

Delhi's street dog law has been dismissed by critics as ineffective. People say it looks good on paper but lacks practical enforcement measures. Without resources and strict action, the law may remain irrelevant. The promises made in the law—city-wide sterilization, universal vaccination, organized feeding zones—are ambitious. However, critics are quick to point out that these promises are completely hollow without a massive, well-funded enforcement mechanism. The Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD), the primary agency responsible for implementation, is already failing at its basic duties like sanitation and road maintenance. How can anyone realistically expect it to successfully run a complex, city-wide animal welfare program? The law doesn't allocate a new, dedicated budget. It doesn't specify the hiring of thousands of new vets and dog catchers. It sets goals without providing the means to achieve them. This is why it is being dismissed as a paper tiger. It might look impressive in a government file, but on the streets, it will have no real power. It's seen as another empty gesture, destined to become irrelevant as soon as the media attention fades.