

WVS ITC MONTHLY REPORT

for October 2016

ITC Ooty – some numbers

1. Number of participants in 2016 so far (incl vets, assistants, truck and special courses)	350
2. Number of dogs operated and vaccinated in 2016 so far (incl ITC, TRUCK, out-reach ABC but EXCL HICKS)	5320
3. Number of surgery courses completed in WVS ITC 2016 so far	20
4. Number of other cases attended in the ITC clinic in 2016 so far	1200

Some interesting cases:

German shepherd with necrotic skin

Before:



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In the middle:



At the moment:



Eye injury rescued dog

Before:

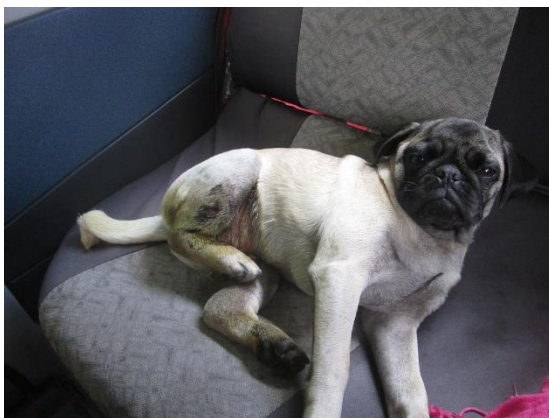


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At the moment: Recovering in ITC. The wound has healed now to a stage where we could close it.



Pug with two broken hindlegs
Before:

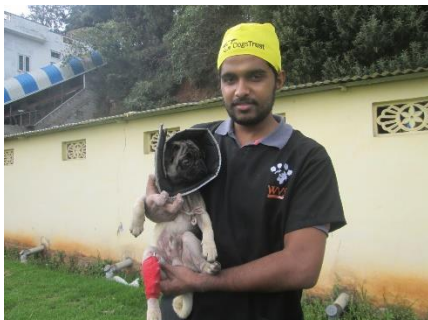
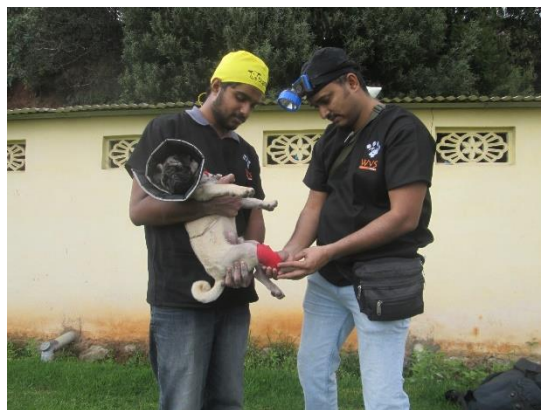


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In the middle: Being operated by our volunteers Dr. Patil and Kimm Baker with Dr. Vinay and Dr. Aswin leading the anesthesia team



At the moment: Recovering and receiving tender loving care and restricted exercise at the ITC



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Abandoned Dalmatian

Before:

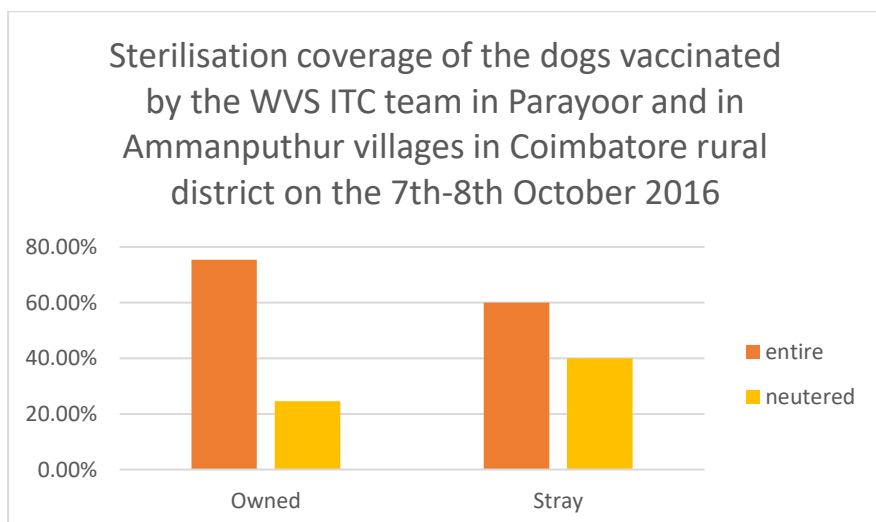
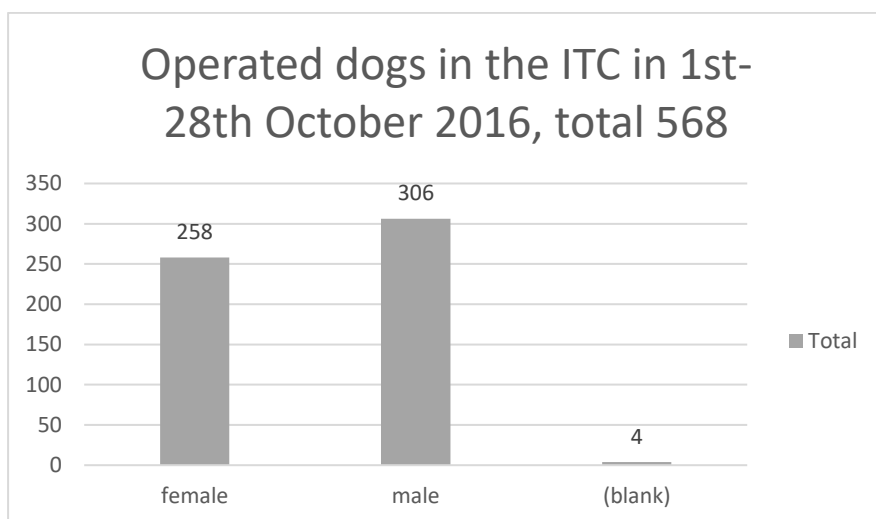
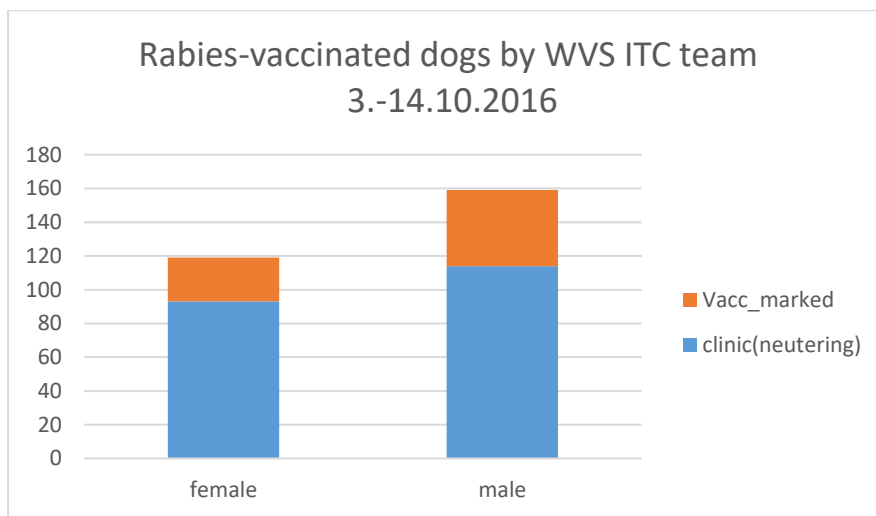


At the moment: Recovering in the ITC and waiting to get to the IPAN shelter



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Some stats from the MR app (looking forward in using the WVS app!)



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Feedback from WVS ITC participants in October

Dr. Suchitra:

“course is really excellent, fantastic – I have no words!. It improves our confidence after coming here and doing it personally. It helped me to clear my actual understanding and basic concept regarding welfare, ethics and asepsis. Practical session was very awesome, we are actually getting to know the methods, patterns of suturing methods to handle complications from the experience of supervisors. Theory sessions should be more but it is OK. Course is just awesome, thanks a lot WVS!”

Dr. Abhilash:

“This course is really amazing. It has increased my confidence level from 0% to 99.99%. This has also given me the confidence to attempt any possible surgery. The vets were really helpful and patient while teaching. The lectures were very very informative and well dealt with. This course has taught me that nothing in the books is impossible practically and everything is possible in a normal basic set up also. The idea of asepsis is strongly embedded into every participants mind after this course. This will surely help all of us perform well in surgeries. Keep going! All the best!”

Dr. Jasmin E.

“It was one of the wonderful experience in my life. I got a great confidence to surgeries as well as anesthesia monitoring. I learned about the actual animal welfare. My suggestion is that please open more centers all over the world then only we can reduce rabies incidence in India as well as world!”

Working Equines

- Dr. Aswin conducted a donkey street clinic in Krishnagiri together with a volunteer vet Kimm Baker. Report will be sent separately.

Other activities

Studies in ITC / presentations by the ITC team

- Emma Rayner who is doing MSc in Animal Welfare, will be doing her MSc thesis in association with WVS ITC. She has developed a lecture on animal welfare, trained some of our residents vets in giving that lecture as part of the ITC surgery course and then we will follow with pre- and post-assessments the impact of the course and this lecture on the participants knowledge and attitude in animal welfare. This work has now begun and the lecture is a standard part of the Saturday program on the ITC surgery courses.
- Thanks to Stella and Natascha, the data so far collected by the ITC team (wound healing, participant surveys and sterilisation-%) is soon getting some shape. We are looking forward in the WVS app and how to utilise that for the ITC use and future studies. It was also very helpful to have Natascha and Stella to visit the WVS ITC to see how we work

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and how data is collected and to plan the kind of publications that can be done.
Natascha and Stella will be updating the UK team about the plans.

- Ilona spoke on the National rabies control seminar on the World Rabies Day event in the Wayanad veterinary college in Kerala about 'Sustainable rabies control'. The newspaper article that came out about this meeting has been sent earlier to UK.
- Ilona and Nigel attended the FIAPO conference on the 21st-23rd October to talk about effective ABC programs
- Dr. Aswin has submitted an abstract to present in the Kerala veterinary Science congress in November and it has been accepted. Topic is a case study of esophagotomy in a puppy and the text has been sent to WVS UK separately. Co-authors are Dr. Vinay and Ilona. Dr. Aswin will go and present this in November in the congress.

WVS India veterinary team at present

1. Dr. Vinay – senior vet: ITC and truck
2. Dr. Aswin – senior vet: Working equines, ITC
3. Dr. Navas – vet: ITC resident and Truck
4. Dr. Ishan – vet: Hicks senior
5. Dr. Bhuvana – junior vet: ITC/ ITC clinic
6. Dr. Hari – junior vet: ITC junior/ Kollegal ABC
7. Dr. Lysandra – vet: Hicks
8. Dr. Manthana – vet: Hicks / Truck when in Goa
9. Dr. Abhilash – junior vet ITC / MR Goa
10. Dr. Samir – vet- MR Ranchi – working in Praveen's project but paid via WVS India/IPAN ITC fund
11. Dr. Amanda – ITC junior Dr. Stacey – ITC-junior to start on 5th November

New vehicles

With the FBB funding for the Kollegal ABC program, we will be able to buy a new dog-catching vehicle. This will be ordered as soon as we get the green signal from James that funds have been received.