



## VISIT OF ICAR ACCREDITATION PEER REVIEW TEAM



A Peer Review Team constituted by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi comprising of Dr. A.T. Sherikar, Chairman; Dr. S.K. Roy, Member; Dr. K.N. Aravind Ghosh, Member and Dr. G.Venkateshwarlu, Member Secretary and Assistant Director General (EQR), ICAR visited TANUVAS and its constituent colleges during 17-19, September 2014 to validate the Self Study Report submitted by the University and also for on-the-spot assessment for accreditation. The Peer Review Team visited Madras Veterinary College on 17.09.2014. Dr. K. Kumanan, Director of Research, TANUVAS made a presentation about the activities of TANUVAS. The team also visited the University Headquarters, other units at Madhavaram Milk Colony, the College of Food and Dairy Technology, Koduvalli on 18.09.2014. Visit to Post Graduate Research Institute in Animal Sciences, Kattupakkam was made on 19.09.2014. Dr. T.J. Harikrishnan, Vice-Chancellor i/c. and Registrar, TANUVAS accompanied the team and apprised about academic, research, extension activities and infrastructure facilities of TANUVAS during the visit.

## NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON NATIVE CHICKEN

Conservation of native chicken breeds and research focused on nutrient requirements, feeding



methods, management practices and strategies for disease control in native chicken rearing was recommended in the two day national conference on "Native chicken production: Challenges and opportunities" jointly organized by the Poultry Research Station, Chennai and Regional Research Centre, Pudukkottai at MVC in commemoration of Silver Jubilee Celebrations of TANUVAS 2014 between 04.09.2014 and 05.09.2014. During the inaugural function held on 04.09.2014, Dr. S. Vijayakumar I.A.S., Secretary, Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries Department, Government of Tamil Nadu inaugurated the conference and released the conference compendium, he highlighted the importance of the poultry development scheme launched by the Government of Tamil Nadu in alleviating poverty and augmenting sustainable livelihood for the poorest of poor in his inaugural address. Dr. T.J. Harikrishnan, Vice-chancellor i/c, TANUVAS in his presidential address narrated the user friendly, affordable and economically viable technologies developed by TANUVAS and emphasized about Nandanam Chicken I, II, III and IV, Namakkal Chicken I and Oral pellet vaccine against Newcastle disease. Dr. M. Murugan, Director, CPPM, Hosur and Dr. S.A. Asokan, Dean, MVC offered felicitations. Earlier, Dr. M. Babu, Chairman, Organizing Committee and Director, CAPS, TANUVAS delivered the welcome address. A total of 145 scientists and 49 farmers participated. An exhibition was also organized showcasing the various technologies including live specimen of various native chicken strains developed. During the valedictory function held on 05.09.2014,



Dr. T.J. Harikrishnan, Vice-chancellor i/c, distributed the best oral and poster presentations and certificates to the participants and delivered the valedictory address. Dr. D. Thyagarajan, Director of Distance Education in his felicitation stressed for separate research station for turkey, Japanese quail and country chicken. Dr. C. Chandrahasan, Director of Extension Education also felicitated.

### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING



A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between TANUVAS, Mahindra Consulting Engineers Ltd, Chennai (MACE) and M.S Chellamuthu Trust & Research Foundation (MSCT&RF) to facilitate special Skill development programmes at Directorate of Distance Education for identified rehabilitated patients of mental illness on 12.09.2014. The MoU was signed by Dr. T.J. Harikrishnan, Vice-chancellor i/c, TANUVAS, Thiru. C.S. Narayanan, Chief Operating Officer, MACE, Chennai and Thiru. K.S.P. Janardhan Babu, Director-Programmes, MSCT&RF, Madurai in the presence of Dr. D. Thyagarajan, Director of Distance Education and Dr. C. Ramasubramanian, State Nodal Officer, Mental Health Programme, M.S. Chellamuthu Trust and Research Foundation, Madurai.

### CERTIFICATE COURSE IN LABORATORY ANIMAL SCIENCE 2014

Tamilnadu Veterinary and Animal Sciences University in collaboration with CPCSEA, Ministry of Environment and Forests, National Institute of Animal Welfare (NIAW), Ballabgarh, Haryana and Laboratory Animal Scientists Association (LASA) organized a Certificate Course in Laboratory Animal Science, which meets the requirements of the Federation of European Laboratory Animal

Science Association (FELASA) A, B, C and D modules. The second edition of this course was conducted by Laboratory Animal Medicine Unit (LAM), Directorate of Centre for Animal Health Studies at MVC from 01.09.2014 to 11.09.2014. A total of 29 scientists from industry, other Government Institutes and TANUVAS participated. The course was inaugurated on 01.09.2014 by Ms. Geethanjali, Member Secretary, CPCSEA, and Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests, New Delhi. In the valedictory function held on 11.09.2014. Dr. K. Kumanan, Director i/c, CAHS welcomed the gathering. Dr. C. Balachandran, Nodal Officer for the course presented the course report. Dr. Patri Vergara, Course Coordinator, Autonomous University of Barcelona and Ms. Prema Mohan, Under Secretary, CPCSEA Ministry of Environment and Forests, offered felicitations. Dr. T. J. Harikrishnan, Registrar and Vice Chancellor i/c., distributed the certificates and delivered the presidential address.

### INSTITUTIONAL ACTIVITY

#### MADRAS VETERINARY COLLEGE

#### WORLD RABIES DAY-2014



The World Rabies Day was celebrated by the Department of Veterinary Public Health and Epidemiology (DVPEE), MVC by organizing a one day workshop on "Rabies diagnosis" on 26.09.2014. Dr. A.L. Meenakshi Sundaram, Dean, Government Stanley Medical College and Hospital, Chennai inaugurated the workshop and released a DVD on "An overview of rabies", prepared and compiled by Dr. L. Gunaseelan, Professor and Head, DVPEE. Dr. T.J. Harikrishnan, Vice-chancellor i/c, TANUVAS presided over the function. Dr. S.A. Asokan, Dean, MVC and Dr. S.R. Srinivasan, Director of Clinics, TANUVAS felicitated. A total of 25 participants including 7 medical practitioners and 17 senior veterinarians attended.



**NATIONAL WORKSHOP**

A National workshop on “Application of Bioinformatics in Drug Designing” was organized by the Bioinformatics Centre & ARIS Cell, MVC from 24.09.2014 to 26.09.2014. Dr. S.A. Asokan, Dean, MVC inaugurated the programme and also participated in the valedictory function held on 26.09.2014 and distributed certificates to the 12 participants.

**MARKETING AS A CAREER - DISCUSSION WITH BUSINESS MANAGER**

The Departments of Animal Husbandry Economics and Livestock Business Management, MVC organized a guest lecture for the benefit of final year B.V.Sc. & A.H students on 05.09.2014. Dr. P. Elango, Regional Business Manager, Virbac Animal Health India Pvt. Ltd, Coimbatore an alumnus of MVC delivered a lecture on “Opportunities in marketing sector - Tips for successful career”.

**VC&RI, NAMAKKAL**

**FARMER-SCIENTIST INTERACTION MEET**



A one day Farmer-Scientist Interaction meet on “Intensive goat farming” was organized at VC&RI, Namakkal on 10.09.2014. Around 100 farmers from Namakkal, Karur, Salem, Erode, Dindigul, Tiruppur and Coimbatore districts participated. Dr. K.A. Doraisamy, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal delivered lecture and distributed certificates to the participants.

**VC&RI, TIRUNELVELI**

**PADMASHREE Dr. B.V.RAO INTER-SCHOOL COMPETITIONS - 2014**

Veterinary College and Research Institute, Tirunelveli organized “Inter-school Competitions - 2014” in the name of Padmashree Dr. B. V. Rao to motivate the school students on the theme of “Recent developments in Veterinary and Animal Sciences and Importance of animal protein in



human nutrition” from 04.09.2014 to 06.09.2014. A total of 651 students for essay writing, elocution, painting and 43 teams for quiz programme from Tirunelveli, Thoothukudi and Kanyakumari districts participated. Dr. T. J. Harikrishnan, Vice-chancellor i/c, TANUVAS participated in the prize distribution function held on 06.09.2014 and distributed prizes to the winners of the competition and delivered the chief guest address. Dr. S. Prathaban, Dean, VC&RI, Tirunelveli presided over the function. Dr. C.R. Selvakumar, Deputy General Manger, Venkatesvara Hatcheries Pvt. Ltd. delivered special address. Dr. M. Thirunavukkarasu, Controller of Examinations, TANUVAS felicitated.

**LIVESTOCK HEALTH CAMP**

VC&RI, Tirunelveli organized a “Livestock Health Camp” in association with Covenant Centre for Development, Madurai and Suzlon Foundation, Tirunelveli at on 25.09.2014. Dr. S. Prathaban, Dean, VC&RI, Tirunelveli inaugurated the camp and delivered the presidential address.

**VC&RI, ORATHANADU**

**MASS VACCINATION PROGRAMME**



Mass vaccination programmes against Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) was carried out by the staff and students of Veterinary College and Research Institute, Orathanadu in co-ordination



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with veterinarians from State Animal Husbandry Department for a period of 19 days from 03.09.2014 to 21.09.2014 in ten villages viz. Thennamanadu, Pulavankadu, Pudhur, Telungankudikadu, Orantharayankudikadu, Kannanthangudi Melaiyur, Kannanthangudi Keelaiyur, Kakarai, Palampattur and Orathanadu town. Teaching Veterinary Clinical Complex of VCRI, Orathanadu organized these programmes and a total of 2619 heads of cattle including calves, milch cows, buffaloes and bullocks were vaccinated during these programmes.

#### EXTENSION OUTREACH

##### SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND SELF-EMPLOYMENT COURSES

Skill Development and Self-Employment Courses on Goat farming, Dairy farming, Desi bird rearing, Japanese quail farming, Sheep farming, Pig farming, Rabbit farming, Fodder and Fodder seed production, Dairy Farm Assistant and Feed Mill Supervisor were organized by Directorate of Distance Education, TANUVAS and were conducted during the month of September 2014 as given in parenthesis at different units of TANUVAS. VUTRC - Cuddalore(2); VUTRC - Melmaruvathur(3); VUTRC - Nagercoil(2); VUTRC - Thiruvanamalai(2); VC&RI - Namakkal(3); VC&RI - Tirunelveli(5); PGRIAS - Kattupakkam(1); URF - MMC(5) and PRS - MMC(2). A total of 25 Candidates enrolled these courses.

##### MAHASHABA MEETING

VUTRC, Salem organized a *Mahashaba* meeting for nine desibird farming commodity interest groups formed under NABARD on 15.09.2014. A total of 74 members from Maramangalam, Arangam, Pellakadu, V.Puthur, Keeraikadu, Mottukadu and Vazhavanthi tribal hamlets participated.

##### SPONSORED SELF EMPLOYMENT TRAINING

VUTRC, Karur organized two self-employment training programmes on “Profitable dairy farming and farm waste utilization” and “Profitable goat

farming and pasture land establishment” each of six days duration funded by Rural Self Employment Training Institute of Indian Overseas Bank, Karur from 04.09.2014 to 10.09.2014 and 22.09.2014 to 27.09.2014 respectively. A total of 53 farmers of Karur district including twenty five women were benefitted.

##### INTEGRATED FARMING PRACTICES

FTC, Kancheepuram organized a one day training programme on integrated farming practices on 22.9.2014 for 100 beneficiaries at Panjupettai in Kancheepuram district. A one day training programme on “Fodder production and feeding management of dairy cattle” was also conducted for 25 progressive farmers of Kancheepuram district on 26.09.2014.

##### PRIZE



Selvi R. Selvarani, Final year B.V.Sc.&A.H., MVC won the bronze medal in High Jump among women category and received a sum of Rs. 5000/- as cash award in the State Level Inter-University Sports and Games Meet held at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, Chennai from 15.09.2014 to 20.09.2014. The award was received from Dr. S. Sundararaj, Hon'ble Minister for Sports and Youth Welfare, Government of Tamil Nadu, in the presence of Thiru. V.K. Jeyakodi, I.A.S., Principal Secretary / Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority, Government of Tamil Nadu.