

Campus Human-Animal Interaction Management

Committee, IIT Bombay

Annexure 5

Policy for Regulation, Management, and Relating to Community Dogs in Sensitive Areas of Institute

The Committee has taken note of the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in *In Re: City Hounded by Strays, Kids Pay Price* (Order dated 7th November 2025), particularly concerning the management of stray dogs in educational institutions. However, despite consistent efforts by the Institute, the local municipal authorities are yet to implement the said directions.

Accordingly, as an interim measure, and in the interest of ensuring the safety of all campus users, stray dogs shall not be permitted within or in the immediate vicinity of academic and other sensitive areas, including but not limited to, academic departments, lecture halls and classrooms, laboratories, library, hospital, administrative offices, indoor and outdoor sports facilities (including Gymkhana and grounds), Student Activity Centre (SAC), hostels, and key access corridors (such as inter-departmental connecting corridors). Given that several of these facilities operate on a 24x7 basis, this restriction shall apply at all times.

Recommendations

1. Stray dogs shall not be permitted within or in the immediate vicinity of academic and other sensitive areas.
2. The Institute may consider deployment of adequately trained personnel to ensure that stray dogs do not enter or remain within the immediate vicinity of academic buildings, particularly in areas with significant access requirements for Persons with Disabilities (PWD).
3. The Institute has engaged an external agency for the management of stray dogs, including sterilisation, vaccination, behavioural assessment, and necessary intervention in cases involving aggressive dogs.

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4. A dedicated helpline/contact number shall be established for reporting and addressing the presence of stray dogs in academic buildings and for responding to incidents involving aggressive dogs.
5. Pet dogs shall not be permitted within academic and other sensitive areas, even if kept under leash control.
6. Appropriate infrastructure measures shall be implemented, including installation of dog-proof garbage bins, door-closing mechanisms, and protective mesh/netting, along with strict waste management practices such as avoiding food waste near entrances and ensuring regular clearance of bins.
7. The designated Institute Task Force and/or competent authorities shall monitor the implementation and effectiveness of these measures on the ground.
8. A consolidated record of complaints, actions taken, and relevant statistics shall be periodically submitted by the task force to the Campus Animal–Human Interaction Management Committee for review, monitoring, and policy refinement.

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