

**Prof. Balwant Singh  
(1939-2014)**



Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists (IAVP) expresses deep condolence on sad demise of Dr Balwant Singh (75), an eminent Veterinary Pathologist who passed away on 29-12-2014 in Australia. He was born on 27-01-1939. Dr Balwant Singh started his professional journey as Veterinary Assistant Surgeon in 1959, Lecturer at Hisar, joined PAU as Associate Professor in 1969 and became Professor of Veterinary Pathology in 1971. He did his master's and doctorate under able guidance of Dr C.M. Singh. He was founder Head, Department of Veterinary Pathology, PAU, Ludhiana and served as Dean, College of Veterinary Science, PAU with effect from 1985-1993. After this he worked on several prestigious positions in PAU, Ludhiana like Registrar, Chairman of Human Recourse Development Cell etc. He superannuated in 1999. Dr Balwant Singh was an important pillar of Veterinary Education in India. He was one of the founder fellows of the National Academy of Veterinary Sciences (India). He was an excellent teacher, researcher and administrator. He significantly contributed in the advancement of Veterinary Pathology in India. He also served as President of IAVP from 1980-82. The Veterinary Pathology fraternity has lost a wonderful human being, great scholar and eminent Veterinary Pathologist. May Almighty give peace to the departed soul. A large number of his students paid rich tributes on social networking sites to his excellent teaching acumen and knowledge of Pathology. We pray to the Almighty God that the departed soul rest in eternal peace and provide strength to the bereaved family to bear this irreparable loss.

His family members and Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists has instituted **IAVP-Dr Balwant Singh Memorial Young Scientists Award** in the memory of late Prof. Singh. In honor of Dr Balwant Singh, IAVP has organized a **Dr Balwant Singh Memorial Lecture** in 32nd Veterinary Pathology Congress, Gannavarm, AP in 2015 which was delivered by Prof. Amarjit Singh, one of his student.