Petition to
Stop Greyhound Racing in India

We appeal to the Government of India to ban greyhound racing and coursing. We also appeal to the State Government of Punjab not to legalise such events.

Greyhound racing is on the decline in the West because people have come to know of its hidden cruelties. The so-called “sport” involves gambling as well as intense animal cruelty and exploitation.

Greyhounds are trained using live lures such as rabbits and kittens. They are kept hungry so as to motivate them to chase, catch, and tear apart small animals. Having had their blood-lust aroused, they willingly run after mechanical rabbits on racetracks.

The greyhounds lead miserable lives: they are kept half-starved, caged and muzzled. Their ears are tattooed for identification and consequently chopped off, to avoid revealing their former owners when the dogs are abandoned because they can no longer perform up to par.

In countries, such as the USA, the UK, Ireland and Australia, where greyhound racing industries have been allowed to develop, many thousands of greyhounds are put to death annually, when no longer required for racing.

In addition, thousands of injuries to greyhounds, many of them serious, occur every year. This is mainly because the shape of the tracks, fast straights leading into tight bends, creates a dangerous environment for dogs to run in.

Reasons enough for India not to establish greyhound-racing tracks, and for betting on dog races to remain illegal.

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