Bark India
Charitable Trust

SINCE 2015
PONDICHERRY, INDIA



BARK INDIA CHARITABLE TRUST

Annual Report

2025 – 2026

Rescue · Care · Cure

Every life we touch is a story of hope — of animals given care, comfort and a second chance, and of a community that made it possible.

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Bark India Hospital and Rescue Centre, Pattanur

ABOUT US

Bark India Charitable Trust is a registered animal welfare trust founded on **18 August 2015** in Pondicherry. We rescue, treat, sterilise, vaccinate and rehome stray and abandoned animals — and we teach communities to live kindly alongside them.

THIS REPORT COVERS

1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026 — our eleventh year of service, and the year we completed our first ten.



A MESSAGE FROM OUR FOUNDER

Letter from the Founder

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Solairajan N.
Founder & Managing Trustee
Bark India Charitable Trust

1,228
ANIMALS RESCUED & TREATED

1,542
OUTPATIENTS TREATED

1,366
ANIMALS VACCINATED

As we reflect on 2025–26, I am filled with deep gratitude and quiet pride for how far Bark India Charitable Trust has come.

What began in August 2015 as a small effort driven by compassion has grown into a strong, committed movement for animals who have no voice of their own. This year, we completed ten years of service.

We continued our mission of rescuing, treating and rehabilitating stray and abandoned animals, while strengthening our focus on awareness and community engagement. From life-saving surgeries to school education programmes and vaccination drives, every step was guided by empathy, responsibility and hope.

In 2025–26, our team rescued **1,228 animals**, performed **722 surgeries**, vaccinated **1,366 animals** and treated **1,542 outpatients** — caring for animals that had no one else to turn to.

None of this would have been possible without our dedicated staff, who are the true pillars of Bark India, and without the unwavering support of our donors, volunteers, veterinary partners and well-wishers. I am especially grateful to **Mr. Gautam Chainani**, whose steady support and guidance since 2020 have helped Bark India grow; to **Hidesign, Pondicherry**, whose CSR grant strengthened our work this year; and to the **Animal Welfare Board of India** for its constant guidance. Together, we are not just saving lives — we are building a kinder, more compassionate society.

> *While challenges remain, our resolve is stronger than ever. Every act of kindness matters, and every life is worth saving.*

Thank you for standing with us on this journey.

With gratitude,

Solairajan N.
Founder & Managing Trustee








WHY WE EXIST

Vision and Mission

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OUR VISION

A compassionate and harmonious world where humans, animals and the environment coexist with mutual respect and care.

We aspire to build communities that are aware, responsible and proactive in protecting stray and abandoned animals. Through education, advocacy and sustainable practices, we envision a future where cruelty is replaced with kindness, and every animal has access to safety, food and medical care.

By inspiring the next generation and strengthening community involvement, we aim to make animal welfare a shared responsibility across society.

OUR MISSION

To rescue, treat, rehabilitate and protect stray and abandoned animals while promoting responsible human behaviour towards them.

We are committed to providing timely medical care, vaccination, sterilisation and nutrition to animals in need. Alongside rescue, we run awareness programmes in schools and communities on animal welfare, coexistence and environmental responsibility.

By working with volunteers, donors and veterinary professionals, we build a sustainable support system — giving every animal a chance at a healthier, safer life.

What guides our work

COMPASSION
Every species, every condition, treated with equal dignity — without discrimination.

CARE FOR EVERY ANIMAL
Treatment, food and shelter for ownerless animals, for as long as they need us.

PREVENTION
Sterilisation and vaccination protect animals and people from rabies.

COMMUNITY
Feeders, schools and neighbours are partners in every release.







2015 – 2025

A Decade of Compassion

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On 18 August 2015, one person's concern for hurt street animals became a registered charitable trust. Ten years on, it is a full veterinary hospital and rescue centre that never closes its doors.

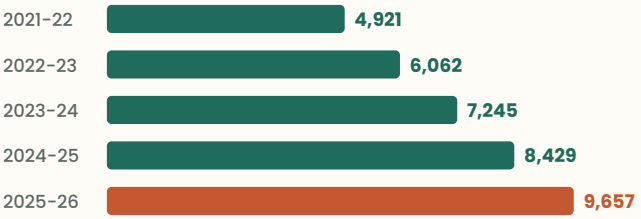
9,600+
ANIMALS RESCUED & TREATED SINCE 2015

240
ANIMALS ADOPTED INTO LOVING HOMES

10
YEARS OF ROUND-THE-CLOCK SERVICE

Our rescues have grown every year

Total animals rescued and admitted since inception (cumulative, as reported in our annual reports)



Steady and reliable. For four years in a row we have rescued more than 1,100 animals annually — and 2025–26 was our highest year yet at **1,228**.

Milestones

2015
Bark India Charitable Trust founded in Pondicherry on 18 August.

2020
Stray animal feeding begins during the COVID-19 lockdown.

2022
Veterinary internship partnership with RIVER, Puducherry begins.

2025
Ten years completed. Capacity grows with new cat kennels; a CSR grant from Hidesign supports our work.

Goal
A **rabies-free Pondicherry by 2030** through vaccination and sterilisation.





APRIL 2025 – MARCH 2026

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Impact at a Glance

In one year, **1,228** lives were rescued and treated — every one of them given the care they needed.

1,228
RESCUED & TREATED
1,195 dogs · 33 cats

722
VETERINARY SURGERIES
From wound care to fracture repair

1,366
ANIMALS VACCINATED
4 community camps in Pondicherry

1,542
OUTPATIENTS TREATED
Outpatient care for stray and community animals

30
ANIMALS ADOPTED
Rehomed in safe, loving families

2
AWARENESS SESSIONS
Schools & colleges reached

Every day, on average

3.4 ANIMALS RESCUED

2.0 SURGERIES DONE

4.2 OUTPATIENTS SEEN

3.7 ANIMALS VACCINATED

Growth over last year

+39% vaccinations (983 → 1,366)

+16% outpatients (1,327 → 1,542)

+4% rescues (1,184 → 1,228)

Compared with 2024–25 (Annual Report 2024–25).

Four-year trend: outpatients treated

More community animals are reaching us every year.

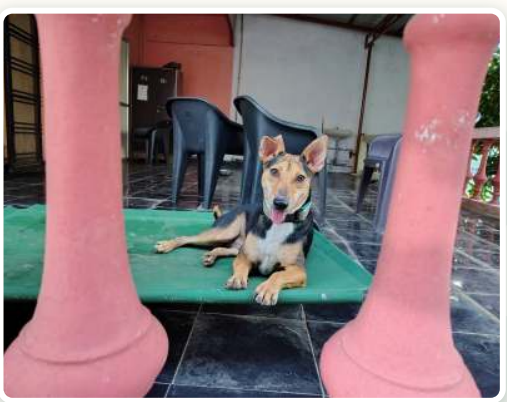


Four-year trend: animals rescued









THE PEOPLE BEHIND THE WORK

Our Team

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The Bark India family — doctors, nurses, rescuers, caregivers and volunteers

Our team is made up of people who share a deep commitment to animal welfare. Each member brings unique skills and experience — from veterinary medicine and emergency rescue to kennel care, outreach and community education. Together we create a safe, supportive and nurturing environment for our four-legged patients and the people who care for them.

TRUSTEES



Mr. Solairajan N.
Founder & Managing Trustee



Ms. Liyona George
Trustee & Secretary



Mr. Gerard L.
Trustee & Treasurer

THE PEOPLE BEHIND THE WORK

Management & Veterinary Team

MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION



Mr. Vijay R.
Operations Manager



Ms. Suretha
Assistant Manager



Mr. Daniel Varkey
Social Media Manager



Ms. Jamuna
Front Office Executive

VETERINARY & CLINICAL TEAM



Dr. Ravivarman S.
Senior Veterinary Officer



Dr. Vijay
Veterinarian



Dr. A. Manju
Veterinary Surgeon



Mr. Manikandan
Kennel Supervisor



Ms. Switi P Nagrale
Veterinary Nurse

RESCUE, KENNEL & CARE TEAM



Mr. Raveenraj
Clinical Service Coordinator



Mr. Sekar
Kennel In-charge



Mr. Kalidas
Rescue In-charge



Mr. Karthik
Veterinary Assistant



Ms. Mageswari
Housekeeping In-charge

Seven days a week, no off days. Our rescue and treatment team works round the clock — in scorching heat and relentless rain — so that no animal is left to suffer unattended.





THE HEART OF BARK INDIA

Our Staff: The Pillars of Bark India

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Without our staff, there would be no Bark India.

Every rescue in this report began with a phone call — and a member of our team who answered it. Every surgery, every wound dressed, every kennel cleaned, every meal served and every frightened animal comforted is the work of the people you see on these pages.

They arrive before the animals wake and stay until the last patient is settled. They work seven days a week, with no off days, through scorching heat and pouring rain. When a critical case arrives after hours, they do not wait for morning. When the kennels are full and the monsoon is heavy, they carry on — because they cannot bear to turn an animal away.

Our doctors, nurses, rescuers, kennel caretakers, housekeeping and office team treat every animal as one of their own. Their skill, patience and big hearts are the reason a broken puppy walks again, a starving dog is fed and a frightened cat learns to trust.

> *Every life saved at Bark India has a staff member's hands behind it.*
>
> — Team Bark India Charitable Trust

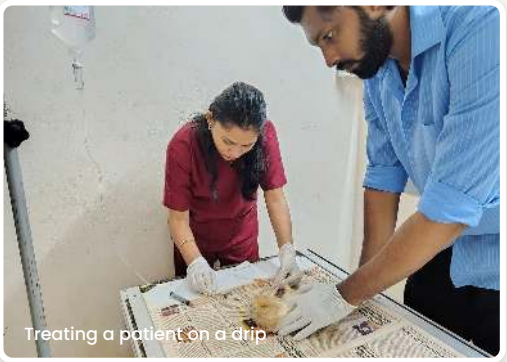
DELIVERED BY ONE DEDICATED TEAM

1,228 RESCUES	**722** SURGERIES
1,542 OUTPATIENTS	**1,366** VACCINATIONS

To every member of Team Bark India — thank you. You are the strength of this Trust, and this report belongs to you. We are proud of you.


Caring for rescued puppies, even in heavy rain


Through the monsoon, the work never stops


Treating a patient on a drip


Bringing a rescued dog to safety


Gentle care on the treatment table


The surgical team in the operation theatre



~100
ANIMALS CAN BE ADMITTED AND CARED FOR AT ONE TIME

22
dog kennels

3
puppy kennels

6 + 6
cat cages + new kennels

OUR HOME FOR HEALING

Hospital and Rescue Centre

Our rescue and treatment facility is equipped to provide immediate admission and medical care to a large number of vulnerable animals. The centre has **22 dog kennels, 3 dedicated puppy kennels, 6 cat cages** and separate bird cages for animals needing treatment, recovery and rehabilitation — a capacity of nearly **100 small animals at a time**.

Separate spaces for puppies, cats and birds provide species-specific care and reduce stress and the spread of infection. Kennels and cages are cleaned and monitored regularly to keep the recovery environment hygienic and healthy.

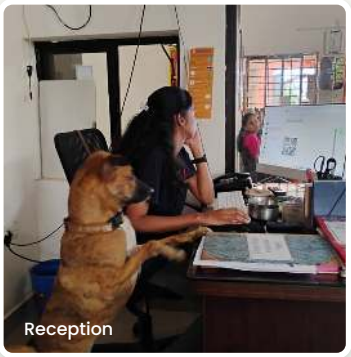
Animals admitted with critical illness, fractures, paralysis, infections, post-surgical conditions or trauma receive continuous observation and supportive care until they are stable and fit for release, rehabilitation or adoption.

> **New this year:** newly built cat kennels allow **6 more stray cats** to be admitted for medical care at a time — better space, saving more lives.

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Hospital entrance

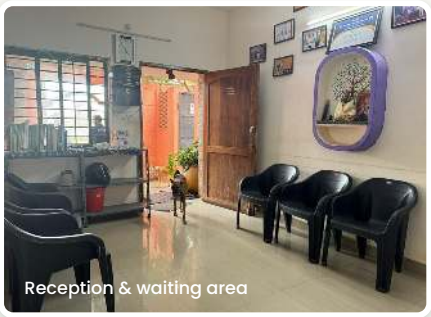

Treatment room


Reception

INSIDE THE CENTRE

A Hospital Built for Strays

Our facility is equipped with essential veterinary equipment for diagnosis, surgery, emergency care and rehabilitation — including **X-ray, blood analyser, oxygen concentrator, gas anaesthesia unit, muscle stimulator, TENS machine and ultrasound therapy equipment**. These tools help our team manage fractures, paralysis, infections, respiratory distress and other life-threatening conditions more effectively.


Reception & waiting area

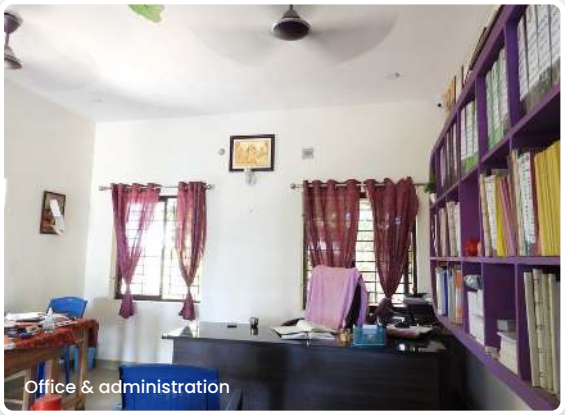

Operation theatre


Treatment area


X-ray unit


Microscope & laboratory


Medicine storage


Office & administration


Kitchen


Office & records


Clinic corridor

SAFE SHELTER

Kennels, Isolation & Recovery Areas

Infrastructure has been developed so that injured, sick, abandoned and rescued animals receive safe shelter, proper medical attention, hygiene, nutrition and comfort while they recover. Contagious cases such as **parvovirus and canine distemper** are treated in separate isolation kennels to protect other patients.


Kennel block, front view


New cat kennels (+6 cats)


Isolation kennel for canine distemper


Recovery kennel


Cat & puppy cages




...or between kennels


Open yard for rehabilitation


Rescued dogs resting

EVERY MEAL IS CARE

Feeding at Our Facility

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For an animal that has lived through hunger, the first full bowl is the first sign of safety.

Every animal in our hospital and rescue centre is fed with care — fresh, nutritious meals and clean water, prepared in our own kitchen and served in the kennels. Weak, elderly and newborn animals get special attention, round the clock, because a good meal is part of the medicine.

FOOD THAT HEALS

- Wounds and fractures heal faster
- Stronger immunity against infection
- Strength to recover after surgery
- Comfort, trust and a wagging tail


Eating again after rescue


A hungry rescue enjoys its meal


Mealtime in the kennels


A cat with food and water within reach


A bowl always within reach


Where the meals are prepared


Recovering with a bowl of water


Looking up from her kennel

A heartfelt thank-you to everyone who celebrates a birthday, an anniversary or another special occasion by arranging a meal for our rescued animals. Your thoughtful gesture brings comfort and happiness to animals who once knew only hunger — every full bowl is a moment of warmth, and we are grateful to share your joy with them.



1,228

ANIMALS RESCUED & TREATED IN 2025–26

OUR PRIMARY FOCUS SINCE DAY ONE

Rescue and Treatment

Rescue and treatment of sick and injured stray animals has been our core work since the beginning of Bark India Charitable Trust. For ten years this commitment has guided every action we take. To date, more than **9,600 animals** have been rescued, admitted and given dedicated medical care at our hospital and rescue centre. Each case is not just a number — it is a life saved and a second chance given.

In 2025–26 alone, we extended our support to **1,228 ownerless animals** in need — from emergency rescues and critical treatment to rehabilitation and recovery. These animals, often abandoned or neglected, depend entirely on such interventions for survival.

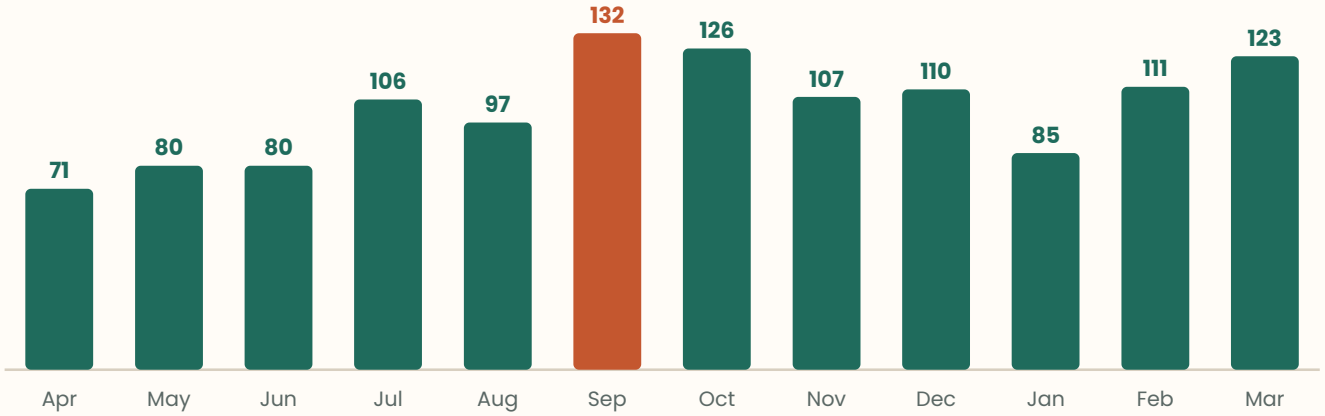
1,195
DOGS

33
CATS

97% dogs · 3% cats

Care for ownerless animals: treatment, food, shelter and monitoring, for as long as they need it.

Number of rescues each month



Peak month: **September 2025 — 132 rescues**, followed by October (126) and March (123).

CRITICAL CARE, EVERY DAY

The Cases We Treat

Our work is rooted in compassion, urgency and a commitment to every life that needs help. Throughout the year we provided round-the-clock rescue and medical care to animals of all species — dogs, cats, birds, livestock and wildlife — without discrimination. From minor ailments to critical injuries, every case is treated with equal dedication and professionalism.

WOUNDS & INFECTIONS

Severe maggot-infested wounds, deep lacerations, abscesses and advanced infections caused by prolonged neglect.

ACCIDENTS & TRAUMA

Road accident victims with fractures, spinal injuries and paralysis needing surgery, physiotherapy and rehabilitation.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

Parvovirus and canine distemper, treated in isolation with intensive and timely care.

INTERNAL CONDITIONS

Kidney and liver problems, tumours including TVT (Transmissible Venereal Tumour), tick fever and respiratory distress.

SKIN & PARASITE CARE

Mange, severe skin infections, tick infestations and nutritional deficiencies.

RESCUES FROM HAZARDS

Animals trapped in drains, wells and water bodies, or stuck in tar, plastic and other hazardous materials.

CRUELTY & NEGLECT

Starvation, dehydration, heatstroke, poisoning and animals subjected to abuse.

NEONATAL CARE

Warmth, feeding and survival support for abandoned newborn puppies and kittens.


Recovering cat

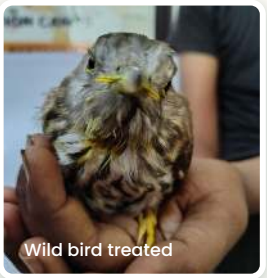

Leg in a cast


A rescued bird


Recovering with a collar


Fracture care


Kitten under care


Wild bird treated


Healing after treatment







FACES OF THE YEAR

Rescue Stories That Inspire Us








Three rescued siblings


Healthy and playful




Ready to go home


Rescued together


A kitten finds comfort



HOW EVERY RESCUE UNFOLDS

The Bark India Care Journey

All rescued animals under our care receive complete and compassionate support throughout recovery: medical treatment, nutritious food, safe shelter, regular monitoring and all the care they need to heal. Weak, elderly and neonatal animals get special attention, round the clock.

1

Rescue

Our team responds to calls from citizens, feeders and caretakers — with no off days.

2

Treat

Diagnosis, medicines, surgery and post-operative care, with a case sheet for each animal.

3

Sterilise & vaccinate

Before release, every recovered animal is neutered/spayed and given anti-rabies and multi-antigen vaccines.

4

Release or rehome

Healthy animals return to their territory; those unfit for the streets are adopted or sheltered.

Transparent, responsible releases

Rescues, admissions and releases are carried out transparently, in the presence of — and with the consent and cooperation of — local feeders, caretakers, informers or custodians who know the animals and their territory. Once fully recovered, each animal is safely returned to its original location, where its community caretakers can keep watching over it.

> **Why this matters:** sterilised and vaccinated animals released into their own territory help control the stray population humanely and protect the community from rabies.

No animal is abandoned after treatment

Animals that live with permanent disabilities, such as paralysis or blindness, or that are otherwise unable to survive safely on the streets, are considered for long-term protected care. Bark India works with its trusted partner, **Sharanya Earth Foundation**, so these animals can live in a secure place with continued care, nutrition and medical attention.

Abandoned puppies and kittens are nurtured with medical care, nutrition, vaccination and socialisation until they are healthy enough for adoption.







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VETERINARY SURGERIES PERFORMED

LIFE-SAVING SKILL

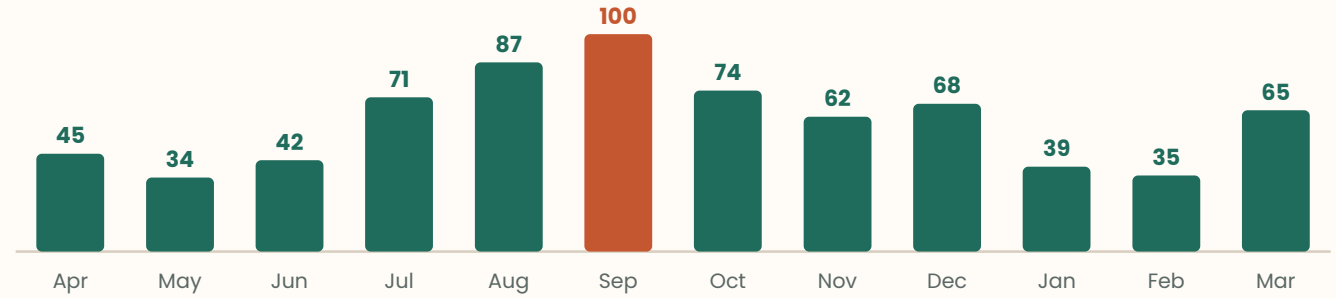
Veterinary Surgeries

During the year, **722 veterinary surgeries** were successfully performed to save and improve the lives of rescued animals under our care. Procedures ranged from minor surgeries such as haematoma treatment and wound management to major orthopaedic and fracture-repair surgeries, including pinning, amputations, tumour removal and hernia repair.

Our veterinary surgeons, doctors, nurses and the entire rescue and medical team worked tirelessly, with dedication and compassion, to give timely, life-saving care to animals in need.

Many emergency surgeries were performed even beyond regular working hours, with the team responding immediately to critical rescue cases despite physical and emotional challenges. Their commitment and willingness to go beyond limits gave countless injured animals a second chance at life.

Number of surgeries each month



Peak month: **September 2025 — 100 surgeries**, as a record number of rescues needed urgent surgical care.


Post-operative recovery


Resting after surgery


Healing well


Recovering well

INSIDE OUR OPERATION THEATRE

Precision, Care & Second Chances

Femur fracture
repair in a community cat

Pinning surgery
for broken legs

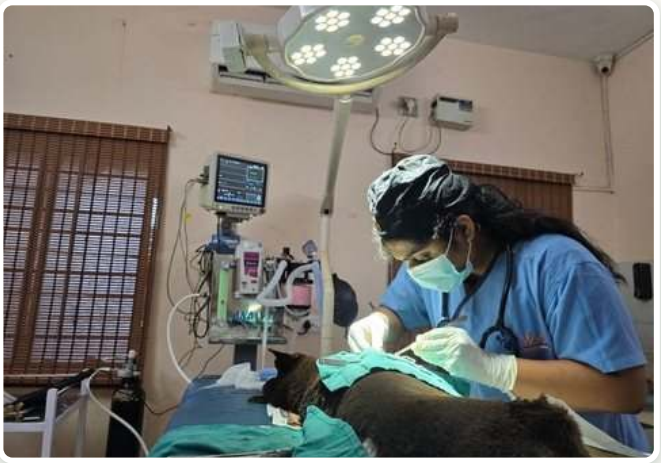
Hernia surgery
of a rescued puppy

Haematoma
tumour & wound surgery


The surgical team at work



















SKILL, PATIENCE AND SECOND CHANCES

Special Surgeries

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Beyond routine care, our veterinary team performs specialised orthopaedic and soft-tissue surgeries that many street animals would never otherwise receive. Each photograph here is from a real Bark India patient — every one of them a life given a second chance.



AMPUTATION
A badly damaged limb is removed so that an animal can live free of pain — and learn to run again.



PINNING SURGERY
Orthopaedic pins realign and hold broken legs in place so the bone can heal and the animal can walk.



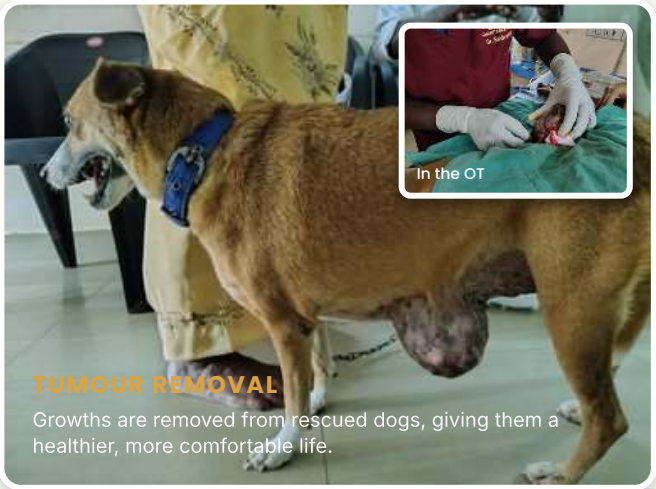
HEMATOMA SURGERY
Painful blood-filled swellings, often in the ear, are drained and repaired to relieve pain.



HERNIA SURGERY
A rescued puppy's hernia is repaired — shown here after treatment, and before (inset).



EYE CARE
Painful, infected and injured eyes are examined and treated to relieve suffering and protect sight.



TUMOUR REMOVAL
Growths are removed from rescued dogs, giving them a healthier, more comfortable life.

Also performed this year: broken-jaw repair, TVT (transmissible venereal tumour) treatment, fracture repair, wound reconstruction and emergency soft-tissue surgery.



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ANIMALS FOUND FOREVER HOMES

ADOPT, DON'T SHOP

Adoptions

The Bark India Adoption Programme finds loving, responsible homes for rescued animals that cannot safely return to street life after recovery — puppies, kittens, abandoned pets, animals with special needs and non-Indie dogs treated at our hospital.

Every animal offered for adoption receives the medical care it needs first, and we guide adopters so the transition is smooth for both family and animal. Since Bark India is a rescue and treatment organisation, healthy animals are returned to their territory after sterilisation and vaccination; those unsuitable for street life are placed in carefully chosen homes.

> *"Adopt, Don't Shop."*
>
> We strongly promote adopting Indian (Indie) dogs and cats — intelligent, healthy, adapted to the Indian climate and wonderful lifelong companions.

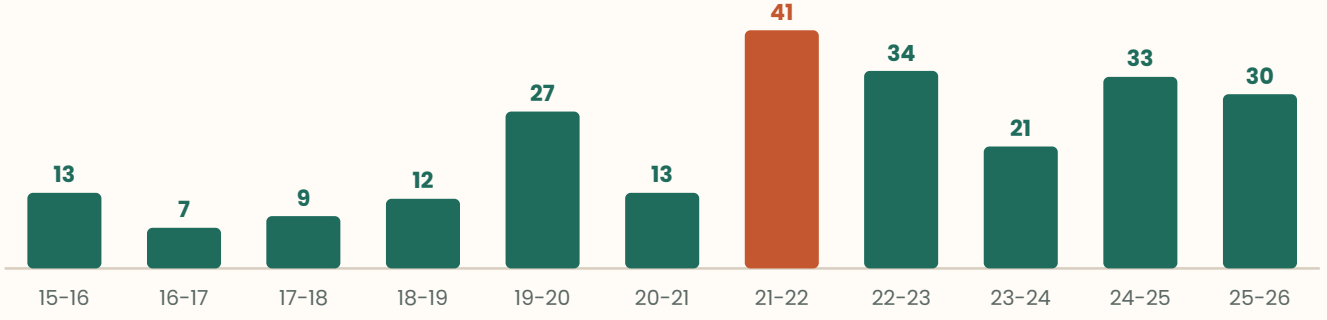
OUR PROMISE TO EVERY ADOPTER — AT NO COST

Vaccination
for every animal adopted from Bark India

Sterilisation
for every animal adopted from Bark India

Lifetime treatment
for the whole life of every adopted animal

Adoptions by year — 240 animals rehomed since 2015

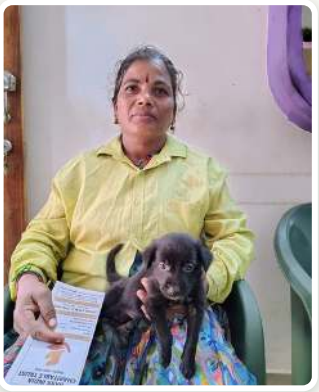


HAPPY ENDINGS

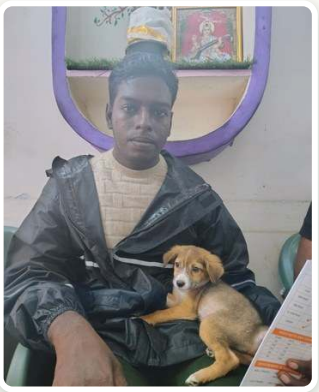
Forever Homes, Forever Friends

Every adoption is a promise — a lifetime of companionship. Bark India stands by every adopting family with **vaccination, sterilisation and lifetime treatment** for the animals we rehome.












A rescued dog heads home with a loving adopter



A new family member, held close





1,366

ANIMALS VACCINATED — ONE STEP CLOSER TO A RABIES-FREE COMMUNITY

TOWARDS A RABIES-FREE PONDICHERRY BY 2030

Vaccinations

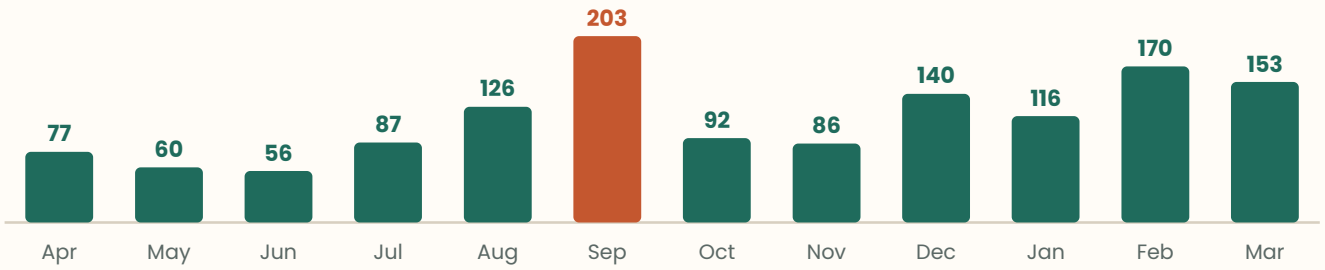
Every day **Anti-rabies vaccination** is given at our hospital every single day, at no cost, for stray and pet animals — except pedigree (breed) pets. Just bring the animal to us.

Vaccination is one of the most important steps in protecting animals and communities from rabies. This year Bark India Charitable Trust **vaccinated 1,366 animals** and conducted **four medical camps** across Pondicherry, reaching communities in and around Reddiyarpalayam, Vaithikuppam and Nainarmandapam.

COMMUNITIES REACHED · 4 CAMPS

- **2** Reddiyarpalayam
- **1** Vaithikuppam
- **1** Nainarmandapam

Animals vaccinated each month



Peak month: **September 2025 — 203 vaccinations**, including camps at Reddiyarpalayam (10 and 18 Sept) and Vaithikuppam (27 Sept).


Community vaccination


Vaccinating at a camp


A puppy ready for its vaccine


Vaccination in the neighbourhood

IN THE COMMUNITY

Camps That Protect Neighbourhoods

Every vaccination represents a step towards a safer environment for animals and people alike. We remain committed to promoting responsible animal care, preventing the spread of rabies and building a future where animals live healthier lives alongside the communities they share.

RABIES IS PREVENTABLE

Once symptoms appear, rabies is almost always fatal — but vaccination prevents it completely.

COMMUNITY PROTECTION

When most dogs in a neighbourhood are vaccinated, the chain of rabies transmission is broken.

EVERY SINGLE DAY

Anti-rabies vaccination is available at our hospital daily for stray and pet animals (except pedigree pets).

Four camps in 2025–26: Reddiyarpalayam (10 and 18 September 2025), Vaithikuppam (27 September 2025) and Nainarmandapam — reaching the animals that are hardest to reach.


Vaccination camp


Community camp


Camp in a Pondicherry neighbourhood

1,366
ANIMALS VACCINATED IN 2025–26

One vaccine. One protected animal. One safer street for everyone who lives on it.

Want a camp in your area? If you would like to host an anti-rabies vaccination drive in your neighbourhood, contact us on **94870 07552**.

CARE WITHOUT ADMISSION

Outpatients

1,542
ANIMALS TREATED AS OUTPATIENTS

For all **Treatment is provided free of cost** for community and stray animals cared for by feeders and animal lovers — and for the pets of poor families who cannot afford veterinary care.

At Bark India, we believe every street animal deserves quality veterinary care, whether or not it has an owner. Our **Outpatient Programme (OP)** helps community caretakers, feeders, rescuers and animal lovers get timely medical care for stray and community animals — without hospitalisation.

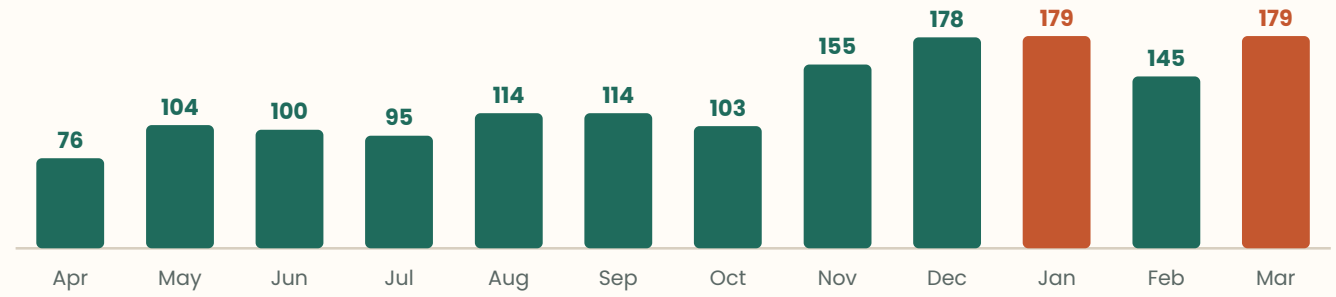
Consultation, diagnosis, treatment, medication, wound care and follow-up are all provided with the same care. Every working day, during both morning and evening OP hours, dozens of animals benefit.

Many street animals suffer from skin diseases, wounds, infections, injuries, tick infestations, ear and eye problems and nutritional deficiencies. They can be treated while remaining in familiar surroundings, avoiding the stress of hospitalisation. Our team guides caretakers on medication, wound management, nutrition and follow-up care until recovery.

Why the OP model works

- Care that reaches community animals
- Less stress than prolonged hospitalisation
- Recovery in familiar, safe surroundings
- Personal attention from caretakers who know the animal
- Faster healing through continuous monitoring
- Stronger community participation in animal welfare

Outpatients treated each month



Outpatient numbers grew from 76 in April 2025 to **179 in both January and March 2026** — more than double.







COMMUNITY ANIMALS, CARED FOR

Healing Without Hospital Stays

The Outpatient Programme is a bridge between professional veterinary care and community-driven animal welfare — a sustainable model in which communities actively improve the lives of street animals. **No stray animal should suffer simply because it lacks an owner.**
















EDUCATION AWARENESS BETTER FUTURE

KINDNESS BEGINS IN THE CLASSROOM

School Awareness Programme

Creating a compassionate and responsible society begins with educating children. Our School Awareness Programme inspires young minds to understand, respect and care for animals while promoting a healthy relationship between humans, animals and the environment.

Through interactive sessions, our team reaches students of different ages and backgrounds, helping them develop empathy, kindness and responsibility towards animals and nature. Students learn about the lives of street animals, the challenges they face, and how to interact with dogs safely — reducing fear, misunderstanding and animal-related conflict.

Sessions use presentations, discussions, real-life rescue stories, videos, activities and question-and-answer rounds that encourage active participation.

Key topics covered

- Animal behaviour and body language
- Safe, responsible interaction with street animals
- Compassion and kindness towards animals
- Animal welfare and animal rights
- Adoption and responsible pet ownership
- The harmful effects of cruelty and neglect
- Rabies awareness and prevention
- Why sterilisation and vaccination matter
- Waste management and its impact on animals
- Human health, animal welfare and the environment

2 awareness classes were conducted this year at **Nethaji Subhash Chandra Bose Government High School, Pillaiyarkuppam** and **Christ College of Nursing, Thuthipet**, educating hundreds of students.





BUILDING COMPASSIONATE VETS

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Veterinary Internship

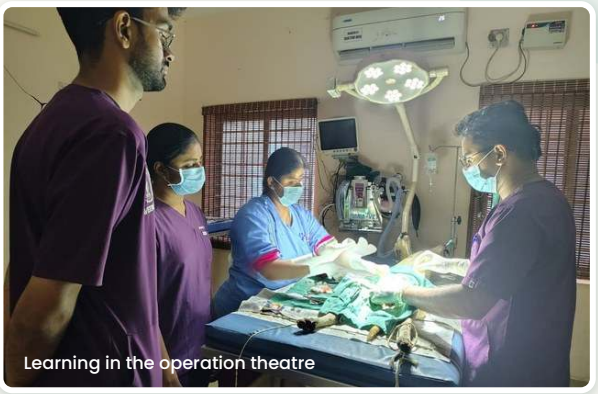
Every year, Bark India welcomes a new batch of veterinary interns from RIVER — the Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Veterinary Education and Research, Puducherry.

The internship bridges the gap between classroom learning and real-world veterinary practice by giving young veterinarians practical exposure to **animal rescue, emergency medicine, surgery, rehabilitation and animal welfare**.

While traditional veterinary education focuses on farm animals and zoo medicine, Bark India offers students a rare opportunity to work closely with community animals — learning small-animal treatment, handling, post-operative care and emergency response, and seeing the ethical side of animal care.

Interns repeatedly tell us the experience changes how they see animals: not as clinical subjects, but as sentient beings who deserve kindness, dignity and care. This shift is exactly what the veterinary profession needs.

> In September 2025, **two batches** completed their internship at Bark India, and a new batch was welcomed. We thank RIVER for its continued partnership and trust.



Learning in the operation theatre



Hands-on clinical practice



Guided by our veterinarians





REAL ANIMALS, REAL RECOVERIES

Stories of Second Chances

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RESCUED IN DECEMBER

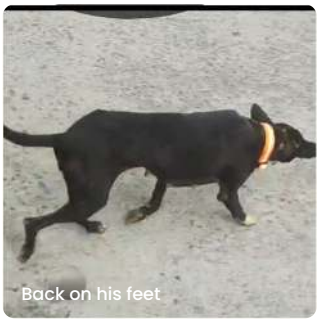
The dog with a pipe around his neck

He came to us with a tight PVC pipe trapped around his neck, choking him for over a month. Our team freed him, treated his wounds and nursed him back to health. He went back as a **healthy, neutered, vaccinated boy with a collar on his neck**.


Arrival


After freeing


Healing


Back on his feet


Severe maggot wound, healed


Recovered from poisoning

ROADSIDE RESCUES TURNED SURVIVORS

Recovered from a severe maggot wound: one of the most painful neglect cases we see, healed with patient wound care, treatment and kindness.

Recovered from poisoning: emergency treatment and round-the-clock care gave her a second chance.

Your support gave them a second chance.

Every recovery in this report was made possible by donors, volunteers and the Bark India team.





FROM APRIL 2025 TO MARCH 2026

The Year at a Glance

Month	Rescue & Treatment	Veterinary Surgeries	Vaccination	Outpatient Treatment	Adoption	Awareness Programme	Animal Feeding
April 2025	71	45	77	76	2	0	150
May 2025	80	34	60	104	5	0	150
June 2025	80	42	56	100	4	0	150
July 2025	106	71	87	95	2	0	150
August 2025	97	87	126	114	3	1	150
September 2025	132	100	203	114	1	0	150
October 2025	126	74	92	103	3	0	150
November 2025	107	62	86	155	2	0	150
December 2025	110	68	140	178	3	0	150
January 2026	85	39	116	179	2	0	150
February 2026	111	35	170	145	1	0	150
March 2026	123	65	153	179	2	1	150
TOTAL	1,228	722	1,366	1,542	30	2	–

Highest month in each category shown in **orange**. Totals are the sum of the twelve monthly figures.

Highlights of the year

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RESCUES IN SEPT 2025
our busiest month for rescue

203
VACCINATIONS IN SEPT 2025
three community camps held

100
SURGERIES IN SEPT 2025
our busiest month in the OT

179
OUTPATIENTS IN JAN & MAR
more than double April







OUR PILLAR OF STRENGTH

With Gratitude to Mr. Gautam Chainani

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU

"Words of thanks are not enough."

Some people change the course of an organisation simply by believing in it. For Bark India, one of those people is **Mr. Gautam Chainani**.

Mr. Chainani has supported Bark India every single year since 2020 — and he is one of our biggest donors, giving generously, year after year, without a break. Such steady and faithful giving has allowed us to plan ahead with confidence and never turn an animal away.

His kindness has touched every part of our work, from rescuing strays to feeding hungry animals. But his gift is far more than financial: his guidance, encouragement and support have helped Bark India grow stronger, better and more responsible as an organisation. Without his compassion for animals, we would not be able to do what we do today. **Thank you, Mr. Chainani — from every animal whose life you have helped to save.**

STANDING WITH BARK INDIA — EVERY YEAR SINCE 2020

2020 · 2021 · 2022 · 2023 · 2024 · 2025 · 2026

RESCUE & CARE
His support has helped rescue, treat and heal thousands of injured and sick strays.

FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY
It has helped us feed hungry animals when they had nowhere else to turn.

GUIDANCE TO GROW
His advice and encouragement have helped Bark India grow stronger every year.

Lives your kindness has touched







HELP US HELP THEM

How You Can Help

Supporting Bark India is about far more than money. Your time, your home, your voice and everyday items all help an animal heal.

Ways to support



VOLUNTEER
Give your time and skills — join rescues, camps and everyday care.



FOSTER
Open your home to an animal until it recovers or finds a family.



ADOPT
Give a rescued Indie a forever home.

Donate in kind



Essential supplies keep our hospital and kennels running. Every item you bring is put to use for an animal in our care.

- **Old clothes & towels for bedding**
- **Newspapers**
- **Veterinary medicines & supplements**
- **Dry & gravy dog and cat food**
- **Cooking rice**
- **Dog cots**

Other ways to help



SPREAD THE WORD
Follow, share and tell our stories — every voice helps an animal.



CELEBRATE WITH A MEAL
Mark a birthday or anniversary by arranging a meal for our animals.



VISIT US
Meet the team and see our work: Monday–Saturday, 3–4 pm. Call **94870 07552**.

PREFER TO GIVE FINANCIALLY?

Scan to visit our donation page

barkindia.org/donate

TEN YEARS OF COMPASSION · ONE SHARED JOURNEY

Thank You

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We would not have come this far without you. Every milestone, every life touched and every challenge overcome was made possible by the people and institutions who believed in our mission.

OUR CSR PARTNER 2025 – 26

Hidesign India Private Limited

This year Bark India received a **CSR grant from Hidesign**. Thank you for believing in our work and standing beside the voiceless of Pondicherry. Your support strengthens our rescue and treatment work.

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MR. GAUTAM CHAINANI

Our loyal donor since 2020, whose generosity and guidance help Bark India grow. See page 31.

OUR 5-STAR DONORS

Every donor who stood by us this year. See page 35.

Government & institutional support

ANIMAL WELFARE BOARD OF INDIA

For constant guidance, encouragement and direction that keep us aligned with our mission.

ANIMAL HUSBANDRY DEPARTMENT, PUDUCHERRY

For its cooperation and support in our animal welfare work across Pondicherry.

ANIMAL HUSBANDRY DEPARTMENT, TAMIL NADU

For its cooperation and support in our work in the region.

Our partners in care — **Sharanya Earth Foundation** and **RIVER, Puducherry** — are celebrated on page 34.







TOGETHER, WE GIVE A SECOND CHANCE

Our Partners in Care

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OUR PARTNER IN CARE

Sharanya Earth Foundation

Some animals cannot return to the streets after treatment — those living with permanent disabilities such as paralysis or blindness, or too frail to survive outside. For them, **Sharanya Earth Foundation** opens its doors.

With their support, Bark India can promise something we could never promise alone: a **second chance at survival** that does not end when treatment does.

Animals who would otherwise have had nowhere to go are given a safe, caring home for life, with nutrition, medical attention and dignity.

Bark India heals; Sharanya gives that healing a home.

Sharanya Earth Foundation is one of the most important partners in everything we do. Thank you for your compassion, your trust and your open hearts.

TRAINING PARTNER

RIVER — Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Veterinary Education and Research, Puducherry

Thank you for trusting us with your veterinary interns. Two batches completed their internship with us in September 2025, and together we are shaping a more compassionate generation of veterinarians.





WITH ALL OUR HEARTS

Thank You, Everyone

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Our 5-Star Donors

To every donor who gave us a five-star experience this year — thank you. Your steady, generous support paid for medicines, meals, surgeries and second chances. You are the reason a sick dog is treated, an injured cat heals and a hungry puppy is fed.

As we celebrate ten years of compassion, we look back with hearts full of gratitude. We extend our heartfelt thanks to our **generous donors, dedicated volunteers, veterinarians, staff members, rescuers, caregivers, feeders, adopters and well-wishers** for your support, encouragement and commitment to animal welfare.

Your trust has strengthened us. Your kindness has sustained us. Your support has given us the courage to continue even when the journey has been difficult.

> *At Bark India, we believe every life matters and every living being deserves dignity and freedom. For ten years you have helped us turn that belief into action.*



Without you, these ten years would not have been possible.
With you, our journey continues.

As we step into the years ahead, we carry forward the same purpose, the same compassion and the same unwavering commitment to every life that needs us.

— Team Bark India Charitable Trust









OUR JOURNEY CONTINUES

Will you be part of it?

Follow our journey, subscribe and scan to connect with us — and discover how you can help us rescue, care for and cure animals in need.

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