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Activities

July-September 2000

IVA commemorates World Zoonoses Day



Sri. E. Chandrasekharan Nair, Minister for Animal Husbandry

Indian Veterinary Association, Kerala commemorated World Zoonoses Day on 6th July 2000 at Kanakakkunnu Palace, Thiruvananthapuram. Sri E Chandrasekharan Nair, Hon. Minister for Animal Husbandry inaugurated the programme. He urged the members of medical and veterinary professions to work together for the control of the emerging zoonotic diseases in the state. He also highlighted the need to produce high quality milk, meat, eggs and other food items in a disease free environment to compete in the global market. The Guest of Honour Dr. F X Meslin, Chief Coordinator, Animal and Food related diseases, World Health Organization, Geneva, Switzerland lauded the good work of the veterinarians of the state in the control of rabies and wanted them to try the newer vaccines for the total eradication of this disease. He wanted the Government of India to study the possibilities of using oral vaccines for the



Dr. F.X. Meslin



Sri. Sajan Peter I.A.S.

prophylaxis of rabies in stray dogs. Sri Sajan Peter IAS, Secretary to Government (AH & DD), Dr. G Sudevan (Director, Dept. of Animal Husbandry), Dr. T S Suresh Kumar (State Treasurer, IMA, Kerala), Dr. Joseph

Scariah (President, AHOA, Kerala), and Dr. B Aravind (President, KVSSA) offered felicitations. Dr. S Manjunath introduced the Guest of Honour. Dr. P Balachandran, State President, IVA Kerala chaired the function and Dr. N Mohanan, General Secretary welcomed the gathering. Dr. K Jayakumar, Secretary, IVA, Thiruvananthapuram proposed the vote of thanks.



Children at the painting contest Artist Namboodiri

After the inaugural ceremony, a seminar on "Challenges in the control of zoonoses" was conducted. Dr. F X Meslin, Dr. J Abraham (Professor and Head, Dept. of Meat Technology, Veterinary College, Thrissur), Dr. Sajith Kumar (Convener, IMA HIV & AIDS, Medical College, Kottayam) and Dr. G S Reddy, (Scientist, Indian Immunologicals, Hyderabad) presented papers at the seminar. Dr. Jacob V Cheeran, (Prof. and Head, Dept. of Pharmacology, Veterinary College, Thrissur) was the moderator to the seminar. Around three hundred delegates attended the sessions.

A state level painting competition was conducted on the theme "Man and Animal" on 5th July at Indoor Stadium, Kozhikkode for school children. Sri Namboodiri inaugurated the event by drawing an elephant in his inimitable style. Sri K F George (Malayala Manorama), Sri. Vinod (Jaycees), Dr P Muhsin, Dr K G Suma, Dr John Kattakkayam, Dr Suresh and Dr Vidyadharan spoke at the function. Around 500 entries were received from different parts of the state.

"Project-IT" inaugurated

Dr. G Sudevan, Director of Animal Husbandry inaugurated 'Project -IT' of IVA Kerala at 2:00 pm on 16th July 2000 at Hotel Alukkas, Thrissur. This project is aimed at providing hands on training to veterinarians of the state in hardware, software and Internet. This is developed in association



Dr. G. Sudevan inaugurating the Project IT

with the Information Kerala Mission. Dr. R Vijayakumar (Additional Director AH), Dr. P V Unnikrishnan (Executive Director, Information Kerala Mission), Dr. B Aravind (President, KVSSA), and Dr. K Anil Kumar (President, IVA Thrissur District Unit) offered felicitations. Dr. P Balachandran (State President, IVA Kerala) chaired the inaugural session and Dr. N Mohanan (General Secretary, IVA Kerala) welcomed the gathering. Dr. V B Ajithan, (Secretary, IVA Thrissur) proposed the vote of thanks.

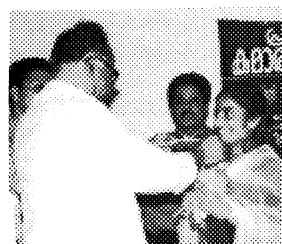
The training programme for the veterinarians of Thrissur District was conducted on the forenoon

of the same day. The office bearers of other IVA district units may fix up the dates of training in

their districts in consultation with the information Kerala Mission.

IVA Kerala associated with **Win-Tech Systems, Kannur** to offer special packages for veterinarians to purchase Personal Computers. Those who wish to avail these attractive offers may get in touch with Win-Tech Systems, Kannur. Tele. 0498-513525 / 0496-526629 / 98460 32914

Amulya Nirmal honoured



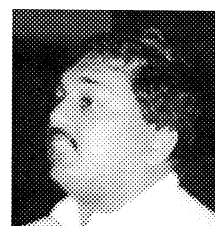
Amulya receiving the medal from Minister Sri C.K. Nanoo

Miss Amulya Nirmal, D/O Dr Nirmal Kumar who secured first rank in the Pre degree examination of Calicut University was awarded with IVA Gold Medal. Sri C K

Nanoo, Hon. Minister for Transport presented her with the award at a function organized by IVA on 1st July 2000 at Lakshmi Auditorium, Vadakara. Many dignitaries from different walks of public life participated.

Regional Workshop on Diseases of Dogs successfully conducted

The Regional Workshop on Diseases of Dogs' was successfully conducted on 13th August 2000 at Lions Hall, Thodupuzha. Dr. K K Sasi, District Animal Husbandry Officer, Idukki inaugurated the



Dr. S. Ayyappan

workshop. Dr. Joseph E Mathew, District President, IVA presided over the meeting.



Dr. P. Balachandran

Dr. P Balachandran, State President, IVA delivered the key note address. Dr. N. Mohanan, General Secretary, IVA offered felicitations. Dr. P Biju welcomed the gathering and Dr. Biju Chemparathy proposed the vote of thanks.



Dr. K.K. Sasi inaugurating the Regional workshop. Also seen in the picture (left to right) Dr. Yathiraj, Dr. Biju Chemparathy, Dr. S. Ayyappan, Dr. N. Mohanan, Dr. P. Balachandran, Dr. Joseph E. Mathew and Dr. P. Biju

Following the inaugural session, Dr. S Ayyappan, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Surgery, Madras Veterinary College, Chennai took class on the surgical interventions in dogs. He covered topics as pre-operative principles, basic surgical techniques, fracture management, dynamic compression, plating in long bone fracture, intra medullary nailing and cerclage wiring in dogs. The post lunch session was handled by Dr. Yathiraj, Professor and Head, Dept. of Medicine, Veterinary College, Bangalore. He covered topics as Rabies, Leptospirosis, Canine Distemper, Parvo viral infections, and parasitic infections in dogs. 121 delegates from different districts attended the workshop. To those who missed the workshop, video cassettes on both the classes will be made available against payment. For more details, please contact Dr. Biju Chemparathy at Tele. 0486 222762

District Activities

Thrissur

A session on 'Service conditions and Service Rules' was held at Veterinarians' Hall, Kalliyath Royal Square, Thrissur on 12th July 2000. Dr. M P Jose, Retired Additional Director (AH) presented the lead paper.

A demonstration on surgical procedures in canines was conducted by Dr. Syam K Venugopal, Assistant Professor, College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Mannuthy at Veterinary hospital Chalakudy under the auspices of IVA Mukundapuram.

The General Body meeting of the district unit of IVA Kerala was convened at 10:00 am at Veterinarians' Square, Royal Kalliyath Square, Thrissur on 4th September. Dr. P Balachandran and Dr. Joseph Scariah addressed the members. A sendoff party was arranged for Dr. R. Gopinathan, retired Chief Veterinary Officer, Thrissur, on the same day. Dr. K. Anilkumar presided over the meeting. Dr. Lilly Job Chungath, Dr. Tony Thoppil, Dr. Sanil Cheeran, Dr. T. I. George and Dr. Manoj Mathew felicitated the dignitary. A memento, as a token of love and affection of the veterinarians of the district was presented to Dr. Gopinathan. Dr. V. B. Ajithan proposed the vote of thanks.

Mukundapuram Taluk

Dr. U S Ramachandran led the discussion on "Vetero legal case" at the monthly CVE update programme of Mukundapuram Taluk Unit held on 10th July at Veterinary hospital, Chalakkudi.

Kasargod

The CVE programme of the district unit was formally inaugurated by Dr. A K Bose, District Animal Husbandry Officer on 3rd July 2000 at the Govt. Guest House. Dr. K V Rameshkumar welcomed the gathering. Dr. K M K Alwa presided over the function and Dr. K M Satheesan proposed the vote of thanks. Eminent Pathologist and former Dean, Veterinary college, Thrissur delivered a lecture on "Diagnosis of Poultry diseases". Dr. Manohar Upadhyaya, Veterinary Consultant, Mangalore presented another paper on "Clinical management of poultry and pets". Thirty members attended these sessions.



Dr. A.K. Bose



Dr. A. Rajan

Kottayam

Dr. Divakaran Nair, Assoc. Professor, dept. of Pathology, Veterinary College, Thrissur



delivered a lecture on "Veterolegal cases" at the General Body meeting held at Vembanad Lake Palace, Kottayam on 6th July 2000. Dr. George Thomas presided over the meeting. Dr. Ajith Kumar, Veterinary officer, KCMMF was elected as the new member of the State Executive Council in the place of Dr. John Kuruvilla who left the district on transfer.

The Kottayam Unit started its Millennium-Onam celebrations at Hotel Vembanad Lake Resort with a Quiz Competition. Teams representing five Taluks participated. Dr. Sabu C Issac, Dr. Santhosh Kumar and Dr. Binoy George won the first prize representing Changanassery Taluk. Dr. Pushyamithran, Dr. M K Binu and Dr. Rejikumar represented the Vaikkom Taluk which received the second prize. The third prize was shared by Kottayam and Meenachil Taluks. Dr. K C James was the Quiz Master. Another item of competitions, Thambola was conducted by Dr. Charles Philip at which Dr. Felicita, Dr. Resya Konthalam and Dr. P T Raj won the first, second and third prizes respectively.

Alappuzha

Dr Ramakrishna Kurup, Deputy Director (AH), Alappuzha who retired on 31st July 2000 was accorded a warm send off at a function held on 2nd August at Brothers' Tourist Home, Alappuzha. Dr. Satheesa Babu, District Animal Husbandry Officer, Alappuzha presented Dr. Kurup with a memento as a token of love and affection of the fellow veterinarians. Dr. P Balachandran, State President, IVA also attended the function.

Kollam

Dr. G Sudevan, Director of Animal Husbandry was accorded a reception on 3rd August 2000 at Hotel Sudarshan, Kollam. Dr.

S Chandran Kutty, District President, IVA presided over the function.

The General Body meeting of the District Unit was held at RAIC Conference Hall, Kottiyam at 3:00 pm on 2nd September. Dr. Joseph Scariah, Dr. K Udayavarma (Immediate Past President, IVA Kerala), Dr. L Ravikumar (Immediate Past General Secretary, IVA Kerala) and Dr. P Balachandran addressed the members. The body decided to sponsor one issue of JIVA.

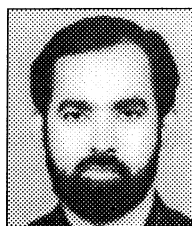
Malappuram

The veterinarians of Malappuram district offered felicitations to Dr. K P Kesavan Nair, Retired Additional Director, Department of Animal Husbandry who received the 'Dr. G Nirmalan Memorial Award' for the best veterinarian of Kerala. Dr. Haroon Abdul Rasheed, President, IVA Malappuram District Unit presided over the function. Dr. K V Johnson and Dr. K P Kunjimohammed offered felicitations. Dr. V K P Mohan Kumar welcomed the gathering and Dr. P. Usha proposed the vote of thanks.

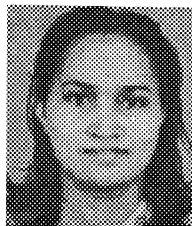
Palakkad

A meeting of the members of the district unit was convened at 3:00 pm on 4th September 2000 at Hotel Kalpaka, Palakkad. Dr. P Balachandran and Dr. Joseph Scariah addressed the members.

Signposts



Dr. M. Gangadharan Nair (Kannur) bagged Best Secretary Award from among secretaries of 115 clubs of district 324 E2 of Lions clubs International. He received this award from Lion K. Sreenivas Shenoy, District Governor at a function held at Calicut.



Dr. Jaancy Sreekumar, Senior Veterinary Surgeon, Veterinary Hospital, Kunnummal, has been

awarded with "**Millennium Development Lady Lion Award**" of the Dist.324E2 of the Lions Clubs International for her outstanding contributions to the development of public life. She was presented with the award at a glittering ceremony held at Kozhikkod.



Ms. Sherin Das secures First Rank

Ms. Sherin Das, daughter of Dr. Yohannan (Rtd. Deputy Director, Dept. of Animal Husbandry) and Smt. K.P.Leela (Senior Assistant, Pollution Control Board) secured first rank in the B.Sc (Electronics) examination held in May 2000 conducted by the Kerala University.

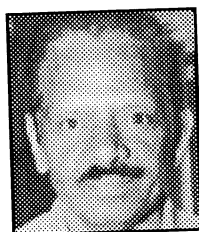
Obituary

Dr. B. Nandakumar, Associate Professor,



Dept. of Genetics, Rajiv Gandhi College of Veterinary Sciences, Pondicherry died on 6th July 2000. Dr. Nandakumar was a graduate of Veterinary College, Thrissur, and was awarded MVSc by IVRI, Izatnagar. He joined KAU as Asst. Professor in 1979. He obtained Ph.D. from KAU in 1989, for his study on bio chemical polymorphism in goats. He was trained in Switzerland, and attended conference on Erythrocyte Antigens in Checkoslovakya. He joined Rajiv Gandhi College of Veterinary Sciences, as Professor, Animal breeding and Genetics. He was very much liked by his colleagues, students and friends for his charming nature, sincerely a dedication. He is survived by wife Dr. C.R. Girija, son Deepu, and daughter Deepa.

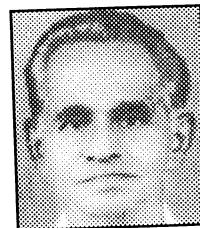
Dr. K.M. Ramachandran



Dr. K.M. Ramachandran, Director, Centre of Excellence in Pathology, College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences expired on 17.8.2000. He was also working as the Special

Officer Veterinary College Pookode. Dr. K.M. Ramachandran joined the Veterinary College, Mannuthy as a student in 1959. After his graduation, he was appointed in the college in 1964. He received his MSc. in Veterinary pathology from Veterinary College, Mannuthy it self. Later he was awarded FRCVS from Sweden. He is survived by his wife and two sons, Madhu (Kerala) and Manoj (USA).

Dr. M.A. Ramakrishnan, died on 14-8-2000.



A graduate of Madras Veterinary College, he took his post graduation from IVRI. He held different positions in the Department of Animal Husbandry as District Veterinary Officer, Kannur and Joint Director (Planning). After his retirement he worked Technical Officer of State Bank of Travancore and SADU. He is survived by wife, three sons and two daughters.

Dr. E. Madhavan, Professor and Head



(Retd) University Veterinary Hospital Kokkalai, College of Veterinary and animal Sciences expired on 31.8.2000. Dr. E. Madhavan, having graduate from veterinary college Mannuthy as a third batch student joined the department of Animal Husbandry Kerala as veterinary surgeon in 1961. He had worked at Cheruplassery, bacon factory Koothattu kulam, and pig breeding farm Mannuthy in the department of Animal husbandry. Later he took his post graduation (M. V. Sc Animal reproduction) from Veterinary College Mannuthy and opted his services to Kerala Agricultural University. He is survived by his wife, Geetha.

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