Ore Oru Vazhi

he half an hour documentary 'Ore oru vazhi' directed by Dr.G. Sudevan, Additional Director of Department of Animal Husbandry is worth watching. Indu, a village school girl is bitten by a stray dog, and as usual, her mother resorts to the good old first aid treatment and the like. Indu starts showing signs of dreaded rabies after one month, and slowly succumbs to the illness. The story may look simple, but the message is serious.

The Director has given special care to narrate the causes of illness, preventive and post exposure treatment in both human beings and animals. The film shows the symptoms shown by the affected animals like dogs, cats etc. It also shows the precautions to be taken in dealing with rabid animals, and gives complete details on the type of vaccines, dose, duration of treatment etc. The film gives a clear picture on the measures to

be taken to prevent rabies like destroyal of stray dogs, and mass vaccination in domestic dogs.

All this he presented so simply, that any layman can understand rabies well. The film throws light on the helplessness

of the modern man in the face of rabies, and the scenes of the last minutes of the victim, are really moving. Dr. Sudevan has blended enough humane touch to an educative medical show.

For a beginner, Dr. Sudevan has done a wonderful job. The film produced by Soumya Chithra was telecast by DD-1 and DD-4 during February 1996. Congrats, Dr. Sudevan.

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Animal Husbandry Officer, Malappuram District died on 10th December '95. Born at Vadakkancherry of Thrissur District on 2-7-1941, he entered the Government service as Veterinary Surgeon in 1965. He served the department in various capacities at Cannanore, Meppadi, Peravoor, Kommeri, Mundayad, Chathamangalam, Palakkad, Sreekrishnapuram, Ottappalam, and as Chief Veterinary Officer at Kozhikkode and Palakkad. A noble and simple man, he was respected by the farmers, and loved

by his colleagues. A sincere comrade of our movement, and a foreruuner in all our plights, Dr. Nambessan will be fondly remembered by each and every veterinarian in the state. JIVA offers a trib-



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ute to the memory of our dear Dr. Vasudevan Nambeesan.