

HINGONIA IS ONLY THE TIP OF THE ICEBERG: FIAPO REVEALS ATROTIIOUS TREATMENT OF COWS ALL OVER RAJASTHAN



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State of Cattle at the Hingonia Rehabilitation Centre:



With space for 10,000, the Gaushala houses over 15,000 cattle with an unsettling number of 700 animals in one enclosure.



Last month, over 1000 cattle died due to poor maintenance. Last week alone, 500+ died.



Due to shortage in food, severe competition among the cattle resulted in fractures, & wounds, requiring immediate amputation surgeries.



Weak and injured calves were seen heaped in the treatment enclosure due to lack of space.



A calf with a blind eye as a result of an infection.



Animals have become sick and injured due to the negligence of the workers and authorities of the Centre. Many were found stuck and unable to move in sludge created in the rains due to mud and excreta.



Injured and weak cows have been ignored and left to fend for themselves. Minimal veterinary assistance is provided to the cattle with only 16 veterinarians for 10,000 cows!



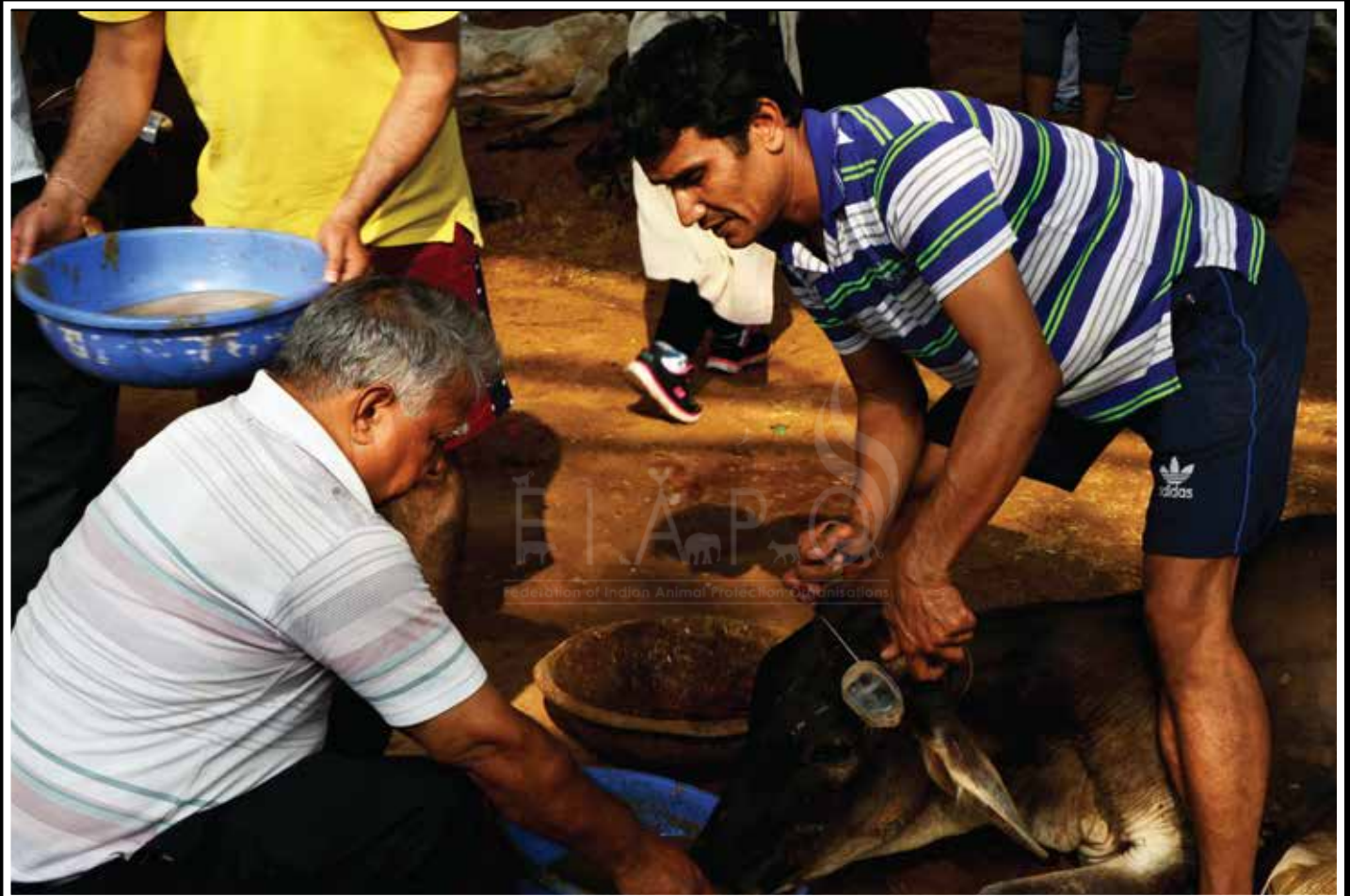
Sick and diseased animals are not segregated regularly from healthy ones. These animals usually die in the same enclosure and are only removed the next day, creating conditions for a possible disease outbreak.



Emaciated cows are a common site in the Centre



Sludge is being covered with fresh mud alone, while food and water continue to be contaminated and unhygienic. This creates a disease causing environment for already weak and malnourished animals.



The volunteers of local cow protection groups are helping in the treatment of severely sick animals.

Hingonia Gaushala is only one chapter in the mayhem of the dairy cattle of Rajasthan. Here's what's happening in the rest of the state.



Male calves lie deserted in small enclosures before being sent to slaughter houses.



These calves are neglected and allowed no access to their mothers while being tied on extremely short leashes or locked in small unhygienic enclosures.



Use of Oxytocin- which is illegal- is common to increase and release huge quantities of milk at a time.



Skin diseases are a common site in the dairies, these can be easily treated with regular de-worming which is not considered as important by the dairy owners!



Injured and diseased cattle are a common site in the dairies of Rajasthan. Cows infected with Mastitis-which is a painful infection- are used for milking without any regard to their health or the quality of milk.



Cruel artificial insemination, tail docking and hot marking is done without any medical supervision



This is a wake-up call to how we are really treating cattle across the state. Based on the appalling conditions that we are finding cattle across all establishments in Rajasthan, FIAPQ urgently demands that the Govt. of Rajasthan establishes and implements stringent regulatory actions.
