

Dr D.V. Joshi Superannuates on 31th October, 2023



Dr D.V. Joshi (62) is eminent teacher, educationist, veterinary pathologist, researcher and active IAVP member. He was born in Ranasan, a small village in Patan district of North Gujarat, on October 1, 1961. In 1985, he received his BVSc& AH degree from the College of Veterinary Science & Animal Husbandry, GAU, Anand. On September 2, 1985, he started his career as a Junior Lecturer at the Livestock Inspector Training Centre in Sardarkrushinagar. He later earned his MVSc Degree in Veterinary Pathology as an in-service candidate in 1989. On deputation, he received his PhD degree in Veterinary Pathology from the College of Veterinary Sciences, G.B. Pant University of Agriculture and Technology, Pantnagar in 1996. He worked in diversified capacity and position namely, as a Junior Lecturer for four years, Assistant Professor for nine years, Associate Professor for eight years, Professor for nine years, and Dean/Principal for more than eight years.

Dr Joshi has over 38 years of experience in teaching, research, and extension. Throughout his career, he has held numerous positions, including in-charge Vice Chancellor of SDAU, Dean and Principal of ASPEE College of Home Science, Sardarkrushinagar, Associate Director of Research, Education SDAU, Hostel Warden and SRC Chairman. He has 102 research papers published in prestigious national and international research journals and delivered over 150 scientific papers, including 15 lead papers. He has participated in 50 national and international seminars/symposia, as well as 10 trainings/summer schools. Dr Joshi has received several awards and medals, including Fellow of the Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists (FIAVP); Diplomate, Indian College of Veterinary Pathologists (DICVP); Dr CM Singh-Salihotra Samman; IAVP-Best Toxicologic Pathologist Award; University Best Teacher Award; IAVP-Varsha Award; Dr J.P. Trivedi Award from Gujarat Association for Agricultural Sciences; Dr K.S. Nair Memorial Prize from IVA; IAVP-Young Scientist Award; IAVP-Dr S. Damodaran Memorial Award; IAVP-Dr Gang Man Sharma Award and IAVP-Savitree Jibachch Sinha Best Poster Award. He was also recipient of ICAR Merit Scholarship during UG program (1980-1985) and ICAR Senior Research Fellowship during his PhD program (1993-1996) at GBPUAT, Pantnagar.

Dr. Joshi has mentored 29 MVSc students and 05 PhD students. He has served as a minor Guide and Member of the Advisory Committee of over 50 students. His four MVSc students were awarded the Chancellor's Gold Medal for Best PG Research in the Veterinary Faculty, and one student was awarded the GAAS Best PhD Thesis Award. Dr Joshi and colleagues isolated canine parvovirus from diarrheic dogs first time in India. His research has mostly focused on canine parvoviral diarrhoea, neonatal calf diarrhoea, canine mammary gland tumours, the etiology of lamb mortality, and the toxicopathology of various heavy metals, newer pesticides, and feed additives in rats. He was crucial in the establishment of a Pathology Museum as well as a Diagnostic Pathology Lab equipped with modern and sophisticated instruments with full equipment for haemato-biochemical profiles, histopathology and immunohistochemistry. Dr Joshi served on the Editorial Boards of three prestigious national and international journals. He served as an external examiner/paper setter/thesis examiner at many Veterinary Colleges and Universities of India.

Dr Joshi has organized a number of conferences at the state and national levels, as well as summer schools, refresher courses, VAAS and ASCAD seminars. He organized many extracurricular activities as Chairman of the Student Representative Council, such as GK Quiz, Debate, Drama, Professional Quiz, Alumni lecture series by notable speakers, and various sports events. He is a hugely popular and well-revered teacher amongst the students. He has also served as Zonal Secretary and Vice President of Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists. Dr Joshi is a life member of several scientific societies like Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists (IAVP), Indian Association for Advancement of Veterinary Research (IAAVR), Indian Virological Society (IVA), Gujarat Association of Agricultural Sciences (GAAS) and Dr C.M. Singh Endowment Trust, Bareilly.

He superannuated from Kamdhenu University on 31-10-2023 after more than three decades of distinguished service. Dr Joshi is a well-regarded as mind opening and heart touching teacher among his students. He exhibits personal qualities as a teacher to shape the character, caliber, and future of students and young professionals. He was instrumental in upholding the highest moral and educational standards. His noteworthy tenure and accomplishments at this Veterinary College, Kamdhenu University are extremely motivating and full of optimism. In addition to his professional excellence, he demonstrates good personal abilities and a kind nature. His adaptability, flexibility, and inclusivity while maintaining moral standards is an intriguing part of his personality. **IAVP wishes Dr D.V. Joshi very-very happy, peaceful, purposeful, healthy and prolonged life.**