



FIAPO'S IMPACT REPORT

FROM 2018-2019



FIAPO is India's apex animal rights organisation. As the collective voice of the animal rights movement in India, FIAPO is the catalyst that protects the interests and rights of animals on local and national levels - through education, research, mobilisation, networking, training and direct action. Created for the movement, by the movement, FIAPO is India's only national federation. It has 120 members and over 200 supporter organisations across the country.



Mission

To connect and empower animal protectors to achieve animal rights by advocacy, networking and capacity building; to create a high-impact, well-connected movement at all levels which will continually address ongoing animal issues.

Vision

Recognition and respect for animal rights in society.





As the collective voice of the Animal Protection Movement in India – FIAPO seeks to protect the interests and rights of animals at the local, regional and national levels. Through multiple interventions in different areas of animal exploitation, we have been able to create an impact on the ever growing animal protection movement across the country.

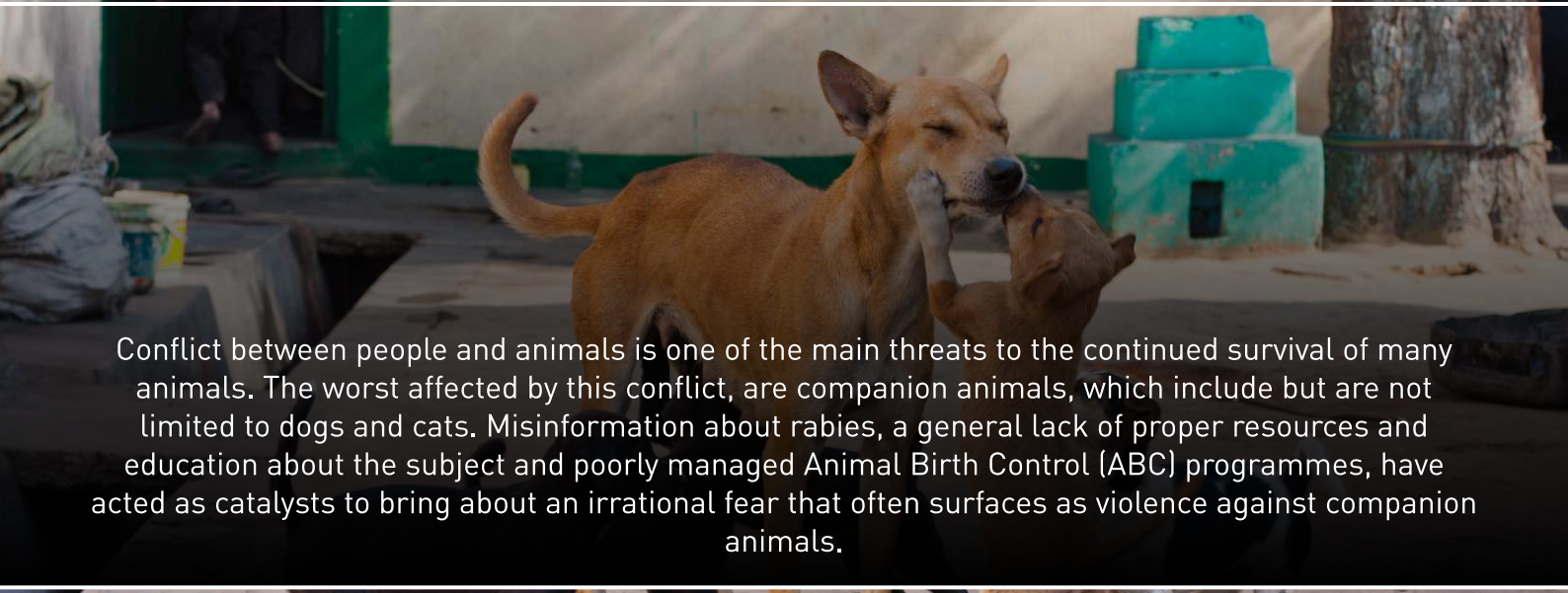
FARMED ANIMALS



The recent years have seen a steep surge in the consumption of animal products in India, leading to exponential growth in the number of animals reared for food. This has resulted in the normalisation of exploitative factory farming practices, which are marked by isolation, suffering and incessant pain, for farmed animals.

- Trained close to **120 activists** in **6 cities** to file over **300 Complaints** against illegal meat shops in India, helping implement local laws that exist to prevent the illegal slaughter of animals.
- Collaborated to conduct **5 workshops** with Government regulators in Delhi, Indore and Mangalore for **152 slaughter workers** to ensure welfare of animals kept in meat shops and meat markets.
- Compelled governments of **7 states**, namely Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh and Haryana to adopt FIAPO recommended guidelines for dairy management.
- Reached out to **6.5 lacs** people with direct education and to **2 crore people** using print and digital media across the country, spreading the message of choosing a compassionate lifestyle in over **60 cities**.
- Started India's largest advertising campaign for veganism with outdoor advertising in prime locations of Delhi via **3 billboards, 9 back-to-back pillar displays, 200 autos** and **40k newspaper inserts**; with a daily average impression of **1 lakh**
- Persuaded **21 restaurants** to offer plant based food and beverage options in the menus across the country.

COMPANION ANIMALS



Conflict between people and animals is one of the main threats to the continued survival of many animals. The worst affected by this conflict, are companion animals, which include but are not limited to dogs and cats. Misinformation about rabies, a general lack of proper resources and education about the subject and poorly managed Animal Birth Control (ABC) programmes, have acted as catalysts to bring about an irrational fear that often surfaces as violence against companion animals.

- Trained **250 activists** in **9 cities** who treated **8000 animals**, spreading the message of love and compassion amongst all species – humans and animals.
- Worked in the state of Assam, Punjab and Kerala, to help local organisations start Animal Birth Control, Anti-Rabies vaccination programmes and dog-bite prevention education in government schools, including all of Kendriya Vidyalayas.
- Provided infrastructural grants amounting close to **11.5 lakhs** to **6 organisations** across India who provide care, treatment and shelter to injured and sick animals.



ANIMALS IN CAPTIVITY

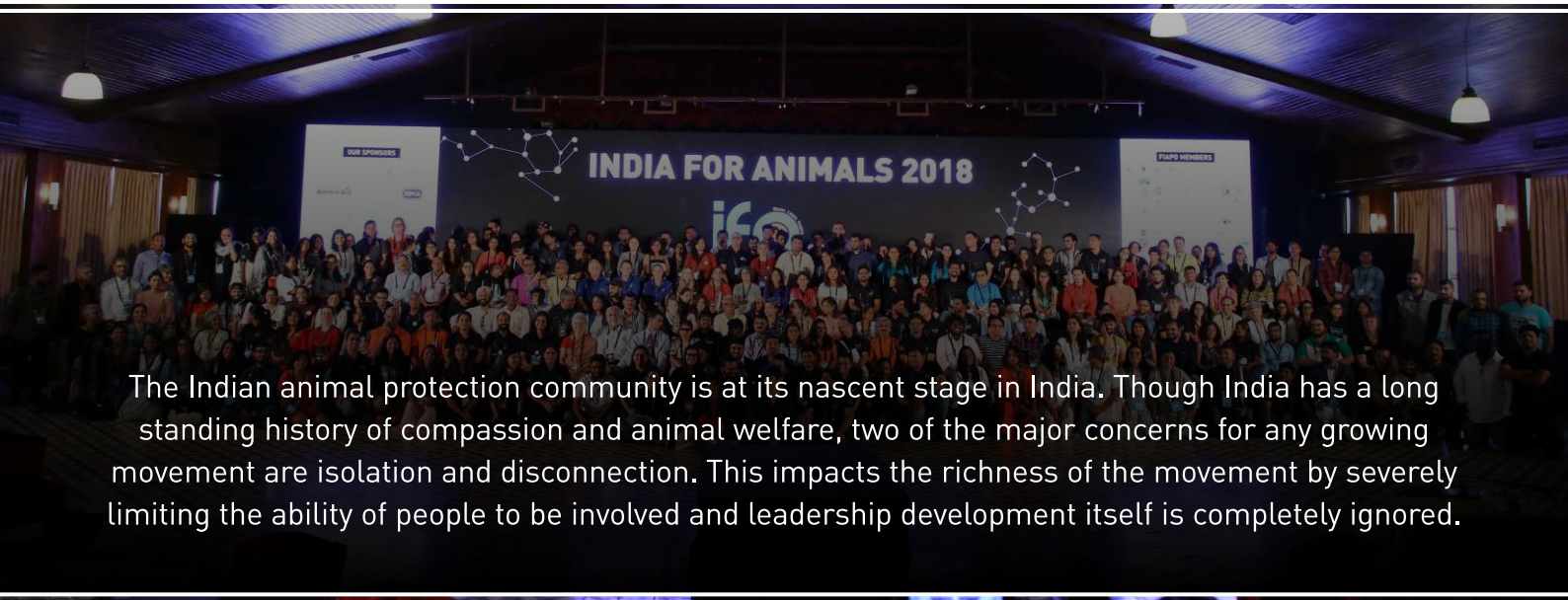


Circuses, zoos, aquariums, dog fighting, fishing, horse racing, bullfighting, all keep animals in captivity and use them against their will for human entertainment. Removed from their natural habitats and social structures, they are forced to live in restrained and stressful conditions. Unnatural conditions of perpetual cruelty, abysmal standards of care and constant travel, encompass the lives of these animals.

- Rescued **167 animals** from **13 circuses** across India, mobilising **114 activists**, from **45 organisations** across **18 states**, which moved The Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change to publish draft rules that, if finalised, would ban the use of animals in circuses across the country.
- Brought together multiple stakeholders from different NGOs and sectors for **advancing rights for elephants**, and have collaboratively drafted **the world's first declaration for rights of elephants** endorsed by leading NGOs and activists and scientists in India.



MOVEMENT BUILDING



The Indian animal protection community is at its nascent stage in India. Though India has a long standing history of compassion and animal welfare, two of the major concerns for any growing movement are isolation and disconnection. This impacts the richness of the movement by severely limiting the ability of people to be involved and leadership development itself is completely ignored.

- Conducted **25 workshops** in **18 cities** training over **500 activists** on topics ranging from Conducting Proper On-Site First Aid and Implementing Laws to Dairies, to spreading veganism across the country.
- Conducted the 5th India For Animals Conference– gathering close to **320 participants** and **50 Speakers** like Melanie Joy, Tobias Leenaert, Justice (Retd.) Radhakrishnan, Anand Grover, Ashish Kothari, Steve Goward, Bhavani Giddu, Dawn Williams and Erika Abrams shared their valuable insights, helping create an informed, intellectual and an intelligent movement for animals in the country in Hyderabad in October 2018.
- Supported our members by providing assistance in over **100 cases** involving marketing, fundraising, expert advice, legal support and government help.



CELEBRITIES AND INFLUENCERS



Raveena Tandon
Famous Bollywood Actor



Dia Mirza
Famous Bollywood Actor



Mallika Sherawat
Famous Bollywood Actor



Sadaa Sayed
South Indian Actor



Amala Akkineni
Founder of Blue Cross of Hyderabad



Prashant Bhushan
Indian Lawyer, Activist and Politician



Dr. Shashi Tharoor
Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha



Peter Singer
Author of Animal Liberation



Dr. Nandita Shah
She is The Founder, Director,
and Trustee of Sharan



Kuntal Joisher
Mountaineer by Passion and
a Vegan Because of Compassion.



Suparna Ganguly
Leading Voice for Elephants
in India



Dr. Chinny Krishna
Former Vice Chairman,
Animal Welfare Board of India

NEWS COVERAGE

Bangalore Times

BENGALURU CIRCUS UNDER SCRUTINY FOR USING ELEPHANTS, CAMELS

When it comes to animal welfare issues, animals being treated at the circuses are always a big cause of concern. The Federation of Indian Animal Protection Organisations (FIAPO) has now raised a complaint marked to the Animal Welfare Board of India, in which they have highlighted that animals are being used for performance at the Great Prabhat Circus in Botahalli Layout, Bengaluru, which has now apparently been shifted to Begur Main Road.

A spokesperson from FIAPO says, "Animals, especially the big ones, like camels and elephants, are not supposed to be used for performances. We have

written to the Animal Welfare Board of India to take this matter under consideration after we received videos and pictures from activists, to set an example for everyone in the nation."

The complaint to the Animal Welfare Board of India reads, "We appeal you to take an immediate action, as per the existing rules of performing animals. As per the rules and procedure, under Section 63 of the Recognition of Zoos Rules, 2009 the premises (including circuses) housing a wild animal are required to be registered with the Central Zoo Authority and if any other animal other than wild animals is being made to perform, then mandatory registration is required under the Rule 9 of the Performing Animals Rules, 1973 r/w

Section 22 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960, restricting exhibition and training of performing animals without registration under the Performing Animals (Registration) Rules, 2001. Based on the above, we strongly urge you to consider this complaint and confiscate the animals with the Great Prabhat Circus."

The complaint was filed on Monday and FIAPO had to receive a response from the AWBI at the time of going to press.



Elephants and camels tied up at the Great Prabhat Circus in Bengaluru

ANIMALS, ESPECIALLY THE BIG ONES LIKE CAMELS AND ELEPHANTS, ARE NOT SUPPOSED TO BE USED FOR PERFORMANCES

— Federation of Indian Animal Protection Organisations

Daily Hindi Milap

‘इंडिया फॉर एनिमल्स’ कॉन्फ्रेंस कल से

हैदराबाद, 24 अक्टूबर (एफ एन सीबी) यहाँ शुरू होने वाली कॉन्फ्रेंस के अंत में बर्न करे बूटो विधि संरक्षण का समारोह 'इंडिया फॉर एनिमल्स' कॉन्फ्रेंस का आयोजन बुधवार, 28 से रविवार, 28 अक्टूबर तक विभिन्न विधियों में किया जाएगा।

फेडरेशन ऑफ इंडियन एनिमल प्रोटेक्शन ऑर्गेनाइजेशन (फिआपो) द्वारा आयोजित समारोह में देश-विदेश के 350-400 प्रतिनिधि हिस्सा लेंगे। यह फिआपो के वार्षिक सम्मेलन है, जिसे हर साल में पानी बरक आयोजित किया जा रहा है। इस संकेत में आज यह समारोहों से आयोजित कर रहे हैं।



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The new Indian express

SADAA SUPPORTS VEGANISM



Vegan actress Sadia Sayed, who has been working tirelessly for animals since many years and recently fought against the kill order for tigress Ardi, took to her social media handles today to promote veganism. In support of the Federation of Indian Animal Protection Organisations (FIAPO), Sadia shares, "I am an animal rescuer, fighter for their rights and an ethical vegan. I believe most people love animals like cats and dogs, even cows. Some people love animals like lions and tigers, elephants and birds. I know of the horrible things done to cows and buffaloes in the dairy industry. I thought I was living a cruelty-free life because I was a vegetarian for so many years but I was wrong. Soon after I got to know of the cruelty behind milk, I went vegan. Today my fight for animals is not just for dogs or cats or tigers, it is for all the animals who suffer on a daily basis due to our food and lifestyle choices. So I urge all the compassionate people out there, who are victims of social conditioning to try veganism just for 21 days. I urge all the animal lovers, their protector, rescuers to see no difference between the animals that you love and care for and the ones who are exploited every single day because of what you eat. They are all the same! Please try and extend your love and compassion towards them all. Please take up FIAPPO's #21DayCompassionChallenge and see the change in yourself. Trust me there'll be no looking back. You might regret you didn't try it earlier but that's okay and there can't be a better new year resolution than this. The animals will thank you, the planet may thank you, you may thank us later too!"

Her video is available here: <https://www.facebook.com/sadia.sayed/videos/1021619654822483/>

Chandigarh Darshan

चण्डीगढ़ दर्शन, चण्डीगढ़, 7 सितम्बर, 2018 (4)

उत्तरी भारत में गौशालाओं की हालत चिंताजनक : एफआईएपीओ

चण्डीगढ़: उत्तरी भारत हरे धरे और पास के मैदानों के लिए प्रसिद्ध है, लेकिन यहाँ ज्यादातर गौशालाओं की हालत बेहद भयानक तथा चिंताजनक है। फेडरेशन ऑफ इंडियन एनिमल प्रोटेक्शन ऑर्गेनाइजेशन (एफआईएपीओ) ने गौशालाओं की हालत बताने वाली 'गौशा' के नाम से राष्ट्रव्यापी जांच काटो है और इसे परिष्कार बेहद चिंताजनक स्थितियों को उजागर करते हैं। इस जांच की प्रभावक विधिविधौ भारतीय समाज के विभिन्न वर्गों से प्राप्त संस्था के बजट को प्रभावित के विस्तार है, जिन्होंने विद्युत के बर्कट सार्वी में लोकप्रियता हासिल की है।

अपने जांच की पहली राशीप जांच के परिणाम चर्चाने बताने शुरू करते हैं। रिपोर्ट के अनुसार ज्यादातर गौशालाओं में अनियमित कर्मचारियों, अपर्याप्त सारकारी समर्थन या आस उपकरण के लिए गौशाला या गौशुन जैसे उत्पादों का उपयोग हो रहा है।

उत्तरी क्षेत्र में, यह पाया गया कि 61 प्रतिशत गौशालाओं में पूरे दिन जावतों को बंदी में बांधा गया और 93 प्रतिशत गौशालाओं में अपर्याप्त स्थितियों में कोई प्रभावकारी योजना नहीं थी। उत्तरी क्षेत्र में गौशालाओं ज्यादातर अपने दिन पौषण के लिए दूध पर निर्भर हैं, और 76

प्रतिशत में अधिक दूध पैदा करते और खर्चों को बनाए रखने के लिए माँ और बच्चे को अलग कर दिया है। इन संख्याओं में से 95 प्रतिशत जावतों के प्रजनन के लिए पकड़े गए थे।

यह समस्याएँ प्रशासन को कर्मी, क्षमता निर्माण और समर्थन में कमी के कारण हैं। गौशाओं के उपकरण मॉडर्न पर तकाल ध्यान और परिवर्तन को भी आवश्यकता है।

एफआईएपीओ को जांच के अनुसार गौशालाओं की इस दर्दनाक अवस्था का काला अधिकांश गौशालाओं का निजीक स्थितता नहीं होने है। उत्तरी भारत में केवल 33 प्रतिशत गौशालाओं को न्यूनतम सारकारी समर्थन मिलता है। अन्य लोगों या व्यक्ति संस्था या जो दूध और दूध उत्पादों को विभिन्न अर्थ या पर निर्भर है। निम्न काल गौशालाओं तथा लाभ के लिए बर्कट या दूध दूध ट्रेडों में जाँच खास अंतर नहीं रह जाता। विभिन्न क्षेत्रों और विभिन्न प्रकार के प्रबंधन के गौशाला में इन हदविहारी सुविधाओं का सामना किया और एफआईएपीओ ने गौशाओं के लिए एक प्रौद्योगिकी विचारित किया है, जिससे गंधी, समस्याओं को पहचान की जा सकती है और सुधारवाचक उपाय किए जा सकते हैं। एफआईएपीओ के कार्यकर्ता

निर्देशक सुशीला वर्मा मंगरोज ने कहा कि ऐतिहासिक रूप से, अधिकांश भारतीय जावतों के लिए दवातु है तथा उनको देखभाल के लिए गौशालाओं को स्थापित किया है। हालाँकि, यह हमारी जांच से स्पष्ट हो गया है कि उदात्त और चालाकता तकाल जाते हैं और अधिकांश गौशाला समान रूप से दूर प्रकाशों को नियंत्रित करते हुए ट्रेडों को तुलना में बाधा बेहतर देखभाल प्रदान करते हैं। जो कुछ नहीं करते हैं, वे सकारात्मक परभाव के बिना अपने बचन के नीचे टूट रहे हैं। बिना किसी प्रशासन या समर्थन के, यह 1000 जावतों की विविधता से खल रहे हैं।

यदि कर्मी चालाकता तक जावतों को जबरन है कि इस जावतों को किसी देखभाल कर रहे हैं। रिपोर्ट में पूरा प्रमाण के साथ साथ सारकारी शासन के जो प्रभावकारियों के प्रभाव और सारकारी समर्थन को माँग को गई है। यह सुनिश्चित है कि अधिकांश निवासियों को आवश्यकता पर प्रकाश जावत गया है जहाँ पर प्रभावकारियों से स्वीकार करतु और नीति के महत्वपूर्ण उद्देश्य हैं। एफआईएपीओ ने इन सुविधाओं का समर्थन करने गौशाओं को देखभाल के अपने कार्य से छोड़े होने के लिए कर्मीय और सार सरकारों द्वारा तकाल कार्रवाई को माँग को है।

Indore Mahanagar

इन्दौर महानगर

कागों उड़ाण रद्द करने के लिए कई शहरों के अहिंसक समाज ने दी अपनी सहमति

इन्दौर: मा अहल्या की निर्णय इन्दौर शहर में आगामी माह में कागों उड़ाण भरोगे। इस उड़ाण में 80 टन से अधिक भेड़ बकरी का निर्वात शारनाह होने वाला है। इस निर्वात को रोकने के लिए सामन्त को नहीं जैन समाज आगे आया था तो अब वहीं इस उड़ाण को रद्द करने को माँग उड़ाण में मूक पशुओं का निर्वात करना पूरे अहिंसक समाज की माननाओं के उदा पहचान है। इसके लिए अहिंसक समाज द्वारा पत्रक भी भर्षाया जा रहे हैं। इसे रोकने के लिए उड़ाने, देखास, भोजाल सक्ति कई शहरों के समन्त ने इस निर्वात को रोकने एवं कागों उड़ाण को रद्द करने के लिए इस आंदोलन में शामिल होने को सहमति दी है। इस आंदोलन के

एवं प्रदीप कासलीवाल ने बताया कि इस कागों उड़ाण का विरोध आचार्य खतरमच्छाधिपति आचार्य जिनमणिपम एवं कमल किशोर नगर के नेतृत्व में किया जाएगा। इस कागों उड़ाण को रद्द करने को माँग अब प्रदेश व राज्य के अहिंसक समाजों ने भी उड़ाई है। इस कागों उड़ाण में मूक पशुओं का निर्वात करना पूरे अहिंसक समाज की माननाओं के उदा पहचान है। इसके लिए अहिंसक समाज द्वारा पत्रक भी भर्षाया जा रहे हैं। इसे रोकने के लिए उड़ाने, देखास, भोजाल सक्ति कई शहरों के समन्त ने इस निर्वात को रोकने एवं कागों उड़ाण को रद्द करने के लिए इस आंदोलन में शामिल होने को सहमति दी है। इस आंदोलन के

लिए सभी शहरों से पत्रक भी मंगवाए जा रहे हैं। अगर कागों उड़ाण रद्द नहीं कि गई तो राजनाड पर समग्र अहिंसक समाज इकट्ठा होकर आ प्रदर्शन कर कासिबर कार्यालय तक पैदा मांच कर प्रथममंत्री एवं मन्त्रियों को ज्ञान भी सौंपेंगे। अहिंसक समाज के पौषण जैन, पारस यम, प्रवीण पटेल, सभय बाबुना ने बताया कि इस आंदोलन के लिए तैयारी चल रही है।

प्रदेश भर से मंगवाए विरोध पत्र- कार्यक्रम के मुख्य संयोजक युवा गणेश जैन ने बताया कि प्रदेश एवं राज्य स्तर पर समग्र जैन समाज से अपील की है कि कागों उड़ाण रद्द करवाने के लिए सभी समाज बंधुओं से विरोध पत्र भी मंगवाए जा रहे हैं।

DNA

For when cows come back to happy homes

Veterinarian Dr Arvind Sharma's ongoing project to measure the welfare in gaushalas will be India's first-ever such assessment of cow shelters

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On day two of the just-concluded India For Animals (IFA) – the country's biggest, biennial event on animal welfare and rights, organised by Federation of Indian Animal Protection Organisations (FIAPO) – Dr Arvind Sharma announced his one-of-a-kind project. Formerly with the Himachal Pradesh state government animal husbandry department, the veterinarian, pursuing his PhD from the University of Queensland, will conduct Gaushalas in India: Contemporary Issues and Future Perspectives, the first-ever welfare as-

essment of Indian gaushalas (retirement homes for old, sick, infirm, and rescued cows). Welfare auditing of any animal shelter or establishment, be it poultry farms, equine homes or gaushalas is not undertaken in India. Assessment of gaushalas in particular is of prime importance in light of grauraksh activists and the resultant overcrowding of shelters. Take Rajasthan's Hingonia gaushala. Touted "the best of its kind" in Asia*, a state government report showed that 8,122 cows had succumbed to injuries and ill-health here between January and July 31 this year. In Uttar Pradesh,



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Noorpur – run by the Vrindavan Gaushala Uthhan Samiti – that did not exist. India has 30 per cent of the world's cattle but only three per cent of the area to accommodate them, outlined Dr Sharma at his IFA session in Mumbai. With over 5.2 million stray cows – abandoned either for having exhausted their 'dairy shelf life' or due to rapid urbanisation and shrinking open spaces – the burden on gaushalas cannot be taken lightly. "As per statistics by the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI), India has 1837 gaushalas. Official recognition comes when a gaushala

receives AWBI funding. But as per my research, there are more than 5000 gaushalas in the country," Dr Sharma says. "So two-thirds of gaushalas are not registered since they aren't financially dependent on AWBI." Another concern pertains to reported instances of gaushala animals being tested for the efficacy of vaccines, such as for tuberculosis. With Gaushalas in India: Contemporary Issues and Future Perspectives, Dr Sharma will use animal-based indicators (health, access to food, water, movement and medical care), environmental indicators (cleanliness, ventilation,

natural light, flooring) and interviews with 800-900 people (excluding 54 gaushala managers) to gauge public perceptions. In a groundbreaking move, stress levels of cows will also be measured via analysis of their tail hairs for cortisone levels. Dr Sharma's study will take an estimated three years to complete. Upon completion, a welfare index will be compiled, and gaushalas ranked on the aforementioned indicators. "With this study, we will set long-term benchmarks, ensure long-term sustainability and find a balance between tradition and welfare science," Dr Sharma concludes.



NEWS COVERAGE

Indian Express

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Deccan Herald

Hyderabad Express
THURSDAY
25th JAN 2018

ANIMAL RIGHTS... & WRONGS

ANIMAL RIGHTS ORGANISATIONS, PRACTITIONERS, NGOs AND PHILANTHROPISTS WORKING FOR THE CAUSE OF ANIMALS ACROSS THE COUNTRY ARE MEETING IN HYDERABAD THIS WEEKEND TO COLLABORATE ON INNOVATIVE METHODS AND STRATEGIES TO PROTECT ANIMALS, WILL THAT MEAN BETTER AND BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR ANIMALS?

COVER STORY IN FOCUS

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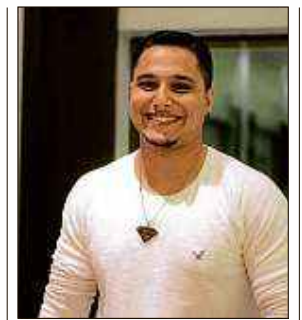
EMPOWERING THE ANIMALS IN A HUMANE WAY

THE CITY IS ALL SET TO HOST THE 'ANIMALS CONFERENCE' THIS WEEK AND THIS IS TO DISCUSS THE ANIMALS LEFT IN DISTRESS AND NO RESCUE AGAINST THEM GOES WITHOUT PUNISHMENT, SAY THE ANIMAL ACTIVISTS. THERE WILL ALSO BE DISCUSSIONS ON ELEPHANTS, DOGS AND THEIR RELATION WITH CULTURE AND BELIEF AT THE THREE DAY EVENT

EXPERTS FEEL...

66 Animals are born with an innate sense of fear as we are. The world belongs to them as Hyderabad is the world's most active and vibrant city. A lot of people are taking back when it comes to animal rights. The national and international will take the lead in the event and the city will be the best place to see the animal rights movement in India.

EXPERTS



Tauseef Ahmed Animal rescuer Tauseef gets award at IFA conference

MANGALURU: Tauseef Ahmed, a well known animal rescuer, won the highest award at the India For Animals (IFA) national conference organised by FIAPO (Federation of Indian Animal Protection organisations) in Hyderabad recently.

Tauseef, who is an animal rights activist, won the award in 'Best Street Care and Rescue' category among hundreds of nominations from the best animal rescuers across India.

The 31-year-old activist has been working for animals in and around Mangaluru for the past nine years. He has been associated with ACT (Animal Care Trust) and HART (Humanitarian Aid Relief Trust) NGO's for many years. He got special recognition for his rescue acts and on-site treatment of more than 7,000 animals, which include small and large animals, snakes and birds.

He has also been participating in campaigns for animals including human outreach programmes and ending slaughter and cruelty.

The IFA recognises exemplary contributions in the field of animal protection from hundreds of nominees from all over India once in every two years. This is the biggest award in India for any animal activist and the trophy this time has come to Mangaluru.

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A CRUSADER FOR VEGANISM

Harvard psychologist Dr Melanie Joy, who's on her first visit to India, has been propagating vegetarianism and veganism for the past 25 years

SASHIDHAR ADVI

DECCAN CHRONICLE

Harvard-educated psychologist and best-selling author Dr Melanie Joy has been in the city to speak at the national conference organised by the Federation of Indian Animal Protection Organisation (FIAPO), and she wonders why she hasn't visited India sooner.

"I have been planning to come to India for the past three years, and I am glad that I am finally here," Melanie says, adding, "One of the best aspects of the country is the warmth that I have received and the fact that people are increasingly adopting vegetarianism. I am also impressed with the work done by activists and organisations towards the protection of animals."

Interestingly, in a city that is famous for its kebabs, Melanie is enjoying the Jain vegetarian spread that's on offer. "Yeah, I know that there are some ideologies

famous for its meat, but I have been enjoying superb vegetarian food," she says with a smile.

Over the past 25 years, Melanie has done some extensive work to propagate the philosophy of vegetarianism and veganism, and it's been a journey of personal growth for her. Talking about what she's learnt along the way she says, "My journey has completely changed my perception towards life. I have become more empathetic and compassionate towards people. It is an invisible belief system that conditions people to eat certain animals, but people are transforming themselves, and it is my endeavour to empower concerned citizens and advocates of veganism through education and activism."

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Dr MELANIE JOY

The Times of India

21 circuses can't use wild animals as 'bestly torture' comes to light

Order Issued By Central Zoo Authority

Vijay Singh/Pravara.com

Navi Mumbai: Twenty-one circuses in the country will have to stop using wild animals like elephants, The Central Zoo Authority, a statutory body under the central government, has issued orders cancelling its recognition to 21 circuses that used to keep wild animals. This decision has been made to safeguard wild animals in circuses.

The zoo authority has passed the order after inspectors revealed cruelty to animals. The torture meted out to the animals has been captured by way of photographs and video footage. TOI has a copy of the same.

There are 22 circuses across the country. For now, the decision does not apply to one—Ajanta Circus—as the animals which are a part of its troupe are still under scrutiny.

Senior campaign manager of Federation of Indian Animal Protection Organisation (FIAPO), Prabhakar V, said that the chief of the zoo authority, Dr Viji Singh, confirmed Wednesday that recognition to 21 circuses had been cancelled after commissioning photos and video footage of inhumane practices.

The zoo authority has also directed the chief wildlife wardens of all states to relocate elephants from circuses which have just been decommissioned.

Activists from more than 40 organisations from 16 states have been involved in the struggle to stop cruelty to animals in circuses. This was part of a campaign called 'Wild Circus Suffering' which had been initiated by the federation.

Photos and videos taken by these activists show various forms of torture being meted out to the animals. It includes cutting Southern of limbs, chaining elephants together with hot iron,

piercing their genitals, throwing them with fire and other cruel practices.

Prabhakar welcomed the decision taken by the central authority. "We welcome the move which is a validation of the fact that circuses are inhumane and cruel to animals. The process of training animals to perform unnatural tricks is inherently abusive, as shown in the inspection reports," he said.

He added that FIAPO wants to appeal to the ministry of environment to take note of this and the issue of all animals in circuses.

Senior official of the Central Zoo Authority, Vijay Singh, said TOI has on Wednesday evening that he was travelling and would not be able to speak immediately.

FIAPO's campaign against animal abuse in circuses has so far resulted in the cancellation of more than 100 licensed animals from 11 circuses. The federation has submitted a detailed report of the 'State of Animals in Circuses in India' to the ministry of environment.

THE SHOW MUST NOT GO ON

- Central Zoo Authority has issued orders cancelling its recognition to 21 circuses that used to keep wild animals.
- It means that circuses in India can no longer have wild animals like elephants.
- The order has been passed after photos and videos revealed extreme cruelty to animals.

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The Times of India

Give 'personhood status' to elephants for protection of their rights, FIAPO members tell state government

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

TRUMPETS FOR SURVIVAL

Amaravati: In a bid to protect the rights of the animals, the Federation of Indian Animal Protection Organisations (FIAPO) started lobbying with the state governments to grant personhood status to elephants. The FIAPO, the biggest forum of animal rights activists in India, has sent detailed reports to the ministers of different states, which have considerable population of elephants, explaining the need for granting them personhood.

In a letter to the state forests and environment minister Siddha Raghava Rao, FIAPO national campaign coordinator Bhavya Pande has said that the disregard and

emotional and social skills. They are one of the most recognisable animals to the Indian public and also extremely vulnerable to captivity and human exploitation," she said. She observed that elephants in the wild are at the constant threat of poaching and accidents caused by human encroachment into critical elephant corridors.

Electrocution, collision with trains, falling into trenches dug up near cultivated areas or construction sites are alarmingly common causes behind the deaths of wild elephants.

She urged the minister to take stringent measures to stop harassment of animals either in the deep forests or in the zoos in the state. She said

that AP is one of the states with considerable elephant population and hence there is special need to initiate measures to protect the rights of the animals.

She said that the government should not allow any department to chase or torture the elephants for entering into human zones. "Disturbing their peaceful life in the forest, shortage of food and water in deep woods is the reason for the elephants to enter into the human habitats. Instead of trying to scare them away, the government should take measures to return their peace," she urged. She said that bringing a legislation to grant personhood status to the elephants would help protecting their rights.

contempt for rights of elephants resulted in barbarous and unjustifiable atrocities being meted out to them as well as negligence towards their suffering. "Elephants are culturally, ecologically and historically are the most significant species in India. Moreover, elephants have several special characteristics that make them autonomous and intelligent beings with extremely high cognitive,

► The Indian elephant is a keystone species of the tropical forests

► It has been accorded the highest level of protection in India by Schedule 1 of the Wildlife Protection Act 1972 | FIAPO

► Elephant is also the National Heritage Animal of India | FIAPO

► FIAPO started lobbying with state government across the nation to get elephants granted personhood status

► There is considerable population of elephants in AP



FINANCIAL REPORT

Federation of Indian Animal Protection Organisations (FIAPO)

Consolidated Statement of Income & Expenditure for the year 1st April 2017 - 31st March, 2018

Particular	Sch.No.	For the year ending on 31st March 2018
Grants & Donations		40,215,669
Bank Interest		621,136
Total Income		40,836,805
Direct: Programmatic Expenses	5	25,407,511
Indirect: Administrative Expenses	4	2,461,331
Depreciation		171,604
Total Expenditure		28,040,445
Surplus/(Deficit) transferred to Reserve & Surplus Account		12,796,360
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FINANCIAL REPORT

Federation of Indian Animal Protection Organisations (FIAPO)

Consolidated Balance Sheet as on 31st March 2018

Particular	Sch.No.	As at 31st March 2018
I. BALANCE AND LIABILITIES		
Corpus Reserve		1,000
Revenue Reserves	1	16,776,714
Fixed Asset Capital Fund	2	372,767
Total - HO Balance & Liabilities		17,150,481
II. ASSETS		
<u>Non-Current Assets</u>		
Fixed Assets	3	1,228,232
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Cash and cash equivalents		15,752,249
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Total Assets		17,150,481

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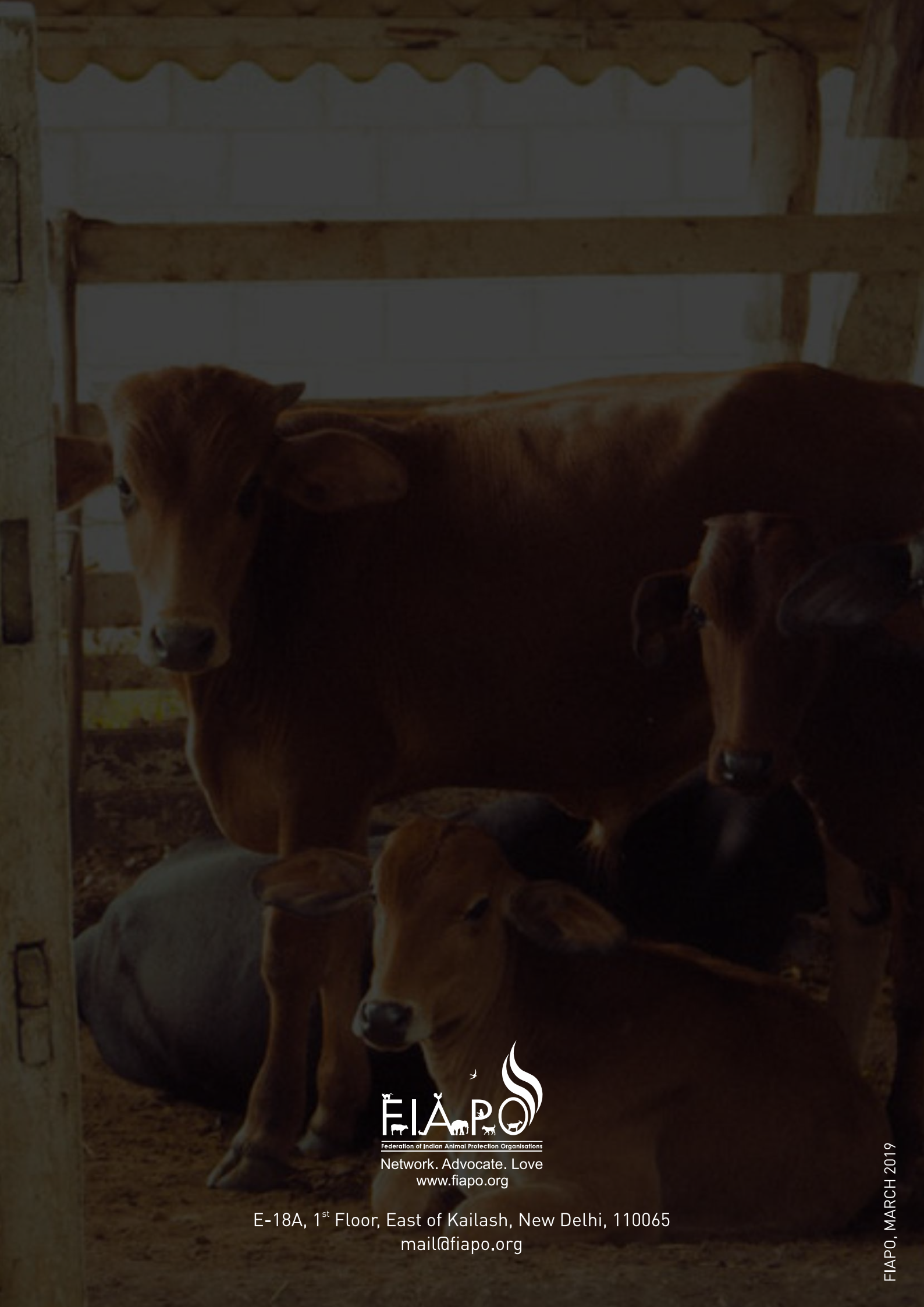
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