

Animal Welfare Activities by HAS from 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016

SI No	Activity
1	ABC – ARV (1564 dogs)
2	ARV Drive – 604 dogs
3	Adoption – 558
4	Rescue & Rehabilitation – 470 Animals, Permanent Rescued Animals – 40 Animals
5	Treatment – OP (1504 Animals)

Miscellaneous Activities:

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1	12 Apr 2015	Volunteers at Coimbatore celebrated Day of Living Free by leafleting just outside Brookefields Mall for 1.5 hours. Taking the message of a cruelty-free lifestyle for a better world, our volunteers spoke to people waiting outside the mall and educated them on the different ways an animal is being treated cruelly today-be it for food, clothing or our cosmetic products.
2	10 May 2015	Volunteers visited the Government Exhibition at VOC park ground to distribute Living Free information booklets and spread the message of compassion to animals and birds by choosing a healthy and cruelty-free plant –based diet over animal products. In about an hour’s time our volunteers reached out to 60 people, with a hope that they understand the dire need for this change for a better earth.
3	24 May 2015	An Animal Lovers’ Meet was conducted at Seeranaickenpalayam shelter, where we discussed various things volunteers can do at the shelter if and when they decide to drop in.
4	30 May 2015	“India Against Speciesism” is a nation-wide initiative that brings together a network of animal rights activists to speak up against exploitation of animals for food, clothing, entertainment, etc. Apart from Coimbatore, 17 other cities participated in this event “ India Marches for Animal Liberation ”. Here, HAS organised this march at Race Course and about twenty volunteers took part in it. The aim of the event is to sensitise people to the fact that animals are individuals like us who deserve freedom, not commodification.
5	13 Jun 2015	Volunteers distributed Living Free booklets and educated about 40 people about the benefits of eating a plant-based diet over meat, near Nalan Restaurant (Ramanathapuram) and at Race Course.

6	5 Jul 2015	To mark the International Justice Day, Living Free volunteers across the nation conducted the #JusticeForAnimals campaign for two weeks, starting on 3 rd July that educated the public about various forms of injustice animals and birds go through every day, and encouraged them voice their support for their favourite animal through this photo campaign on Instagram. In Coimbatore, scores of people took part in this campaign and demanded justice for dogs, cats, tigers, lions, sparrows and many more animals and birds.
7	12 Jul 2015	An Animal Lovers' Meet was conducted at Valukuparai Sanctuary, where we discussed various things volunteers can do at the sanctuary for the three and four legged friends.
8	30 Aug 2015	HAS volunteers reached out to over 170 people at Happy Streets – RS Puram, distributing information booklets about living free to people who had gathered there from 8am to 10 am.
9	7-10 Sep 2015	Our managing trustee, Mini Vasudevan attended the International Training Programme hosted by Dogs Trust International, UK where she learnt a lot about ranging from Clicker Training, Touch Training, Quarantine and Isolation, Rabies Control, to Shelter Construction, Staff motivation, Fund Raising, Managing Media, Raising Awareness in Schools through Education and many more aspects.
10	13 Sep 2015	HAS volunteers distributed about 80 information booklets about Living Free at RS Puram Happy Streets.
11	20 Sep 2015	HAS volunteers distributed about 120 information booklets about Living Free at RS Puram Happy Streets. The event where hundreds of people come together to meet, play, relax and enjoy a Sunday morning on hassle-free roads has become a wonderful opportunity to reach out to all kinds of people regarding animal welfare, cruelty free lifestyle and of course promoting work done by our own organisation and getting more people involved.
12	25-27 Sep 2015	Volunteers from HAS who are also a part of the Living Free team, participated in the Living Free boot camp held in Chennai. The intensive training program was an interesting combination of talks, workshops and activities conducted by animal activists from across India and abroad.
13	27-28 Sep 2015	HAS conducted free Anti-Rabies Vaccination Drive in the West Zone to celebrate World Rabies Day. Themed 'Rabies: Understand it to Defeat it!' the campaign this year created awareness on how rabies could be prevented and why vaccinations play an important role in making Coimbatore a rabies-free city. HAS vaccinated 75 street dogs, community dogs and pet dogs in two days, and this time around we observed that the awareness level was high among residents.

14	04 Oct 2015	HAS volunteers distributed Living Free information booklets and leaflets to about 70 people at RS Puram.
15	18 Oct 2015	HAS volunteers distributed Living Free information booklets and leaflets to about 90 people at Happy Streets, RS Puram. The aim of the campaign is to sensitize people about cruelty-free, animal and environment friendly lifestyle and how plant-based diet is a healthier option for self as compared to consuming animal products.
16	19 - 21 Feb 2016	Team HAS participated in the Honorary Animal Welfare Officer (HAWO) training program organised by the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI) in association with Humane Society International/India (HSI/India). Our team members gain an extensive knowledge about the existing animal welfare laws in India – The Prevention of Cruelties to Animals (PC) Act 1960 and the Wild Life Protection Act 1972 – and how best they can be put to use.
17	23 Feb 2016	HAS celebrated the whole of February as Spay/Neuter Awareness month, by encouraging more pet parents to get their pets sterilized, and also sterilize a number of community dogs as a part of daily routine. A total of 105 dogs were sterilized by our staff in February: 89 community dogs (48 male and 41 female) and 16 pet dogs (7 male and 9 female).
18	13,14 Mar 2016	The Compassion CruisAde is one of FIAPO's most recent campaigns, and a huge one too! The campaign's aim was to get into the Limca Book of World Records for the 'Largest awareness drive for animal rights in Indian history' by reaching out to 1.5 lakh people with the message of compassion over cruelty. In Coimbatore, our group of Living Free volunteers reached out to over 4000 people in 2 days through leafleting sessions on Happy Streets – RS Puram, a few restaurants nearby and at Race Course, and talks and leafleting at SNS college of Engineering and Anna University.