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Kathmandu Animal Treatment Centre is organizing various programs to mark Spay Day International 2008. Humane Society International, US based animal welfare organization, observes the last week of February as International Spay Week and Tuesday as the Day to aware people about the benefits of spaying or neutering their pets. This year International Spay Day falls on February 26.

Spaying or neutering is the best way to control unwanted number of the pets. Nepal Veterinary practitioners Association has accepted Kathmandu Animal Treatment Centre's request to provide discount on spaying or neutering pets for two weeks' period beginning from February 24 to March 8. KAT Centre urges all the people having pet dogs to spay or neuter their dogs to avoid unnecessary burden or unwanted puppies.

KAT Centre Founder Jan Salter highlights the importance of spaying or neutering pets, "The ONLY responsible way you can prevent your pets from reproducing is to have it spayed or neutered. This prevents the abandoned babies from living and dying a terrible death on the streets."

Nepal Veterinary Practitioners' Association President Dr. Mukti Narayan Shrestha says, "Owners have to be aware that their pet babies won't create difficulty to others. Spaying or neutering pets releases us from the burden of unnecessary babies."

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Kathmandu Animal Treatment Centre (KAT Centre) is not-profit charitable organization based on Chapaligaon, Budhanilkantha working for the humane management of street dogs in Kathmandu. It has so far spayed and given rabies vaccination to 5,500 street dogs in four years since it was established in 2003. It has also rescued and treated 1,300 street dogs. KAT Centre is the Animal Right advocate of Human Society International.

KAT Centre receives funding from World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA, which is the world's largest alliance of humane societies and animal protection organisations, representing over 800 Animal Welfare organizations in more than 147 countries). To know more about KAT Centre, please visit www.katcentre.org.np.

To know more about International Spay Day and Human Society International, please visit

http://www.hsus.org/about_us/humane_society_international_hsi/special_programs_projects/spay-day-international/spay_day_international_2008.html

Nepal Veterinary Practitioners' Association is Kathmandu based organization of Veterinary Doctors working on the pet animals. It has 40 members and the members own 25 Veterinary clinics in the Kathmandu valley.