

# ABC MALAPPURAM

<b>Project :ABC OF JILLAPANCHAYATH Malappuram ( Kerala )</b>
<b>Month : JANUVARY TO DECEMBER 2017</b>
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The ART team arrived in Malappuram, Kerala on Januvary. A survey was conducted here one week before the team arrived.

## Team

- **Veterinarian: 2** , Dr. Shivendra , Dr. Neeraj Periwal
- **AWO`s : 5**, Santosh, Jaswant, Vikash, Robert & Subhash
- **Education and awareness officer:** Sally Kannan

## Facilities for ABC program

- Kennel Area
- Anesthesia Area
- Preparation Area
- Recovery Area
- Store room for keeping supplies
- Accommodation Area for staff

OT Ambulance: Surgery is conducted inside the Ambulance



**Dog Catching Vehicle:** The vehicle is modified especially for catching dogs.



### Instrument sterilization

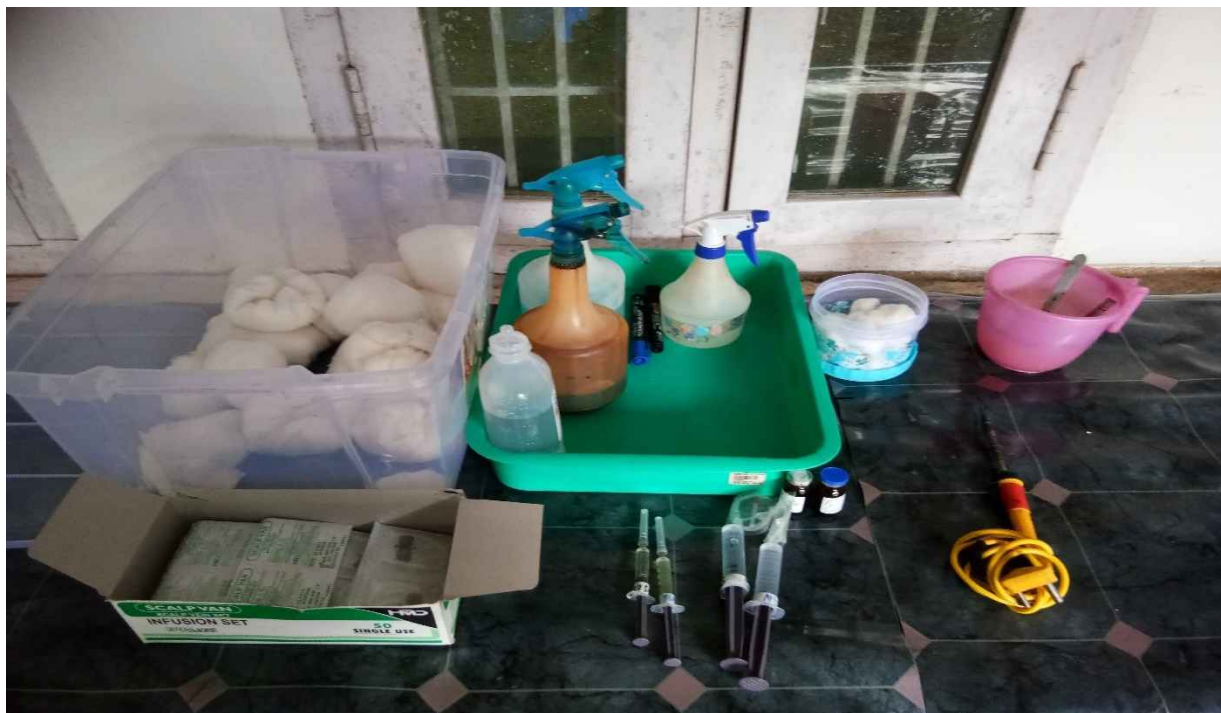
- Wet sterilization is done by using electric autoclaves (15lbs pressure for 30 min)
- Every surgery is conducted with a completely fresh and sterilized instrument set.
- Instrument cleaning is done by treating with chlorhexidine solution and clean water.



Anaesthesia area :



PreparationArea :



### **Kennel area:**

There are total of 3 kennels with the capacity of 10-15 dogs for ABC sterilization program.



### **Accommodation:**

4 rooms are there adjoining to the kennels within the campus.



## Store room

- Refrigerator for vaccine storage. Other medicines are kept in the store room under lock.
- Stock files are maintained on a monthly basis.



## Kitchen for preparing dog food

- Big pan and stove is there for cooking food of 30 dog capacity. Rice and chicken is used in a day for a meal.



## **Data Management**

The data is managed on access file, which is collaborated with the android application and is used for catching and releasing dogs. The application record the longitude and latitude of each dog with its photograph.

## **Challenges that will be faced by the team**

- The entire district of Malappuram is not dog friendly and the people here are not very supportive of any programs related to dogs. Lots of awareness and education is needed to the public about being around dogs.
- The facility provided to us is inside Calicut University campus and it is a large open area where the kennels have been fixed, so there is a chance of dogs escaping from the facility as there is only one level of security.
- The weather in Kerala is Monsoon season now and so there is heavy rainfall most of the days.
- The facility provided so far by the AHD and local government has not been up to the AWBI mandates.

## **Future Goals**

- We are officially starting the program of sterilization and anti-rabies vaccinations on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 after an inauguration conducted at the Calicut University Campus.
- We will first be catching dogs from inside the campus area and when all the catchable dogs have been done, the team will move out to a 30 – 40 km radius around the facility area for catching.
- Build awareness and compassion to street dogs among the public during our work.