# Animal Welfare Group (AWG) Work achieved until July 2016

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## Neutering and regular vaccination:

the only scientifically and legally accepted method of controlling stray dog population

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This ppt focusses on dogs. (Except 'cons') almost same applies to cats.

## Dogs: cons

- Dogs bark/howl overnight
- They chase vehicles/runners/walkers (They also sadly get run down by rash drivers.)
- Often in packs
- Dogs bite occasionally (then, the bitten needs injections)

## Dogs: pros

- Help destress humans (well-known, relevant for students)
- Part of fauna/nature: like birds, deer and butterflies
- They too belong here

## Animal welfare group (AWG): since Aug-15

- Prioritized neutering: 57 dogs in 11 months: neutered ≡ V-cut on ear
- Another 40 (scattered) dogs: yet to be neutered
- So far, we took friendly/non-shy dogs in our personal cars
- No more such friendly dogs yet-to-be-neutered.
- Need a professional catcher/ambulance (⇒ increased costs)

With 95% dogs neutered, population will stabilize and then fall in 3 years.

### Zero dog population ≡ void

- ⇒ unfamiliar, stressed, unvaccinated dogs will stray into campus
- ⇒ voids not desirable nor achievable

#### Other AWG work includes:

Cat/dog adoptions, cat/dog vaccinations.

Dogs: 93 vaccinated in last one year



## Dog feeding

#### Stray dogs need familiar persons

- to allow themselves to be neutered
- Starving dogs would quarrel more for food.
- Dog-feeders help dogs become less-stressed and less-starved.
- Dog-feeders are protected by law.
- Displacing dogs is illegal.
   If Govt. employees instruct displacing/etc: liable to be punished.
- Institute's dog vaccination/neutering: infeasible without dog-feeders!
- If children/adults do not befriend puppies, these puppies will grow up to become aggressive/human-hating dogs
- Dog-feeders must feed/care responsibly. hostel-mess nor hostel wings

Your full support is needed for human-animal conflict minimization