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National Animal Rights Day (NARD) Observed in Chennai in Collaboration with Blue Cross of India

Chennai, 8th June 2025 - A solemn and impactful gathering marking National Animal Rights Day (NARD) was held with the support of Blue Cross of India, bringing together activists in a powerful demonstration of solidarity for nonhuman animals. Close to 50 participants attended the event in person, while others joined via livestream on YouTube, reflecting the growing reach and urgency of the movement.

The event began with an introduction in Tamizh by Samaran from Blue Cross of India, followed by the unveiling of the NARD banner. Srishti, an animal liberation activist from Chennai, then introduced the event in English, setting the tone for a day dedicated to remembrance, resistance, and a resolute call for change.

A two-minute silence was observed in memory of all the oppressed animals - those who have suffered and perished under systems of exploitation, and those who will continue to suffer if we do not act urgently. The Declaration of Animal Rights was then read aloud by Srishti, while attendees offered flowers to the photographs and epitaph representing the countless nonhuman victims.

Following the reading, attendees began signing the Declaration, affirming their commitment to animal liberation.

The event featured a rich lineup of 10 speeches, 1 videosong, 1 song, and 1 poem, all unified by a singular message: animal liberation must happen now, and solely for the animals. Speakers and performers emphasized that animal rights are not about diet, lifestyle, or environmental concerns - but about ending the unjust exploitation of sentient beings.

Sai Vignesh from Almighty Animal Care Trust also delivered a moving speech, standing in solidarity with the cause.

Throughout the event, the crowd raised their voices in chants, including:

"Burn all the slaughterhouses
Burn all the dairy farms
Burn all the abusive laws"

The event concluded with the rallying call:

"What do we want? Animal Liberation!
When do we want it? Now!"

This event served not only as a memorial but as a demand for action. It reminded everyone that animal liberation is non-negotiable and long overdue.

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