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International Training Centre Information Pack -2016

What are the WVS ITC courses and who can apply?

The objective of WVS India International Training Center (WVS ITC) is to provide veterinary skills development, inspiration and advice for veterinarians and veterinary assistants especially in the field of humane dog population control and rabies control.

The ITC surgery courses provide the participants with skills and confidence in good quality surgery and related clinical skills and increased understanding in veterinarian's role in public health matters like rabies control and responsible use of antibiotics. It also challenges veterinarians to think how they can be actively promoting animal welfare in their daily work.

The courses are meant for veterinarians and last year veterinary students, who are actively working in the clinical field and who are likely to be able to spay/neuter dogs after the course. We encourage all interested veterinarians to familiarise themselves with the field prior to the course by reading the attached pre-admission study material. Senior veterinarians without prior small animal surgical experience and who are working mainly in administration and project planning, are welcome to visit ITC for 4-5 days ('ABC-program manager' -course) to get a briefing of the importance of humane dog population management and rabies control and how to run an ABC-program, so that they could enforce quality ABC-programs in their areas and encourage junior veterinarians to attend the ITC surgery course.

Couple of times a year, we have also been able to provide 'ITC-specials'. These are shorter courses run by certified international veterinary specialists of different fields.

Over the years the ITC surgery courses have become extremely popular and participants often need to book well in time (many months before) to ensure a seat on a course. The non-refundable and non-transfereable registration fee paid as a donation to the WVS India is Rs.

1500/veterinarian and Rs.500/assistants and managers. Registration form is in the end of this document. Please fill it and send it together with the DD in favour of Worldwide Veterinary Service India, payable in Ootacamund) to the ITC address. Please note we will only accept Demand Drafts as the payment.

The participants also need to bring Rs. 2000 in cash to pay on their arrival towards the catering at ITC.

Travel Arrangements

- Depending on the direction you are coming from, you should arrive to Coimbatore or to Bangalore first.
- From Bangalore, take an overnight bus to Ooty (8 hours) and from Ooty bus station, take a local bus to Coonoor and ask the driver to stop at Kanigarajnar – village bus stop. ITC is 50meters ahead, on the right side of the road.
- From Coimbatore, take a bus to Ooty and get off about 20 min before Ooty (2km after Aruvankadu Cordite factory) in the same Kanigarajnar –village.
- Please call one of our resident veterinarians (Dr. Nawas/0917639416884, Dr. Aswin/08122883960 or Dr.

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Surya/09160771987) to inform about your approximate arrival time, especially if you are arriving late in the evening. All participants are requested to arrive at the ITC the evening before the course starts (day given on the schedule is the day when the course starts)

Health

As you will be working hands on with animals, Rabies and Tetanus vaccines are essential. Please note that the days are long (8:30 am – 7:30pm) and involve lot of standing. We do not recommend this course for people who have problems standing for longer periods of time.

What to bring:

- Practical / comfortable clothes to work in.
- Wet weather gear during monsoon months and warm clothing all the year around is also advisable, evenings and nights in Ooty can become quite chilly
- Towel
- Own bedsheets/ sleeping bag if preferred. Basic blankets and bedsheets are provided in the ITC dormitories.
- Cash (Rs.2000/ 12 days course) to pay the catering fee on arrival (*catering fee is the same for veterinarians, assistants and project managers and it includes a buffet dinner in a restaurant in Ooty on the last night of the course*)
- Cash to buy a surgical instrument set for you to take home (Optional for those who are interested). Standard instrument set costs approximately Rs. 2700. Please note

that you need to inform the ITC vets on your arrival if you are interested in buying an instrument set as they are not always readily stocked

- In ITC, the vets will also be provided with a WVS scrub top, a surgery hat and an ABC-surgery handout.
- *NOTE: We seem to be losing pens all the time so please bring a good collection of pens for writing records and taking notes!*

Accommodation & food

Accommodation will be provided free of charge at the ITC in simple dormitories. If you wish to upgrade your accommodation you can choose to stay outside on your own cost. In ITC you will have three vegetarian meals per day and two teabreaks. On one night we will go out together for a dinner. The ITC meals as well as the common dinner outside are covered by your catering fee.

WVS ITC Contact Details

If you have any questions about the course, please contact WVS ITC Clinical Director Ilona Otter. Email: ilona@wvs.org.uk

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WVS ITC surgery-course schedule for 2016

ABC-course number	ABC course dates
I	4 TH Jan to 15 th Jan
II	25 th Jan to 5 th Feb
III	8 th Feb to 19 th Feb
IV	22 nd Feb to 4 th Mar
V	7 th Mar to 18 th Mar
VI	21 st Mar to 1 st Apr
CAT-special	4 th -8 th April CAT SPECIAL
VII	11 th Apr to 22 nd Apr
VIII	25 th Apr to 6 th May
IX	9 th May to 20 th May
X	23 th May to 3 th June
XI	6 th June to 17 th June
XII	20 th June to 1 st July
XIII	4 th July to 15 th July
XIV	25 th July to 5 th Aug
XV	8 th Aug to 19 th Aug
XVI	22 nd Aug to 2 nd Sept
XVII	5 th Sept to 16 th Sept
XVIII	19 th Sept to 30 th Sept
XIX	3 rd Oct to 14 th Oct
XX	17 th Oct to 28 th Oct
XXI	31 st Oct to 11 th Nov
XXII	14 th Nov to 25 th Nov
XXIII	28 th Nov to 9 th Dec
XXIV	12 th Dec to 24 th Dec

1. Dates highlighted in **yellow** indicate courses for overseas/non-Asian students



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Date when received by WVS ITC [_____]

REGISTRATION FORM for all the WVS ITC training programs in 2016

Please fill the form carefully and return to WVS ITC as soon as possible by post along with a donation of Rs. 1500 (DD) in favour of Worldwide Veterinary Service India, payable in Ootacamund, Nilgiris district). The participants for the courses are selected and placed in the order of receiving suitable applications (see the information package for details of who can apply). After selection, the participants will receive a confirming email, indicating the dates of his/her course. Please note that registration once made can not be transferred to another person.

1. Name of the participant
 — present occupation
 — phone number
 — email address
 — postal address.....
2. Charity/ municipality/ agency where employed at the moment
3. Name and phone number of contact person in-charge.....
 — email address of a contact person in charge.....
 — postal address.....
4. Working experience - please indicate number of years as well
 — In general
 — In animal charities
 — In ABC programs
5. Current situation and future plans (surgery course participants only).
 Please, explain briefly the rabies incidence and free-roaming dog population situation in your district and what is being done at the moment and by whom. Please note that free-roaming dogs refers to both owned and ownerless dogs.

 Please, explain how much time per month you expect to be able to spend in doing surgery after the ITC-surgery course and how the time required to do surgeries will fit in to your other work duties.

 Please, explain freely how you expect this course to benefit you in your veterinary work.

6. Preferred dates for the course – please select maximum three. We will inform you of the availability after receiving your form and the registration fee.
 1. _____, 2. _____, 3. _____

In 2016 we will be also running surgery courses from the IPAN Mission Rabies truck at least in Bhubaneshwar, Erode, Thanjavur, Goa, Gurgaon, Nagpur and Ranchi. Please contact WVS ITC for further information regarding the dates and details of these ‘ITC on the Road’ –truck training programs.