



## **Prosecution of a Singaporean man for animal cruelty**

14 December 2016: The Agri-Food & Veterinary Authority (AVA) is charging 25-year old Singaporean, Fajar Ashraf Bin Fajar Ali, in court today for two counts of animal cruelty.

2 On 26 May 2016, AVA was alerted to a case of alleged cat cruelty in which a man was seen slamming a cat onto the floor at Blk 884 Tampines St 83. AVA officers commenced investigation immediately and the cat carcass was collected for post mortem examination. Subsequently, the identity of the suspect was established with the assistance of the Police and the suspect was arrested on 31 May 2016.

3 AVA condemns animal cruelty. Under the Animals and Birds Act, anyone found guilty of animal cruelty can be fined up to \$15,000 and/or jailed up to 18 months, or both for the first offence. For second and subsequent offences, the maximum penalty is \$30,000 or a jail term of up to 3 years, or both.

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