

## #INSPIRATION

### Making a Difference, One Dog at a Time

Chara Love's efforts towards feeding street dogs of her locality show how small acts of kindness can make a big difference.



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Meet Chara Love, better known as 'The Dog Lady of Bani Park'. Born in England, raised in Australia, and after spending years in Bali, she is now living in Jaipur since 2019. She is the true embodiment of 'wanderlust', which has led her to live a life full of adventures and diverse experiences.

Chara's rebellious nature meant that she started making a living for herself from quite an early age. She found herself taking on secretarial jobs in various sectors, always seeking variety and change in her work life. Later, she completed a Social Work degree in Australia and worked towards providing counseling and psy-



chotherapy to couples and individuals in government organizations and private practice. When it comes to her hobbies, Chara had interests as diverse as spinning, theatre and fitness.

However, it was her love for animals that truly became the defining aspect of her life. When she moved to Jaipur, she was unable to keep pets in her rented apartment. This led her to redirect her affection towards the street animals of the city. During the lockdown, she would feed as many as 70 dogs and puppies twice a day, and continues to feed around 40 of them even now. "During the lockdown, we regularly received food for animals from Raksha, a local NGO and that proved to be a great driver for the initiative", tells Chara.



Chara's affinity for animals can be traced back to her childhood, where she was surrounded by them. She spent a lot of time with her dogs, who were her constant companions. As she grew older, her interest turned towards rescuing dogs that were abandoned by their owners. Despite growing up on a farm where she consumed meat and milk, she later turned towards vegetarianism and veganism.

In 2019, Chara attended the Jaipur Literature Festival, where she met her current partner. Though he had never been a dog lover before, she was able to turn him into one. Together, they have been feeding dogs and puppies in the areas of Bani Park and Nehru Nagar. They also work towards rescuing those in abysmal conditions.

Feeding the dogs has not been without its challenges, however. "Some residents are averse to the idea of dogs being fed outside their homes or buildings, while others are afraid of the animals or simply dislike them", tells Chara. She and her partner also face difficulty in procuring enough supplies, as the amount of donations in terms of money as well as food they receive has decreased since the lockdown. Additionally, she has to leave the country every three months to renew her visa, which means she has to find someone to feed the dogs when she's away and sometimes that too involves paying someone to do the job.

When asked about how to solve these problems, Chara says, "The key lies in changing people's perception of dogs as community animals." By raising awareness about co-existence and the importance of treating street dogs with compassion, she hopes to create a better environment for these creatures that she holds so dear. "Since people have been noticing the work we do for the animals, many individuals have now started coming forward to donate generously", tells Chara while highlighting the positive change that her work is bringing about.

Chara Love's love for animals has touched the hearts of many. She is a true inspiration for anyone looking to make a positive change in their community, and her dedication to the cause is something that we should all strive to emulate.



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Lieutenant Colonel Hanut Singh, MVC was born on 06 July 1933 in Jasol, Barmer District, Rajasthan to Lieutenant Colonel Arjun Singh who had served in Jodhpur Lancers and commanded the Kacchawa Horse Regiment, Jasol. Is a village in Rajasthan. The royal houses of Rathore in Rajasthan. It was established by Rathore rulers who are descendants of the 13th century Rawal Mallinath, a Rajput warrior-saint who was the eldest amongst all houses of Rathores in Rajasthan. The royal houses of Jodhpur, Bikaner, Ratlam, Sitamau, Sallana, Idar and Alirajpur trace their lineage to Rathore Rajputs. Jasol Rajputs have been historically fiercely independent, chivalrous, brave and proud. Jaswant Singh, the former Minister was his first cousin.

He did his schooling at Colonel Brown's School, Dehra Dun and as per his family tradition; he joined the Army as part of the first batch of the Joint Services Wing of the Indian Military Academy at Clement Town, Dehra Dun before the National Defence Academy moved to Khadakvasla, near Pune. He went to the Indian Military Academy in Dehradun where he was a Polo 'Blue' and was commissioned in December 1952 into 17 HORSE also known as POONA HORSE which he later commanded. According to Major General Raj Mehta,

## #VALOUR

"His professional reputation; lean, wiry physique; Caesar's nose, charisma and no-nonsense style of speech, deportment and body language mesmerized us. We saw him in the mould of the great Cavalry heroes of World War 2; Manstein, Guderian, Rommel; Patton. It helped that he was a Master Gunner; a tactician extraordinaire and was, in all senses; a Prussian General Staff Officer. We all thought he was special and he was. I had the privilege as a Squadron Commander, of participating in 1986 in a fascinating series of perceptively sealed operational discussions, followed by a map and sand-model discussions, Test Exercises



Lieutenant Colonel Hanut Singh receiving the Award of Maha Vir Chakra from President V. V. Giri.

## Lieutenant General Hanut Singh He fought the greatest battle Indian army ever fought

without Troops (TF's/WF) cumulatively called Brazen Chariots created by Hanut to bring all ranks of his Strike Corps on one operational-and-logistics grid for Exercise Brass-Tacks. Hanut had been specially selected by Army Chief, General Sundarji to be the Blue Land Commander for the exercise; then touted to be Asia's largest operational-cum-strategic level mechanised exercise since World War II.

### Conceptual Lessons

Brass Tacks was itself scaled to end up in Brass Tacks-4; an exercise that almost went down to the wire, sending a shiver up Pakistan's spine till certain changes were done in its conduct modus and the exercise ended as was perhaps visualized - to bring out some high-level conduct and conceptual lessons. The Hand of God Is Above All Things'

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Mechanised Forces and retired as Commandant Armoured Corps Centre and School. Much of what the Mechanised Forces are today is directly traceable to Hanut and the professional edge he gave them during the decades he was in service. General Hanut Singh was one of the key contributors to the warfighting doctrines that shaped the Corps and are in vogue today.

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Lieutenant General Hanut Singh, MVC as GOC 2 Corps.

hard-fought battle that secured this area in the Punjab/Jammu Sector. The name Battle of Basantar actually encompasses the entire gamut of battles and skirmishes fought in the Shakargarh Sector.

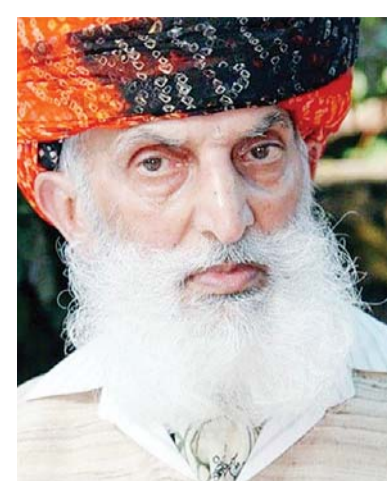
### A Single Day's Battle

The offensive in this Sector was launched a few days after war broke out between the two nations. The Indian I Corps commanded by Lieutenant General KK Singh, MVC who had himself led his Brigade here during the 1965 War moved into the sector to capture the key areas. The 54 Infantry Division commanded by Major General (later Lieutenant General) WAG Pinto and 16 (Independent) Armoured Brigade commanded by Brigadier (later General) Arun Vaidya were part of the Corps. As they advanced they were met by a series of minefields and by stiff Pakistani resistance. A troop of T-55 Tanks with trawls of the 7th Light Cavalry was attached for trawling with the 16 (Independent)

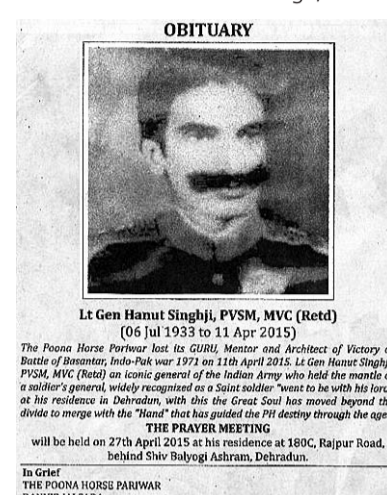


## International Microvolunteering Day

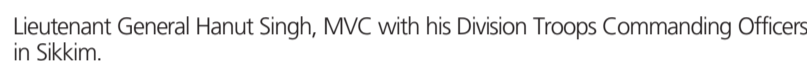
Microvolunteering is a concept that has become more popular over the past 15 years. The term was first used in 2006 in the UK and found its way to Spain a few months later with the website domain name 'microvoluntarios'. The notion then made a splash in the cyber world. Since that time, microvolunteering has continued to grow and develop, taking on the momentum of a global force that encourages average people to spend just a few spare moments of their lives to help make a positive impact on the world around them.



Lieutenant General Hanut Singh, MVC.



Lieutenant General Hanut Singh's obituary by the Poona Horse.



Lieutenant General Hanut Singh, MVC with his Division Troops Commanding Officers in Sikkim.

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with the assault and fought off and destroyed ten tanks before he was killed in action.

He remained unmarried his whole life and was also known as the 'Saint Soldier' as he devoted his spare time to spiritual readings and meditation. After retiring from active service on 31st July 1991, Lieutenant General Hanut Singh



Lieutenant General Hanut Singh, MVC posing on top of a tank with his fellow soldiers after the Indo-Pak war of 1971.

## #INTERPRETATIONS

### What is good for the goose is good for the gander

"We cannot expect people to have respect for law and order until we teach respect to those we have entrusted to enforce those laws."

-Hunter S. Thompson



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Dr. Shri Gopal Kabra

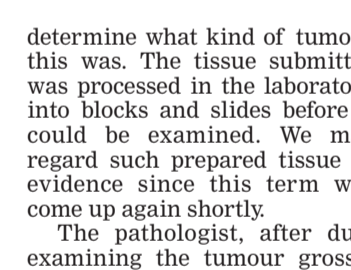
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While it definitely helps to have a degree of uniformity in the criteria used to determine negligence and liability that is not so in practice.

### Consider the following cases:

I. Case No. 1477/2012 (Old case No. 561/2010) at the District Consumer Redressal Forum, Jaipur IV, Jaipur

The complainant, who was also an advocate, developed a tumour in the region of one shoulder. This was removed by a surgeon and submitted to a pathology laboratory in Jaipur for histopathological (microscopic) examination by a pathologist in order



Ca esophagus.

determine what kind of tumour this was. The tissue submitted was processed in the laboratory into blocks and slides before it could be examined. We may regard such prepared tissue as evidence since this term will come up again shortly.

The pathologist, after duly examining the tumour grossly and then microscopically, opined that it was a dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans. This is a kind of low-grade or borderline cancer of the skin. The advocate-patient wanted a second opinion and so obtained some of the prepared tissue samples (blocks and slides) from the pathology laboratory and had these sent to a senior pathologist in Mumbai.

The Mumbai pathologist interpreted the tumour to be a benign or innocent tumor (unlike a dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans which is a borderline cancer). It may be noted that he used the same evidence (the blocks and slides) for his interpretation. The advocate-patient filed a case in the District Consumer

Forum, charging the Jaipur pathologist with negligence. The learned bench, on the basis of the interpretation of the Mumbai pathologist, concluded that the interpretation of the Jaipur pathologist was wrong and that the Jaipur pathologist was negligent. The Forum awarded one lakh rupees for the mental agony suffered by the advocate patient because of the mine negligence and liability that is not so in practice.

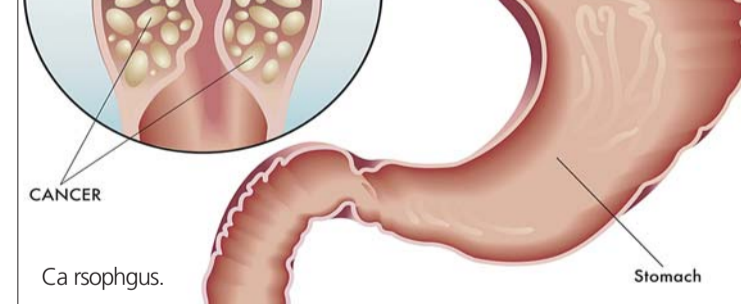
So, we see that the basis of judgment (negligence) here is a contrary interpretation by a so-called superior authority of the Jaipur pathologist's report while he awaited the interpretation of the senior Mumbai pathologist of the evidence on record.

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In the first case, the learned District Forum believed that the interpretation of the evidence (pathological specimens) by the seemingly superior Mumbai pathologist was correct while the interpretation of the same evidence by the Jaipur pathologist was not. On this basis, the forum found the first pathologist to be negligent.

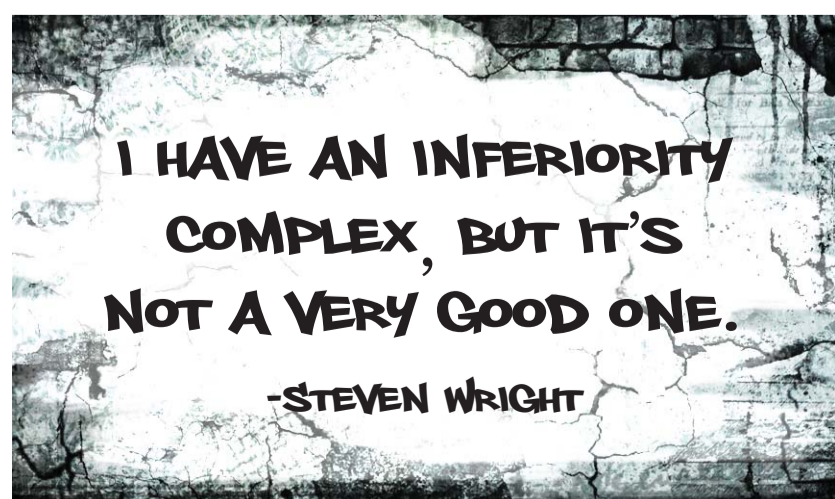
In the second case, based on the interpretation of same evidence (medical records), the learned National Forum, struck down the District Forum's judgement.

I wonder... using the same criteria as was employed in the first case, why should not the State Forum, in the second case, be found negligent and thus liable to compensate the treating doctor for the mental torture that it had caused him by its wrong interpretation of the evidence?

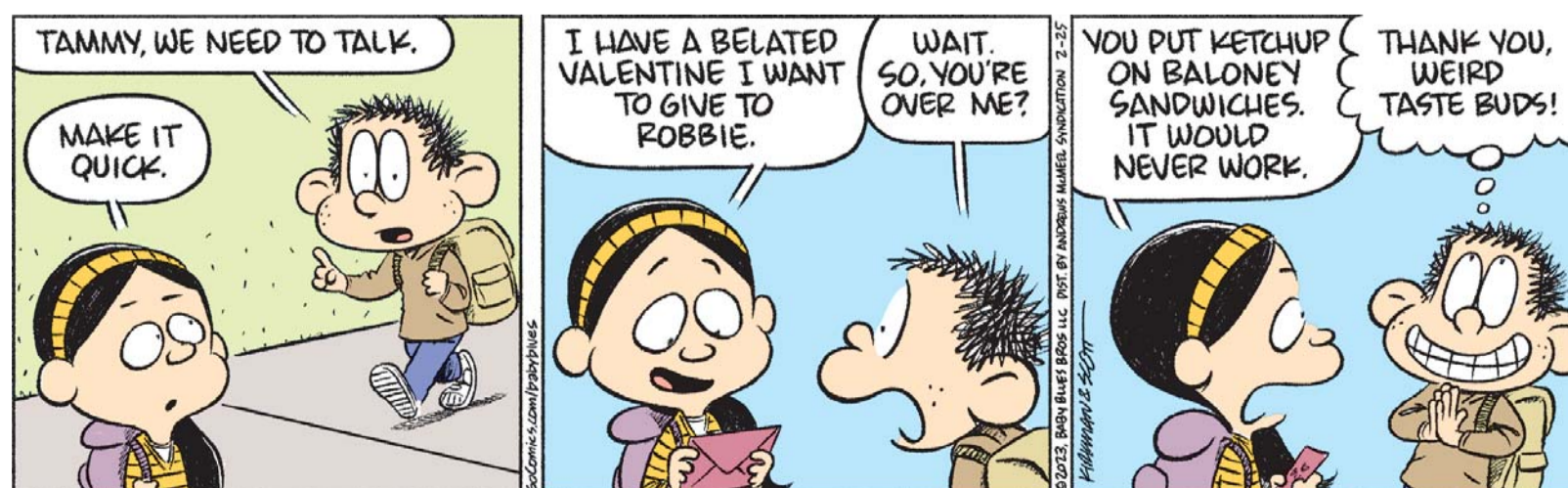


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## THE WALL



## BABY BLUES



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