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## Continuation of discussion on Eradication of Rabies – Collaborative Effort

The second round of discussion was held on 5th December 2019 at the OPA for formulating an action plan with respect to eradication of animal rabies in Sri Lanka. The SLVA took the initiative and is continuing to facilitate the program to address this national issue. A total of 16 veterinarians representing the Ministry, DAPH, Provincial DAPH, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science and the private sector participated in this meeting. A draft action plan was formulated to prepare a country specific strategic plan to be presented to the relevant authorities.

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## JVMA Scholarships for field veterinarians in Sri Lanka

Two representatives from JVMA visited Sri Lanka for the purpose of interviewing four shortlisted applicants who met the standard criteria set and became eligible to face the interview and the two Japanese delegates exclusively conducted the interview.

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## Executive committee meetings

2<sup>nd</sup>

Executive committee meeting – 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019

3<sup>rd</sup>

Executive committee meeting – 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2019

4<sup>th</sup>

Executive Committee meeting – 27<sup>th</sup> December 2019



## Continuation of discussion on Eradication of Rabies – Collaborative Effort

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The third round of discussion was held on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at the Veterinary Teaching Hospital (VTH), Peradeniya to study four strategic plans namely, Global, Regional and National plans prepared in the recent past for eradication of rabies and a Plan for the Dog population control in Sri Lanka. Total of 15 veterinarians participated in this exercise and agreed to prepare a fresh strategic plan based on the most acceptable strategic framework formulated in 2013. It was decided to meet again to prepare an execution plan in this regard in the near future.

## JVMA Scholarships for field veterinarians in Sri Lanka

Interview was held on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at Negambo.

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Later they informed that Dr. Dilan Kumara Silva was awarded the scholarship to undergo training in Japan for a period of one year from April 2020. SLVA congratulates Dr. Dilan Kumara for this achievement



### Donation of two desktop computers to the SLVA by “Lions Club of Athurugiriya”.

Prof. Lakshman Wijeweera, the first and former District Governor, and Lion Kalum Chinthaka, the President, Lions Club International District 306C1, Lions Club of Athurugiriya participated in the donation of two desktop computers to the SLVA at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Executive committee meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019. This was mediated by Lion Sugath Pemachandra who is an Executive Committee member of the 72<sup>nd</sup> Executive Committee



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