



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE



The "VETRI 1968 Trust" managed by 1968 Batch of B.V.Sc. (Revised Integrated) graduates of Madras Veterinary College provided a sum of Rs. 16,255/- as financial assistance to one of the meritorious B.V.Sc. & A.H. Students of MVC, Selvi. Y. Mohana priya (BVM 13055), D/o Thiru. R. Yoganathan, Uppupalayam, Tiruppur District. Dr. S. Thilagar, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS distributed the amount on 25.03.2015 in the presence of the Trust President Dr. G. Thulasi, former DEE, TANUVAS, Trust Secretary Dr. A. Sivakumar, Trust Treasurer, Dr. N. Kannanbabu, Trust HQ Secretary Dr. D. Dhanasekaran, Trust EC Member Dr. G. Paul Frederick, Dr. C. Balachandran, Dean, MVC, Dr. M. Thirunavukkarasu, CE, TANUVAS and other members of the VETRI.

WORLD VETERINARY DAY CELEBRATIONS



The World Veterinary Day was celebrated on 25.04.2015. The Directorate of Clinics, TANUVAS organized a free deworming camp for small and large animals at MVC Teaching Hospital. Dr. C. Balachandran, Dean, MVC and Dr. T.N. Ganesh,

Director of Clinics i/c. participated. A total of 77 dogs and 30 cattle were dewormed. VC&RI, Tirunelveli organized a vaccination campaign for hound dogs in association with the Department of Animal Husbandry, Thoothukudi at the Veterinary Dispensary, Kayathar. Dr. S. Prathaban, Dean, VC&RI, Tirunelveli inaugurated the camp. A total of 130 hound dogs were vaccinated against rabies. A debate on "Growth of Veterinary Science is due to Education/ Research/ Extension" was organized at VC&RI, Namakkal. Dr. P. Sakthivelu, RJD (AH) inaugurated the programme. Dr. L. Gunaseelan, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal, presided, and delivered the presidential address. Prizes were distributed to the participants of the debate.

WORLD EARTH DAY CELEBRATION



The World Earth Day on the theme "Wildlife Conservation" was celebrated at VC&RI, Namakkal by the Department of Livestock Production and Management on 22. 04.2015. Dr. L. Gunaseelan, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal participated in this function, delivered the presidential address and distributed prizes to the winners of the various competitions. Dr. N. Narmatha, Vice-president, Students' Association delivered special address. The staff and students of VC&RI, Namakkal participated in this programme.

GUEST LECTURE

A Guest lecture on "Avenues for the Veterinary Graduates in Armed forces" was arranged by the NCC Unit of VC&RI, Namakkal on 09.04.2015 for the benefit of fourth year B.V.Sc.&A.H. students and cadets of 6/12 TN BN NCC of VC&RI, Namakkal. Colonel Ajay



Kumar Singh, Commanding Officer, 12 TN BN NCC, Salem delivered the lecture.

CONVERGENCE MEET



A Convergence meeting involving Common Livelihood Group farmers of *Pudhu Vazhvu* Project and line department officials was conducted at KVK, Kattupakkam on 09.04.2015. Dr. V.K. Shanmugam, I.A.S., District Collector, Kancheepuram District presided over the meeting. Dr. P. Kumaravel, Professor and Head, KVK, Kattupakkam highlighted the activities of KVK. Officials from line departments, viz., Animal Husbandry, Agriculture, Horticulture, Avin, New India Assurance and Banks participated and elaborated on the schemes and projects implemented by the respective departments. Thiru. Dhanasekar, District Project Manager and Dr. Ambedkar, Dairy Consultant, *Pudhu Vazhvu* Project made necessary arrangements.

ATMA - EXPOSURE VISIT

- ✦ VUTRC, Karur arranged an exposure visit to Ethno Veterinary Herbal Research and Training Unit for Livestock Health Care, Indian Institute of Crop Processing Technology and Integrated livestock farms at Thanjavur on 19.04.2015 & 20.04.2015 under ATMA scheme of Kadavur and Thogaimalai Block. A total of 50 farmers and farm women were benefitted. Lecture cum demonstration on Ethno veterinary treatment practices for various ailments was organized.
- ✦ KVK, Kattupakkam organized an exposure visit to KVK, Kattupakkam for a total of 147 farmers from various blocks of Vellore, Tiruvannamalai and Thiruvallur Districts during the month of April 2015 under the ATMA scheme.

TRAINING

KVK, Kattupakkam organized a Vocational training during summer vacation on "Handicrafts and soft toys making" for school children and college students from 20.04.2015 to 24.04.2015. A total of 18 students were benefitted.

NEW UNIVERSITY OFFICERS

Dr. C. Balachandran has been appointed as Dean, Madras Veterinary College, Chennai and assumed charge on 10.04.2015. He got graduated from MVC in 1980 and obtained his Master's and Ph.D. degrees in the same College in Veterinary Pathology in the year 1983 and 1993 respectively. He is a PG Diploma holder of Ethno Veterinary Practices and Agricultural Journalism. He joined as Assistant Professor at the erstwhile Poultry Research and Development Centre, Namakkal in 1980, became Associate Professor in 1988 and Professor in 1996. He also served as Registrar of TANUVAS during 2010-2013. He has published more than 300 scientific articles (60 International) and presented several papers in international and national seminars. His areas of research interests are avian pathology, avian mycotoxicoses, cancer biology and alternative medicine. He has prepared 20 manuals, two books and two booklets. He has guided 8 Ph.D. and 10 M.V.Sc. students. He has organized six conferences and workshops and conducted one ICAR summer school and about 40 trainings under ASCAD, IAMWARM etc. He has about 60 awards to his credit. He was awarded university gold medal for the best thesis in avian pathology, FAO Fellow in Avian Pathology, Chartered Membership (Founding Father) of Indian College of Veterinary Pathologists (ICVP), Life Time Achievement Award of Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists (IAVP) and Fellow of IAVP, National Academy of Veterinary Sciences and Academy of Science for Animal Welfare.



Dr. S.A. Asokan assumed charge as Director, Directorate of Distance Education, TANUVAS on 10.04.2015. He got graduated in 1979 and obtained his M.V.Sc., and Ph.D in Animal Reproduction in 1983 and 1990 from MVC respectively. He holds P.G. Diploma in Education Technology in 1996. He has published 45 research papers, 8 popular articles, one book and 30 teaching manuals. He has guided 5 M.V.Sc. and 5 Ph.D. students. He has also participated in 63 Symposia / Seminars / Conferences and organized many training programmes. He has received Swaminathan Iyer Memorial Award. He served as TANUVAS NSS Programme Co-ordinator, TANUVAS Cafeteria in-charge, Deputy Warden MVC Hostel RVO & various positions in MVC Staff Club. Earlier he served as Dean of Faculty of Basic Sciences and MVC during 2011-2014





Dr. P.I. Ganesan has been appointed as Director, Centre for Animal Health Studies and assumed charge on 10.04.2015. He has completed B.V.Sc., in 1980, M.V.Sc., in 1983 and Ph.D., in 1993 in the discipline of Veterinary Preventive Medicine in MVC. He has guided 8 M.V.Sc. and 2 Ph.D. students. He has published 113 research articles and research abstracts. He has handled 13 external funded projects. He has conducted 300 training programmes on various Animal Husbandry activities. He has also participated in 63 National, International, Seminars, Conferences, Symposia etc., He was involved in the development of IBD inactivated vaccine and ND oil adjuvant vaccines. He developed the package of management and hatchery practices on Emu and Turkey. He has undergone Sero Surveillance and Monitoring training programme in the Department of Preventive Medicine at Wooster, Ohio State University, USA.



Dr. Kathaperumal Kumanan assumed charge as Dean, Faculty of Basic Sciences, TANUVAS on 10.04.2015.

He got graduated from MVC in the year 1982 and completed his Ph.D. in 1989. He joined the University services in the year 1985 at the erstwhile Poultry Research and Development Centre, Pudukkottai and was a founder faculty member of the Department of Animal Biotechnology at MVC. He also served as Director of Research during 2012-2015. He



was instrumental in establishing the 'Central Tissue Culture Lab' and the 'Transgenic Animal Lab' at the Department of Animal Biotechnology, MVC. He was awarded the National Biotechnology Associateship in the year 1993. He had a three years post-doctoral associateship at Cornell University, USA and visited countries like Japan, England and Uganda. He has handled 16 external funded projects and published 122 research articles in national and international journals. He has won eleven awards which include the Tamil Nadu Scientist Award in the year 1995 and the 'Helping Hand Award' from the International Association of Paratuberculosis in 2007.

Dr. L. Gunaseelan assumed charge as Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal on 10.04.2015. He has over 23 years of teaching experience in MVC and VC&RI,

Namakkal and Universiti Putra, Malaysia and has served as major advisor for 7 Master's Degree students and 2 Doctoral students. He has to his credit over 40 publications in peer reviewed journals. His National and International programs include Faculty development program at Michigan State University provided for field experiences



at the advanced level for prevention packages of herd and companion animal diseases; presentation of invited paper in Uganda on livestock diseases plaguing the Indian sub-continent; Principal Investigator of Trilateral Agreement (MSU, Malawi, TANUVAS) USDAID/ USDA Trilateral Grant; Principal Investigator, India Lead Partner BBSRC-Assessment of FMD Control Strategies in Tamil Nadu and Principal Investigator in a ICMR Project to Study on Crohn's Disease for Rs.17.85 lakhs. The College of Veterinary Medicine and the International Institute of Health, Michigan State University have awarded the Adjunct Professor status. Dr. L. Gunaseelan developed an in house i-ELISA and Latex Agglutination test for the Diagnosis of Hydatidosis in both animals and humans and the Kit was validated by TRPVB, TANUVAS; established the pioneering concept of University Placement Cell for the first time in the University and started an online PG Diploma for midcareer personnel (medical and veterinary).

Dr. K.N. Selvakumar took charge as the Dean of Veterinary College and Research Institute, Orathanadu on 10.04.2015. He joined the University in 1988 and had more than 26 years of service. He had been the Professor and Head of the Department of Animal Husbandry Economics, MVC since 1999 during which



period, he established Econometrics Lab. He served as active member of Under-Graduate Admission Committee of TANUVAS, for the past 25 years and Post-Graduate Admission Committee of the University for the past 15 years. He has to his credit 17 externally funded projects to the tune of Rs.346 Lakhs, 93 research papers in National and International Journals and guided 36 students in their research work. He was the Coordinator for the preparation of Vision-2020 document of TANUVAS and Nodal Officer for UGC-All India Survey on Higher Education, an initiative of Union Government and to study the impact of Livestock and



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Fisheries sectors schemes funded under NADP (RKVY). He has developed District Agricultural Plan (DAP) for 11th and 12th plans for Tamil Nadu, to aid in the implementation of NADP. He has offered consultancy to develop 'Technology Achievement Index' for Indian Livestock Sector under the stewardship of Prof. MS Swaminathan, Chairman, MSSRF and Principal Scientific Advisor, Government of India.

Dr. S. Balasubramanian assumed charge as Director of Research, TANUVAS on 10.04.2015. He completed his B.V.Sc., in 1986, M.V.Sc., (1988), and Ph.D., (1994) in Animal Reproduction in TANUVAS. He has completed one year overseas post-doctoral training in University of Guelph and University of Western Ontario, Canada (1997-1998), and two years distinguished Research Scientist Fellowship in Gyeongsang National University, South Korea (2005-2007). He has guided 7 M.V.Sc. students and served as a member for many M.V.Sc., and Ph.D., degree scholars. He has participated and presented papers in many National and International seminars / conferences and training programmes. He has to his credit 138 clinical and research publications in both National and International Journals and 64 popular articles and pamphlets. He has won 31 awards which include the International Young Scientist Award - 1998 (only Indian Scientist to receive) and served as Chairperson in reproductive physiology at the 8th World Conference on Animal Production, Seoul, South Korea and Dr. N.C. Sharma Memorial Award - 2012 in recognition of the Meritorious Contribution to Research in Animal Reproduction by the Indian Society for the Study of Animal Reproduction. He serves as an active member in many national and International professional bodies.



BLOOD DONATION CAMP

The Red Ribbon Club unit of VC&RI, Namakkal has conducted a Blood Donation Camp in coordination with Blood Bank of Government District Headquarters Hospital, Namakkal on 27.04.2015. Dr. L. Gunaseelan, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal presided over the programme and inaugurated the camp. A total of 47 volunteers donated their blood.

SUPERANNUATION

Thiru. C. Ganesan, Superintendent, Estate Office, TANUVAS retired on 30.04.2015. Born on 12.04.1957, he had put in a total service of 29 years and 09 months.



Tmt. K. Pushparani, Lab Assistant, Department of Animal Genetics and Breeding, MVC retired on 30.04.2015. Born on 12.04.1957, she had put in a total service of 22 years and 09 months.



Thiru. M. Vijayan, Lab Assistant, Department of Animal Nutrition, VC&RI, Namakkal retired on 30.04.2015. Born on 10.04.1957, he had put in a total service of 33 years and 04 months.



Thiru. D. Pakkirisamy, Provincialized Mazdoor, Department of Wildlife Science, MVC retired on 30.04.2015. Born on 20.04.1955, he had put in a total service of 31 years and 04 months.



Thiru. M. Gopal, Cook (S.G.), KVK, Kattupakkam retired on 30.04.2015. Born on 03.04.1955, he had put in a total service of 18 years and 06 months.

