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# Director's Desk

Greetings to all!

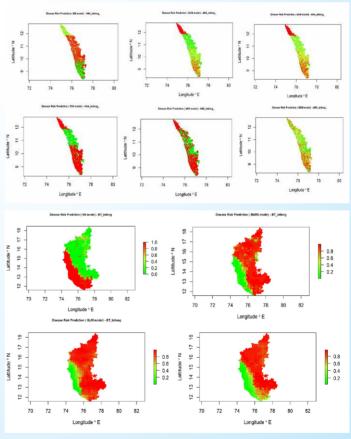
The New Year 2020 started with radiant and blooming scientific temper and activities as every year unfolds itself.

Although, there was COVID-19 pandemic disaster sprang from February, 2020 that hampered major activities, ICAR-NIVEDI has adapted to the situation for functioning with proper safety measures. During the reporting period, 12th Research Advisory Committee meeting was conducted on 1st February, 2020 and the committee provided the necessary directions as per the mandate of the Institute. In order to execute the animal experimentations, 15th and 16th Institutional Animal Ethics Committee meetings were held during 4th January and 29th February, 2020, respectively. Institute Technology Management committee (ITMC) meetings were held on 21st, 31st January and 16th March, 2020 to review new technologies developed in the institute for patent filing, copyright certificate, etc. NCDC sponsored stakeholder review meeting for the leptospirosis control was organised at ICAR-NIVEDI on 7th March, 2020 in which medical and veterinary professionals participated and shared their experiences in leptospirosis research and control. Institute EFC meeting was held under the chairmanship of Dr B.N. Tripathi, DDG (Animal Science) on 4th June ,2020. Further, Director (IVRI), ADG (AH), Director (NIHSAD), Director (NRC on Equines) participated in the EFC discussions and provided critical suggestions. ISO 9001:2015 External Audit for ISO certificate renewal was held on 19th May, 2020 on virtual mode. ICAR-NIVEDI participated and displayed its research activities and diagnostic services and forecasting services in National Horticultural Fair, 2020 organised by IIHR during 5-8th February, 2020 to facilitate lab to field dissemination of scientific information to the farmers. International women's day was celebrated on 10th March, 2020 with Dr Chandish Ballal, Director, ICAR-NBAIR as the chief guest. Schedule Caste Sub Plan (SCSP) and Mera Gaon Mera Gaurav (MGMG) programmes were organized by the institute for the benefit of the target farmers.



Hon'ble Shri S.R. Vishwanath, MLA of Yelahanka constituency visited ICAR-NIVEDI and interacted with Director and Scientists on 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.

#### **Research Achievements**



Risk maps were generated for anaplasmosis in Kerala and bluetongue in Karnataka using remote sensing parameters including normalized differentiation vegetative index, land surface temperature, wind speed, maximum and

minimum rainfall generated during the period 2015-2019 by using different statistical models and machine learning algorithms. The risk maps will help the policy makers and stakeholders in devising preventive strategies against these diseases in these two states.

#### **Scientific Activities**



The 12<sup>th</sup> Research Advisory Committee (RAC) meeting of ICAR-NIVEDI held on 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2020 under the Chairmanship of Dr. C. Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS, Chennai, reviewed the progress of Institute research activities and provided necessary guidance for improvement. The other RAC members present were Prof. Gaya Prasad, Vice Chancellor, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel University of Agriculture and Technology, Meerut, Dr.K. Prabhudas, Former Director, PD\_ADMAS, Dr. Ashok Kumar, ADG(AH), ICAR, Dr. Manoj Raje, Chief Scientist, CSIR-Institute of Microbial Technology, Chandigarh, Dr. Parimal Roy, Director, ICAR-NIVEDI, Shri Ashok Allapur, Farmer's representative, Vijayapura, and Dr. V. Balamurugan, Principal Scientist and Member Secretary, ICAR-NIVEDI.



Dr. Parimal Roy, Director, ICAR-NIVEDI visited the AICRP on ADMAS centre in Chennai, Tamilnadu and reviewed the progress of the work undertaken by the centre. He had discussion with Shri A. Gnanasekaran, IAS, Director, Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, Government of Tamilnadu on 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2020.



ICAR- NIVEDI, organized "Stakeholders Review Meeting for the Leptospirosis Control" sponsored by National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), Delhi on 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.





The 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> Institutional Animal Ethics Committee (IAEC) meetings of ICAR-NIVEDI were held during 4<sup>th</sup> January and 29<sup>th</sup> February, 2020, respectively under the Chairmanship of Dr. Parimal Roy, Director. Dr. R.K. Shakthi Devan, CPCSEA Main Nominee, Dr. Jagadish Sanganal, CPCSEA Link Nominee, Dr. Shiva Kumar, Scientist from outside the Institute, Dr. R.G. Prakash, socially aware Nominee and other IAEC members from ICAR-NIVEDI attended the meetings.



Institute Technology Management Committee (ITMC) meetings of ICAR-NIVEDI were held during 21<sup>st</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> January and 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 under the Chairmanship of Dr. Parimal Roy, Director to review the technologies and patent and copyright filing, etc.

#### **Important Events**



The 71<sup>st</sup> Republic day was celebrated at ICAR-NIVEDI on 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2020 and Dr. Parimal Roy, Director addressed the staff members on this occasion.



ICAR-NIVEDI participated in the National Horticultural Fair organized by ICAR-Indian Institute of Horticultural Research during 5-8<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 and exhibited the institute research activities.



ICAR-NIVEDI organized the Annual medical health checkup for the staff members under the supervision of Dr. S. Srinivas, Chief Medical Officer, ICAR-IVRI on 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2020.



ICAR-NIVEDI celebrated the constitution day on 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 and created awareness on the fundamental

duties of the citizens of India to the staff members and Land Legislation and Reforms.



ICAR-NIVEDI celebrated International Women's day on 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 with various activities and Dr. Chandish R. Ballal, Director, ICAR-National Bureau of Agricultural Insect Resources, Bengaluru participated as a chief guest and inaugurated the function.



Shri Rajeevalochana, AAO was superannuated on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 and farewell function was organized.

# Swachh Bharat Abhiyan



As part of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, ICAR-NIVEDI created awareness on importance of wearing face mask in the

work place to staff members on 21st March, 2020. On this occasion, face masks and sanitizers were distributed to staff members. Further, within NIVEDI some of the safety measures taken up were viz., Institute entry after thermal scanning and hand sanitizing, keeping hand sanitizers in every corridor, keeping six feet social distancing in canteen and installed pedal operated sanitizer dispenser.

#### Mera Gaon Mera Gaurav



Dr. P. Krishnamoorthy, Senior Scientist created awareness on Hand hygiene and Swacchh Bharat Abhiyan programme by audiovisual aids among the school children at Government School, Kodipalya, Bengaluru Rural district on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2020.

#### Schedule Caste Sub Plan Programme



Dr. S.S. Patil, Principal Scientist and his team members collected information of 62 beneficiaries under SCSP at Veeradimmanahalli, Challakere, Chitradurga, Karnataka on 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.



Dr. K.P. Suresh, Principal Scientist organized training programme on "Basics of Microsoft Excel" for beneficiaries under SCSP programme on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2020.



Dr. Parimal Roy, Director visited the Padur, Neppurthangal, Tirumanam villages in Tiruvallur district, Tamilnadu and interacted with beneficiaries and reviewed the SCSP implementation by Dr. A. Sunderesan, PI and Dr. K. Karunanidi, Co-PI, AICRP on ADMAS centre, Tamilnadu on 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2020.

#### **Livestock Disease Investigations/Field visits**



Dr. S.S. Patil, Principal Scientist as Member, Technical Expert Committee inspected the Central cattle breeding farm, Hessarghata, Bengaluru for suitability of FMD vaccine quality test in calves under NADCP (FMD) Project on 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2020.

#### **Human Resource Development**



Dr. S.S. Patil, Principal Scientist participated and presented poster in 107<sup>th</sup> Indian Science Congress held at University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru during 3-7<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.



Dr. R. Sridevi, Scientist attended International conference on Autophagy and Lysosomes held at Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru during 16-18<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.



Dr. P. Krishnamoorthy, Senior Scientist nominated by Government of India and participated in the European Commission and Better Training for Safer Food (BTSF) initiative sponsored International training programme on "Antimicrobial Resistance" held at New Delhi during 18-21<sup>st</sup> February, 2020.



Dr. G. Govindaraj, Dr. M. Nagalingam, Dr. S.J. Siju, Scientists of ICAR-NIVEDI organized orientation workshop on 'Disease Burden Quantification in Small Ruminants and Impact of Adopting Preventive Interventions on Rural Livestock Farmers in Odisha' at ADRI, Cuttack on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 and discussed the intervention plan, sample collection and monitoring activities of the project with the field veterinarians.

#### **Awards and Recognition**

Dr. P.P. Sengupta, Principal Scientist was awarded Fellow of National Academy of Agricultural Sciences, New Delhi for the year 2020.

#### **Patent Granted**

❖ Indirect ELISA kit for serodiagnosis of brucellosis in livestock and humans. (Granted Patent Number 335659 dated 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, Inventors – Dr. Rajeswari Shome, Dr. K. Narayana Rao, Dr. Triveni K, Dr. M. Nagalingam, Dr. B.R. Shome and Dr. H. Rahman).

#### **Patents Applied**

- Competitive ELISA for the differential diagnosis of Brucellosis infected from vaccinated bovines. (Patent application number 202041005915, 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2020, Inventors - Dr. Triveni K, Dr. Rajeswari Shome, Dr. B. R. Shome, Dr. Ashok Kumar, Dr. H. Rahman and Dr. Parimal Roy).
- Recombinant Leptospiral surface antigen-based immuno-diagnostic test for Leptospirosis. (Patent application number 202041022882, 1st June 2020, Inventors Dr. V. Balamurugan, Ms. A. Anusha, Ms. S. Sowjanyakumari, Dr. M. Nagalingam and Dr. Parimal Roy).

### New project sanctioned

❖ ICAR-Agri-Business Incubator, funded by NAIF-IP and TM Division, ICAR, Government of India (PI: Dr. S. B. Shivachandra, Principal Scientist).

# Participation in Meetings/Seminars/ Symposia/Training

- Dr. Parimal Roy, Director attended the interface meeting between ICAR and DAHD, Govt. of India held at Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi on 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2020
- Dr. S.S. Patil, Dr. Sathish, B.S., Dr. J. Hiremath, Dr. M.M. Chanda, Scientists and Dr. R. Yogisharadhaya, Dr. A. Prajapati, Senior Technical Officers attended the 107<sup>th</sup> Indian Science Congress held at University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru during 3-7<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.
- 3. Dr. Parimal Roy, Director attended the meeting on preparedness for sero-surveillance and sero-monitoring of FMD and Brucellosis held at Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi on 6<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.
- Dr. Parimal Roy, Director participated as Core Committee member for finalizing the draft National Action Plan for Rabies Elimination in India (NAPRE) held at Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi on 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.
- 5. Dr. P. Krishnamoorthy, Senior Scientist participated in the ICAR Geoportal Workshop held at ICAR National Bureau of Soil Sciences and Land Use Planning, Nagpur during 9-10<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.
- Dr. Sridevi R, Scientist attended International conference on Autophagy and Lysosomes held at Indian Institute of Sciences, Bengaluru during 16-18<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.
- 7. Dr. P. Krishnamoorthy, Senior Scientist attended the 29<sup>th</sup> National Congress of Veterinary Parasitology 2020 held at College of Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh during 5-7<sup>th</sup> February, 2020.
- Dr. G. B. Manjunatha Reddy, Scientist attended Indo-Australian workshop on Transfer of Mitigation Technologies for Heat Stress in Farm Animals held at ICAR-NIANP, Bengaluru, Karnataka during 5-7<sup>th</sup> February, 2020.
- Dr. V. Balamurugan, Principal Scientist, Dr. J. Hiremath, Senior Scientist and Dr. G. B. Manjunatha Reddy, Scientist attended International Conference on Evolution of Viruses and Viral Diseases held at INSA, New Delhi during 18- 20th February, 2020.
- 10. Dr. P. Krishnamoorthy, Senior Scientist participated in the European commission and BTSF initiative

- sponsored training programme on Antimicrobial resistance held at New Delhi during 18-21<sup>st</sup> February, 2020.
- 11. Dr. P.P. Sengupta and Dr. V. Balamurugan, Principal Scientists attended 20<sup>th</sup> Indian Veterinary Congress held at Madras Veterinary College, Chennai during 21-22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2020.
- 12. Dr. Parimal Roy, Director attended the Expert Committee meeting to discuss the National strategic road map for control and eradication of PPR held at New Delhi on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2020.
- 13. Dr. Parimal Roy, Director attended interaction meeting chaired by DDG (AS), ICAR with the Directors and Joint Directors of the Animal Science Institutes held at NASC Complex, New Delhi on 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.
- 14. Dr. G. B. Manjunatha Reddy, Scientist attended workshop on Strategies for Climate Resilient Animal Husbandry Practices in Karnataka held at Veterinary College, Hassan on 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.
- 15. Dr. Parimal Roy, Director attended virtual meeting with Secretary, DARE & DG, ICAR with Directors of ICAR Institutes held on 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2020.
- Dr. Rajeswari Shome, Principal Scientist and Dr. R. Sridevi, Scientist attended online workshop on 'Training Management Information System (TMIS) for HRD Nodal Officers of ICAR' on 8th May, 2020.
- 17. Dr. K.P. Suresh, Principal Scientist and Dr. P. Krishnamoorthy, Senior Scientist participated in the NICRA Project Review meeting conducted by Dr. S.K. Chaudhari, DDG (NRM), ICAR held through video conferencing on 21st May, 2020.
- 18. Dr. R. Sridevi, Scientist participated in ICAR-NAHEP sponsored online training programme on 'Science Communication for Smart Scholars' held during 26<sup>th</sup> May-8<sup>th</sup> June, 2020.
- 19. Dr. P. Krishnamoorthy, Senior Scientist participated in the workshop on "ICAR-KRISHI Geoportal spatial date infrastructure and application A way forward" through online mode held on 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 2020.
- 20. Dr. Parimal Roy, Director and NIVEDI Scientists participated in the EFC/SFC meeting through virtual mode with Deputy Director General (AS), ICAR held on 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2020.
- 21. Dr. P. Krishnamoorthy, Senior Scientist participated in the National webinar on Awareness and use of CeRA resources through J-Gate discovery platform on 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2020.

# Trainings/Workshops organized

- 1. One-day training program on 'Basic Excel' was organized at ICAR-NIVEDI on 31st January, 2020.
- Orientation workshop on Disease Burden Quantification in Small Ruminants and Impact of Adopting Preventive Interventions on Rural Livestock Farmers in Odisha was organized at ADRI, Cuttack on 27th February, 2020.
- ICAR-NIVEDI organized CDC project Scientists interface meeting with Bangalore Milk Union Limited officials on 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2020.
- Stakeholders Review Meeting for Leptospirosis Control sponsored by National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), Delhi was organized at ICAR-NIVEDI on 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.
- 5. Two Pre-university students were trained under SCSP programme on Microsoft word, excel and power point during 18<sup>th</sup> May-16<sup>th</sup> June, 2020.

## **Superannuation**

1. Shri. Rajeevalochana, Assistant Administrative officer was superannuated on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2020.

### **Distinguished visitors**

- 1. Shri. S.R. Vishwanath, MLA Yelahanka assembly constituency, Bengaluru
- 2. Dr. C. Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS, Chennai
- 3. Prof. Gaya Prasad, Vice Chancellor, SVPUA&T, Meerut
- 4. Dr. Ashok Kumar, ADG (AH), ICAR, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
- 5. Dr. Chandish R. Ballal, Director, ICAR-NBAIR, Bengaluru
- 6. Dr. K. Prabhudas, Former Director, PD\_ADMAS, Bengaluru
- 7. Dr. Ajith Shewale, Assistant Director, NCDC, New Delhi
- 8. Dr. Manoj Raje, Chief Scientist, CSIR-IMT, Chandigarh
- 9. Dr. D. Mohana Krishna, Joint Director (CDP), DPH&FW, Vijayawada
- 10. Dr. Sheela S, Assistant Director (Public Health), DoHS, Trivandrum, Kerala
- 11. Dr. A. P. Sugunan, Scientist G, National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai
- 12. Dr. G. Ravi Kumar, Professor, Zoonoses Research Laboratory, TANUVAS, Chennai
- 13. Dr. S. Nagarathna, Professor, Dept. of Neuromicrobiology, NIMHANS, Bengaluru

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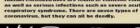
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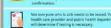












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- 1.Frequently clean your hands by using soap or sanitizer frequently.
- 2. Avoid close contact with anyone that has fever and cough.
- 3. When coughing and sneezing cover mouth

I'm pregnant How can I protect from COVID-19

- 1.Wash your hand's frequently.
- 2. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- 3. Put space between your self and others

#### MAIN **SYMPTOMS** OF COVID-19

- 1. Fever
- 2. Cough
- Shortness of breath

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**#Stay Safe** 

**#Be Healthy** 

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