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Methods local governments could use to alleviate the problem of stray dogs

Hardly a week goes by without another report appearing in the media of a person being attacked by a stray dog. In fact, the number of people suffering serious injuries has grown significantly in the past couple of years. This happens majorly due to more and more people buying pets for their children or themselves without a serious intention of taking care of them, and then, when they get bored or tired of them, kicking them out on the street. These dogs then reproduce on the street and many of them become aggressive and attack people.

One of the best ways of reducing the number of these attacks is sterilisation. While local governments can in no way stop people from leaving dogs on the street, they can prevent the birth of dogs which would grow in the open with a much greater chance of becoming aggressive. This surely isn't a permanent solution, given that no one can find all the stray dogs, but it can buy us time to find a better solution.

Another way in which governments can solve this problem is informing people about the many adoption programmes that take action in their local area. There already is a lot of people intending to buy dogs and really taking care of them, so why not kill two birds with one stone?

This problem isn't something that will disappear in time, so we must take serious action to get to the bottom of it. In my opinion, adoption schemes are a better way. They benefit for everyone, both dogs and people.

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