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To, Sugruha Residential Welfare Association L & T SOUTH CITY, Arekere, Bengaluru - 560076

Dear Sir / Madam,

Subject:

Issues faced by South City Animal Welfare -reg

Reference: Email received from South City Animal Welfare08/01/2025

With reference to the subject cited above, in the letter under reference, it was brought to the notice of Animal Husbandry, BBMP the issues faced by South City Animal Welfare and requested to address the same. To assess the reality and to resolve the complaint, on February 8, 2025, field visit was done along with Joint Director(AH) BBMP, Mrs. Sadhana Hegde- SPCA member, Sri Udayakumar Kulakarni-Livestock Development Officr , Mrs Reshma-dog feeder. We have reviewed the WhatsApp chats, concerns raised, feeding spot arrangements, in the presence of SPCA member - Mrs. Sadhana Hegde.

Following obsevations were made:

There are around 15-16 dogs inside the park and around 5-6 dogs outside the park in front of gate 1. All dogs are vaccinated and neutered. All community animals shall continue to remain in the premises as per their existing territory without any changes. Feeders will be feeding at the designated spot at around 6AM in the morning and around 10PM at night every day.

Two dog feeding spots that have been finalized as the designated feeding spot for feeders to feed dogs residing in and around park opposite to L & T SOUTH CITY are as following:

Spot 1: Outside L & T SOUTH CITY STP - Gate 3 plant compound where there is a grill opening for dogs to come out of the park.

Spot 2: Opposite road of L & T SOUTH CITY Gate 1, near park compound where vehicles are parked currently.

Do's:

a. Following animal laws and constitutional duty is not optional. Every resident must ensure they are adhering to animal laws in the same manner as they do in adhering to all other laws of the land.

b. More citizens are encouraged to join the existing group of feeders and pet parents to care for these community animals through feeding,

grooming and upkeep.

c. Periodical awareness sessions to be conducted internally to keep residents up to date about animal issues and laws from time to time.

d. To flag issues individually to BBMP instead of pitching for group mandates.

e. Animal safety advisories to be displayed at all key areas of the property.

f. Rabies Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis shot can be taken as a precaution for bites if any.

Don'ts:

a. None of the community animals must be relocated directly or indirectly through any subterfuge method including adoption where the animal is not being given a home but is just assigned a handler.

b. Cruelty on animals must not be inflicted in any manner: Killing / maiming / throwing water or any harmful substance like glue, acid / throwing stones / chasing animals incessantly & pushing them to a territory that doesn't belong to them / deliberately startling them when they are sleeping / walking with a stick to intimidate / running over them by vehicle / depriving them of shelter, food, medicine and water.

c. Harassing feeders and animal lovers on social media groups and platforms in the name of human safety.

d. Leaving children unattended in the common area, thereby exposing them to the risk of mishaps.

e. Throwing left over food in non-designated feeding spots.

Actions for L & T SOUTH CITY management:

1. Putting board for assigned feeding spot.

2. Notifying all residents about this order and ensuring feeders are not harassed anymore.

3. Keeping water bowls at various points across the park under shade for animals and birds to have 24*7 access to clean water.

4. Educate complete security team about the guidelines.

All residents and staff are hereby instructed to strictly follow Community Animals' guidelines in letter and spirit to maintain a positive coexisting environment where animals, birds and humans can thrive together. BBMP reserves the rights to initiate legal action under appropriate BNS sections on failure of implementation of this order. Submit the action taken report.

Regards

Assistant Director (AH)

Bommanahalli Zone, BBMP

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- 1. Hon'ble Special Commissioner (Health & AH), BBMP for kind information
- 2. Hon'ble Zonal Commissioner, Bommanahalli Zone, BBMP for kind information
- 3. Hon'ble Joint Commissioner, Bommanahalli Zone, BBMP for kind information
- 4. Joint Director (AH), BBMP, for kind information
- 5. Sahavarthin Animal Welfare Trust, for kind information
- 6. Office Copy



Issues Faced By South City Animal Welfare

1 message

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Wed, 8 Jan, 2025 at 21:59

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Dear Sahavarthin Team,

We hope this email finds you well. We are a group of animal lovers, residing in South City Apartments and we take care of our community dogs that live outside our society, with regular and timely vaccinations, neutering and adoption processes of pup in the past.

All the dogs are fed at-least one meal a day outside the premises of the apartment, and this is sponsored by many well-wishers, both from within and out of our society.

Our Zonal AD visited our society and has given approval for feeding spots, where Feeding Spot Boards are to be installed. As community animal feeders, we are writing this email to bring to your attention few challenges faced by community dogs and their caregivers at L&T South City Apartments.

We urgently need your support and guidance in addressing the following concerns:

1. Harassment of Feeders: Despite following BBMP Animal Welfare laws and guidelines set by the Animal Welfare Board of India, community dog feeders, face harassment from apartment residents.

2. Sleeping Areas:. As per the Animal Birth Control (Dogs) Rules, 2001, community dogs cannot be relocated from their natural habitats. Public property spots, where community dogs reside, are being barricaded and harmful objects are being added, disrupting their existing living locations. This is a clear violation of animal welfare laws. Their sleeping areas are also constantly disturbed and they are being chased away from their spot, which is creating overlapping of territories, of multiple packs living on said road.

3. Feeding Spots Misused: Designated Feeding spots (approved by our zonal AD) for community dogs are being used for urination by cab and auto drivers. We also hope this space does not get misused and no objection is raised by the society members for the same. Water bowls (from WFV) that are placed for community animals are also being removed and destroyed at times, despite being away from locations that have maximum human traffic.

4. Lack of Awareness Sessions: There is a dire need for awareness sessions for South City Residents regarding animal welfare laws, community dog management, and the importance of coexisting with street animals.

5. Hate Mongering and Threats: Apartment residents are spreading hate and misinformation about community dogs and their feeders on WhatsApp groups, threatening to relocate animals living outside the apartment's premises and also to harm them. This is creating a hostile environment and promoting animal cruelty.

We request your intervention in addressing these concerns and ensuring that community dogs and their caregivers are treated with dignity and respect. We would appreciate your support in:

- Conducting awareness sessions for residents and security personnel
- Ensuring that the Apartment Association respects animal welfare laws
- Preventing harassment of community dog feeders
- Providing a safe and hygienic environment for community dogs

We look forward to your prompt response and support in addressing these critical issues. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best regards, South City Parkies Caregivers L&T South City Apartment