



# Tsunami Animal-People Alliance



## Annual Report Jan-Dec 2011

# Message from the Chairman of the Board



2011 brought new opportunities and challenges to TAPA. The TAPA team transitioned into disaster assistance mode in early 2011 to respond to devastating floods that displaced one million people. We teamed with a humanitarian assistance charity to bring services to the poorest of the poor, who had been battered by the civil war, and now floods. We worked extensively in former war zone areas, including in and around military bases and surrounding communities, and we were very warmly welcomed. TAPA also initiated a programme of activities in tourist areas that was well received by tourists and the tourism industry.

We continue to assist recovery of the animals and the people of Sri Lanka's tsunami zone and former war zone, where the 30 year civil war finally ended. In 2011, we passed the milestone of 34,000 animals sterilised!

Our team continues to provide caring service to the animals and people of Sri Lanka. Our vets, vet nurses, clinic assistants and skilled animal handlers work under difficult conditions. We provide no cost vaccinations, spay/neuter clinics and general vet care for both community dogs caught by net and for individually owned dogs where vet care is limited or does not exist at all. Our efforts reduce the threat of rabies and dog bites, while at the same time humanely controlling the animal population.

Our education programme seeks to improve the living environment for both the people and the animals, and targets kindergarten through adult with age appropriate content and methods.

Thank you to our financial and in-kind donors -- both individuals and organisations -- who share our vision for making this possible!



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Senaka S. Kotagama". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Senaka S. Kotagama  
Chairperson

# Goals, Objectives and Strategies

## Our Name

We chose the name Tsunami Animal-People Alliance (TAPA) to emphasise the interaction and importance of both animals and people in the community, giving thought, care and protection to both.



The TAPA name identifies us as an animal welfare Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO), which also cares for the people and their welfare, and aims to strengthen the link between the two in a practical manner.

## Goal

Our goal is to improve the welfare and living environment of Sri Lanka's animals and people, particularly in the tsunami-impacted zones, and now also in the former war/conflict zone.

## Objectives

Our objectives to attain this goal include:

- Humane community dog population management
- Reduce rabies by creating rabies-free areas where TAPA works
- Reduce dog bites, particularly among children
- Raise awareness of animal welfare issues.

## Strategy

Our strategy is to implement a no-charge Catch-Neuter-Vaccinate-Release (CNVR) programme in the tsunami-impacted zone and former war zone. TAPA's mobile tent-based surgical field clinic moves from community to community with a goal of sterilising and vaccinating at least 75% of the dogs (community/street dogs as well as individually owned dogs). We adhere to high standards of asepsis and use specialised surgery protocols, including pain management, which is humane and conducive to fast healing. The dogs are returned to the exact spot where caught (or to their owners), to make use of their territorial nature to manage the population. This is a critical factor to success as they will keep unsterilised and unvaccinated dogs away. We use large "butterfly" nets to humanely catch community/street dogs, which also reduces the risk of injury to them, as well as to TAPA staff.



Spay/Neuter in the TAPA Field Clinic

A well-executed CNVR programme yields a stable vaccinated dog population, reducing the incidence of animal and human rabies, while preventing the mass killing of dogs as an uninformed, ineffective and inhumane means of rabies reduction.

# About TAPA Work

## Strategy—Cont'd

TAPA also seeks to improve the standard of veterinary medicine and surgery practice within Sri Lanka, including the introduction of pain management, practise of high levels of asepsis and the concept of Early Age Neutering (EAN).

Additionally, TAPA provides a model for dog population management in Sri Lanka, as well as seizing opportunities to propagate and replicate our field tested methodologies and processes throughout the region. Our field clinic also provides general veterinary care to all animals on an as-needed basis. This model has been recognised as a viable and humane solution to community/street dog population management – an alternative to mass killing.

## Areas of Operation

**East Coast:** Tsunami affected coastline from Yala National Park north. We also provided assistance to animals impacted by serious flooding in early 2011, and made our first visit to Jaffna on the far Northeast coast, which was impacted by both the tsunami as well as the war.

**South Coast:** Tsunami affected coastline, including Galle, Negombo, Tangalle and Hambantota. There was special emphasis on working in tourist zones in cooperation with the tourist industry.

**Former Conflict Zone:** In 2011, at the invitation of the military, we worked extensively in the former conflict zone, including in the refugee camps (Internally Displaced Persons). Particular emphasis was on the Vauniya area, a frontline area during the civil war.



## TAPA Prioritisation Guidelines

- A focus on tsunami-impacted areas and former war zone
- Ability to obtain no-kill agreements in exchange for sterilising and vaccinating the dogs in the targeted communities
- Working where there is limited or no veterinary infrastructure
- The potential to transfer CNVR skills. Such replication can greatly leverage our limited resources to benefit additional animals and the people who share their environment.



TAPA Field Clinic tents: when feasible, we also set up in abandoned buildings, government building porches, etc., to reduce setup-takedown times.

# About TAPA Work (con't)

## Flood Disaster Response—January-March 2011

Floods hit Sri Lanka in early 2011 leaving one million people displaced. TAPA initially worked with disaster relief assessment teams from Humane Society International (HSI) and World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA). The TAPA team then started work treating any animal needing assistance in the Batticaloa area during Jan-Feb 2011, in cooperation with Project Embark, DogStar Foundation, HSI, WSPA, and the Golden Bee Humanitarian Assistance Project of ASB (Germany).



In March 2011, TAPA was again sponsored by Project Embark to provide additional flood relief assistance in the Polonnaruwa area.



The team treated any animal in need, including dogs, cats, cattle, buffaloes and goats. Conditions included pneumonia, wounds, skin diseases, worm infestations, nutritional deficiencies, and diarrhea.

Most of the roads were damaged, making it very difficult to reach the farms. Villagers transported the vets on motor bikes through thick jungles to reach the animals in need.



The TAPA team distributed minerals supplements, deworming tablets and other medications provided by DogStar Foundation with funding from Project Embark. These very poor villagers and their animals were in desperate need of help, and many animals had been lost due to the floor waters. The TAPA team was enthusiastically welcomed by the people.

# About TAPA Work (con't)

## Former War Zone

Sri Lanka endured an ugly civil war for almost 30 years. Due to security, TAPA had been unable to work in the war zone. The war ended in May 2009 and TAPA began working on the periphery of the former war zone in 2010, with an unanticipated impact:

We were so busy, it took an outside observer from a humanitarian assistance group to put things into perspective.....

*"TAPA is really a great, dynamic team and what I see is so much more than the work they are doing for dogs- their interaction with the communities is also beneficial. Here in Batticaloa for example, after 30 years of war, devastation, death and destruction, TAPA represents a whole new concept that some of the communities have never experienced- respect, care, nurturing, concern for others... The ethnic divide is also very key and having Sinhala staff at TAPA doing work without charge for Tamil communities sends quite a powerful message. People in Batticaloa really appreciated this show of kindness, care and respect from TAPA staff."*

In 2011, TAPA was invited by the military, which was managing the transition process, to come into the heart of the former war zone to do spay/neuter in and around military bases, refugee camps for Internally Displaced Persons, and resettlement areas in the Vauniya area. As a result of this work, we were invited by the Sri Lankan Navy to work in the Jaffna area (far north of Sri Lanka, impacted by the tsunami and the war), and then invited to come to the Mannar area in early 2012.

The military provided logistics support and opened doors with local officials. In addition to providing our team the opportunity to help rebuild their country, we found it very positive that enlightened military leaders were discovering that spay/neuter is the solution to managing the dog population.



Spay/neuter surgeries in the former war zone



Education programme in the former war



Dog back in home territory after recovery and release

# About TAPA Work (con't)

## Tourist Zone Programme

In 2011, TAPA initiated a new focus on working in tourist zones, which are primarily coastal areas devastated by the tsunami. Tourism is regaining its stride in Sri Lanka, which also means a renewed concern over the "dog problem". TAPA was fortunate to link with Mr. Martin Fullerton of Negombo, who is well connected to the tourism industry.



TAPA Clinic set up on the beach in Negombo

In cooperation with Mr. Fullerton's Hope Foundation, the Western Province Tourist Board and Jetwing Hotels, TAPA initially did a demonstration clinic set up on the beach at the edge of a Jetwing Hotel carpark in the tourist area of Negombo. Food and lodging was provided by the tourist industry, and there was significant positive media coverage, including a visit by CNN World. An exhibition area was set up, and tourists were happy to see concern for the animals.

After seeing what TAPA could do, we were invited by the Tourist Board to participate in the U.N. World Tourist Day in September with a week of accompanying activities. TAPA set up in the carpark of the world famous Mt. Lavinia Hotel. In addition to CNVR, there were visits by religious leaders, various officials (including the American Ambassador to Sri Lanka), visits by students, an exhibition area, an education programme and a visit by Ms. Otara Gunawardena, Sri Lankan Ambassador to World Animal Day.



Netting in the fish market area on the beach



Exhibition tent in Tangalle



Spay/neuter surgery under way in a tourist area

Programmes were then subsequently organised in the tourist areas of Tangalle and Hambantota on the Sri Lankan South Coast. In addition to helping the animals, the positive response of tourists will help encourage further growth of the tourism industry, which contributes to the local economy.

# About TAPA Work (con't)

## Officially Registered NGO

TAPA continues to be an officially registered charitable Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO), registered with the Ministry of Social Affairs of the Government of Sri Lanka.

## The TAPA Team

The highly motivated Sri Lankan team has been well trained by international veterinarians, vet nurses and animal handlers.

This programme builds on the CNVR "template" originally successfully field tested and implemented in Bali and Banda Aceh, Indonesia and in Phuket, Thailand. The TAPA team temporarily lives in the community being served.



The Field Clinic processes dogs through an organised routine of catch, evaluation of fitness for surgery, weighing, pre-surgery medication and anesthetic, pre-op prep, surgery, post-op monitoring and recovery, and return to the exact spot where caught (or to the owner). Each dog is fitted with a red collar to indicate that it has been vaccinated. Because the red collars are eventually lost, dogs are also ear notched while under anesthetic. The ear notch also serves as a permanent indicator to TAPA animal handlers and municipality employees that the dog has already been sterilised and vaccinated, thus eliminating re-catching and reducing the risk of harm by misguided government employees given the task of reducing the population of community dogs.

## Replication and Training

Over the last few years, TAPA has trained vets and staff from various Asian countries in our methods, including India, Malaysia and the Philippines. Training has taken place through on the job training working with our team and via seminar presentations.



# About TAPA Work (con't)

## International Linkages

During 2011, TAPA continued as both a Member Society of the World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA) and an Associate of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (RSPCA). TAPA was honoured to receive one of the two Humane Society International Animal Advocate Awards for 2011.

## Statistics

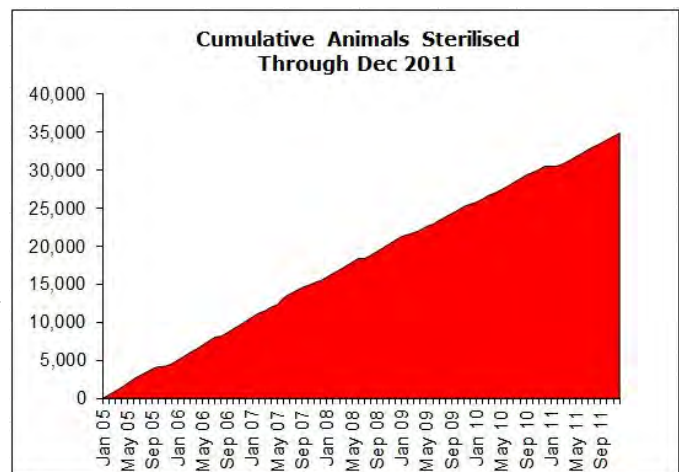
During 2011 the team sterilised and vaccinated 4,345 animals. This was slightly below the target of 5,000 because the team spent January through March doing flood disaster relief for animals (no spay/neuter) and due to several spells of heavy rain during the rest of the year (rain makes it difficult to both catch dogs as well as operate the tented field clinic). We also lost some time due to damage to our large hospital tent caused by sudden and severe storms.



Dogs recovering from sterilisation

The number of dogs sterilised ranges from over 40 per day when TAPA first begins to work in a community to 20-25 per day as the team approaches saturation in that community. We use the Schnabel method of Mark-Recapture to estimate total dog populations and percentage penetration, and the transect method to establish a baseline for population trend analysis.

**We sterilise both male and female dogs.** The females are obviously sterilised for population control. But it is also important to sterilise the male dogs, not only for population control but also to reduce aggressive behaviour, especially during mating season. This reduces the risk of dog bites to people, and especially children, who are at eye level with the dogs. This can also reduce injury to other dogs from fighting.



It is crucial to sterilise at least 75% of the dogs, as this is the level usually cited to result in zero population growth, and 75% vaccination rate is usually cited as the point at which "herd immunity" to rabies is attained. Consequently, TAPA must continue in that community even as the daily rate drops.

TAPA strives to sterilise 80-85% of the dogs in a community. This includes community and street dogs, as well as individually owned dogs as there is generally limited or no vet care available. Both owned dogs and community dogs contribute to the street population: as a result of our marketing efforts in the community, our overall average is about half community dogs and half individually owned dogs.

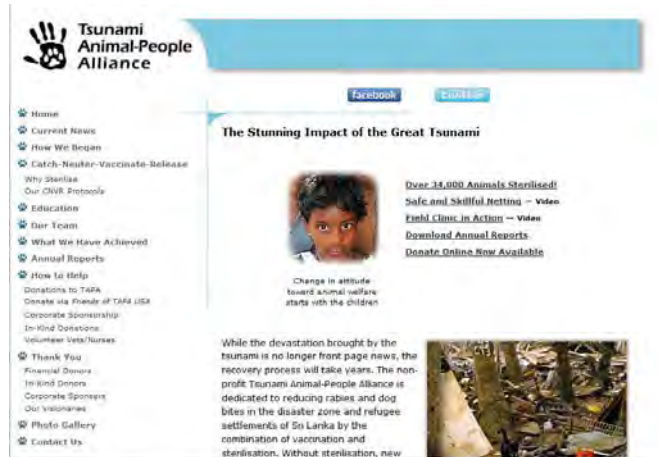
# About TAPA Work (con't)

## Publicity and Public Awareness

Descriptions of our work, as well as raising awareness of animal welfare issues, have been included in newspaper articles and TV broadcasts both within Sri Lanka and internationally. CNN World visited the TAPA Field Clinic in Negombo.

## Website / Social Media

Our website at [www.tsunami-animal.org](http://www.tsunami-animal.org) well explains our work and is updated with current news and a listing of where we are working. In 2011, we introduced a strong presence on Facebook (Tapa-Srilanka) with frequent updates, as well as a Twitter presence.



## Standards

TAPA Standard Operating Procedures, including asepsis, surgical techniques and strict protocols, are of paramount importance in protecting the welfare of the animals in a mass sterilisation programme.

The TAPA field clinic continues to successfully demonstrate that the standards expected in a static veterinary clinic can also be attained in a field environment. To verify this success, the TAPA team implemented a follow-up research programme, which monitored and collected data on 100 dogs daily post-surgery (20%-25% of a typical month's field work). The very positive results demonstrated that about 96% of all dogs have an excellent recovery post-CNVR. The remaining 4% also had an acceptable recovery with only minor self-correcting complications. Protocols for special case dogs are further improving this percentage.



Releasing dogs to the exact place where caught after recovery

The TAPA team is trained and experienced in handling emergency situations during surgery. Unfortunately, however, we do lose several dogs out of 5,000 each year due to anesthetic shock issues. To our knowledge, no dogs have died due to post-CNVR complications. On average, we find one dog out of 500 that is in very bad condition. If our vets all concur that the animal is suffering without hope of recovery, we do, with great sadness, euthanise. We seek to honor the one and the many.

# About TAPA Work (con't)

## Medical Perspective

Although the mission of the Field Clinic is mass sterilisation, the team has treated a number of animals, including dogs, cats, and others in the tsunami and former war zones, for various medical conditions and accident injuries. Many of these animals would have died due to lack of veterinary care. All services are provided free of charge.

TAPA introduced **Early Age Neutering (EAN)** to Sri Lanka as a safe and effective population management method. We screen for eligibility for EAN by age, weight, general condition, and any specific medical conditions. TAPA has also raised awareness of post-surgery pain management and mitigation techniques. We do not spay lactating females.



Our team members are very committed to animal welfare - it's not just a job to them



Catching a dog using a net—safer for the dog and for the team than using catchpoles



Safely carrying a dog in the net back to the Field Clinic and then weighing



Sterilised cat recovering in the Field Clinic

# About TAPA Work (con't)

## Education

### Community

In each community, TAPA first meets with community leaders and officials to explain how the CNVR programme works, the benefits of humane population management and how this reduces rabies and dog bites. Initial skepticism usually turns into offers of assistance once the community understands the concepts.

### Education Programme

During 2011, TAPA continued and expanded implementation of our education programme. We use different approaches to target kindergarten/primary school and secondary school / adults. We continue to seek to introduce new ideas and learning aids to better transmit the messages to younger audiences. The sooner we can reach the children, the better!



In 2011, TAPA's education programme directly and indirectly (through sharing at home) reached over 15,000 people of all ages. We made presentations in all levels of schools (students and parents), community centres, orphanages in the tsunami and former war zones.



"Poseable Dog" Crafts Activity—adapted from Helen Woodward Animal Center (USA). The children assemble and colour a dog from paper, and then the finished product is used to demonstrate dog behaviors to help the children safely interact with dogs and avoid dog bites.

The presentations cover rabies facts, including facts and myths about rabies, precautions, prevention, and treatments; how to avoid dog bites; responsible pet ownership; and how Catch-Neuter-Vaccinate-Release impacts the dog population. For the younger children, we focus more on raising awareness that animals are to be respected as sentient beings sharing the earth with us. We use toy animals, stickers, singing, dramas and paintings to transfer this message to the young children.



# About TAPA Work (con't)

## Avoiding Dog Bites Leaflet

Many dog bites are the result of a simple lack of knowledge of canine behaviour. The vast majority of dog bites do not involve rabid dogs, but are from community dogs or owned dogs. Regardless, most Sri Lankan victims seek medical treatment - even if the dog is known to them. These costly, and most often unnecessary, treatments deplete precious limited government health resources that could be used for other benefits.

As part of our education programme, TAPA developed and published a leaflet on how to avoid dog bites, with a special focus on children. TAPA hopes this will reduce the actual pain of the victims who might otherwise be bitten, minimise subsequent harm to the dogs, and stretch scarce health care resources.



We have printed over 150,000 copies (in Sinhala, Tamil and English) for distribution in the community. The leaflets, endorsed by the Ministry of Health, include colour graphics depicting Sri Lankan children and adults with local dogs in Sri Lankan surroundings. The four page leaflet stresses simple behaviours to avoid dog bites, as well as how to react to a dog that comes just to sniff, and what to do if actually bitten. Localised versions of our booklet have now been produced by other groups including in India, China, the Republic of Georgia, as well as in an Arabic version. We offer the graphics file to any group anywhere to help spread the knowledge.



# TAPA Capacity Building

## Training

The TAPA team has been trained in high speed keyhole spay/neuter surgery with an emphasis on strict asepsis. These are critical components to reduce infection and post-operation complications, both crucial to the success of same day Catch-Neuter-Vaccinate-Release.

TAPA also seeks opportunities to train others in the overall CNVR process, as well as how to humanely and safely catch dogs using nets. TAPA's expenses for training others are covered by the sponsors of that training—all general donations to TAPA continue to be used exclusively for spay-neuter work.

## Volunteer Vets/ Nurses

TAPA's Volunteer Vet Programme provides value-added training, specialised medicine and case work, and feedback on team procedures. These international volunteers pay their own travel expenses to Sri Lanka, where they live and work with the team in the field. International volunteer vets and vet nurses provide a broad range of experience and exposure to new trends in veterinary medicine, raising the level of the team's skills.



"Vaccinate & Sterilise" labels  
donated by Studio Labels  
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# Challenges and Donors

## Challenges

Funding remains our most serious challenge. It is not inexpensive to field a team of ten working for extended periods in remote locations. Our cost to sterilise a dog or cat is approximately US\$20 (about US\$8 for good quality medicines and surgical supplies plus about US\$12 for staff salaries, housing and food, van to transport dogs and equipment, etc.)



TAPA's field clinic sets up right in the tsunami zone or the former zone—wherever we need to go—often right next to the rubble of buildings

In 2011, overheads were 3% for administration and fund-raising and 97% of expenses were direct project costs. We average about 30 dogs per day (often over 35-40 dogs per day when TAPA first arrives in a new location, dropping to 20-25 per day after we have saturated an area, while continuing to work toward the minimum 75% sterilisation target). A typical village has a dog population of 250 to 500 dogs. We seek to reduce costs through in-kind donations of medications, supplies, food and lodging.

To protect the welfare of the animals, we cannot compromise on the quality of the medicines or supplies, such as anesthetics, pain medications or suture materials. Additionally, the team is asked to spend long hours for extended periods, working and living in difficult conditions, so we must ensure their well-being with reasonable food and shelter.

Sri Lanka is a developing country, so TAPA depends heavily on outside funding. We are, however, seeking to increase local funding to encourage national ownership of the programme. In 2011, we included an emphasis on tsunami zone tourist areas, with support and cooperation from the tourism industry.

## Friends of the Tsunami Animal-People Alliance (U.S.)

The U.S.-based Friends of the Tsunami Animal-People Alliance (FoTAPA) supports field sterilisation in the tsunami zone. The U.S. Internal Revenue Service has designated FoTAPA a 501(c)3 (tax-exempt) non-profit organisation, offering tax deductibility of donations for U.S. income tax purposes. Online donation from anywhere in the world via Paypal is available via the FoTAPA webpage ([www.tsunami-animal.org/FoTAPA](http://www.tsunami-animal.org/FoTAPA)).

## Friends of the Tsunami Animal-People Alliance (U.K.)

During 2011 the U.K.-based Friends of the Tsunami Animal-People Alliance (FoTAPA-UK) was created to garner support for TAPA in UK, and is presently ramping up its activities.

## Our Donors

TAPA's accomplishments are possible only with the generous support of animal welfare organisations and individuals around the world. TAPA and the people and animals of Sri Lanka wish to thank all of our supporters, both large and small. Donations are used for work in the tsunami and former war zones and TAPA team capacity building. Pages 19 & 20 acknowledge our 2011 financial and in-kind donors.

# Team and Directors



**TAPA  
Field  
Team**

The TAPA Field Team includes veterinary surgeons, vet nurses, animal handlers, community liaison, van driver, and education programme presenters. The team achieves its effectiveness and efficiency through flexible cross-over responsibilities – for example, the vet nurses and vets assist in catching dogs when needed, and several of the vet nurses and animal handlers are cross-trained.

## TAPA Volunteer Board of Directors:

**Mr. Senaka S. Kotegama** (Sri Lankan), TAPA Chairman of the Board and well-respected Sri Lankan businessman with a special interest in animal welfare.

**Dr. Subash Dananjaya** (Sri Lankan), TAPA 's founding Chief Veterinary Surgeon, Field Clinic Manager and Team Leader.

**Dr. Shalika Perera** (Sri Lankan), Board Secretary, joined TAPA in 2005 and served as TAPA's Chief Veterinary Surgeon, Field Clinic Manager and Team Leader during 2007-2008.

**Dr. Thusira Soorasena** (Sri Lankan), joined TAPA in 2006 and served as TAPA's Chief Veterinary surgeon, Field Clinic Manager and Team Leader from 2008-2010.

**Dr. Roshan Fernandopulle** (Sri Lankan) joined TAPA in 2007 as a Veterinary Surgeon, and served as TAPA Team Leader and Field Clinic Manager from 2010-2011. Dr. Roshan is presently pursuing graduate studies in Aquaculture. Dr. Roshan promotes dog adoption through the Four Paws Welfare Trust in Negombo.

**Ms. Sherry Grant** (American) co-founded TAPA, as well as earlier co-founding the Yudisthira Foundation in Bali (Bali Street Dogs) and recently Indonesia Animal Welfare, and has extensive experience in animal welfare in Asia. Ms. Grant was the inspiration behind establishing and providing the direction of TAPA.

**Ms. Dawn Peacock** (British), TAPA Board Vice-Chairperson, is an animal welfare specialist with extensive experience in animal welfare in Asia, who was instrumental in transferring procedures, processes, and lessons learned to TAPA from Yudisthira Foundation (the Bali Street Dog Programme) and assisting in field operations and research.

**Dr. Elaine Ong** (Australian), a veterinary surgeon who owns an Australian Small Animal Veterinary Association accredited Hospital of Excellence and is a Faculty Member and Academic Associate of the University of Melbourne. Dr. Ong has experience in developing countries, including working as a volunteer vet in Sri Lanka sterilising dogs in the tsunami refugee camps and providing onsite training.

**Mr. Robert Blumberg** (American), TAPA Board Treasurer, is an engineer who was resident in Sri Lanka at the time of the tsunami. He helped form the Tsunami People-Animal Welfare Coalition to provide the initial response in Sri Lanka immediately after the tsunami and then co-founded TAPA and helps administer its operations.

# Financials

TAPA 's appointed auditor (Sri Lankan Chartered Accountants A&S Associates of Colombo) provides continuing guidance to ensure that our accounting methods conform to professional norms. The Sri Lankan Fiscal Year is April 1 – March 31. A&S audited the books for the Fiscal Year ending 31 March 2011 and will do so again for the Fiscal year ending 31 March 2012. TAPA also retains a part-time accountant/administrator for several hours per month. Financials are available upon request.



Sterilisation Surgery in the TAPA Clinic

The TAPA budget is based on a target of 5,000 dogs per year. As indicated previously, sterilising each dog costs about US\$20 per dog (consisting of approximately US\$8 for medicines, vaccines and surgical supplies, and approximately \$12 for salaries, field living expenses, van for transporting dogs, etc.). The cost of medicines and supplies is partially offset by in-kind donations whenever possible. (US\$20 = Euro 15.8 = GBP 13.1)

Our overheads in 2011 were about 3%( Administration plus Fundraising) with 97% of expenses being direct field project costs.

**This will not happen again for this family !!**



TAPA sterilised the mother and then all eight puppies using Early Age Neutering (EAN) techniques introduced into Sri Lanka by TAPA guided by international vet volunteers. This family was subsequently carefully monitored by TAPA for several weeks and perfect recovery observed.

## 2012 Plans and Opportunities

- Continue CNVR Field Clinic programmes in the tsunami and war-impacted zones of Sri Lanka, and increase emphasis in tsunami zone tourist areas, where hotels are becoming concerned about the dog population.
- Continue to implement our Education Programme for all ages. This programme include rabies facts and myths, how to avoid dog bites, humane treatment of animals and responsible animal ownership, including the role of sterilisation and vaccination.
- Seek additional opportunities to continue building the capacity of the TAPA team. This includes seeking sponsorships to attend training seminars, as well as facilitating the Volunteer Visiting Vets/Nurses programme to bring new ideas and experience to the team.
- Leverage Impact. TAPA's successful CNVR Field Clinic has gained recognition internationally and programmes to Train the Trainers can greatly leverage TAPA impact in improving the welfare of the animals and the people in Asia.



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