

SAMOVILA FOUNDATION ANNUAL REPORT 2024-2025

A home of Love, Dignity & Second Chances



ABOUT US

Nestled in the quiet outskirts of Palghar, Samovila Foundation is a sanctuary dedicated to senior, handicapped, and medically fragile community animals. What began as a small effort in 2010 has grown into a compassionate home for those who need care the most.

Today, Samovila is home to 28 senior and handicapped dogs and 40 cats, each with a story of resilience and hope. Along with our permanent residents, we also foster wounded and recovering animals brought in by rescue teams from the Palghar region.

Our mission remains simple yet powerful: to provide care, comfort, and dignity to animals who have nowhere else to go

MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER

This year has been one of profound learning, healing, and quiet victories. From welcoming new senior pets to helping several injured cats and dogs regain their strength, we have walked this journey with immense gratitude.

Every wagging tail, every healed wound, and every soft purr remind us why Samovila exists—to stand beside those who need us most.



SRINIDHI GANGULY

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OUR RESIDENTS

- 28 senior & handicapped dogs received round-the-clock medical care and emotional comfort.
- 40 cats, including paraplegic and special-needs felines, enjoyed safe spaces, enrichment, and medical attention.
- Several ageing and immobile animals were provided with physiotherapy, pain management, and palliative care.



FOSTER & RECOVERY PROGRAM

In partnership with local rescuers and the dedicated team at Astha Foundation:

- We fostered 15 wounded or recovering dogs and cats from the Palghar region.
- Injuries ranged from road accidents, train traumas, maggot wounds, infections, and neglect.
- Our medical support, wound care, nutrition plans, and calming environment helped many return to full health.



MEDICAL INTERVENTIONS

This year, we facilitated:

- 11 major surgeries, including amputations, pyometra surgeries, orthopedic repairs, and mass removals.
- Routine vaccinations, deworming, dental checks, and chronic disease management for all residents.
- Specialized care for paraplegic and immobile residents, including bedding support, hygiene care, and mobility aids.



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TRAINING SESSIONS

- This year, we hosted a training session for staff and local rescuers in Canine Behaviour
- Two canine behaviorists—Varuna Kaur and Leena Ukil—held the session at our shelter premises



LEENA AND VARUNA CANINE BEHAVIOUR SESSIONS

VISITORS

- Many animal caregivers always visit us, and this year, we were visited by a team from Govardhan Ecovillage, Palghar.
- We were excited to have them visit us in batches and were inspired by their encouraging words.
- We were honoured that Jamie Logan, a leading animal activist and vegan advocate, was amongst them



JAMIE LOGAN (RIGHT)—ANIMAL ACTIVIST AND VEGAN ADVOCATE

NUTRITION & WELL-BEING

We prioritized species-appropriate nutrition, ensuring every resident— from toothless seniors to fragile kittens— received the right food. Thanks to community donations, we provided:

- Royal Canin, Farmina Matisse, fresh home-cooked stews, and specialized renal/cardiac diets.
- Treats, catnip, toys, and enrichment playtime for improved mental health.
- We have been the recipients of 100 beds and 20 cat and dog blankets from Pawpourri



CAT AND DOG MATS DONATED BY PAWPOURRI

IMPACT STORIES

Scooter– Our Paraplegic Warrior

Our 3-year-old paraplegic cat, Scooter, underwent an emergency intestinal surgery this year. Her remarkable healing journey reminded us once again that every life is worth fighting for



Accident Survivors

Several dogs from Palghar arrived with severe railway injuries. With timely amputations, wound care, and nurturing foster support, many are now living their second chance at life.



The Maggot-Wound Kittens and Puppies

We treated multiple kittens and puppies with severe infections and maggot infestations—each one healed through dedicated medical care and gentle foster attention.



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FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Income

- Individual Donations: 28%
- Monthly Sponsors: 69%
- Grants & Philanthropy: 0%
- Miscellaneous Support (in-kind donations): 3%



Expenses

- Medical Care & Surgeries: 20%
- Food & Nutrition: 37%
- Shelter Operations & Caregiving: 22%
- Transport, Supplies & Misc.: 21%

OUR CHALLENGES

- Rising medical costs for senior and disabled animals
- Limited space for foster admissions
- Sustaining long-term care for chronic and palliative residents
- Increasing number of trauma cases from the Palghar region

Yet, with every challenge came a supporter, a donor, a friend—helping us keep going.



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LOOKING AHEAD

In the year to come, we aim to:

- Expand our medical foster program
- Build improved mobility spaces for paraplegic residents
- Strengthen our nutrition & enrichment routines

We believe each life in our care is precious—and with your continued support, we will keep making their golden years safe, peaceful, and filled with love



A NOTE OF GRATITUDE

To everyone who donated, visited, volunteered, or simply cheered for our furkids—thank you. Your kindness keeps Samovila beating.

Together, we make senior and disabled animals feel seen, valued, and deeply loved.

With love,

Samovila Foundation 🐾

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