



TANUVAS PAYS RESPECTFUL HOMAGE TO THE HON'BLE FORMER CHIEF MINISTER OF TAMIL NADU



The staff of TANUVAS paid respectful homage to the Hon'ble Former Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu **Selvi J Jayalalithaa** at the TANUVAS Headquarters on 07.12.2016 by observing silence for two minutes and paying floral tributes. Dr. S. Thilagar, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS while condoling the sad demise, reminded about the various initiatives implemented by the departed leader for the livelihood of the poorest of the poor and the development of the University and profession. Dr. P. Mathialagan, Registrar and other University Officers were present. Similarly, the staff of the constituent units of TANUVAS paid respectful homage to the Hon'ble Former Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu on 07.12.2016 at their respective units.

TANUVAS SILVER JUBILEE VALEDICTORY CELEBRATIONS



The University Silver Jubilee Valedictory was celebrated at MVC on 11.11.2016. Dr. S. Thilagar, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS welcomed the gathering, honoured the former Vice-Chancellors of TANUVAS and in his welcome address the Vice-Chancellor brought to limelight the yeoman services rendered by all the staff of the university which ensured national and international reputation in Veterinary and Animal Sciences for the university. Dr. T. Ramasami, Former Secretary to Government of India, Department of

Science and Technology, New Delhi, released the Silver Jubilee Souvenir and in his special address complimented the achievements of the university and said that TANUVAS should take up leadership in veterinary and animal sciences and prepare a road map for the development of the country. Dr. V. Gnanaprakasam, Dr. S. Shanmugasundaram, Dr. N. Balaraman, Dr. P. Thangaraju, Dr. R. Prabakaran and Tmt. Katie Selvaraj on behalf of Late Dr. P. Richard Masilamony, former Vice-Chancellors of TANUVAS participated and offered felicitations. Dr. P. Mathialagan, Registrar, TANUVAS proposed the vote of thanks. Earlier, as a part of the





University Silver Jubilee Valedictory celebrations, a Technical Session on "Veterinary Education and

VISIT OF HIGH POWER MONITORING AND REVIEW TEAM OF ICAR



Research on Translation Research" was organized at MVC on 11.11.2016. Dr. S. Thilagar, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS initiated the Technical Sessions by delivering a lecture on "Achievements of TANUVAS". While listing out the notable landmarks in academic, research, extension and clinical activities, the Vice-Chancellor, in his lecture, pointed out that considering the contributions made by TANUVAS in teaching, research and extension, an array of overseas universities like Michigan State University, Virginia Tech University, University of Nebraska, University of Cantabria and Ghent University have entered into MoUs/MoAs for research collaborations and student and faculty exchange programmes. He added that as a part of community services, the University has started Animal Mobile Medical Ambulance (AMMA) for rural veterinary care in Tamil Nadu and is also operating exclusive schemes for the augmentation of critical inputs like fodder, superior germplasm, vaccines, diagnostics, implements etc., for the benefit of the farmers.

Dr. J.S. Bhatia, former ADG, ICAR, New Delhi in his speech about "Veterinary Education - 2030" called for immediate contingent measures to cover up the shortfall of veterinary professionals in the country. Dr. Mahesh Chander, Principal Scientist and Head, Division of Extension Education, IVRI, Izat Nagar, in his speech on "Effective teaching - A way forward for teachers of veterinary education", said that students should be taken to various types of farms to learn about the different categories of farmers and their farming activities. Dr. V. Purushothaman, former Director, CAHS, TANUVAS in his lecture on "Demand driven research in Veterinary and Animal Sciences" said that a sector wise improved research with funding and human resource is the need of the hour to alleviate poverty, nutritional security and employment generation to improve national economy. The former Vice-Chancellors, University Officers, faculty members, non-teaching staff and students of TANUVAS, officers of the line departments, alumni etc. participated in the celebrations.



A High Power Monitoring and Review Team constituted by the ICAR to review the utilization of grants provided by the Education Division of ICAR for the XII Plan period visited TANUVAS from 14.11.2016 to 16.11.2016. Dr. S. Thilagar, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS received the team, explained the various activities and initiated the review process. The team, headed by Dr. K. Pradhan, former Vice-Chancellor, Rajasthan Agricultural University, Bikaner and the members, Dr. Bangali Baboo, former National Director, NAIP, ICAR, Dr. V. Ravindrababu, Director, IIRR, Hyderabad, Prof. Narendra Singh Raghuwanshi, IIT Campus, Kharagpur, Thiru. S. George, CF&AO, NAARM, Hyderabad and Dr. M.R. Chetti, ADG (HRD), ICAR, New Delhi visited the University campus at Madhavaram, MVC, CFDT, Koduvalli and VC&RI, Namakkal and reviewed the infrastructure facilities created, equipments purchased, student and faculty amenities developed and faculty development activities carried out utilizing the ICAR development grant. The team also interacted with students and faculty. During the ongoing plan period, the Education



Division of ICAR has provided Rs. 25.99 crores under development grant, Niche Area of Excellence, Centre of Advanced Faculty Training and for conducting summer and winter schools. The notable infrastructure facilities added include girls hostels at Namakkal and Koduvalli campuses and a modern examination hall at MVC. The University has produced two flip books, one text book, 17 teaching manuals, 19 practical manuals



and one guide for competitive examinations utilising the grant. Further, 4356 books, 103 e-books, six e-journals and five software have been added to libraries in all campuses. Another significant achievement is the creation of health facilities for students in all campuses. A total of 165 faculties have participated in seminars and trainings. The team appreciated the University in general for properly utilizing the grants for the purpose for which they have been released. The committee has also identified certain areas for financial support during next plan period, which included strengthening of Instructional Livestock Farm Complex (ILFC), Teaching Veterinary Clinical Complex (TVCC), Ambulatory Clinics and Disease Diagnostic Laboratories and recommend the same to ICAR.

'BruAlert Kit' RELEASED



The Translational Research Platform for Veterinary Biologicals (TRPVB), TANUVAS developed a highly sensitive, specific and affordable blocking enzyme linked immune sorbent assay (ELISA) kit, titled 'BruAlert Kit' for the diagnosis of Brucellosis in man and animals. Shri. Y.S. Chowdary, Hon'ble Minister of State for Science and Technology and Earth Sciences and Shri. Sudarshan Bhagat, Hon'ble Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare, Government of India released the kit during the inauguration of Brucellosis 2016 International Research Conference held at New Delhi on 17.11.2016. A book on "Animal Biotechnology - Vaccines and Diagnostics - Markets and Investment Opportunities" co-authored by Dr. S. Thilagar, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS was also released. Dr. S. Thilagar, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS participated. Shri. K. Narayana Rao, Member of Parliament, Dr. K. VijayRaghavan, Secretary, Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Government of India, Dr. H. Rahman, Deputy Director General (Animal Science), ICAR, Dr. N. Sriranganathan, Virginia Tech, USA and Dr. S. R. Rao, Advisor, DBT were present. The kit, co-developed using a monoclonal antibody against the lipopolysaccharide of the bacteria from M/s. Ingenasa, Madrid, Spain and all other test ingredients developed in-house has been validated on Indian cattle population and has 100% sensitivity and specificity to the culture method. Compared to the Rose Bengal Plate Agglutination test

(RBPT), it has more than 90% sensitivity and specificity. The same kit can also be used for humans for diagnosis of Brucellosis.

VISIT OF HON'BLE MINISTER FOR ANIMAL HUSBANDRY



TANUVAS has established fodder production units under the Government of Tamil Nadu Scheme "Establishment of fodder production units in Meikkal Poromboke lands" at Vellore and Villupuram districts. Thiru. P. Balakrishna Reddy, Hon'ble Minister for Animal Husbandry, Government of Tamil Nadu visited the unit at Kilveedhi, Vellore district on 25.11.2016 and distributed the green fodder produced through the scheme to beneficiaries. Thiru. T. Abraham, I.A.S, Director of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services explained about the various activities of the scheme. Thiru. S.A. Raman, I.A.S., District Collector, Vellore, Dr. A. Arthanari, RJD(AH), Vellore, Dr. T. Manoharan, Specialist (AH) and officials of DRDA were present.

TRAINING ON IMAGING AND ENDOSCOPY



A 21-days training programme on "Principles and practices of imaging and endoscopy in pet and farm animal practice" was organized by the Directorate of Clinics, TANUVAS from 07.11.2016 to 27.11.2016 as a part of MoU of the TANUVAS with Indian Army. A total of four officers from Remount Veterinary Service participated. In the valedictory function, Dr. S. Thilagar, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS participated, delivered the valedictory address and distributed the certificates to the participants. Dr. C. Balachandran, Dean, MVC and Dr. R. Jayaprakash, Director of Clinics, TANUVAS felicitated. Dr. S. Prathaban, Professor and Head, Department of Veterinary Clinical Medicine, MVC coordinated the programme.



CAFT TRAINING



A National level 21-days training programme on “Augmentations in conservation and improving genetic resources of indigenous poultry for food security” was organized by CAFT in Avian Sciences (ICAR), Department of Poultry Science, VC&RI, Namakkal from 09.11.2016 to 29.11.2016. Dr. S.A. Asokan, DDE, TANUVAS inaugurated the programme. In addition to lectures, exposure visits were arranged. In the valedictory function held on 29.11.2016, Dr. L. Gunaseelan, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal participated as the Chief Guest, delivered the valedictory address and distributed certificates to the participants.

TRAINING ON ULTRASONOGRAPHY

The Directorate of Clinics, TANUVAS organized a three-day training programme on “Ultrasonography for veterinary practitioners” sponsored by M/s ABIS Exports (India) Pvt. Ltd. at the Department of Veterinary Clinical Medicine, MVC from 28.11.2016 to 30.11.2016. A total of 9 veterinary practitioners from Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Telengana participated. In the valedictory function held on 30.11.2016, Dr. R. Jayaprakash, Director of Clinics, TANUVAS participated and distributed the certificate to the participants. Thiru. Prem Kumar, Regional Manager, ABIS Exports (India) Pvt. Ltd. felicitated. Dr. S. Prathaban, Professor and Head, Department of Veterinary Clinical Medicine, MVC coordinated the programme.

TRAINING FOR FIELD VETERINARIANS

▲ The Department of Clinics, VC&RI, Namakkal conducted a training programme on “Recent trends in large animal practice” under the Continuing Veterinary Education (CVE) at TVCC for 6 days from 14.11.2016 to 19.11.2016. A total of 10 field veterinarians of Kerala State Veterinary Council participated. Dr. L. Gunaseelan, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal presided over the valedictory function and distributed the certificates to the participants.

- ▲ The Department of Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Extension Education, VC&RI, Namakkal organized a training programme sponsored by SAMETI on “Breeding, feeding and health management of livestock for extension functionaries” from 09.11.2016 to 11.11.2016. A total of 30 VASs from Tiruchirapalli, Thanjavur, Krishnagiri, Dharmapuri, Vellore and Villupuram participated.
- ▲ VUTRC, Karur organized a technical seminar on “Ration balancing system” on 30.11.2016. A total of 32 VASs and ADs(AH) belonging to Animal Husbandry department of Karur district attended and benefited.

CLINICAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME

The Clinical internship training programme for 104 students from Bangladesh Agricultural University, Mymensingh, Bangladesh including 42 girl students was conducted in two batches from 11.11.2016 to 20.11.2016 and from 21.11.2016 to 30.11.2016 respectively at VC&RI, Namakkal. In the valedictory function, Dr. L. Gunaseelan, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal presided and distributed certificates to the students. The faculty of the Department of Clinics, VC&RI, Namakkal coordinated the programme.

ENTREPRENEUR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME



VUTRC, Coimbatore conducted a six-week Technology based Entrepreneurship Development Programme (TEDP) sponsored by the Project Director, DST-NIMAT Project, Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India, Gujarat under the aegis of NSTEDB, Department of Science and Technology, Government of India on “Poultry meat production, processing and value-addition” from 27.09.2016 to 11.11.2016. Dr. N.K. Sudeep Kumar, Director of Extension Education, TANUVAS inaugurated the programme. In addition to lectures, demonstrations and practical hands-on training on hygienic poultry meat production, processing and value-addition, the programme included visit to large scale commercial export poultry



processing units and small scale poultry meat retail outlets. In the valedictory function held on 11.11.2016, Dr. T. Tamil Selvan, RJD(AH), Coimbatore delivered the valedictory address and distributed certificates to the participants. A total of 25 degree and diploma holders of science, engineering and technology were benefited.

SKILL TRAINING ON ANIMAL CARE TAKER



The third batch of skill training on “Animal Care Taker” under the Tamil Nadu Skill Development Corporation funded project titled, “Skill training in non-farming based activities in livestock and poultry industries” being implemented by the Directorate of Distance Education, TANUVAS was started at VUTDC, Madurai on 21.11.2016. Dr. S. Thilagar, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS inaugurated the programme and in his presidential address urged the farmers to utilize such skill training programmes organized by TANUVAS for their livelihood. Dr. S.A. Asokan, DDE, TANUVAS, Dr. P.I. Ganesan, Director, CAHS, TANUVAS, Dr. M. Balachandran, RJD(AH), Madurai and Dr. N. Balaguru, Manager, Avin, Madurai offered felicitations. Earlier Dr. Cecilia Joseph, Professor and Head, Department of Clinics, MVC welcomed the gathering and Dr. V. Palanichamy, Professor and Head, VUTDC, Madurai proposed vote of thanks at the end. A total of 30 participants have registered for the skill training.

Similarly, the fourth batch of the Animal Care Taker skill training was also started on 23.11.2016 at the Department of Clinics, MVC for 20 participants. Dr. S.A. Asokan, DDE, TANUVAS, Dr. R. Jayaprakash, Director of Clinics and Dr. S.R. Srinivasan, former Director of Clinics and Thiru. S. Ponvaithyanathan, Manager (CD), Srinivasa Service Trust participated and interacted with the participants.

LIVESTOCK HEALTH CAMP

VUTRC, Karur organized a special “Livestock Health Camp” in collaboration with Animal Husbandry Department of Karur district at Jallipatty village

on 28.11.2016 under the Village adoption scheme. Mineral mixture was distributed to the needy farmers. A total of 730 animals and birds were treated.

RURAL POULTRY DISEASE CONTROL PROGRAMME



CPPM, Hosur in association with the Department of Animal Husbandry, Hosur organized a free vaccination campaign against Ranikhet disease under NABARD financial aid at Sollapet, Krishnagiri district on 02.11.2016. A total of 740 native and improved varieties of chicken were vaccinated. A lecture on “Poultry disease management during summer and winter seasons” was delivered and in which 150 poultry growers and farmers were benefited.

NATIONAL MILK DAY CELEBRATED



The National Milk Day-2016 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. Verghese Kurien was celebrated by the Department of Livestock Products Technology (DLPT), VC&RI, Orathanadu and DLPT (Dairy Science), MVC by conducting various competitions from 28.11.2016 to 30.11.2016. Dr. K.N. Selvakumar, Dean, VC&RI, Orathanadu and Dr. C. Balachandran, Dean, MVC distributed prizes and certificates to the winners at the respective colleges.



LIBRARY WEEK CELEBRATED



The "Library Week 2016" was celebrated at VC&RI, Namakkal between 14.11.2016 and 18.11.2016. A total of 151 students including research scholars participated in various events viz., language proficiency test, discussions, book reviews, literature collection etc. A book exhibition was conducted from 16.11.2016 to 18.11.2016 in which 10 University approved book sellers participated and displayed their publications.

TECHNICAL GUIDANCE FOR PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED



Under the technical guidance and inputs provided by VUTRC, Tiruchirapalli, Thiru. Ashok Kannan, a physically challenged is able to sustain and generate employment by establishing a poultry farm comprising of 6,000 desi birds. Dr. K.S. Palanisamy, I.A.S., District Collector, Tiruchirapalli district visited the farm at Mullipatti along with the revenue officials on 11.11.2016, interacted with the farmer and appreciated the efforts taken by the faculty at VUTRC, Tiruchirapalli.

BENEFICIARY INTERACTION MEETING

A meeting with the beneficiaries of Mega Sheep Seed Project - Mecheri sheep was held at Tharkadu, Salem district to discuss the modalities for the successful implementation of health control measures on 26.11.2016. Dr. V. Ramesh Saravana

Kumar, Director, CAPS, TANUVAS participated, held discussions and distributed deworming medicines to the beneficiaries.

AWARDS

- ▲ Dr. G.A. Balasubramaniam, Professor and Head, Department of Veterinary Pathology, VC&RI, Namakkal has been conferred with the "Fellow of Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists (IAVP)" during the XXXIII Annual Conference of IAVP held from 09.11.2016 to 11.11.2016. He was also bestowed with the "Best Executive worker award" for his contribution.
- ▲ Dr. S. Vairamuthu, Professor and Head, CCL, MVC has been conferred the IAVP- Achievement award for the best Companion Animal Pathologist-2016 during the XXXIII Annual Conference of IAVP.
- ▲ Dr. Mugale Madhav Nilakanth, bagged the SKM Animal Feeds and Foods (India) Ltd., Young Scientist Award 2016 for the second best oral research paper presentation and Dr. Patri Rama Rao Award 2015-16 for the best Ph.D. thesis during the XXXIII Annual Conference of IAVP.
- ▲ Dr. P. Vasanthakumar, Dr. N. Bharathy and Dr. G. Vijayakumar, VUTRC, Karur received II prize for their research paper on "Growth performance of Vanaraja birds fed fresh azolla incorporated diets under intensive production system" at the IX Biennial Animal Nutrition Association Conference held at College of Veterinary Science, Tirupati.
- ▲ Selvan V. Kishore Kumar, I B.V.Sc.&A.H. of MVC won the first place in TaeKwonDo and a cash award of Rs.10,000/- in the District Level Chief Minister's Trophy 2016-17 organized by SDAT,



Vellore Unit. Dr. S. Thilagar, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS congratulated the student on 20.11.2016. Dr. C. Balachandran, Dean, MVC, Dr. K. Kumanan, Dean, Faculty of Basic Sciences, Dr. R. Jayaprakash, Director of Clinics, TANUVAS and Dr. S.A. Asokan, Director of Distance Education, TANUVAS were present.



- ▲ Selvan B. Santhosh Kumar, II B.V.Sc.&A.H. student of VC&RI, Namakkal secured the first place in the 200 mts butterfly swimming style in the Chief Minister's Trophy Swimming Competition organized by SDAT, Namakkal.

INSTITUTE LEVEL QUIZ COMPETITION HELD

The Department of Veterinary Physiology & Biochemistry, VC&RI, Orathanadu conducted the Institute Level Physiology Quiz Competition on behalf of Society of Animal Physiologists of India (SAPI) on 17.11.2016. Dr. K.N. Selvakumar, Dean, VC&RI, Orathanadu inaugurated the event. The team comprising of third year students, R. Abbas and K. Dhanus Aadityaa, won the competition at the Institute level and secured third position in the Zonal level competition held at the NTR College of Veterinary Sciences, Gannavaram on 25.11.2016.

NSS and NCC ACTIVITIES

- ▲ The NCC and NSS Units of VC&RI, Namakkal jointly organized a "Blood donation camp" along with officials from the Government Headquarters Hospital (GHH), Namakkal at VC&RI, Namakkal



campus on 23.11.2016. Dr. L. Gunaseelan, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal inaugurated the camp and issued the Appreciation Certificates to the blood donors. More than 55 volunteers of NCC and NSS, UG and PG students and staff donated blood. Dr. A. Anbumalar, Blood Bank Medical Officer, GHH, Namakkal issued the Tamil Nadu State AIDS Council Society & Tamil Nadu State Blood Transfusion Council's Certificates of Appreciation to the donors.

- ▲ The NSS Unit of MVC organized an "Infertility treatment and tree plantation camp" at the adopted villages viz., Sivanvoyal, Bandikavanur and Karaiyanmedu on 26.11.2016. Dr.C. Balachandran, Dean, MVC inaugurated the camp. Dr. K. Kumanan, Dean, Faculty of Basic Sciences, Dr. N.K. Sudeep Kumar, Director of Extension Education and Dr. V.M. Sankaran, Professor and Head, Department of Agronomy

participated. A total of 50 dairy animals were treated and TANUVAS SMART Mineral mixture and TANUVAS Grand Supplement were distributed. Further, more than 100 tree saplings were planted in the village premises by the staff and NSS student volunteers. A total of 60 students participated. A Veterinary Health Camp in collaboration with Guru Shri Shantivijai Jain Gurukul College, Vepery was also conducted at Natham-Nallur and Manamai



Villages on 27.11.2016 and more than 150 animals were treated. A total of 15 NSS volunteers participated.

- ▲ An orientation programme was conducted at VC&RI, Orathanadu for the newly enrolled NSS volunteers on 21.11.2016. Dr. K.N. Selvakumar, Dean, VC&RI, Orathanadu presided over the function and stressed on the need of the student contribution to the society.

STUDY SUPPORT BY VETRI 1968 TRUST



The Vetri 1968 Trust rendered financial support for the studies of Selvi G. Dhaarani, a III Year B.V.Sc.&A.H. student of 2014-15 batch. Dr. S. Thilagar, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS issued the cheque on 23.11.2016 at MVC in the presence of the members of Vetri 1968 Trust, Dr. V. Ramasamy, Dr. A. Kannan Babu, Dr. D. Dhanasekar, Dr. A.R. Elangovan, Dr. V.S. Suriyan, Dr. R. Kanagavel and Dr. Ananda Jagan Mohan. Dr. C. Balachandran, Dean, MVC, Dr. K. Kumanan, Dean, Faculty of Basic Sciences, Dr. R. Jayaprakash, Director of Clinics, TANUVAS and Dr. S.A. Asokan, Director of Distance Education, TANUVAS were present.



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ALUMNI MEET



The Golden Jubilee Meeting for the B.V.Sc. graduates belonging to 1966 Batch of MVC was held on 19.11.2016. Dr. S. Thilagar, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS participated as Chief Guest and released the golden jubilee memento and interacted with the alumni. Dr. P. Thangaraju, Former Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS, Dr. R. Kumararaja, Former Registrar, TANUVAS, were present.

BOARD OF EXAMINATIONS MEETING THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCING - A NEW INITIATIVE

As a new initiative in Tamil Nadu Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, the 285th Board of Examinations was conducted through videoconferencing on 18.11.2016 under the chairmanship of Dr. S. Thilagar, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS. Dr. L. Gunaseelan, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal, Dr. M. Thirunavukkarasu, Dean, VC&RI, Tirunelveli and Dr. K. Mani, Dean, CPPM, Hosur participated through videoconferencing. Dr. P. Mathialagan, Registrar and



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SUPERANNUATION

Thiru. M. Jeganathan, Lab Assistant, Department of Livestock Products Technology (Dairy Science), MVC retired on 30.11.2016. Born on 19.11.1958, he had put in a total service of 33 years and 11 months.



Thiru. R. Sekar, Provincialised Mazdoor (Spl.Gr.), PGRIAS, Kattupakkam retired on 30.11.2016. Born on 06.11.1956, he had put in a total service of 24 years and 04 months.



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