

見て見ぬふりをするやり方ー埼玉県の事例

埼玉県で犬の繁殖を手がけるブリーダーが、100頭もの犬をぞっとするような環境で飼育し、ついには死なせてしまうという事件がありました。それを知って、私どもはたいへんな衝撃を受けました。さらにショッキングなのは、異常事態に気づいた県当局が、飼育場所を立ち入り検査までしながら、劣悪な状況に置かれた犬の苦しみを救うために何もせず、また、業者の怠慢と残酷さを告発しようとしなかったことです。保健衛生基準から考えても、施設を閉鎖すべき十分な証拠があったはずです。

日本には、このようなひどいブリーダー施設があるのです。私どもアークは、この事例を公表し、また、埼玉県当局の対応が如何に不適切で、思いやりに欠けたものであったかを、多くの方にお知らせしたいと思います。

サラ (Save Animals, Love Animals = 動物救済、動物愛護を意味する) という、東京を中心に活動する動物福祉団体があります。最近、この団体から、埼玉県大宮に拠点を置くブリーダーによる残酷事件が報告され、私どもは衝撃を

受けました。繁殖目的で犬が飼われていた場所、2箇所を調査したサラが見たのは、ミイラ化した死骸の山と、散らばっている骨と毛でした。かろうじて生き残った犬は13頭だけで、そのすべてが、裂傷とか骨折、栄養失調、皮膚病などにかかっている



屋根も囲いも無い露天で息絶えた犬 mummified body of dog which starved to death

Turning a Blind Eye. The Saitama Case

ARK is shocked by the case of the breeder who kept 100 dogs in appalling conditions in Saitama and who then left them to die. What is even more shocking is that the local authorities who were aware of the case and inspected the premises, did absolutely nothing to relieve the plight of these animals or to prosecute this person for neglect and cruelty. From a sanitary and hygienic standard alone there should have been enough evidence to have this place closed down. We intend to publicize this case around the world to let people know the miserable conditions of breeding establishment that exist in this country and how inept and inhumane the Saitama authorities have been in dealing with it.

SALA (Save Animals, Love Animals) an animal welfare group based in Tokyo recently brought our attention to a shocking case of cruelty by a breeder based in Omiya town, Saitama Prefecture. When SALA went to investigate the two sites where dogs had been kept for breeding, they found piles of mummified bodies and the place littered with bones and fur. Only 13 dogs barely alive had survived, all suffering from lacerations, malnutrition, broken bones and skin diseases. Clearly many dogs had been kept in appalling conditions and all had perished in the most horrendous way.

The situation had been going on for a long time according to neighbours' reports. Everyday the sounds of dogs fighting and

killing each other filled the air. Slowly dying of starvation the dogs had to eat each other in order to survive. Of course the neighbours complained to the local authorities (hokensho) and what did they do? Virtually nothing. It took them, amazingly, 3 days to locate the places although they had a name and addresses and when they finally got there the breeder said he'd do something to remedy the situation. When they went back again the dogs weren't there so they thought the man had moved the animals somewhere else. How could they fail to have noticed the grisly remains?

SALA rescued the surviving dogs but they still remain in critical condition at various animal hospitals. When SALA in an attempt to bring