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### Journal released



The first issue of IVA Journal in the Silver Jubilee Year with special focus on "Feeds and feeding" was released on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2003 at a function held at Veterinarians Square,

Thrissur. The first copy of the issue was released by Dr. N.N. Sasi, Director of Animal Husbandry by handing over a copy to Dr. K. N. Muraleedharan Nayar, former Dean, COVAS, Mannuthy. At the function presided over by Dr. Joseph Scaria, President, IVA, Kerala the editor Dr. T. P. Sethumadhavan delivered the introductory note. Dr. Theodore John, General Secretary welcomed the gathering and Dr. K. Anil Kumar, Coordinator JIVA proposed a Vote of Thanks.

### World Veterinary day celebrated

On 28<sup>th</sup> April 2003 WORLD VETERINARY DAY celebration was inaugurated by Sri. T. K. Balan, MLA in which Dr. N.N. Sasi, DAH, Dr. Theodore John, General Secretary IVA, Kerala delivered notes of felicitation. The inaugural function was followed by the seminar on "Standardisation of Veterinary Institutions". Dr. K. G. Suma, President KSVC made the introductory remarks on the topic. Prof. Dr. Ramakumar, former Secretary General of VCI delivered the key note address. This was followed by a lively interactive session.

### Training on tranquilization & management of captive elephants

A three day training on tranquilization and management of captive elephants was organised under the aegis of Kerala State Veterinary Council, Department of Animal Husbandry and Indian Veterinary Association and held at Trivandrum from May 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>, 2003.

It was attended by 20 veterinarian's from the districts of Trivandrum, Kollam and Pathanamthitta. The training programme was inaugurated by Dr. J. Mohan, Principal Training Officer, LMTC, Trivandrum. Dr. K.N. Muraleedharan Nair, Former Dean, COVAS, Mannuthy, Dr. P.C. Alex, Project Leader, Centre for Studies on elephants, Mannuthy, Dr. E.K. Easwaran, Forest Veterinary Officer, Dr. C.S. Jayakumar, Zoo Veterinary Officer, Dr. C.J. Chandra, Joint Director (Retd) and former Zoo Veterinary

Officer,

Dr. Ramakumar,

former secretary, VCI,

Dr. Jamaludeen &

Dr. B. Aravind,

Dr. Nandakumar,

Veterinary surgeon and Dr. Pradeep kumar, Asst. Conservator of Forest were the faculty members.



Relevant topics like physiology, anatomy management, feeding, common diseases and treatment, drugs used in tranquilization and anesthetic emergencies,





projectiles and syringe projectors, P.M. examination valuation and issue of fitness certificate, government

notification and other legal aspects were dealt in the training. Hands on training on projectile and syringe projectors, live demonstration on elephants, narration of personal experiences and well-participated interactive sessions were the highlights of this training.

The training concluded with a valedictory function at which Dr.N.N.Sasi, Director Animal Husbandry Department delivered the valedictory address and issued the certificates to the delegates. Dr.A.P.S Nair, Chairman Executive committee, Kerala State Veterinary Council delivered words of felicitation, Dr.E.G.Prem Jain, the President, Trivandrum District unit welcomed the gathering and Dr.Theodore John proposed the vote of thanks.

### New biologicals released from I.A.H. & V.B., and rabies diagnostic laboratory inaugurated at C.D.I.O, Palode



After a gap of several years IAH&VB, Palode has again come out with freeze-dried poultry viral vaccines. To add to its list of products, the institute has

produced California Mastitis Test reagent with the technical knowledge received from Dept. of Preventive Medicine, COVAS, Mannuthy.

In a colourful function organized at Palode Veterinary Campus, Hon. Minister for Animal Husbandry, Smt. K. R. Gouriamma lit the lamp and dedicated the Rabies Diagnostic Laboratory for the people of the State. The Hon. Minister released the biologicals by handing over the freeze-dried vaccines to Dr. N. N. Sasi, Director of Animal Husbandry and the CMT reagent to Sri. Krishnaswamy, Managing Director, KCMMF. The function attended by many dignitaries and veterinarians from all over Kerala, was presided by Sri. Palode Ravi,

Ex-MLA.

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### Veterinarians Welfare Society AGM

The 16<sup>th</sup> AGM of Veterinarians Welfare society was held at Veterinarians Square, Thrissur on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2003 under the Chairmanship of Dr. Rama Kamath, President of the society. Meritorious awards, instituted by the society, for children of members securing highest marks in various examinations were given away on the occasion by Dr. K. N. Muraleedharan Nayar.

### World Zoonoses day commemorated

The Indian Veterinary Association, Kerala in association with Dept of Animal Husbandry and Kerala State Veterinary Council commemorated



World Zoonoses Day on 6<sup>th</sup> July, 2003 at Hotel Hyson Heritage, Kozhikode. The function presided by Dr Joseph Scaria, President, IVA, Kerala, was inaugurated by Sri K. Muraleedharan MP. On the occasion, felicitations were delivered by Sri T.O.Sooraj IAS, Dist Collector, Kozhikode, Dr N.R. Harsha Kumar, Member, KSVC, Dr K.R. Arun Kumar, President, KVSSA, Dr Jancy Sreekumar, Joint Sectary, AHOAK, Dr P. C. Alex, President, Veterinarians Welfare Society and Dr P. K. Muhsin, DAHO, Kozhikode. The chief guest distributed prizes to the winners of the State Level Silver Jubilee year painting competition for school students conducted as part of Zoonoses day commemoration. Dr A.V. Prasad, President, Kozhikode Unit led in invoking the Veterinarians Oath. Dr. Theodore John General Secretary, IVA Kerala, welcomed the gathering and Dr C.K. Shajib, Secretary, Kozhikode Unit proposed the vote of thanks. The inaugural function was followed by a State level seminar on Brucellosis. The Seminar was moderated by Dr. B. Sasikumar, MD, KLD Board. Dr. K. Prabhudas, Director, PD ADMAS, Bangalore, Dr. G. K. Sharma, Scientist, Central Laboratory, NDDDB, Anand and Dr. K. Jayakrishnan, Dept. of Community Medicine, Kozhikode Medical College presented papers in the seminar.





## Training on tranquilisation and management of captive elephants held at Kottayam

The second CVE Programme on "TRANQUILISATION AND MANAGEMENT OF CAPTIVE ELEPHANTS" was held at Kottayam on the 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> of July 2003. The three day training programme organized under the aegis of IVA, Kerala, AHD, KSVC was inaugurated by Dr. C.K. Bose, DAHO, Kottayam. Twenty Veterinarians attended the training from the southern districts. Classes were handled by Dr. K.N. Muralidheeran Nayar, former Dean COVAS, Mannuthy, Dr. K. Chandrashekar Panicker, Professor (Retd.), COVAS, Mannuthy, Dr. Divakaran Nair, Associate Professor, COVAS, Mannuthy, Dr. Jayakumar, TVPM Zoo Veterinary Officer, Dr. B. Aravind, SVS, DVC, Kollam and Dr. E.K. Easwaran, Forest Veterinary Officer. The training concluded with the valedictory function at which Dr. K.C. Panicker delivered the valedictory address and gave away the certificates to the participants.

## Zoo & Wild Life Training held at Thrissur

Indian Veterinary Association, Kerala organized a Two day hands on training programme on 'Treatment & Management of Zoo & Wild Animals' at Thrissur Zoo on the 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> of August 2003. This CVE programme was inaugurated by Dr. N. N. Sasi, Director of Animal Husbandry in a function presided by Dr. Joseph Scaria, President, IVA, Kerala. The two day training programme was a hands on course encompassing the topics like General principles in Zoo & Wild life medicine, Surgical techniques & tranquilisation, Zoo Hygiene and Methods of Medicine administration, Ethology and Wild Animal Behaviour, Reptile Medicine and Zoo Preventive Medicine, Common Diseases of Zoo Animals, Management of caged and wild birds, etc. The faculty included Dr. Jacob V. Cheeran, Dr. K. N. Muralidharan Nair, Dr. V. Ramakumar, Dr. C. S. Jayakumar, Dr. P. C. Alex, Dr. K. K. Muralidharan & Dr. Nameer. Twenty-four Veterinarians from different parts of Kerala underwent the training. The training concluded with a plenary session, which was chaired by Dr. K. D. Paul, President of district unit and inaugurated by Dr. E. Nanu, Dean, COVAS, Mannuthy. Dr. E. Nanu released the compendium by handing over a copy

to Dr. Ramakumar, Dr. K. G. Suma, President, KSVC distributed the certificates to the participants, Dr. Jacob V. Cheeran, Programme Director, delivered the welcome address and Dr. T. S. Rajeev, District unit secretary proposed vote of thanks.

## Annual Convention 2003

The combined executive committee meeting of IVA, Kerala, KVSSA & AHOAK held on 9/8/03 at Hotel Sicilia, Thodupuzha decided that Thrissur District unit will host the Associations Annual Convention for the year 2003.

## District Activities

**THIRUVANANTHAPURAM:** The Unit in association with Indian association of Veterinary Pathologist, Kerala chapter conducted a Seminar on "Application of Serum Bio Chemistry in Veterinary Practice on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2003 at Dr. G. Nirmalan Hall, Veterinarians building, Trivandrum. The session were handled by Dr. N. Vijayan, Associate Professor, College of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, Mannuthy, Thrissur and Dr. T. V. Anil Kumar, Senior Scientist, Sri Chithra Institute of Medical Science & Technology, Trivandrum.

The Seminar was followed by interactive session with Dr. Ajay Khanna, Veterinary Practitioner in United States of America and General body meeting of Trivandrum Unit. Dr. Theodre John, General Secretary, and Dr. C. Sreekumar, General Secretary, KVSSA participated in the General body meeting.

Trivandrum Unit conducted an "ANIMAL WELFARE CAMP" at Moozhy APCOS Anad Panchayat in Trivandrum district on 27.5.03. The camp was inaugurated by Director of Animal Husbandry, Dr. N. N. Sasi. Dr. K. Jayakumar Deputy Director, District Animal Husbandry Office, Trivandrum and Dr. S. Giridhar, Veterinary Surgeon Veterinary dispensary,



Anad delivered felicitations.

The DAHO, TVPM, Dr. V. Brahmanandan gave away prizes to the winners of the district level painting competition in a colourful function organized on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2003.





The State General Secretary Dr. Theodore John along with the district Secretary Dr. D. Sanjay visited MEM School, Nedumangadu, and presented the award to Miss Arya, who won the 1<sup>st</sup> prize at State Level Painting competition.

Senior Vets Forum meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2003.

**KOLLAM:** The District general body of the unit was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2003.

General body meeting of the unit held on 5<sup>th</sup> of May 2003 in which Dr. Devakumar, Senior Veterinary Surgeon was felicitated on his retirement from active service.

**KOTTAYAM:** A family tour for veterinarians of the unit is being organized to Ooty and nearby places from the 10<sup>th</sup> to the 12<sup>th</sup> of May 2003.

The district unit hosted the training on 'Tranquilization and Management of captive elephants'

Award ceremony of IVA Silver jubilee painting competition was held on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2003 at Hotel Aida in which Dr. N. N. Sasi, DAH gave away prizes to district level winners. On the same day and same venue a get together was organized in honour of Dr. A. K. Bose, DAHO. Kottayam who retired from active service on 31<sup>st</sup> July.

**IDUKKI:** A continuing Veterinary Education programme on 'Interpretation of Hematological factors' was conducted by Dr. P. V. Narendran, VS, DVC, Thodupuzha on 5.05.03. Dr. E. I. Issac, CVO who retired from service on 30.04.03 was given a warm send off on the occasion. Dr. K. K. Sasi, DAHO presented a memento on the occasion. Dr. G. Mohandas, SVS, Nedumkandam who has been promoted as DD and posted at SLBP, Kannur was felicitated by the District Association.

**ERNAKULAM:** Dr. Theodore John, Gen. Secy. IVA, Kerala addressed the district meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2003 at Hotel Gaanam. A quiz competition was conducted for members in which the team led by Dr. Sherly won the first place. Dr. George Kutty was the quiz master.

Monthly general body held on 2<sup>nd</sup> July. As part of CVE Programme, a class on 'Zoonoses with special reference to Leptospirosis' was handled by Dr. C. Latha, Assistant Professor, COVAS, Mannuthy. A discussion on "Dengue fever" was also held.

Monthly General body held on 4<sup>th</sup> August. Three CVE programmes were held in the month of August. In the first programme on "Introduction to usage of Ultrasound scanning machine" Dr. Rijo Mathews,

Radiologist handled the session. CVE programme on tackling repeat breeding in Bovines through breeding management was handled by Dr. C. Ibrahim Kutty, Asst. Professor, COVAS, Mannuthy. The third CVE programme was on 'Current trends in Vaccination of small animals'. Idukki The district unit General body held on 4<sup>th</sup> August reviewed the arrangements made for the silver jubilee family get together "Melam 2003".

**THRISSUR:** Animal Disease Investigation Unit was set up at Thrissur district under the auspices of IVA Thrissur unit in order to deal with the diagnosis, confirmation and treatment of new diseases reported in the district. On request of veterinary surgeons facing any such problems, the team including experts will reach the spot, take the required samples, make confirmative diagnosis and recommend appropriate treatment. The inauguration was done by Dr. T. V. Sasidharan, former President, IVA, Kerala on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2003.

The painting competition for kids was conducted at St. Thomas College auditorium, Thrissur on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2003. Around 200 participants participated in the event and was inaugurated by Dr. E. Nanu, Dean., COVAS Mannuthy.

The IVA Thrissur Hosted a miraculous event of state IVA, the Zoo & Wildlife Training, Conducted on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of August 2003, at Thrissur Zoo. Twenty Five Veterinarians from all over the state participated in the training. The inaugurations was done by Dr. N. N. Sasi, Director, AH, Kerala and the Valedictory Function by Dr. E. Nanu, Dean COVAS, Mannuthy. Dr. K. G. Suma, President KVC, distributed prizes.

The Thrissur IVA conducted CVE programme on "An Overview Of Canine Dermatology" by Dr. P. G. Baby, Asso. Prof. & Head, Dept of Clinical Medicine, COVAS Mannuthy, "Canine and Elephant Treatment" by Dr. P. O. George at various occasions. The proposed School Poultry club will be inaugurated in the first week of October 2003 at H. S. Parappukkara, by distributing 100 birds of two months of age to 8<sup>th</sup> standard students.

**PALAKKAD:** The District general body of the unit was held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2003.

As part of Silver jubilee celebration of IVA, Kerala the Palakkad district unit organized a seminar for dairy farmers at Pattambi. The seminar was inaugurated by





Sri. P. C. Mohammed, MLA in a function chaired by Dr. K. P. Achuthan Kutty, President, District unit. In the seminar Dr. Ajith Kumar, Asst. Professor, COVAS, Mannuthy presented the paper on Profitable Dairying through advanced management techniques.

**MALAPPURAM :** The unit general body meeting was held on 7th of May 2003 in which Dr.K.Narayanan and Dr.T.Leviens were elected as district unit President and Secretary respectively. Dr.Joseph Scaria, President, IVA, Kerala addressed the meeting.

As part of World Zoonoses Day commemoration, a district level Quiz competition for school students for Dr. K.P. Kesavan Nair memorial-rolling trophy was conducted at Valanchery on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2003. Sixty schools participated in the competition in which Thennghippalam, St. Paul's Higher Secondary school emerged as the winners.

**KOZHIKODE:** A function was organized to felicitate Dr. A. Janardhanan; Deputy Director who was promoted as Joint director and posted at LMTC, Mundayad. Dr. P. K. Muhsin, DAHO, also presented a memento on the occasion to Dr Janardhanan.



The district general body of the unit was held on 7.05.03 at Hotel AmmaTower, Kozhikode. Dr.Joseph Scaria, President, IVA and Dr.Baby Cyriac, President, AHOAK, addressed the gathering. Dr.Rajan Chungath who has been promoted as Joint Director and posted at LMPTC, Mundayad was felicitated on the occasion. Dr.P.K.Muhasin, DAHO, presented a memento to Dr.Rajan Chungath.

A continuing Education Programme was also held on the same day in which Dr.P.G.Baby, HOD, Clinical Medicine, COVAS presented the topic 'Clinical tips in large animal practice'

A Seminar against ' American war in Iraq' was held under the auspices of the IVA, Kozhicode on 5.04.03 at Hotel ASMA tower, Kozhicode.The function was inaugurated by Dr.K.P.Aravindan, Joint Secretary, Kerala Sastra Sahitya Parishad in which the perils of the war was highlighted. Dr. P. K. Muhasin, DAHO and Dr.Rajan Chungath were among others who addressed the occasion. The IVA, Kozhicode has



launched its own District monthly ' The Daffodils' with the objectives of service to Veterinary profession, transfer of technical knowledge from academic and research institutions to Field vets.

The district unit hosted the State level World Zoonoses Day commemoration function. The district unit in association with AHD organized a group discussion on 'Leptospirosis' on 24<sup>th</sup> July at DVC, Kozhikode. Dr. H. V. Batra, renowned scientist and Joint Director, DRDE, Gwalior, led the discussion. The discussion was followed by a training on laboratory techniques for detection of leptospira antibodies in serum samples.



In the monthly General Body meeting held on 5th Aug. at Hotel Asma Tower Dr. Radhakrishnan, Director of Thirur Gandhian Prakrithi Chikilsalayam handled class on 'Introduction to Prakrithi Chikilsa'.

**KANNUR:** The District general body of the unit was held on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2003.

**KASARGOD:** The District general body of the unit was held on 2.05.03.The state President and General secretary, IVA were also present and addressed the gathering on the occasion.

Monthly General body held on 12th August 2003.

**UAE UNIT:** Meeting held on 1st May 2003 decided to meet regularly on every 2nd Thursday on every month and to sponsor JIVA equine issue. A get together of all Indian Vets working in UAE was held on 5th June 2003.

## Signpost

### National Savings

#### Award to

#### Dr. P. K. Muhasin

Dr. P. K. Muhasin, district Animal Husbandary Officer, Kozhikode, has been honoured by the district Collector Kozhikode for his sincere and meritorious work towards the deposit to National Savings Scheme during the year 2002-2003.

Congratulations

