Thavathiru. Kundrakudi Ponnambala Adigalar was the chief guest and delivered the inaugural address and stated that all the research findings in veterinary and animal sciences is to be translated in Tamil for better utilization in the field. Dr.C.Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS presided over the function and released the compendium. The Vice-Chancellor stated that the syllabus of first and second year B.V.Sc& A.H., curriculum has already been translated in Tamil and the remaining will be done shortly to benefit the entire UG students. Dr.P.Tensingh Gnanaraj, Registrar, TANUVAS was also present during the occasion. Dr.Mohammed Udhuman, Additional Director, Directorate of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services and Thiru. Joon Ichi Hookavoa, Head, Indo-Japan Trading Services delivered special address. Dr.S.Shanmuga Sundaram, Dr.N.Balaraman and Dr.R.Prabakaran, former Vice-Chancellors of TANUVAS and Dr.S.Subbiah, IAS, Principal Secretary (Rtd.), Government of Kerala offered felicitation address. Dr.T.Ravimurugan, President, Kalnadai Ariviyal Thamil Iyakkam and Organizing Secretary of the Conference welcomed the gathering and Dr.S.Jeyakumar, Principal Scientist, National Dairy Research Institute - Southern Regional Station, Bengaluru delivered vote of thanks. Earlier Dr. N. Kumaravelu, General Secretary, Kalnadai Ariviyal Thamil Iyakkam and Organizing Secretary of the conference presented agenda notes of Kalnadai Ariviyal Thamil Iyakkam. A total of 467 veterinary professionals including veterinary students participated in the conference. A total of 168 research papers were presented.

Dr. Sudha Seshayyan, Vice-Chancellor, Dr. MGR Medical University participated in the valedictory function held on 23.02.2019 and distributed awards and certificates to the participants and delivered the valedictory address. Dr. C. Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS presided over the function. Dr.R.Anandakumar, I.A.S., Special Secretary (Finance), Government of Tamil Nadu delivered special address. Dr.P.Tensingh Gnanaraj, Registrar, TANUVAS and Dr.John Kirubaharan, Dean, MVC graced the occasion.
INAUGURATION OF ANIMAL EXPERIMENTATION FACILITY

Thiru. B. Anand, I.A.S., Additional Secretary and Financial Advisor, Department of Bio-Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India, New Delhi inaugurated a new animal experimentation facility for Translational Research Platform for Veterinary Biologicals (TRPVB) on 14.02.2019 in the presence of Dr.C.Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS. Dr.S.R.Rao, Senior Advisor, DBT-Government of India, New Delhi; Dr.H.V.Batra, Former Director, Defence Food Research Laboratory (DFRL), DRDO, Mysore; Dr.Subeer S.Majumdar, Director, National Institute of Animal Biotechnology, Hyderabad; Dr.Somu Kumar Ambat, CEO, M/s. Gallusgen Pvt Ltd, Bangalore; Dr.G.Dhinakar Raj, Director, CAHS, TANUVAS; Dr.T.J. Harikrishnan, Director of Research, TANUVAS; Dr. M. Raman, Project Director i/c, TRPVB and Dr. K. Kumanan, Professor and Head, Bioinformatics Centre, MVC were also present during the occasion. Seven new technologies developed at TRPVB viz., Bovine Masti Cure Plus, Nano-Herbal Methicone Lotion, Nano Sarcoid Cream, AMS Green Tea Beads for Coccidia, AMS Beads for Coccidia, Pro Bead-EC and Evans Syndrome Flow Cytometry Staining Kit for dogs were released during the occasion. A newly developed mobile application (App) for making online orders and for obtaining user feedback about TRPVB products was also released during the occasion.

SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Twenty first Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting (SAC) of Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Kattupakkam, Kancheepuram District was convened on 08.02.2019 under the chairmanship of Dr.C.Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS. Dr.Y.G.Prasad, Director, ATARI, Zonal X, ICAR, Hyderabad, Dr.D.Ramasamy, Director of Extension Education i/c, TANUVAS, Dr.N.K.Sudeep Kumar, Professor and Head, University Publication Division, TANUVAS, various line department officials and progressive farmer members attended the meeting. Dr.K.Velmurugan, Professor and Head, KVK, Kattupakkam presented the action taken report on the minutes of the 20th SAC meeting. The Subject Matter Specialists of KVK, Kattupakkam presented the work done particulars of their specialization.

NATIONAL WORKSHOP

A national workshop on “Updates in application of histopathology and immuno histo chemistry in tumor diagnosis” was organized by the Department of Veterinary Pathology, MVC from 04.02.2019 to 08.02.2019. Dr. P. Tensingh Gnanaraj, Registrar, TANUVAS inaugurated the program and addressed the gathering. Dr. J. John Kirubaharan, Dean, MVC felicitated and released the compendium. Dr.C.Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS delivered special lectures on “Overview of histopathological techniques and immuno histo chemistry in tumour diagnosis” during the workshop. Dr.G.Dhinakar Raj, Director, CAHS, TANUVAS participated in the valedictory programme, addressed the gathering and awarded certificates. A total of 22 participants from various states participated in the workshop.
Dr. C. Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS participated as Guest of Honour in the 19th Indian Veterinary Congress, XXVI Annual Conference of IAAVR and National Symposium on “Innovative progress in animal health and production for safe and secured food under one health perspective” held on 01.02.2019 and 02.02.2019 at West Bengal University of Animal and Fishery Sciences, Kolkata and chaired the scientific session. The Vice-Chancellor was conferred the coveted IAAVR Award “Major (Mrs). Malika Trivedi IAAVR AWARD 2019” during the occasion.

**VICE-CHANCELLOR PARTICIPATION**

- National Institute of Siddha, Chennai organized a workshop on “Laboratory animal care and basic research techniques” from 11.02.2019 to 15.02.2019. Dr. C. Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS participated in the workshop and delivered a special invited lecture on “Tissue sample collection and preservation in necropsy of rats in relevance to toxicological studies” on 15.02.2019.

- Dr. C. Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS participated as Guest of Honour in the XVI Annual Conference of ISACP and National symposium on ”Exploring new horizons in canine practice and welfare” organized by Khalsa College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Amritsar, Punjab and Indian Society for Advancement of Canine Practice, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh on 26.02.2019 and chaired the thematic lecture session.

- Dr. C. Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS participated as Chief Guest and inaugurated the National Conference on “Current Trends on conservation of Bio-diversity for Food, Nutrition and Health” organised by Prof. Dhanapalan College of Arts and Science, Chennai on 28.02.2019.

**PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

VC&RI, Namakkal and Anna Institute of Management, Salem jointly organized “Personality Development” training programme for the supporting staff of VC&RI, Namakkal on 07.02.2019 and 08.02.2019. Dr. B. Damodharan, Advocate, Chennai High Court, Thiru A. Gnanasekaran, Trainer, Salem and Tmt. R. Hemambika, Consultant Psychologist, Air Force School, Coimbatore trained the participants on interpersonal communication skills, time management, group dynamics and stress management. Dr. B. Mohan, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal inaugurated the training programme and also distributed certificates to the participants during the valedictory function held on 08.02.2019. A total of 88 supporting staff attended the programme.

**TRAINING**

- The Department of Veterinary Microbiology, VC&RI, Namakkal conducted a training programme on “Molecular Diagnosis of Poultry Diseases” sponsored by Kemin India Pvt. Ltd from 25.02.2019 to 01.03.2019. Dr. B. Mohan, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal inaugurated the programme. Dr. C. Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS presided over the valedictory function and distributed certificates to the participants. A total of 22 participants including veterinarians and quality control members across India, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh participated in the programme.

- A National level 21 days training programme on “Strategies to overcome the challenges in diseases, nutritional and managemental practices for poultry production” was organized by the Centre of Advanced Faculty Training in Avian
A training programme on “Ethno veterinary practices” for the faculty members of outreach centres of TANUVAS was conducted by Department of Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology, VC&RI, Orathanadu on 25.02.2019 under TANII scheme. Dr.T.Sivakumar, Dean, VC&RI, Orathanadu presided over the programme. Dr.N.Punniamurthy, Professor (Retd.), TANUVAS demonstrated various recipes of ethno veterinary practices for different ailments of livestock and poultry. A total of 23 faculties belonging to outreach centres of TANUVAS participated in the programme.

A training programme on “Laboratory diagnosis and control of anthrax in the state of Tamil Nadu for field Veterinarians” was conducted by the Zoonoses Research Laboratory, CAHS from 11.02.2019 to 13.02.2019 under “Diagnosis and control of economically important and emerging diseases (Anthrax) of Livestock - ASCAD 2016-2017 scheme”, Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, Government of Tamil Nadu. A total of 15 field veterinarians attended the training.

A refresher training programme for 200 Livestock Inspectors of Animal Husbandry Department under the State Fodder Development Scheme was organized through the Directorate of Extension Education, TANUVAS at MVC and VC&RI, Namakkal. The training programme was conducted at both the colleges in 4 batches each with 25 participants per batch from 25.01.2019 to 02.02.2019 (I batch), 04.02.2019 to 11.02.2019 (II batch), 15.02.2019 to 22.02.2019 (III batch) and 25.02.2019 to 04.03.2019 (IV batch).

**FARMERS SEMINAR**

The Department of Veterinary Parasitology, VC&RI, Namakkal organized a state level seminar on “Current strategies for sustainable control of parasitic diseases affecting farm animals” on 19.02.2019 and 20.02.2019 for the benefit of farming community. Dr. M.R. Purushothaman, Dean i/c, VC&RI, Namakkal released the seminar compendium and delivered the presidential address. Dr. V.P. Ponnuvel, RJD (AH), Namakkal was the chief guest and delivered the special address. A total of 70 farmers from various districts participated in the seminar.

**FARMERS TRAINING**

KVK, Kattupakkam and Coconut Development Board, Chennai jointly organized a training programme on “Friends of Coconut Tree” from 03.02.2019 to 08.02.2019. A competition on coconut tree climbing was also held on 07.02.2019. Dr. C. Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS awarded certificates to the participants and prizes to the winners on 08.02.2019 during the conduct of the SAC meeting. A total of 20 participants attended the training programme.

**NABARD SPONSORED TRAINING PROGRAMMES**

* VUTRC, Cuddalore conducted a NABARD sponsored capacity building for adoption of technology (CAT) programme on “Desi chicken rearing” from 13.02.2019 to 15.02.2019 in which a total of 30 beneficiaries participated. Thiru. Hariharaputran, District Development Manager, NABARD and Thiru. Jaganathan, Senior Manager, Indian Bank highlighted the farmers on financial assistance extended through NABARD and banking formalities for financial assistance. Dr. Murugesan, RJD (AH) highlighted the schemes being implemented through Department of Animal Husbandry and distributed certificates to the participants.

* VUTRC, Villupuram organized a CAT training programme on “Upliftment of tribal farmers through integrated farming system” funded by NABARD from 14.02.2019 to 16.02.2019.
Dr. R. Manoharan, RJD (AH), Villupuram inaugurated the programme. Thiru. V. Ravishankar, District Development Manager, NABARD, Villupuram and Dr. D. Manikandavelu, Professor and Head, Department of Aquatic Environment Management, FC&RI, Ponneri also participated and interacted with the participants.

VUTRC, Coimbatore conducted a NABARD sponsored CAT programme on “Commercial Dairy Farming” from 25.02.2019 to 27.02.2019. Thiru. S.S. Vaseeharan, AGM (DD), NABARD, Coimbatore district inaugurated the programme on 25.02.2019 and delivered special address. Dr. M. Rajangam, Veterinary Assistant Surgeon, Veterinary Dispensary, Saravanampatty offered felicitation. A total of 25 farmers from the NABARD Farmers Clubs of Coimbatore district attended the programme.

ATMA FUNDED TRAINING PROGRAMMES

Department of Animal Nutrition, VC&RI, Namakkal conducted a training programme on “Feed manufacturing technology” under ATMA Support to State Extension Programmes for Extension Reforms Scheme (SSEPERS) from 21.02.2019 to 23.02.2019. Dr. B. Mohan, Dean, VC & RI, Namakkal distributed certificates to the participants during the valedictory session. A total of 40 dairy farmers attended the programme.

VC&RI, Tirunelveli in co-ordination with ATMA conducted a “Skill Training for Rural Youth (STRY)” on “Goat rearing and management” from 04.02.2019 to 09.02.2019. During the valedictory function held on 09.02.2019, Dr. J. Johnson Rajeswar, Dean i/c, VC&RI, Tirunelveli presided and delivered special certificates. Thiru. V. Balasubramanian, Project Director, ATMA & Joint Director i/c, Department of Agriculture, Tirunelveli delivered special address and Thiru. R. Gajendrapandian, Deputy Director, Department of Agriculture, Tirunelveli felicitated. A total of 28 entrepreneurs of Tirunelveli district were benefitted.

VUTRC, Karur conducted a ‘Farm School’ on “Sheep and goat rearing” at K. Paramathi Village of Karur District with the financial assistance from ATMA in which 25 farmers were benefitted. Tmt. K. U. Jayanthi, JD, Agriculture cum Project Director (ATMA), Karur inaugurated the programme on 10.01.2019 in the presence of Tmt. Umarani, Deputy Director, FTC, Karur. During the valedictory session held on 28.02.2019, Thiru. A. Kalimuthu, Assistant Director of Agriculture, K. Paramathi Block distributed certificates to the participants. The centre also conducted a within state training programme sponsored by ATMA, Karur on the theme “Ethno-veterinary medicine for livestock” from 05.02.2019 to 07.02.2019 in which a total of 40 farmers participated. The training was imparted at Ethno Veterinary Herbal Research Centre for Poultry, VC&RI, Namakkal, Department of Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology of VC&RI, Namakkal and VC&RI, Orathanadu and VUTRC, Thanjavur. Dr. N. Punniamurthy, Professor (Retd.), TANUVAS delivered guest lecture and distributed certificates to the trainees on 07.02.2019.

Department of Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology, VC&RI, Orathanadu conducted a training programme on ethno veterinary practices for farmers of Nagapattinam Districts under ATMA (SSEPERS scheme) in which 40 farmers were benefitted.

PHARMACEUTICAL MEET - 2019

The “Third Pharmaceutical Meet” of VC&RI, Tirunelveli for the outgoing final year B. V. Sc. & A. H., students was organized by the Department of Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology, VC&RI, Tirunelveli on 20.02.2019. Dr. V. Ramesh Saravana Kumar, Dean i/c, VC&RI, Tirunelveli presided.
over the function and distributed prizes to the students who participated in the Pharma Quiz-2019 competition. A total of 23 veterinary pharmaceutical companies participated and displayed their products.

The Pharmaceutical Meet 2018-19 was conducted by the Department of Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology, VC&RI, Namakkal on 15.02.2019 for the outgoing final B.V.Sc., & A.H., and P.G. students. Dr. B. Mohan, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal presided over the programme and distributed prizes to the students who participated in the PHARMA QUIZ competition-2018-19 and also to students who obtained highest marks in the subject of Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology. Executives from 28 pharmaceutical firms participated and showcased their products.

FREE ANTI-RABIES VACCINATION CAMP

The Department of Clinics, MVC under the Directorate of Clinics, TANUVAS conducted a free “Anti-rabies vaccination camp” on 20.02.2019.

Dr. C. Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS inaugurated the camp. Dr. S. Balasubramanian, Director of Clinics, TANUVAS delivered the special address. Dr. G. Sarathchandra, Dean, Faculty of Basic Sciences, TANUVAS graced the occasion. A total of 280 dogs and 18 cats were vaccinated.

A free “Anti-Rabies Vaccination Camp” was conducted at the Veterinary University Peripheral Hospital, Madhavaram Milk Colony, Chennai on 27.02.2019. Dr. S. Balasubramanian, Director of Clinics, TANUVAS inaugurated the camp in the presence of Dr. P. Tensingh Gnanaraj, Registrar, TANUVAS. A total of 291 dogs were vaccinated against rabies in the camp.

INTERACTION MEETING

An interaction meeting with Thiru. N.G.Lakshminarayan, Chief - Business Development, NRDC, New Delhi was held on 18.02.2019 for exploring the possibilities of filing of patents for technologies developed by VC&RI, Namakkal. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. B. Mohan, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal. Faculty and PG students of VC&RI, Namakkal participated in the interaction meeting.

Dr. K.R. Trivedi, Advisor, Dr. Nilesh Nayee, Manager and Dr. Asraf Hossain, Deputy Manager from NDB, Anand, Gujarat visited various units of VC&RI, Namakkal on 26.02.2019 and interacted with the final year B.V.Sc. & A.H. students, PG students and faculty. They also interacted through video conferencing with fourth year B.V.Sc. & A.H. students and faculties of VC&RI, Orathanadu during the occasion. The NDDB officials also had similar interactions with the faculty and PG students on 27.02.2019 at MVC.

GUEST LECTURE

Dr.G.Dhinakar Raj, Director, CAHS, TANUVAS delivered a guest lecture on “Career opportunities for Veterinary graduates in translational platform” and interacted with fourth year B.V.Sc & A.H. students of VC&RI, Orathanadu on 11.02.2019. He also delivered a guest lecture on “Translational research and entrepreneurship development - two sides of the same coin” on the same day in a programme organized by the Staff club of VC&RI, Orathanadu.

AWARDS

Dr. C. Soundararajan Professor, Department of Veterinary Parasitology, MVC received the “XXV NCVP-MVC Mid-Career Excellence Award”, Dr. N.
Jeyathilakan, Professor received “Smt. Nishamani Parija Memorial Award” and Dr. S. Gowrishankar, M.V.Sc scholar received the IAAVP Young Scientist Award during the 28th National Congress of Veterinary Parasitology held at Tirupathi from 28.01.2019 to 30.01.2019.

**MUTHAMIZHVIZHA AND SPORTS DAY CELEBRATIONS**

*Muthamizh Vizha* was celebrated at VC&RI, Namakkal on 27.02.2019 in which Dr. D. Sankara Saravanan, Deputy Director of Tamil Nadu Textbook and Educational Services Corporation, Chennai participated as chief guest and released *Ilanthendral* magazine, distributed prizes to the winners and delivered special address. Dr. R. Gurunathan, Principal (Rtd.), Karanthai Arts and Science College, Thanjavur also participated in the programme. During the Sports Day held on 28.02.2019, Thiru. N. Annavi, Athletic coach, Former Indian High Jumper and Chief Reservation Supervisor of Southern Railway, Thiruchirapalli participated as chief guest, inaugurated the sports meet, distributed prizes and delivered the special address. Dr. B. Mohan, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal presided over both the functions and delivered presidential address.

**COLLEGE AND HOSTEL DAY CELEBRATIONS**

The College and Hostel Day was celebrated at VC&RI, Namakkal on 01.03.2019. Dr. C. Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS participated as chief guest, presided over the function, distributed prizes and delivered presidential address. Dr. B. Mohan, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal presented college annual report. Dr.G.Ponnudurai, Vice-President, Students Association welcomed the gathering and Dr. K.M. Palanivel, Warden presented the report on hostel activities.

**PARTICIPATION IN THE 14TH AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE CONGRESS INDIA EXPO-2019**

Translational Research Platform for Veterinary Biologicals, CAHS, TANUVAS participated in the 14th Agricultural Science Congress India Expo-2019 organized by ICAR, New Delhi from 20.02.2019 to 23.02.2019 at IARI, Pusa campus, New Delhi. Veterinary biologicals and services developed at TRPVB facility were showcased during the expo.

**PARTICIPATION IN 19TH AGRIUNIFEST**

The 19th AGRIUNIFEST was held at Sardarkrushinagar Dantiwada Agricultural University, Sardarkrushinagar, Gujarat from 03.02.2019 to 07.02.2019 in which 25 students from all the constituent colleges of TANUVAS participated in various events. Selvi Athira Anand Kudiyul of third B.V.Sc & A.H., MVC won third prize in mono-acting. Dr. C. Balachandran, Vice-Chancellor, TANUVAS congratulated the students who participated in the programme.

**BOOK EXHIBITION - 2019**

VC&RI, Tirunelveli organized a “Book Exhibition” for the benefit of students and staff at the Auditorium of the college on 12.02.2019. Dr.J.Johnson Rajeswar, Dean i/c, VC&RI, Tirunelveli inaugurated the Book Exhibition.

**STUDENT TRAINING**

- A two days training programme on “Communication and soft skills” was organized under “Institutional development plan for TANUVAS” scheme sponsored by ICAR - NAHEP for the benefit of undergraduate students of MVC and CFDT, Koduvalli. The training programme was conducted in five batches (two days each) for second year (19.02.2019 to 22.02.2019), third year (26.02.2019 to 01.03.2019) and final year students (07.02.2019 and 08.02.2019) of MVC and final year students of CFDT.
- The Department of Livestock Business Management & Nodal / Co-ordinating Centre for Students’ Entrepreneurship Skill Development, MVC organized a training programme on “Developing better attitudes and self-confidence for successful career” under ICAR Development grant for first year B.V.Sc. & A.H. students on 02.02.2019. Dr. P. Tensingh Gnanaraj, Registrar, TANUVAS inaugurated the training programme. Thiru. J. Krishnan, General Manager, RIPE Consulting Services Pvt. Ltd., offered felicitation address. A total of 108 students attended the programme. Similar training was also organized on 16.02.2019 in which 76 final year B.V.Sc. & A.H. and PG students participated.
ANTI-RAGGING REVIEW MEETING

Anti-ragging review meeting for the year 2018-2019 was conducted at VC&RI, Orathanadu on 26.02.2019. Dr. T. Sivakumar, Dean, VC&RI, Orathanadu presided over the meeting. Dr. P. Kumarasamy, Chairman of Monitoring Cell on Anti-ragging at University level and Controller of Examinations, TANUVAS reviewed the anti-ragging measures taken in the college and hostel campus. The members of anti-ragging committee including the Wardens, Security Officer, NSS Officer, Press, Student representatives of each year and administrative staff participated in the meeting. Dr. S. Eswari, Professor and Head, Education Cell coordinated the meeting and explained the anti-ragging measures taken in the campus to curb the menace of ragging.

NSS ACTIVITIES

- A veterinary infertility camp was conducted on 10.02.2019 on the occasion of Farmers Day Celebrations at Kalyanakuppam of Thiruvallur District in which 43 NSS volunteers of MVC participated. Later at Sivanvoyal-Koyambakkam village, a puppet show on calf rearing and Rangoli competition were conducted for the benefit of farm women on the theme “Indian Farmers”. Various games were also conducted for farmers and children and prizes distributed.

- A veterinary health camp was organized by the NSS Unit of MVC in association with MAR Gregarious College of Arts and Science at Manjankaranai Village, Thiruvallur district on 17.02.2019 in which a total of 71 livestock and 30 poultry were dewormed and treated.

- A total of 56 NSS volunteers of MVC visited Vivekanandar Illam, Chennai on 02.02.2019 as part of National Youth day celebrations.

- The NSS unit of CFDT, Koduvalli conducted a veterinary health camp in Koduvalli village along with the NSS unit of MVC on 02.02.2019 in which treatment and deworming was done for 50 cattle and 60 goats.