



Humane Population Control is as **simple** as ABC

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**How do we
respond to
the Street dog
issue?**



Catch. Kill.

100

1860

16000

1964





WE

↓
Ignore

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Kill

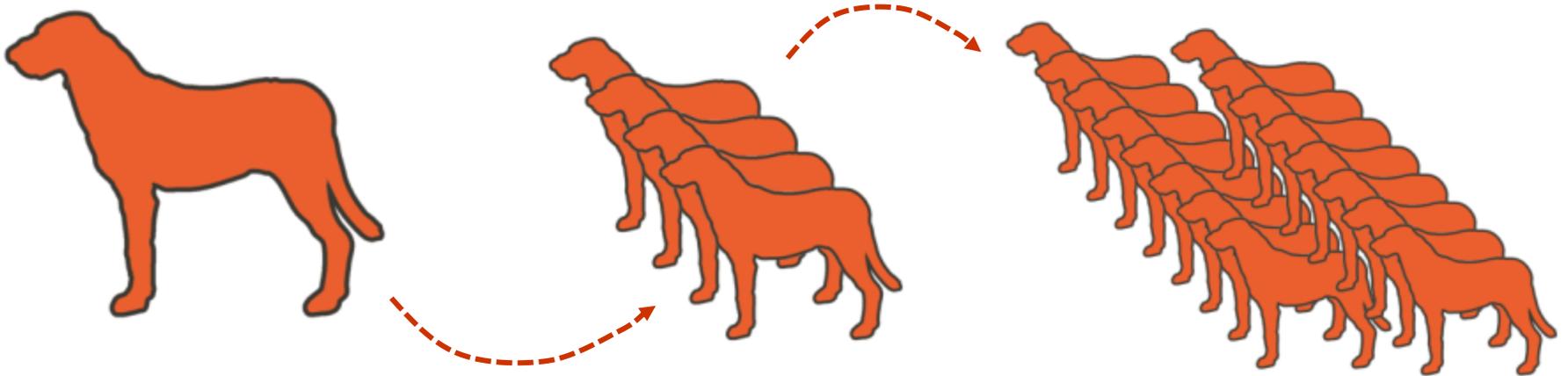
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Influence
 *Holding
 Capacity*

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Spay/Neuter

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Educate
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Register
Breeder



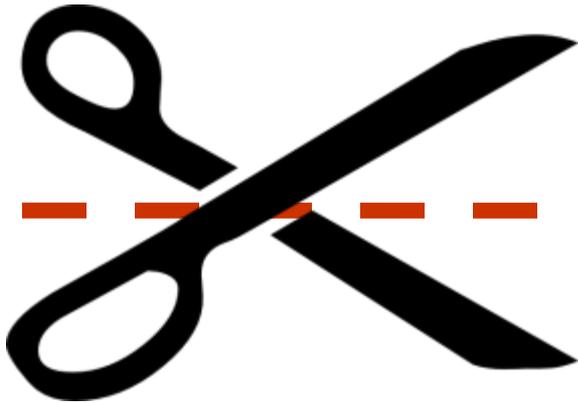
What happens if we ignore?



Common logic implies that the number of animals will keep **increasing** since dogs and cats are prolific breeders.



However, in reality



The numbers will level off
at the **Holding Capacity** of the area



What is Holding Capacity?

It is the **number** of animals that an area can support depending on

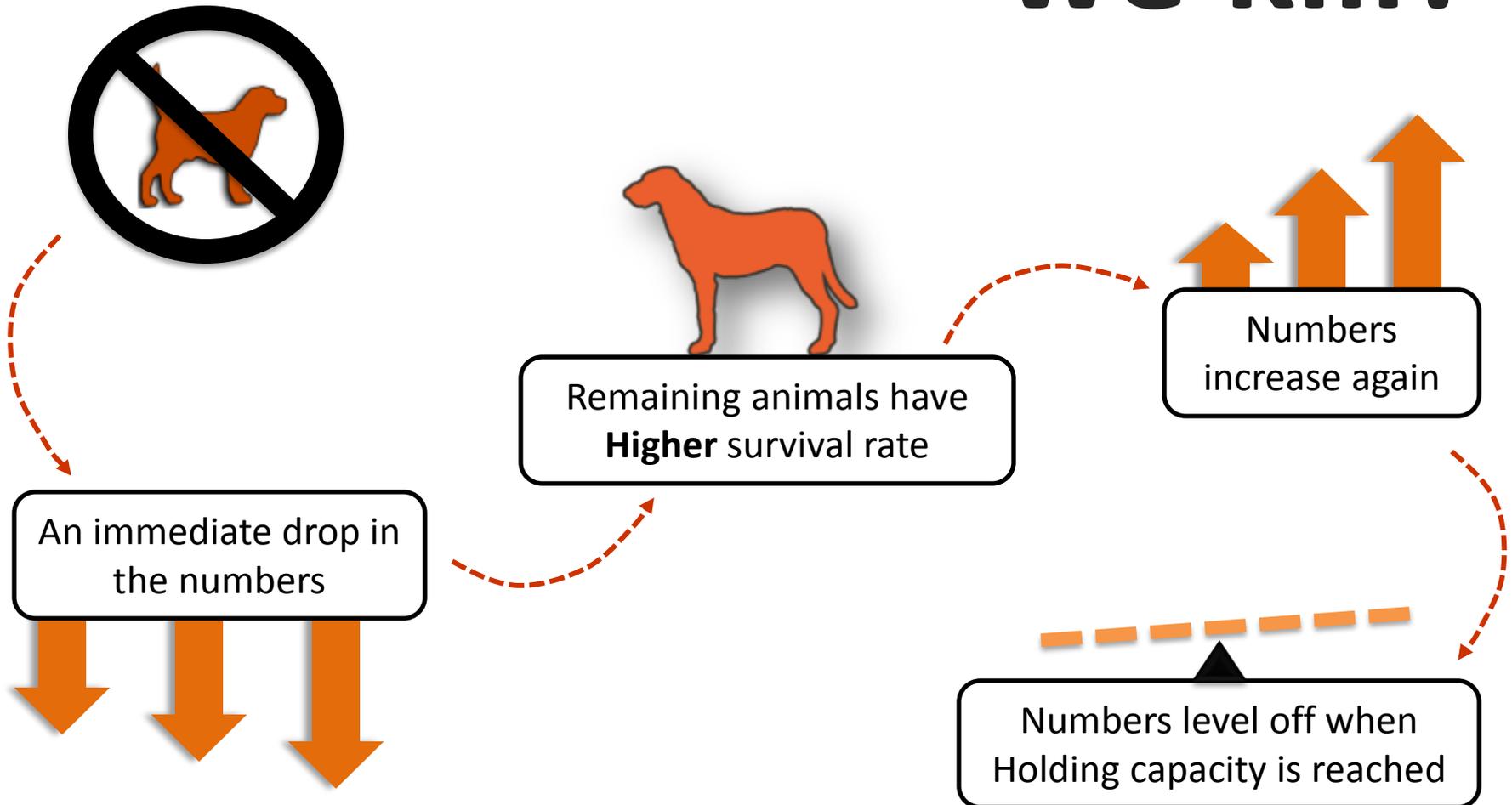
Food

Water

Shelter



What happens if we kill?





Why has 'Catch-and-Kill' been used?

It is believed that 'Catch-and-Kill' is **Cheaper** than other methods



Catch. Kill. Repeat.

100

1860

16,000

1964

30,000

1996





Did killing help?

No.

Incidents of Rabies didn't decrease, neither did the number of dogs on the streets. In 1996, there were **120** deaths from Rabies in Chennai alone.





Circa
1966



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OUR BIGGEST PROBLEM

Simply stated, the problem is that in Madras City alone we are breeding, at a conservative estimate, at least 200,000 puppies and kittens every year. But that is too simple a statement; it doesn't reveal the result.

The result is cruelty and suffering - terrible, nightmarish, almost indescribable cruelty and suffering on a scale so huge that it staggers the imagination. Over 90% of the 200,000 animals are unwanted and are left to fend for themselves.

Over 16,000 dogs from among these strays are killed by the Madras Corporation authorities every year. They are electrocuted and death is fairly quick and painless. These are the lucky ones - in the case of the other animals killed the slaughter is done with clubs, agonizing poisons and obsolete muzzle-loaders. In other parts of India the killing is even worse - in the Imperial Capital of New Delhi the method adopted by the Corporation till recently was that of pouring slaked lime into the mouths of the dogs. In parts of Andhra, the dogs caught are thrown into fairly deep but dry wells where they eat each other out of hunger.

We can stop the cruelties of surplus animal breeding at any time. Only the will is needed. All experts are agreed that the entire, terrible problem can be solved by spaying of female dogs and cats that should not breed, or by careful control at the time when they are in heat.

The only certain method of preventing the average female dog or cat from breeding is to have her spayed. Spaying, when done by a veterinarian skilled in this operation, is relatively simple. Only a small incision is required, the operation takes only 15-20 minutes, and very few animals show any sign of even slight discomfort after the operation. A general anaesthetic is used so there is no pain.

A spayed female dog or cat is permanently removed from the danger of breeding. She has no inclination to wander from home. She is also likely to be more even-tempered and affectionate than an unspayed female.

The Blue Cross of India will be soon starting a free spaying centre. All we need is Rs. 25,000. You, if you will, can help us to solve this problem. Fill up the form overleaf and mail today.

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In 1966, after much study,
Blue Cross of India
proposed that
street dog
population control
is as easy as...



A
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B
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C
ontrol



1990

Guidelines for Dog Population Management

Produced by

World Health Organisation
Organisation Mondiale de la Santé



& the World Society for the Protection of Animals

WSPA

World Society for the Protection of Animals

25 years of animal welfare 1981-2006



Dr. K. Bogel

Chief Veterinary,
Public Health Unit ,
WHO, Geneva,
Switzerland

“All too often, authorities confronted with the problems caused by these dogs have turned to **mass destruction** in the hope of finding a *quick* solution, only to discover that the destruction had to continue year after year with **no end** in sight.



Albert Einstein

You know who.



Insanity

is doing

the same thing

over and over again,

expecting

different

results



1996

30 years after the Blue Cross proposed ABC and 29 years after opening our first ABC centre..

Animal

Birth

Control

starts city wide
in several cities
in India

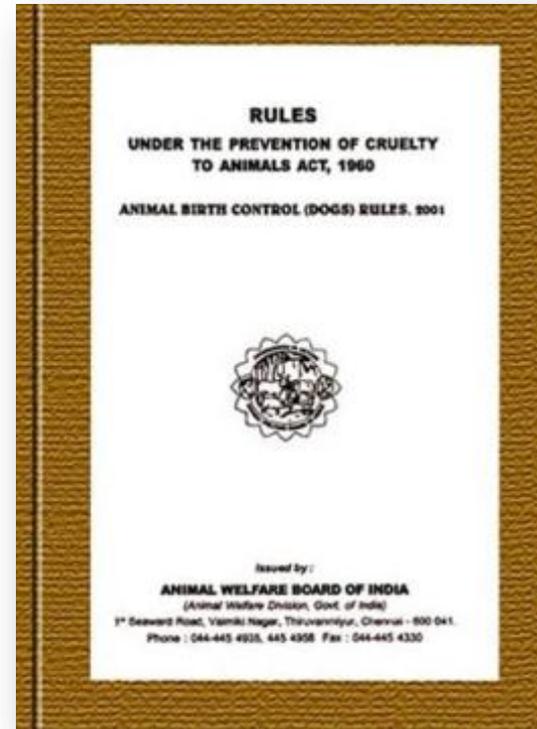


1997

Seeing positive results
General A.K. Chatterjee,
Chairman, Animal Welfare
Board Of India (AWBI) has
Animal Birth Control (ABC)
**adopted as the policy of
the AWBI.**



2001



Reviewing the **success of ABC** in places where it had been implemented as a pilot project, The Government of India introduced new regulations which stopped killing of street animals and replaced it with ABC



2004

The WHO sponsored study
of Rabies in India
from 1993 to 2002
reveals..

- Number of Rabies cases is more or less **constant** over a 10 year period from 1992 to 2002 at 17371 cases per year

- Number of animal bites (mostly dogs) is also **constant** over the same period



However

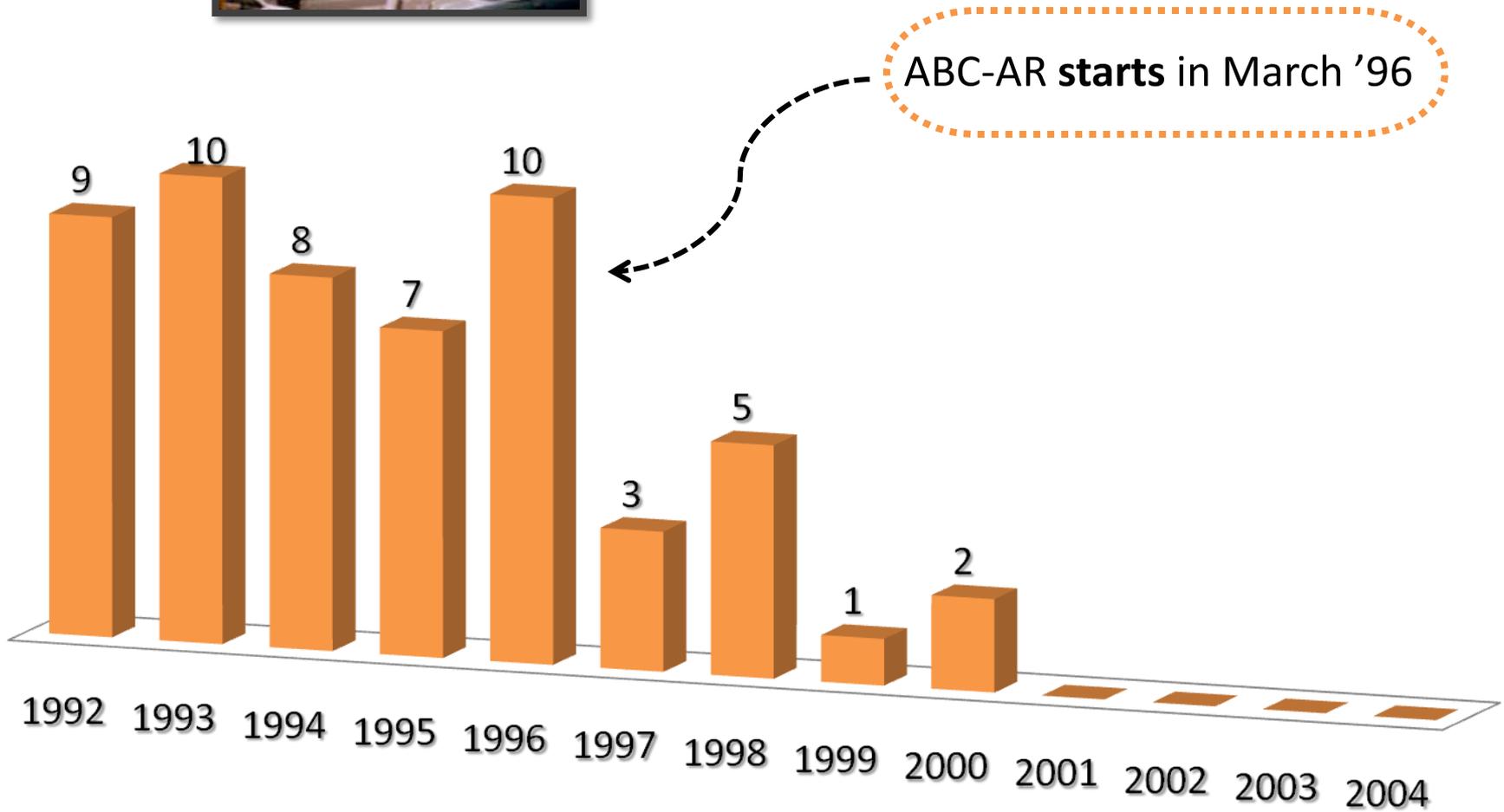
Rabies cases in humans as well as the incidence of dog bites shows a dramatic drop..

..in areas where **ABC-AR** is being implemented aggressively



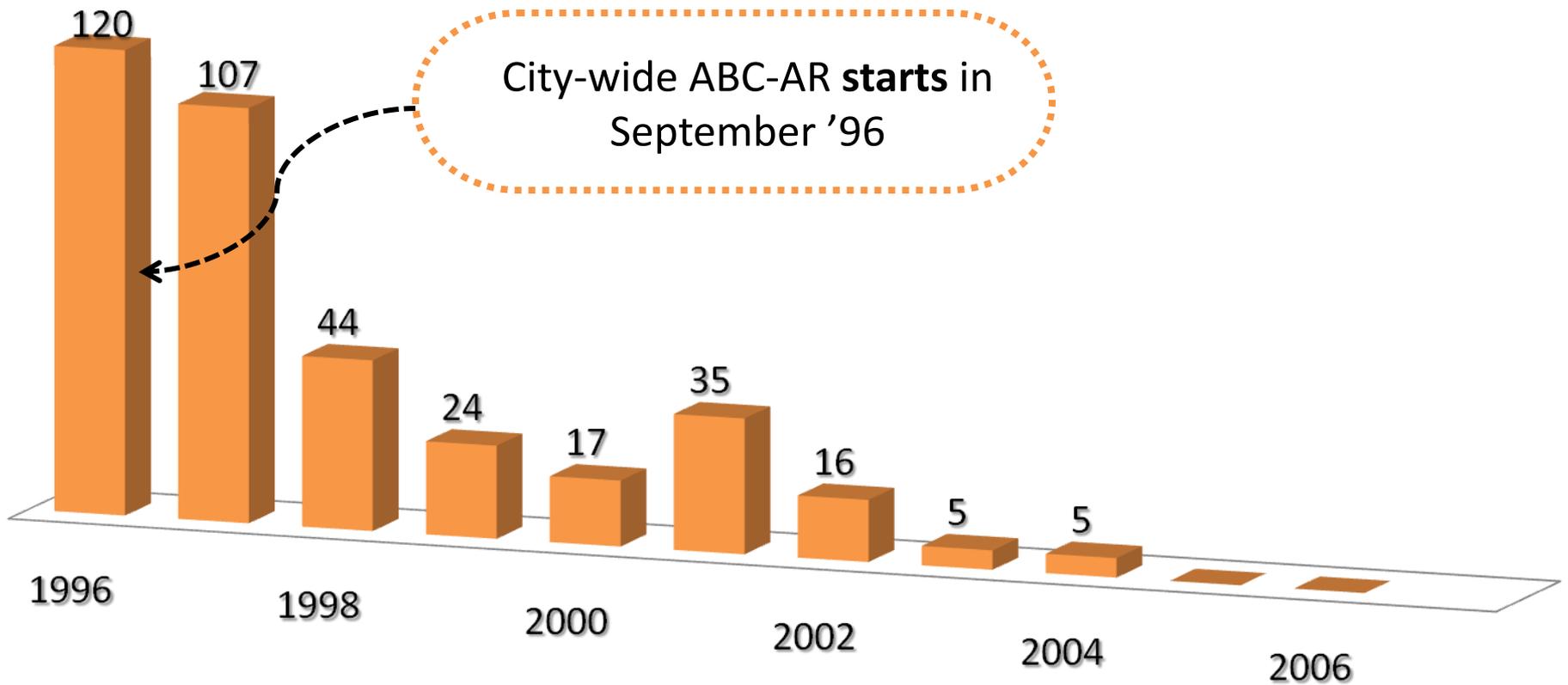


No. of Rabies Deaths: Jaipur(Walled city)



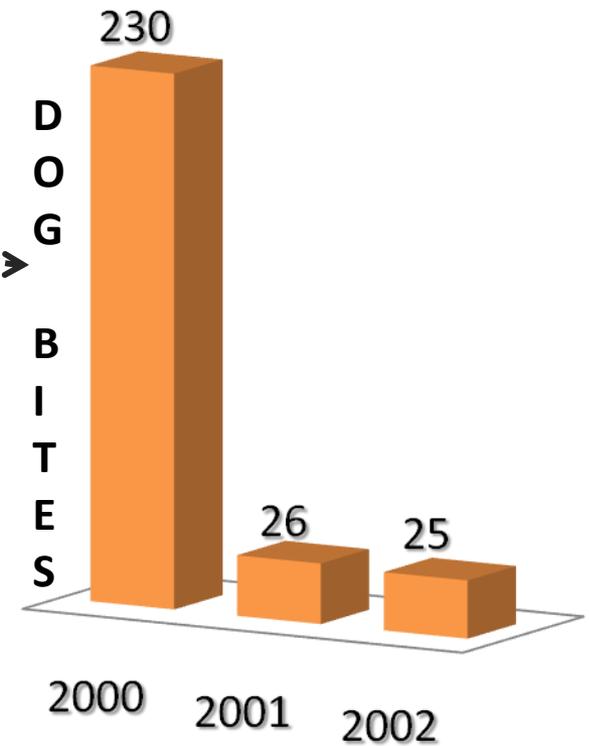
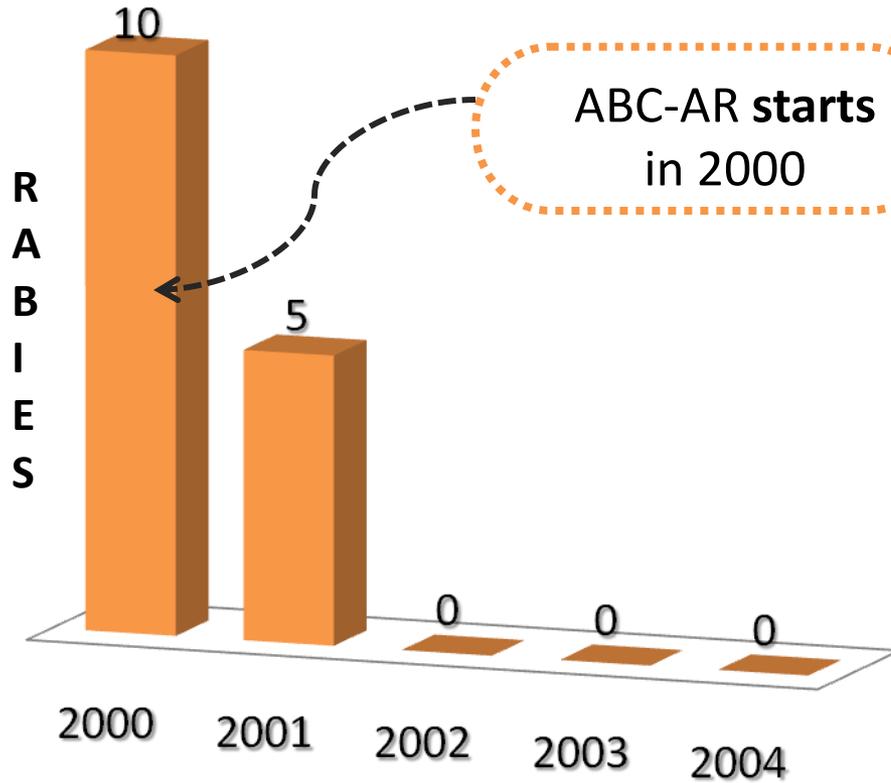


No. of Rabies Deaths: Chennai





No. of Rabies Deaths/Dog Bites: Kalimpong





The Blue Cross Success Story



In Chennai,
zero
rabies cases
since Jan 2008.





In Jaipur,
the incidence of rabies
in ABC areas has been

zero

since 2001
as against 8.75 deaths per
year during the five years
prior to 1996 when the full
fledged ABC programme
started.



A close-up photograph of a brown horse's eye, showing the iris and pupil. The eye is looking slightly to the left. The background is a dark, blurred gradient.

In Kalimpong,
zero

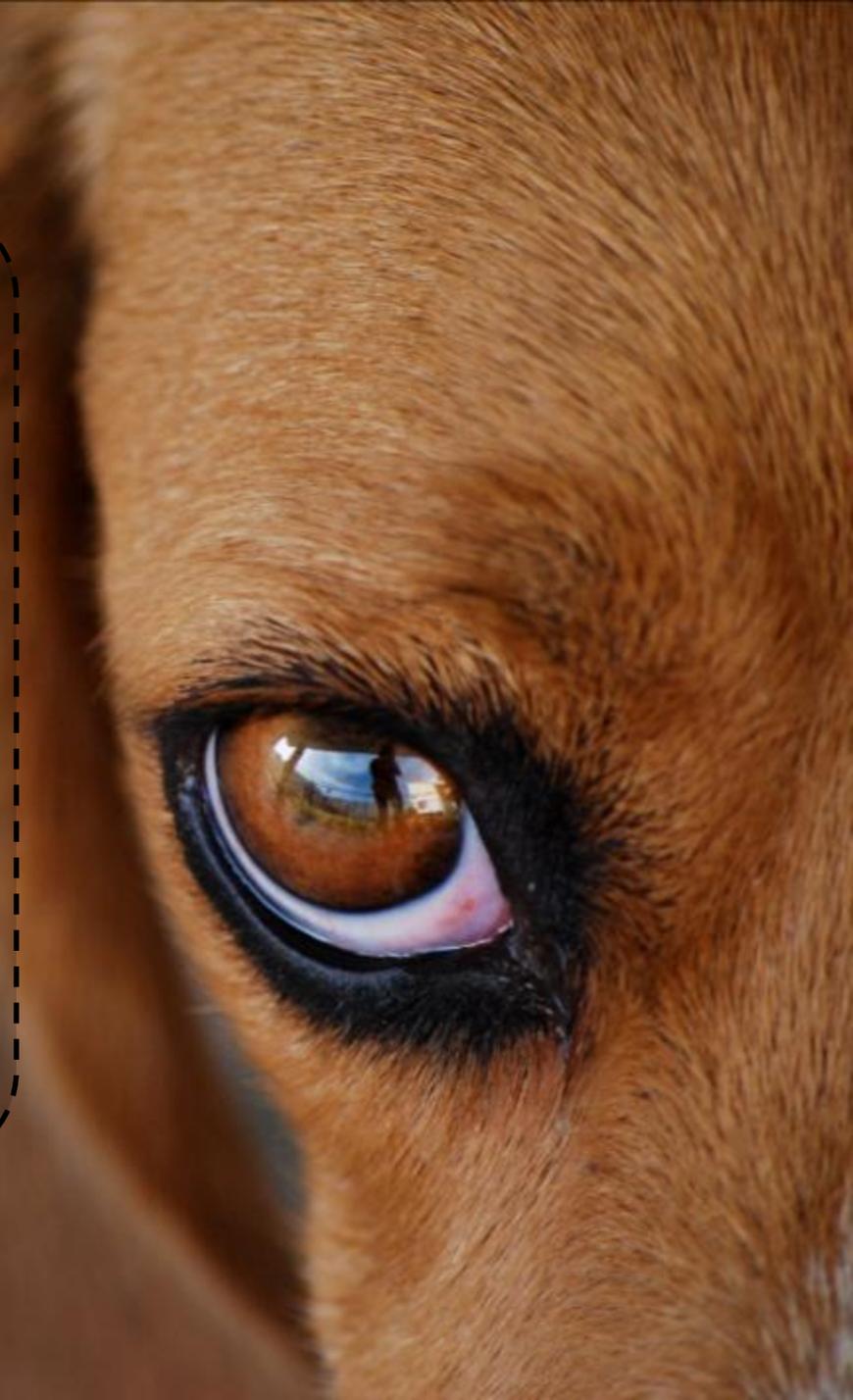
deaths
since 2002
as against 10 per
year previously.



In Bangalore,
both dog bites and rabies
cases have gone down

sharply

since October 2000 when the
programme began.





2010

After many years
of persuasion..

The Government of India accepts the recommendation to propose **two** new rules under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act of 1960: The Pet Shop Regulation Rules and The Breeding and Sale of Pets Rules



**Thank
You**