Despite immediate treatment, both mother and baby succumbed to traumatic injuries.

Looking Ahead – with the Deutsche Bank Group

We thank the Deutsche Bank Group for funding the installation of a biogas system to meet our heating and cooking needs. Having already funded our rainwater harvesting system last year and possibly a solar lighting project in the near future, the Deutsche Bank Group is helping us relieve the strain not just on animals, but the environment as well!

What Bangaloreans have to say

Humans have made this earth most inhabitable for animals, it is so cruel that I can’t even see photos let alone imagine the cruelty, you guys are going a great job... Thank you for providing these services to animals ~ Purnima Singh

I learnt that CUPA was the last refuge for many animals callously abandoned by their owners. I get regular updates about health camps they provide and other veterinary support to rural animals. I wish the team the very best in their continued divine endeavor. ~ Sampath Kumar
Professional and critical veterinary care for all pets available at any time of day or night

Monitored by senior veterinarians established in the field

Treatment available for pet dogs, cats, hamsters, guinea pigs, birds and fish

One of the most well-equipped pet clinics in Bangalore city

Proceeds from all treatments directed towards the funding and functioning of all other centres

CUPA 24/7 Animal Care Hospital Statistics – April 2014 to March 2015

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Yes? Yes. Yes!

The only pet clinic in the city which is open 24 hours a day, this facility receives well over 2000 cases a month out of which 200 that arrive between 11 pm and 7 am – indicating the need for quality pet care at all times, and the importance of making it available for sudden and unexpected emergencies.

The CUPA clinic also accommodates stray animals reported during the night hours and provides treatment until the animal is shifted to the CUPA shelter at Hebbal.

The clinic is very well-equipped to handle numerous and diverse cases and is a popular destination for pet owners.

Facilities available include:
- Isoflurane Anesthetic Machine
- Abdominal Ultrasound and Echo Cardiography Unit
- Ophthalmoscope
- Radiology Unit
- Microchip Scanner
- Exclusive Vet ECG Machines
- Vet Patient monitor
- Vet Pulse Oximeter

The Team

The CUPA Clinic is able to provide quality services to pet parents round the clock thanks to a dedicated and very senior team of Veterinarians - Dr. Basavana Gowda leads the team of professional veterinarians which includes Dr. Vaseem, Dr. Vishal, Dr. Adity and others. Mr. Harish Kumar B N in the administrative team has provided steady support over the years.

Thanks to their untiring efforts, pets arriving at all times of the day get timely and appropriate treatment and, equally important, concerned owners get the right information.

What Bangaloreans have to say

I have been coming here for the past ten years! Though I live in Koramangala, I make it a point to bring my pets to the RT Nagar Clinic. The team here is excellent.

Vinita with pet Brownie

CUPA is like my extended family. I have cats and a dog that I bring all the way from Tumkur for treatment. The doctors here talk to my pets like they’re human - that kind of relationship is what makes this place so great. The attending staff is very helpful, too

Preetham & Dheera
CUPA Myllapanahalli Geriatric Centre

We may be old in body... but not in spirit...

Myllapanahalli, Bangalore | 080 2294 7317

"Last scene of all, That ends this strange eventful history,
Is second childishness and mere oblivion,
Sans teeth, sans eyes, sans taste, sans everything"

~ from William Shakespeare’s poem
The Seven Ages Of Man (All The World’s A Stage)

Dogs too show signs of ageing – they begin to lose hearing and vision, and need softer food that they can swallow easily

Half-acre space located in a quiet area away from the city

Home to dogs above ten years of age who need a little extra help to get by, until they pass on naturally and peacefully

A visiting veterinarian drops in twice a week and as often as required

Our wise residents will teach you that it is only fresh air, sunshine, good food and true friendships that can keep you young!

CUPA Myllapanahalli Geriatric Centre Statistics
April 2014 to March 2015

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**Miracle Files**

Lush green grass, fresh crisp air, nutritious and delicious food served on a spacious estate to run and play in - what more can a geriatric dog ask for?

**Cookie** came with a severe skin and eye infections but as love heals all wounds Cookie recovered and is now happily adopted by Mr. Rajkumar, a long time CUPA supporter who was delighted to share his estate and life with Cookie!

**Sindbad**, a blind Cocker Spaniel with an unknown history settled down very well at the centre and spent a happy one year with us before he was spotted by visitor Mr. P. B. Venkat who took Sindbad home for tentative fostering, deciding in no time to keep him forever! A happy ever after ending!

**Julie** was a beautiful, friendly, majestic German Shepherd brought injured and hurt to us by her "owners" who never came back, never asked about this sweet loyal girl who waited for their return... Julie recovered from severely infected wounds on her body in no time but the emotional scars took a little care and love, which we must have overdosed! Julie is a perfect calm and gentle companion and is up for adoption.

**Where’s the Party Tonight? At MGC!**

There is probably no better way to spend your birthday or anniversary other than to drive down to MGC and treat our rescued retirees to a yummy treat. With a small donation, our able Manager, Mr. Chikkalingaiah will arrange a canine-appropriate cake which will make them love you instantly!

**What Bangaloreans have to say**

"Very very happy to have visited this centre, you guys are doing a great job! Words cannot describe the happiness here. Will be back very soon! " - Ganapati

"I am a person who is afraid of dogs. But after coming here I feel relieved and the best thing is that I overcame my fear. Thanks again and keep doing this 😊 " - Jitendra

"Loved the souls here... it was an awesome experience! I would love to spend time with them every weekend. It is my first visit to the center and already feeling attached to them! " - Deepthi

"Never had a pet but got the opportunity to care for one for a day. Inspired to adopt a dog soon” – Ankit Singh
Secretary’s Report

The year ending 31st March 2015 has been a very busy time spent in consolidating the seven CUPA centres in the city, reaching out to volunteers and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) teams and working at changing policies at State and Central Government levels.

In early 2014, CUPA supported the Code of Practices with the Bureau of Indian Standards for protection and humane treatment for Egg-Laying Hens. The tragedy of hens - caged in misery in order to provide eggs for consumers - is a billion dollar industry. We joined forces with interested individuals, organizations and advocacy groups to better the lives of these sentient beings who clearly deserve more than ruthless exploitation. CUPA participated actively in dousing eruptions of stray dog killings in the Town Municipal Corporation (TMC) of Kanakpura in March 2014. Activists including CUPA staff rushed to negotiate with Commissioner, Shri D. Ramesh, offering help and assistance to initiate the ABC (Animal Birth Control) and Anti-Rabies Vaccination (ARV) programme in the area. The Municipal authorities, after many assurances, agreed to implement the programme at the earliest and the succeeding months saw a steady improvement in the situation.

On April 23, 2014, the CUPA team met with Karnataka Minister for Transport, Shri Mr. Ramalinga Reddy at Vidhana Saudha, Bangalore. This was a follow-up to the first meeting on the 15th of April, 2014 in Jayanagar. Two specific requests were made: first, to release funds towards the undisturbed continuation of the city’s ABC-ARV program, and second was to set up rescue centres for injured stray animals in five distributed zones in Bangalore. The Department conceded to our first request within a few months but we are still awaiting their response to the second request, for which we are following up closely.

On April 24th 2014, Dr. Sheila Rao and I travelled to Delhi to meet with the Inspector General of Forests, Project Elephant at the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change. This was in furtherance of the Supreme Court Case, a landmark litigation to protect elephants in captivity in India – a project executed in collaboration with WRRC. In June, Shri D.R. Mehta, founder of Prakrit Bharati Academy in Jaipur, teamed up with CUPA to translate our 2006 publication, “Gods in Chains” to Hindi. The book deals with the present traumatized and abused captive elephants in India. Also in June, CUPA initiated a very interesting and meaningful dialogue with the Managing Association of Prestige Ozone, an upscale housing project in Whitefield. CUPA worked with the residents to create awareness and facilitate sterilization of all the community cats to control the population of cats in a humane and effective manner. Cases of animal cruelty still surge our way and we find ourselves
reaching out to animals in rural areas too - CUPA highlighted to officials the illegal ritual involving bizarre animal abuse and sacrifice in Neelakantanahalli Village of Channapatna Taluk, direct contravention of the Karnataka Prevention of Animal Sacrifices Act, 1959. Our intervention led to the abrupt halt of the traditional sacrifice and the police are determined to be vigilant in the future.

In September 2014, CUPA wrote to the Chief Secretary, Police Commissioner and the Principal Secretary of the Animal Husbandry Department, Karnataka on the illegal entry of camels into Karnataka and request for immediate end to trade in Camels and Camel meat as per provisions of law. We brought to the notice of the Government the Karnataka High Court ban on entry of Camels into the state from 2006. Camel meat is not notified an item of food and use of camels for entertainment or slaughter contravenes the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1960, and the Prevention of Animal Sacrifices Act of 1959. CUPA urged the Departments to enforce the rules which have existed for nearly a decade. In September 2015, the number of camels entering the state showed a sharp decline.

In November 2014, Magdalena Paul, Director of the Barrett Foundation, USA visited the CUPA centres and impressed with the ongoing work at the Trauma and ABC facilities, took the decision to donate two ambulances for the rescue of injured cases and the sterilization of the community stray dogs. In another positive move, CUPA was invited to empanel with Amazon’s Gift a Smile programme, enabling animal lovers to donate a wonderful range of pet care products to needy shelter inmates. Rescued animals now have a steady stream of treats, supplements and other essential items that have shown to aid faster recovery and better health. This has set a wonderful precedent, with many other start-ups wanting to contribute to the well-being of animals in the city. Partners at Amazon have mentioned, at least a couple of times, that CUPA receives more goodies than most other NGOs in the country!

On 9th March 2015, an important meeting with the Dean of the Veterinary College at Hebbal with the representatives of the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI), Mrs. Menaka Gandhi’s office and CUPA facilitated the permissions to use the entire kennel space at the erstwhile CUPA Shelter and Hospital, which has been built on the campus of the KVAFSU Veterinary College. The college authorities also promised to build kennels for the trauma patients brought in to CUPA as per their budgetary provisions of the 2015-16 financial year. We hope to build on these many achievements and with the help of our supporters and donors, reach out to more animals in distress.

Suparna B. Ganguly  
Hon. Secretary
Education and Awareness

Reaching out to schools, corporate offices and the public at large about caring for our stray animals

Achieved by making presentations, setting up stalls and inviting groups over our centers

A big Thank You to:

Children’s Movement for Civic Awareness
Vibgyor High School, HSR Layout
Presidency School, RT Nagar
VMWare India
Deutsche Bank Group
National Public School, Indiranagar
Vana Mitra
Animal Welfare Board of India
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The Animal Husbandry Department, BBMP
The Children’s Movement for Civic Awareness (CMCA) invited CUPA once again for their ‘Active Citizenship Day’- an event that aims to educate children from over 40 schools about being socially aware to the civic issues around them and contributing in a proactive and responsible way. We are glad to have spoken to and sensitized India’s future generation on compassion to animals! August 2014

Team CUPA at VIBGYOR High School in HSR Layout with rescued dog Spots! If the kids had tails, they’d be wagging nonstop! November 2014

Presidency School, RT Nagar, hosted CUPA at their Pet Care Carnival on February 27, 2015.

Important message to all the parents: ‘ADOPT. RESCUE. LOVE FOREVER. OPT STRAY.’ We at CUPA couldn't be more proud.

A jungle dance and some swift Tiger moves rounded off this fun and fascinating event!
An insightful session on ‘Understanding Snakes’ was conducted by Mr. Suresh Kumar from Vana Mitra. Staff and visitors were introduced to common Bangalore snakes, the ones to stay away from and what to do if encountered. Hearing about the horrendous ways in which we humans exploit them made us ponder about who is truly cold-blooded.

CUPA representatives attended the FIAPO India for Animals 2014 conference hosted in Jaipur, and networked with several inspiring animal welfare activists from across the globe. September, 2014

CUPA, in association with the Animal Welfare Board of India and Humane Society International (India) conducted an ‘Honorary Animal Welfare Officers’ training program to empower and impart skills to a new generation of animal welfare rescuers and activists. The event was a runaway success and the very active group has been able to work through and tackle several larger welfare issues. March 2015

The very popular Soul Sante events in Bangalore cannot be complete without animal welfare presence!

CUPA-WRRC stall and volunteers raised some funds by handing out delightful goodies to generous donors and raised invaluable awareness. March 2015
Awareness program with kids of Mandur Government Primary School on Children’s day, November 2014

These and many other programs conducted since the year 2012 have been managed and coordinated by the ABC team consisting of Mr. Vijay Kumar and Mr. Jagadeesha B.

We thank Dr. Piran, ex-Additional Commissioner of the Animal Husbandry Dept, Govt of Karnataka, for enthusiastically supporting and interacting with the kids at these awareness programs.
Corporate Social Responsibility & Volunteering

A unique win-win-win (company-volunteers-society) model in which companies reach out to CUPA and offer help and support

Large groups of volunteers engaged in a fun, yet important activity, such as painting, gardening and grooming

CUPA is a very popular destination for many companies (with or without animal lovers!)

CUPA has collaborated with and conducted Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activities with top multi-national corporations such as

- Accenture
- Amazon.in
- Dell India
- Deutsche Bank Group
- Cisco Systems
- Goldman Sachs Services Pvt. Ltd
- Himalaya Drug Company
- KPMG India
- Robert Bosch Engineering and Business Solutions Pvt. Ltd
- WeShopOnline
- Wipro Cares
- Yahoo India
The Goldman Sachs team paints, gardens, bathes, brushes, grooms, and designs CUPA’s shelters with their amazing energy and enthusiasm.

May - June 2014

The KPMG team didn’t know they were artists until they visited CUPA!

Team KPMG, CUPA loves those smiles on your faces!

June 2014

Small but electric!
Yahoo checked in and spent time with rescued streeties under recovery at the Trauma Centre, Hebbal.

A big Thank You for spreading the cheer and donating a handful of useful items to the Centre.

August 26, 2014
Cleaning our dogs is a real messy task! Team Cisco learnt the hard way, which also happens to be the fun way! A big thanks to Rohini of Cisco for organizing this event. August 9, 2015

A fun-loving group from Accenture had an absolute party bathing and grooming our canine residents at LARRC, Kengeri. High performance was indeed delivered. Thanks to Mahima from Accenture for planning this with us. August 23, 2014

Dell powered up and fully sponsored a mammoth painting event at the CUPA Second Chance Adoption Centre. Those are not dogs that walked on the walls, but a pawprint design painted to perfection! Special thanks to Dell-ites Vasu and Gayathri for leading this event. September 3, 2014
We thank the Deutsche Bank Group for bringing color to our lives!
Before and after pictures say it all.
Acknowledging efforts put in by Shueb of the Deutsche Bank Group that made this, and several other events, possible.

October 12, 2014

Deutsche Bank Group volunteers played Captain Planet and greened up our Large Animal Rescue Centre on October 17, 2014. A lovely canopy awaits us in the future!

Robert Bosch took a break from the rapid world of technology and spent a relaxing couple of days at the CUPA Second Chance Adoption Centre, completing the painting of the entire section over the November 29-30, 2014 weekend.

A huge compliment to Shilpa and Fousiya (who was previously nervous around dogs!) for reaching out to CUPA.
This WiproCares team proved how much they truly care by giving up a precious weekend to transform our Animal Birth Control Centre into a lively, chirpy and bright centre that helps lift the mood or staff and animals every single day!

Thanks to Imna and CUPA volunteer Manasa for organizing this event. December 7, 2014

A second team from Accenture visited the Geriatric Centre in February 2015 and spent a high energy day with our elderly residents! Bathing, grooming and walking was the agenda for the day. The happiness was contagious – smiles and drool were everywhere. Thanks to the team for donating a host of useful items.

The Deutsche Bank Group continued to bring smiles on our faces through their Christmas 'Gift A Wish' program which donated a wonderful assortment of goodies to our rescued animals. To make things even more merry were the 14 volunteers who visited and gave out the gifts – just like Santa Claus! Ho ho ho! March 2015
CUPA organizes and participates in a few events every year to raise valuable funds and spread invaluable awareness.

These events are made possible by the non-stop energy, enthusiasm and energy shown by our volunteers and supporters.

Important Events at a glance:
- The TCS World 10K Bengaluru Marathon
- Tusker Harley Charity Ride
- 50 Shades of Stray – A Night of Stand-up Comedy
- The KGA-CUPA Charity Golf Tournament
- 50 Shades of Stray – The Coat and Tails Edition!
CUPA not only ran but also entered the Costume Competition at the TCS Bangalore Marathon - returning home victorious and with the cash prize of Rs. 75,000!

High-fives to all CUPA volunteers involved in prepping for this event - Aditya, Roshan, Arundathi, Manasa, Deborah, Miriam, Shreyaa, Jahanavi, Arjun, Anusha, Rhuta, Shubha, RJ Sandhya and others for the authentic jungle look! May 2014

Horse power on wheels!
The Harley Owners Group (HOG) roared into the CUPA Large Animal Rescue Centre and spent time in the slow lane with our rescued residents. No surprise, our very own rescued racehorse was the star of the show!
At first, no one would want to mess with these rugged bikers, but they are softies at heart - and super kind with a generous donation of over Rs. 1 lakh. May 2014

Research has shown that dog owners laugh more - but we didn’t need an expert to tell us how much fun we had with comedians Sanjay Manaktala and Sundeep Rao at CUPA’s debut stand-up comedy night fundraiser - 50 Shades of Stray!

A housefull show at Indiranagar’s HummingTree brought in over Rs. 1 lakh in donations towards the CUPA Second Chance Adoption Centre’s re-homing activities. A shout-out to volunteers Sanjana, Melissa, Anoo and Chinthana for putting the ‘fun’ back in fundraising!!
September 2014
Swinging into Action!
The blockbuster CUPA Charity Golf Tournament was back by public demand - this tournament is all about 'Chipping for a Cause' while enjoying a great day of fine golf and sportsmanship.
The 4th edition was held on December 17, 2014 at the Karnataka Golf Association with 110 golfers vying for the several awards and goodies that were up for grabs!
We thank all our sponsors for making this event a huge success.

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Karan Properties
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Season Wineyards

“’I wish to place on record my sincere appreciation of the manner in which you and colleagues organised and conducted the tournament. Attention to details, total involvement of each and every one connected with the event, warmth and cordiality that pervaded the atmosphere, involvement of your sponsors, excellent turn out of the golfing fraternity were some of the notable and laudable features that I experienced. I am sure that CUPA achieved and surpassed the targets that were set for the event.””
~ V Ramachandran

Sanjay Manaktala brought the roof down again on February 14, 2015 with a second innings of ’50 Shades of Stray - The Coat and Tails Edition’!

It was indeed an exquisite evening of great humor, good food, and valuable funds of Rs. 1 lakh raised to support and boost pet adoptions. Looks like CUPA can’t get enough of Sanjay, and vice versa!
A home for the furry friends

Top Corporates wooed by CUPA's unlimited compassion

Now that's how you put!
Captive Elephant Project

Efforts over the past decade are now coming to fruition. This project, aimed at rehabilitating abused and exploited captive elephants working mostly in religious institutions and in the tourism sector, has progressed into a well documented and thoroughly researched petition submitted to the Supreme Court in June 2014.

The Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI), a statutory advisory body advising the Government of India on animal welfare laws and enforcing existing ones, has taken up the issue and has ordered the inspection into various temples and circuses by panels of experts and veterinarians. These evaluations have revealed shocking and blatant violations of all animal welfare laws prevailing in the country.

One such investigation was of Kerala’s most popular temple – the Guruvayur Devaswom located in Thrissur. This institution keeps 59 elephants in 11 acres of land. These elephants, used in puram processions, are chained to a single spot for 23 hours of every single day and tortured into submission by their own mahouts. This, and other findings are documented in the official report which is available for viewing on the CUPA website.

Additionally, in July 2015, Dr. Shiela Rao and Ms. Suparna Ganguly, representing the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI) & the Central Zoo Authority of India (CZA) respectively, and accompanied by the district administration officials, inspected 9 elephants belonging to the Gemini and Rambo Circuses stationed in Gulbarga and Gadag districts of Karnataka. Inspection of circuses in Karnataka was directed by the Central Zoo Authority (CZA) in their letter no: 26-6/2001-CZA (Vol. VI) (M)/5255 & 5266 dated 11.7.2014.

Dr. Shiela Rao also visited SAM Circus holding a blind female elephant for display in Ananthpur District of Andhra Pradesh. This was later confiscated from their possession by the Chief Wildlife Warden of Andhra Pradesh. The condition of the circus elephants is pathetic and their use in the entertainment industry of India is a sordid saga of abuse and exploitation. The circus set-up may well be a potential cover for wildlife trafficking (Elephants are Schedule 1 wildlife, as listed in the Wildlife Protection Act) in India, which mimics the strategy employed for human trafficking - especially of helpless young women and children in the country.
On a positive note, the Kanichukulangara temple in Alappuzha, Kerala announced in January this year that it would not use jumbos and noisy firecrackers for its festivals henceforth, after an unfortunate incident leading to a veterinarian being trampled to death after loud crackers startled an elephant during a previous procession. This wise decision has been welcomed and congratulated by animal welfare groups across the nation.

Our biggest move yet has been to collaborate with sister organization, the Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre (WRRC) and offer assistance in the setting up of the Elephant Care Facility (ECF) in Malur, Karnataka, 40 kms from Bangalore. This 3-acre land aims at providing rehabilitation to two female elephants rescued from situations of neglect and physical and mental trauma.
Treasurer’s Report

2014 - 2015 has been a year of heightened activity in CUPA. The increase in income of over 20% compared to the previous year was matched with a proportionate rise in expenses. With 7 centres in different parts of the city, each catering to a different category of animal, maintenance costs have expanded. Infrastructure and equipment was added on in the different centres, to augment the services provided by the organization. Increase in service tax and the PF limit, resulted in a greater outlay for the organization.

We are very fortunate that there is a very compassionate public who has realised that animals needing rescue, treatment and rehabilitation, also need their generosity. Donations in cash and kind helped the CUPA team respond to more calls, treat more animals and give relief to the many cases that, otherwise, may not have made it.

CUPA has become a trusted beneficiary of Corporate Social Responsibility. The staff of many firms enjoys spending time with animals, brushing and bathing them, or cleaning and painting their cages and enclosures. The result is a win-win for both, people and animals, who enjoy each others’ company, and a good time is had by all.

We have been reading a lot about NGOs who have been derecognised for not filing annual returns on their foreign donations to the Ministry of Home Affairs. We would like to inform our donors and well wishers that CUPA has been filing returns regularly under the FCRA, and is under no such threat from the Ministry.

Finally, I would like to say that we owe a debt of gratitude to our donors and volunteers who have expressed their faith in the organization, by donating very generously in cash and kind, responding with alacrity to appeals on social media and visiting our centres to work hands-on with the animals. All of the above would not have been possible without the active support of our Managing Committee members and our hard working staff – at our many centres and in the administrative office. On behalf of all at CUPA, I thank you all once again. You may rest assured that all donations will directly reach the animals that they were meant for.

Dr. Shiela N Rao
Hon. Treasurer
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MINUTES OF THE 20TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF COMPASSION UNLIMITED PLUS ACTION (CUPA) HELD ON SUNDAY, THE 19TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2014 AT THE ‘KAPILA HALL’, INDIRANAGAR CLUB, SITUATED AT 9TH MAIN, 4TH CROSS, HALI STAGE, INDIRANAGAR, BANGALORE – 560 008 AT 17:30 HRS

PRESENT:
Suparna B. Ganguly Hon. President
Sandhya Madappa Hon. Treasurer
Shriela Rao, Dr. Hon. Secretary
Sanober Bharucha Hon. Trustee
Rajani Badami Hon. Trustee
Santosh Rajshékhar Hon. Trustee
Sonia Sarathy Hon. Trustee

Meeting Commences
17:30 - Ms. Shilpa Mahubabani welcomed all present at the 20th Annual General Meeting of CUPA for the year 2013-14. She mentioned that this day was a proud moment for CUPA as it had completed 23 years of its existence. Dr. Shriela Rao was then requested to deliver the welcome speech.

17:32 – Dr. Shriela Rao welcomed all present at the meeting and spoke about how 2013-14 had been a difficult year for CUPA. CUPA had focused on consolidating its efforts on the existing activities, programs and facilities. She mentioned that the Large Animal Rescue & Rehabilitation Center (LARRC) situated at Kengeri was now a fully fledged facility which sheltered several large animals such as cattle and horses along with the dogs that were earlier sheltered at the Hebbal Facility. She highlighted the good work done by the Second Chance Adoption Center situated at Silk Board Junction for abandoned pet dogs and the Geriatric Center situated at Mylapannahalli for aged dogs.

17:38 - Ms. Shilpa gave a brief introduction about the establishment of CUPA and its activities. Mr. Vijay Kumar, Manager of the BBMP CUPA ABC Center then updated the gathering on the work done during the period under review.

Mr. Vijay Kumar informed the gathering that the ABC Center accommodates 160 kittens on a 1 acre land. He mentioned that around 6,200 sterilization operations were conducted during 2013-14. He also informed that this facility attended to 170 cruelty cases as against 132 cases during the previous year.

17:45 - Ms. Shilpa Mahubabani then apprised the gathering of the ambulance service provided by CUPA which attends to emergency cases in the city. She mentioned that the ambulance service was extremely valuable as very few of its kind operate in Bangalore City, thereby highlighting its importance in furthering the causes of CUPA.

She also apprised the gathering on the affordable treatment being provided by the CUPA Care Clinic 24/7 situated at R.T. Nagar and the relentless efforts of Dr. Basavanna Gowda and other veterinarians who attend to around 2000 cases per month at this clinic.

17:50 - Mr. Santosh Rajshékhar then addressed the gathering. He gave an update on the activities of the Geriatric Center for aged dogs at Mylapannahalli. He thanked Mrs. Rohini Nilekani and Mr. Aditya Raheja for their generous contributions. He then gave a presentation on the lives of the dogs at the Geriatric Center. The motto “Old in Body, not in Spirit” was aptly depicted in the fun video.

17:55 - Mr. Aditya Badami then spoke about LARRC’s progress during the year thanks to the team effort of volunteers and support from corporates. He mentioned that the facility shelters around 30 large animals and 23 dogs. He thanked Deutsche Bank for sponsoring the Rainwater Harvesting Facility and for helping LARRC become a self-sufficient, eco-friendly centre.

He highlighted the untrrning efforts of Ms. Savitha Nagbhushan and Ms. Rajani Badami in curtailting animal abuse where in several instances; the owners of overloads carts plying in Bangalore were successfully cautioned against such practices. He also highlighted the efforts of Mr. Ajay, Manager of Trauma Center who helped in the saving of the lives of two camels. He then requested Mr. Ajay to address the gathering.

18:00 - Mr. Ajay spoke about the rescue of the camels who were en route for slaughter. He mentioned that the camels were brought to Bangalore for the sale of their meat. With the timely help of the Police, Mr. Aditya Badami and Ms. Miriam, the camels were rescued. He also suggested a planned approach be taken for rescue of camels in the future which would help in saving the lives of more camels. He also mentioned that the rescue of these camels were to protect the rights of these animals and in no way be construed to hurt the sentiments of any religion.

18:05 - Ms. Sanjana Madappa, CUPA Volunteer, then addressed the gathering. She apprised the gathering on the activities of the Second Chance Adoption Center situated at Silk Board Junction. She thanked Ms. Rohini Nilekani and Mr. Aditya Raheja for their invaluable contributions. She mentioned that 30-35 dogs were sheltered in this facility and during the year it saw around 120 successful adoptions.

18:10 - Mrs. Sandhya Madappa then spoke to the gathering about the success of the charity Golf Tournament held on September 27, 2013 at the Karnataka Golf Association which helped in amassing funds worth Rs. 12.6 lakhs making it the largest fund raiser for the year 2013-14. She mentioned that these funds would be distributed equally between CUPA and WRRC for furtherance of their causes. She also mentioned that the target to raise funds from charity for the year 2014-15 was Rs. 15 lakhs.

18:15 - Mrs. Suparna Ganguly, on behalf of CUPA, extended gratitude to all its patrons and well wishers who have supported CUPA and its activities with generous contributions. She specially thanked Ms. Flynn who has been a patron of CUPA for 23 years. She thanked Ms. Maneka Gandhi, the Animal Welfare Board of India, Deutsche Bank Group, Goldman Sachs, Mrs. Rohini Nilekani, Mr. Aditya Raheja and Mrs. Brindha Nandkumar amongst others.

18:20 - Ms. Shilpa Mahubabani then informed the gathering about the office bearers for the year 2014-15:

President: Mrs. Sanober Bharucha
Secretary: Mrs. Suparna Ganguly
Treasurer: Mrs. Shriela Rao
Trustees: Mr. Biren Das, Mrs. Sandhya Madappa, Ms. Rajani Badami, Mr. Santosh Rajshékhar, Ms. Sonia Sarathy

18:22 - Ms. Sandhya then felicitated the following for their untiring efforts and contribution to CUPA during the year 2013-14: Mr. Shubh Maqsood (representing Deutsche Bank Group) Mr. Aniruddh Kamath (representing Indraprastha Shelters) Mr. Aditya Raheja Ms. Ramya Reddy

18:24 - Ms. Sonia Sarathy then distributed certificates of appreciation to volunteers Mr. Aditya Badami, Ms. Arundati Sommaiah, Ms. Melissa Marak, Mr. Roshan Murali, Ms. Chinthana Gonpathi, Ms. Anoopa Anand, Ms. Anushree Thammanna and Ms. Shilpa Mahubabani.

18:25 - Ms. Shilpa Mahubabani then requested Ms. Sanober Bharucha to give the vote of thanks.

Ms. Sanober Bharucha thanked everyone for attending the 20th Annual General Meeting of CUPA. She mentioned that even though the year 2013-14 was a difficult period for CUPA, it was able to pull through as the entire group of CUPA stood together. She extended her gratitude to Mr. Aniruddh Kamath of Indraprastha Shelters, Mr. Aditya Raheja, Mrs. Rohini Nilekani, Ms. Flynn and (Late) Mr. Dan Ginsberg for their generous contributions over the years. She congratulated Ms. Shilpa Mahubabani, Ms. Anushree Thammanna and Ms. Melissa who, earlier being volunteers at CUPA, were appointed as employees of CUPA. She also extended her gratitude to all the other volunteers of CUPA for their untiring efforts during the year and for furthering the causes of CUPA. She thanked the auditor, Mr. B. Ashok for all the support rendered during the year. She also thanked the office staff of CUPA whose efforts keep CUPA running. She thanked the Animal Husbandry Department, Forest Department and the Police Department for all their support rendered during the year. She then thanked the members of CUPA whose silent contributions have enabled CUPA to work for the welfare of all animals. She extended her gratitude to all the Office Bearers, Trustees, and Management Committee members for all their efforts and support.

18:33 - Ms. Shilpa thanked Ms. Sanober Bharucha and invited the attendees for High Tea.

Meeting Closes
An Appeal

Your generosity means we can plan ahead effectively and decide how to use our resources to continue our vital work of promoting veterinary care, good feed and appropriate housing conditions for the hundreds of animals that pass through our hands. It is your good wishes and contributions that have enabled CUPA to reach where we have today. We still have a long road ahead and your help in any way would make this path easier for our animals in need.

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Pets need Vets! Meet CUPA’s Dr. Moii

My love for animals goes back to my childhood where I was brought up with animals including dogs, cats, rabbits, parrots and even turtle! My parents are animal lovers and they inspired me to become a veterinarian. I heard a lot about CUPA when I was studying MVSc (surgery) in Bangalore Veterinary. Luckily I joined the CUPA Trauma Centre as soon as I graduated.

Everyday, we deal with injured and sick stray dogs and cats. Animals come with a variety of fractures and wounds, some obtained in accidents and others inflicted deliberately by human beings. It’s really hard to deal with those cases in particular as I fail to understand how horrible, cruel and selfish humans can be. But at the same time miracles do happen and we come across people who are very true and loving towards animals.

We are truly blessed by God and all the good people around and pray that we only get stronger and better. Here I am with a sweet lil’ puppy on whom I performed my very first surgery, subsequently overcoming serious accident injuries and all the odds, to make me the confident Veterinarian that I am today.

Breathing Easy

We thank Mrs. Tapsi Vino for reaching out to CUPA and for offering to purchase equipment for our Trauma Centre in memory of her Late Husband, Mr. Vino Subbaiah, who loved dogs and always wanted to make a larger difference to their lives. With Mrs. Vino’s generous donation of Rs. 1.5 lakh, we equipped our centre with a Gas Anaesthetic machine, a critical piece of equipment that is used in every single surgical procedure that takes place at the Trauma Centre.

Cats in your residential complex? They’re residents too!

Confines of apartment complexes are safe havens for feral cats who find shelter and food in nooks and crannies. Getting ‘rid’ of them is ineffective as new cats easily waltz in and illegal as it causes displacement and disorientation. The best way to control the issue is by Trap, Neuter, Return (TNR) thereby forming a safe colony of cats that won’t allow others to enter.

“Just wanted to touch base with you and inform you about the TNR program in Ozone. We have been successful in safely trapping and neutering 22 cats. The cat population seems to have more or less stabilized. Let me take this opportunity to thank CUPA for extending their support and helping us deal with the cat situation in the most humane way possible.”

~ Padma, Member, Resident Association
Breeding an Untold Cruelty

The Boxer and the Labrador here are not anorexic nor are they unwell. They are victims of neglect and indifference by their ‘owners’ who made several thousand rupees selling puppy after puppy and then suddenly decided to disown their pet when she couldn’t litter any more.

This trend has reached alarming and unmanageable levels, with several cases of anonymously abandoned dogs reported everyday. Facilities across the city to house these abandoned dogs are falling short, unable to handle the numbers of pets needing shelter and protection.

With CUPA bearing most of the brunt and having to deal with the suffering of these innocent animals, it was decided that an official and professional investigation be launched to reveal reasons for such large-scale abandonment of pet dogs.

CUPA simultaneously advocates strongly for the adoption of pets from shelters instead of buying them from pet shops, where they are often housed in poor and substandard conditions.

We encourage animal lovers and all families looking to add a furry friend to the brood to kill the demand for exotic breeds, and therefore the supply, by adopting. Foreign breeds of dogs are highly likely to show signs of defects and ill health very early in life, due to factors such as inbreeding and unsuitability in Indian terrain. More and more Indian families are opening up to the idea of taking home our very own Indie dog – and why not! They are loving, smart, loyal, strong and good looking – everything that one could ask for in a companion. Many potential adopters are blocked by misconceptions about adopting Indie dogs, and especially older dogs. The fact of the matter is – they love us regardless of our colour, gender, size and ethnicity. Unfortunately, most of us aren’t as advanced.

When the buying stops, the cruelty can too.