

## VETERINARY PATHOLOGY CONGRESS-2015

32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference of Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists, 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Indian College of Veterinary Pathologists and National Symposium on “Challenges and Advances in Disease Diagnosis of Livestock, Poultry and Fish: Redefining the Role of Veterinary Pathologists” were held at NTR College of Veterinary Science, Gannavaram, Andhra Pradesh from December 3-5, 2015. Dr. V. Rama Devi, Professor & Head, Department of Pathology was the Organizing Secretary for the above event.

The inaugural function was conducted on Thursday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2015 at 9:30am in Hotel Kay, Vijayawada. Dr. R. Somvanshi, President, IAVP presided over the function. Dr. Manmohan Singh, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University, Tirupati and Principal Secretary, Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development & Fisheries Department, Govt. of AP was the Chief Guest. Dr. V. Vamsi Mohan, M.V.Sc., Hon'ble MLA, Gannavaram, Dr. G. Somasekharam, Head of the Department, Animal Husbandry Dept., Govt. of A.P. and Dr. T.S. Chandrasekhara Rao, Dean of Veterinary Science, SVVU, Tirupati were the Guests of Honour. Dr. Manmohan Singh, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor inaugurated the Congress by lighting the lamp. Dr. K. Sadasiva Rao, Assoc. Dean, NTR College of Veterinary Science, Gannavaram welcomed the dignitaries. Dr. B.N. Tripathi, Secretary General, IAVP, presented the Annual Report and the ICVP Annual Report was presented by Dr. T.V. Anil Kumar, Kerala. Addressing the delegates Dr. Manmohan Singh lauded the significant contributions of eminent veterinary pathologists in the country and advised the young veterinary pathologists to strive hard for the betterment of the profession and farming community. On this occasion he also released the Congress Compendium and soft copy of “Gross and Histopathology of Pig Diseases” prepared by Prof. Dr. Matti Kiupel. The occasion was also marked by presentation of IAVP Fellowship Awards to Dr. A.K. Sharma, IVRI, Izatnagar, Dr. D.V. Joshi, SDAU, SK Nagar and Dr. C.K. Singh, GADVASU, Ludhiana.

After the inaugural session, Prof. Dr. Matti Kiupel, College of Veterinary Medicine, Michigan State University, Lansing, MI delivered the theme paper of the symposium on ‘**Veterinary Molecular Pathology Bridging the Gap Between Clinical Disease and Molecular Pathogenesis**’. The talk covered a wide range of issues from cellular pathology to molecular pathology with their importance and limitations in disease diagnosis. Prof. Kiupel made highly informative presentation citing various examples and visuals. This session was chaired by Dr. J.L. Vegad.

The three day conference was attended by 194 delegates from all over the country. A total of ten technical sessions were conducted in which several lead papers and research papers were presented. Further, two onetime memorial lectures were organized in the fond memory of late eminent pathologists Dr. Balawant Singh and Dr. B.L. Purohit by Dr. Amarjit Singh and M.V. Joshi, respectively.

On first day post lunch two parallel sessions on diseases of livestock and poultry were arranged. In diseases of livestock session, Dr. P.R. Vanamayya delivered Dr. P.P. Gupta oration lecture on “**Role of Veterinary Pathologists in Combating Transboundary Animal Diseases**”. The speaker elaborated on the importance of transboundary animal diseases and their economic impact on livestock production and health in the nation and global level and also emphasized the role of veterinary pathologists. Five lead papers were presented in this session by eminent pathologists. In diseases of poultry session, Dr. Balawant Singh Memorial Lecture on “**Cytokine Applications in Poultry**” was delivered by Dr. Amarjit Singh. Scientists from poultry industry and entrepreneurs also participated in this session. In the evening, a local sightseeing trip was arranged for the delegates.

The technical sessions on second and third day were held at NTR College of Veterinary Science, Gannavaram. On second day morning, Young scientists award and Prof.(Dr.) S. Ramachandran Memorial Award sessions were conducted in which seven and four papers were presented respectively.

This was followed by one special session on “**Gross and Histopathology of Pig Diseases**” in which Prof. Matti Kiupel elaborately spoke on the topic for more than two hours. He has narrated the neoplastic, hereditary and generalized diseases of swine with excellent photographs of gross and histopathological lesions. Dr. R. Somvanshi, President chaired this session. Parallel Poster session was arranged in a separate hall and the delegates have exhibited the posters pertaining to different diseases or pathological conditions of animals, poultry and fish. Post lunch on second day, two sessions on diseases of pet and pack animals and neoplasms were arranged. These sessions were followed by IAVP General Body Meeting. The second evening was marked by colorful cultural programmes arranged in the sprawling college grounds with specially illuminated magnificent college building in the back ground. The cultural events presented by the students of NTR College of Veterinary Science were visual treat and were well received by the delegates. The day culminated with a grand open air dinner.

The third and final day began with EC meeting and technical session of ICVP along with three parallel sessions on toxicopathology, diseases of lab and wild animals and fish and

aquatic animals. The deliberations in the fish and aquatic animal diseases session focused on the status and diseases of aqua culture especially in Andhra Pradesh which is having a vast coast line. Dr. B.L. Purohit Memorial Lecture was arranged in toxicopathology session on **“Emerging issues of toxicopathology through high water salinity on animal and poultry health”**.

Valedictory function was conducted on the afternoon and various awards were announced and presented to the winners by President, IAVP. The Organizing Secretary has presented her report and thanked the delegates, sponsors, officials and students for extending their cooperation and successful conduct of conference. The grand and successful event was ended with national anthem.



NTR College of Veterinary Science, Gannavaram, Andhra Pradesh – Veterinary Pathology Congress – 2015 Venue



Lighting of the lamp by Vice-Chancellor



Welcome of President, IAVP



Organising Secretary Delivering Welcome Address



Release of CD of Compendium



Release of Hard Copy of CVE Lecture on Pig Diseases



Release of The Lesion, 2015



FIAVP Award to Dr. D.V. Joshi



IAVP Award to Young Pathologist





Technical Sessions in Progress



Delegates and Organizers of Veterinary Pathology Congress - 2015



Cultural Night by Students of NTR College of Veterinary Science