

# Veterinarians' State Convention '97

The Veterinarians' State Convention was held at Palakkad on 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of December 1997, at Dr K V Ashokan Nagar (Municipal Town Hall) under the joint auspices of Indian Veterinary Association, Kerala, Animal Husbandry



Officers' Association, Kerala, and Kerala Veterinary Surgeons' Service Association.

The meetings of the State Executive Committees of the three associations were convened at 6:00am on Friday, the 26<sup>th</sup> of December at Hotel Kalpaka. The office bearers of the organizations reviewed their activities so far and finalized the program of the Veterinarians' Convention.

The Farmers' Seminar commenced at 9:00am on Saturday, the 27<sup>th</sup>. Around five hundred Livestock farmers and equal number of Veterinarians attended the seminar. Dr P Raman Kutty, Chairman, Organizing Committee welcomed the gathering. Sri K V Vijayadas, President, District Panchayat, Palakkad inaugurated the



Sri. K.V. Vijaya Das inaugurating the Farmers' Seminar

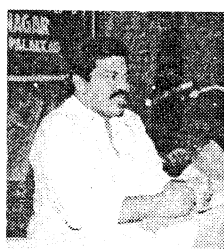
Convention by lighting the traditional 'Nilavilakku'. He lauded the contributions of the veterinarians to the Gross Domestic Product of the State of Kerala, and the initiative taken by them in the 'Peoples' Campaign for Planning'. Sri K A Chandran MLA, Sri T K Naushad MLA, and Sri C N Rajan, President, livestock Improvement Association, Palakkad, felicitated the function. After the inaugural session, Dr N Sudhodanan, Convenor, Programme Committee presented the lead paper, "Animal Husbandry Sector-New approaches". Dr M Krishnan Nair, Retired Director of Research, Kerala Agricultural University, and Dr P P Vava, Director, Dept. of Animal Husbandry, presented their perspectives to the topic. Dr Lilly Job Chungath, District Animal Husbandry Officer proposed vote of thanks.

Annual General Body meeting of the Indian Veterinary Association, Kerala commenced at 2:30 pm at the main hall. Dr T V Sasidharan presided over the meeting. Dr M Gangadharan Nair presented the annual report and Dr Jayachandra Kamath presented the audited accounts. Many of our members actively participated in the deliberations that followed. New office bearers were elected for the year 1998. After the meeting, various sports competitions were held for veterinarians and their family members. Variety entertainment programs were well appreciated by the delegates.

The Veterinarians' Convention started at 10:00 am on Sunday, the 28<sup>th</sup>. Around 600 veterinarians from all districts were present. Dr C N Dinesh, President KVSSA, welcomed the guests and delegates. Dr T V Sasidharan, President of IVA, presided over the function. In his presidential address, Dr Sasidharan gave a brief account of the services of the veterinarians and the role of the professional and service organizations. He also invited the attention of the Government on the problems faced by the veterinarians and requested for an early redress. Sri. V C Kabeer MLA formally inaugurated the convention. He fondly



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remembered his wonderful rapport with the veterinarians and assured the gathering of his continued support to the causes of the veterinarians. Sri P P Dominic, Municipal Chairman, Palakkad released the Veterinarians' Diary '98, and extended his best wishes to the convention. Dr P P Vava, Dr S Sulochana (Dean, Veterinary College, Thrissur), Dr M Gangadharan Nair (General Secretary, IVA), Dr Mohammed Meeran (President, AHOAK), and Dr Abdul Salam (General Secretary, KVSSA) spoke at the function. Dr George Varghese, General

Convener, proposed the vote of thanks.

Last but not the least part of the Veterinarians' Convention were the annual General Body meetings of Kerala Veterinary Surgeons' Service Association, and Animal Husbandry Officers' Association, Kerala, convened simultaneously in the different halls of the Convention venue. New office bearers were elected for both the organizations. Following these meetings, a sumptuous dinner was arranged in honour of the delegates.



We solemnly swear..... Members taking Oath



The team... New Office Bearers for 1998