

Obituary



Dr. P. O. George BVSc, MVSc, FRVAC (69) former Professor and Head, Dept. of Surgery, COVAS, KAU, Mannuthy passed away on 5-08-2003. A stalwart and an illuminary in the Veterinary profession, his sad demise has created great loss that shall take long time to be filled. He shall be particularly remembered for his

yeomen service as a professional veterinary consultant and as one who popularized cosmetic surgery in pet animals all over the state. A taskmaster and a disciplinarian in the academic field, he maintained and set high academic standards among the numerous batches of students whom he taught.

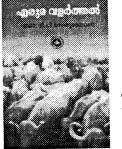
Born on 10-06-1934 at Kunnamkulam, Trichur, Dr. George graduated from Madras Veterinary College in 1956. He joined the Kerala State Animal Husbandry Dept. as Vet surgeon at Veterinary Hospital, Chalakudy and later joined as Jr. Lecturer in surgery in the Government Veterinary College, Trichur in 1958. Dr. George became a fellow of the Royal Veterinary and Agricultural College, Copenhagen in 1967. He acquired MVSc in Veterinary surgery from Bombay Veterinary College in 1968. In 1979 he was elevated as Professor and head of the Dept. of Vet surgery till superannuation in 1995. He had also served as Consultant surgeon of Trichur Zoo from 1958.

Dr. George has published more than fifty scientific articles including surgical treatment on elephants, lions, reptiles and zoo medicine and a number of popular articles especially on various breeds of dogs. He has guided a good number of postgraduate students too. He was the recipient of Rao Sahib Dr. Swaminatha Iyer Gold Medal for the best clinical article published in the Indian Veterinary journal for the year 1989. He was honoured with fellowship of National Academy of Veterinary sciences (India) in 2000.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. C. V. Rosy, retired teacher, two daughters and three sons. Our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family members and May his soul rest in peace.



BOOK REVIEW



ERUMA VALARTHAL

By

Dr. T.P.Sethumadhavan

Dr.T. P. Sethumadhavan's book on Buffaloes namely 'Eruma valarthal' is unique in all aspects. It is the only Malayalam book on Buffaloes. This book explains recent

developments in buffalo production in the country. Moreover detailed information on origin, domestication, breeds, breeding, feeding, management, disease control, trade-related issues, research and extension are included in this book. Recent development in buffalo production in the light of 4th Asian Buffalo Congress is an added attraction of this book.

Author has explained the potential of buffalo production in the state. Information provided in this book is very useful to Veterinarians, Researchers, Developmental workers, Farmers and Students.

This book with 58 pages in 12 chapters has been published by Kerala Bhasha Institute, Nalanda, Trivandrum-3 and priced at Rs.35/-only.

Dr. A. K. Rafeek

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Indian Buffalo Journal is the biannual collection on all aspects of buffalo research and development

published by ISBD and edited by Dr.S.S.Dahiya. First issue of the journal was released during 4th Asian Buffalo Congress held at New Delhi on 25th Feb2003. This is the only journal exclusively on Buffaloes published in the country.

Annual subscription rate is Rs500/- and is also available through paying life subscription fee of Rs800/for Indian society for Buffalo Development (ISBD). For more details contact- Dr.S.S.Dahiya, Sr.Scientist and Chief Editor, Central Institute for research on Buffaloes, Sirsa Road, Hisar-1.

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