

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Animal Welfare Division, Ministry of Environment and Forests is seeking expressions of interest from appropriately experienced organisations with respect to the delivery of a training programme, to be based at the National Institute of Animal Welfare (NIAW), Ballabgarh, Haryana State, India.

Project Concept:

Goals:

To increase the efficiency and effectiveness of Animal Birth Control / Anti-Rabies (ABC/AR) programme and to promote the humane management of dogs through sterilisation by the NGOs, AWOs, SPCAs and Civic bodies throughout the country.

Objective:

To refine and develop the clinical skills of veterinarians, para-veterinarians and animal-handlers (Dog Catchers) working with ABC/AR Projects.

Time-frame:

The project will commence from October to March and will operate for 6 months every year. It is expected to run for three years. The duration of each training course will be two and four weeks for Vets & Para Vets while for Animal Handlers (Dog Catchers) it will be one week.

Structure:

The project will be a collaborative initiative with Ministry of Environment and Forests where in the organizations will be required to provide the teaching faculty complete in all respects and the NIAW will provide complete board and lodging facility to the faculty members in the institute and appropriate teaching infrastructural and clinical facilities required for conducting the training programme.

Description:

The training will be delivered by a team of appropriately-experienced teaching staff to groups of veterinarians, para-veterinarians and animal handlers in each training course.

The 2 weeks training will focus on the principles and application of humane animal handling and sound clinical techniques in procedures of relevance to ABC projects, whereas 4 weeks training would additionally emphasis on PCA Act, Rules under PCA Act, management of NGO/AWO, ABC requirements, Animal Welfare Principles.

The following topics will be included in the training programme:-

For Vets (two week)

- ❖ ABC protocols as per WHO norms and ABC rules.
- ❖ Anesthesia
- ❖ Pre & Post Operative Examination & Care
- ❖ Kennel Management
- ❖ Medication & Care
- ❖ Record keeping
- ❖ Shelter Management
- ❖ Animal handling and behaviour
- ❖ Advocacy & Awareness about Rabies and ABC Programme
- ❖ Emergency Treatment, Anesthetic Emergency, Resuscitation
- ❖ Dermatology & Deworming
- ❖ Benefits & Limitations of ABC Programme
- ❖ Humane Euthanasia
- ❖ Management – Facilities.

Additional topics for 4 week program:

- ❖ PCA Act and Rules.
- ❖ Animal Welfare Principles.
- ❖ Animal cruelty, behavior, handling.
 - ❖ Common diseases and their management, First Aid .
- ❖ Zoonotic diseases.
- ❖ Stray Animal Management.
- ❖ Project Management.

For Para Vets (two week)

- ❖ Pre Anesthetic Preparation
- ❖ Catching & Handling of Dogs
- ❖ Benefits of ABC programme
- ❖ Kennel management
- ❖ Pre-Post Operative Examination and Care
- ❖ Auto Clave & Sterilization
- ❖ Instrument Cleaning, kits/pacts
- ❖ Asepsis, Assist Surgeon
- ❖ I.V. Injection.
- ❖ Surgical Preparation & Monitoring

- ❖ Operating Anesthesia Machine
- ❖ Emergency First aid
- ❖ Anesthetic Emergency
- ❖ Resuscitation

For Animal Handlers (one week)

- ❖ Humane Catching of Dogs using Butterfly nets
- ❖ Kennel Management
- ❖ Dog Behaviour
- ❖ Benefits of ABC Programme and Rabies prevention.

Accommodation and clinical buildings will be provided by NIAW. The selected organisation will be responsible for provision of the teaching faculty, equipment, medical supplies and educational resources for the trainees for spay / neuter programme.

The organisation is required to undertake ABC/AR program as per the ABC/AR scheme of AWBI in association with Municipal Corporation of Faridabad for catching, sterilisation and release of dogs within the Municipal limits of Faridabad and other local bodies outside Faridabad Municipality (if required). A research program on effects of sterilisation on Behavioural, physiological and clinico-pathological aspect of castrated dogs is also to be undertaken as a part of the program.

Apart from the training, a sub-project to compare the two methods (i.e. vasectomy vs orchidectomy and tubectomy vs ovariectomy) of sterilisation of male and female dogs and use of single shot antibiotic surgery in Indian condition is also to be undertaken.

Who can apply – Qualification Benchmark.

1. Legal entities having at least two years experience in the similar kind of work. They should have sufficient financial strength; In case of commercial entity its network must be at least ten times the project cost. **[Type 1]**
 - (a) The key executives should have appropriate qualifications and experience. At least 1/3rd of the faculty should be on their regular pay roll.
2. International organisations/colleges/universities of repute having experience in imparting Animal Welfare training. **[Type 2]**
3. Any entity of State or Central Government. **[Type 3]**
4. Veterinary Colleges registered with VCI or colleges/universities approved to award degree in India. **[Type 4]**
5. The applicant may provide sponsors for the project to meet the recurring expenses.

