

Prof. Naresh Kumar Sood Superannuated in February, 2019



Dr Naresh Kumar Sood (60) is eminent veterinary pathologist, clinical veterinary pathologist, immunopathologist, animal oncologist, excellent teacher and researcher. He superannuated on 28th February, 2019 as Professor & Senior Veterinary Pathologist, Department of Teaching Veterinary Clinical Complex & In-charge, Centralized Clinical Diagnostic Laboratory, College of Veterinary Science, GADVASU, Ludhiana. Dr Sood was born on 14th February, 1959. He completed his BVSc & AH in 1983 and MVSc degree in Veterinary Pathology in 1985 from College of Veterinary Science, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana, Punjab. Later in 1990, he obtained FRVCS from Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science, Swedish Agricultural Sciences University, Uppsala, Sweden and his PhD from College of Veterinary Science, Mathura, CSAUAT, Kanpur, UP in 1997. He is a qualified Diplomate and a Charter Member of Indian College of Veterinary Pathologists. He joined as Assistant Professor in the Department of Veterinary Pathology, College of Veterinary Science, PAU, Ludhiana in October, 1985, became Senior Veterinary Pathologist in July 2006 and subsequently served as Head of the Department of same Department from July 2008 to March, 2013. He also worked as In-charge of Centralized Diagnostic Laboratory, Department of Teaching Veterinary Clinical Complex, GADVASU, Ludhiana, Punjab.

Dr N.K. Sood has about 35 years of rich experience of administration, research, teaching, extension and consultancy in Veterinary Pathology. He has handled 12 research projects, including 2 extra-mural ones. He has guided 12 MVSc and 3 PhD students and co-guided over 300 interdisciplinary post-graduate students. He is a reviewer for several national and international journals. He has 553 publications covering a vast spectrum of naturally occurring, experimental animal diseases, animal models and their diagnostic application. Dr Sood has in his credit 251 peer reviewed research publications including more than 50 in foreign journals. He published 17 books/ manuals/ book chapters/ video cassettes, presented 72 lead papers, 213 abstracts and 15 radio/TV talks. He has participated in 54 conferences/symposia including 8 international meets. He has been Zonal Secretary (North) of IAVP twice in succession and currently Vice-President of IAVP. Dr Sood is also an active member of research gate with a RG score of 46.31 which is higher on the scale of other members and highest among GADVASU faculty. His research work has been widely cited with over 735 citations and index of 6.0 and has also published 2 comments in *Nature*, besides ideas and publications in other scientific forums.

Dr N.K. Sood has organised a grand and highly successful International IAVP Conference at GADVASU, Ludhiana in 2009. He was Coordinator for the inaugural ICAR Sponsored Advanced Faculty Training Course in 'Veterinary Clinical Pathology' for extramural faculty in 2017 and 2018, and has been member of the organizing committee for the 2nd Indo-

Global Summit & Expo on Veterinary in October 2015 at Hyderabad. He has organised a ICAR-Winter School and an FAO Sponsored Training Programme for Nepalese Technicians in 2010. He has been instrumental in development of centralized diagnostic, immunopathology and histopathology, multi-purpose teaching, rabies diagnosis laboratories, all 'state of the art' and modern Veterinary Pathology laboratories. Dr Sood has life membership of 12 scientific associations/societies and has more than 25 national and international awards to his credit. He has also been awarded with 'incentive increment for outstanding teaching' by PAU, Ludhiana and his research interests include molecular oncology, immunopathology and clinical pathology.

Apart from academic and scientific activities, Dr Sood has remained very active in extracurricular activities. He has organized Youth Festival, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 as President, Dance, Drama and Music Club of the GADVASU, and also won the Overall Championship Trophy for the GADVASU team at Agri-Unifest at Gujrat in February, 2019, in which 62 universities of India participated. **IAMP wishes Dr N.K. Sood a happy, healthy and peaceful post-retirement life.**