

## **CERTAIN BEHAVIOUR PATTERNS OF A GROUP OF SEMIFERAL URBAN CATS**

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*ABSTRACT : Eight observations on the behaviour of semiferal urban cats have been described on the basis of a study extending over the last 25 years. Individual cats were recognized on the basis of certain distinct features such as coat colour, hair pattern (long hair, short hair, short bristly hair etc.), length of tail etc. It was then possible to establish that in a group of females one or two miss pregnancy in certain years and take care of newly born or young kitten dropped by other kin members. Several such facts have been discussed in the light of "altruism" and sociobiology. Certain other observations such as the learning of hunting only specific prey (such as only mouse or only lizard) have been observed.*

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