# Proceedings of XXXV General Body Meeting of Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists held at SDAU, S.K. Nagar, Gujarat during dated 22-24 October, 2018

Veterinary Pathology Congress, 2018 and XXXV<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists, IX Annual Meeting of Indian College of Veterinary Pathologists and National Symposium on "Recent Advances in Veterinary Pathology and Disease Diagnosis for Sustainable Livestock and Poultry Production" was jointly Organized by Department of Veterinary Pathology, C.V.Sc. & A.H., SDAU, S.K. Nagar, Gujarat, Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists (IAVP) and Indian College of Veterinary Pathologists (ICVP) during 22-24 October, 2018. This Congress brought together veterinary pathologists, disease diagnosticians, veterinarians, research scholars etc. from different states of India to share their ideas on a related theme in Veterinary Pathology. This symposium gave a glimpse of advances made in Veterinary Pathology and provided a platform to interact with eminent personalities and share their experiences. In the inaugural function held at ultramodern Prof. V.R. Mehta Auditorium on dated 22.10.2018, Dr C. Balachandran, Vice Chancellor, TANUVAS, Chennai was Chief Guest of the function. Dr H.D. Narayanaswamy, Vice Chancellor, Karnataka Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Science University, Bidar and Dr P.H. Vataliya, Vice Chancellor, Kamdhenu University, Gandhinagar, Gujarat were Guests of Honour while Prof. Ashok A. Patel, Vice Chancellor, SDAU, Sardarkrushinagar was Chairman of the function, Dr R. Somvanshi, President, IAVP, Dr T.V. Anilkumar, President, ICVP, Dr D.V. Joshi, Dean & Chairman of Organizing Committee, Dr B.J. Patel, Organizing Secretary of the Congress, Dr K.P. Singh Secretary General, IAVP etc. graced the occasion. Other veteran pathologists/ dignitaries present included Dr R.N.S. Gowda, Ex. Vice Chancellor, KVAFSU, Bidar, Karnataka, Dr B.N. Tripathi, Director, ICAR-NRC on Equines, Hisar, Haryana, Dr M.C. Prasad, Ex. ADGAH, ICAR, Dr P.L. Kaul, SDAU, Dr. (Mrs) Lalita Kaul, SDAU, Dr S.P. Singh, Ex, Dean, GBPUAT, Pantnagar, Dr M.V. Joshi, Ex Dean, NVC, Nagpur, Dr V.K. Gupta, Ex Secretary General, IAVP, Dr (Mrs) Jyoti Misri, Principal Scientist, Division of Animal Health, ICAR, Dr N.K. Sood, Vice President, IAVP, Dr Amariit Singh, Secretary, ICVP.

The Executive Committee meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Dr R. Somvanshi, President, IAVP on 22nd October, 2018 at 06:00 PM in the Committee Room of Auditorium, SDAU, S.K. Nagar, Gujarat. The meeting was attended by Zonal Secretaries, EC members, Chairman and Organizing Secretary of the Congress. The President briefed the Committee members about activities carried out during the year.

#### **President's Remark**

- 1. Dr R. Somvanshi, President desired that the office bearers and EC members of the association should be more active and take initiatives on IAVP activities.
- 2. President appreciated the efforts made by Chief Editor and his team for up gradation of the Indian Journal of Veterinary Pathology (IJVP) and mentioned that there has been appreciable improvement in the quality of the journal.
- 3. President thanked Dr H.D. Narayanaswamy, Organizing Secretary of Asian Veterinary Pathology Congress, 2017 for its organization in a befitting manner at Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- 4. Contributions of Dr T.V. Anilkumar, President, ASVP and ICVP were also highly appreciated for making sincere efforts in bringing this activity under umbrella of IAVP/ICVP and its successful organization.

5. One Day successful Seminar on Molecular Diagnosis and Pathology of Emerging Diseases of Livestock and Poultry was organized on 25th February, 2018 at Department of Pathology, College of Veterinary Science, Assam Agricultural University, Khanapara, Guwahati, Assam under Chairmanship of Prof. T. Rahman.

# Secretary's Report

Secretary General Dr K.P. Singh presented the report and apprised the IAVP members about various activities of the association carried out at headquarters as well as at different zones.

- 1. He informed that **The Lesion, 2018 (Volume 8, 12 pages)** was published and is available for distribution to the life-members of IAVP during the conference. It is uploaded on IAVP Website too.
- 2. Around 33 IAVP Awards, including IAVP-Young Scientist Awards, IJVP Awards, IAVP-Thematic Lectures, IAVP-Continuing Education in Veterinary Pathology Lectures, IAVP-Thesis Awards, Dr P.P. Gupta Oration, IAVP-President Best EC Worker Award, 150 quality award certificates (for all awardees) and 3 Fellowship citations were fabricated/ printed for distribution in the Conference.
- 3. IAVP Website is regularly updated with new images/ postings on IAVP Conference news, ICVP programmes, awards and honors to IAVP members, appointments, promotions, professional news and obituaries.
- 4. Proposal of one new award "IAVP-Dr S.K. Nigam Memorial Second Best Young Scientist Award" for second best oral presentation was approved and to be initiated with the receipt of award money of Rs. One Lakh in IAVP account by Dr Vijay Kale and colleagues of USA.

Chief Editor's (IJVP) Report: During the year 2018, The Indian Journal of Veterinary Pathology (IJVP) was published timely on quarterly basis. The efforts of Chief Editor for quality and timely publication of the journal were appreciated by the house. The NAAS impact factor of the journal is 5.48 (NAAS-2018).

**Treasurer's Report:** Total life-members of the association are 1338 as on date including 32 newly admitted life members during 2018. As per Audit Report 2017-18, total income was Rs. 8,22,352/- and expenditure incurred was Rs. 5,47,278/-. Thus, total saving was Rs. 2,75,074/-during the year under report. IAVP is having Rs 34,95,894/- as FDs / bank savings.

## **Decisions Taken by EC/GB:**

- 1. It was decided to prepare/publish a documentation entitled IAVP at a Glance on- history, aims, constitution, achievements of IAVP, past office bearers, conferences, fellows, awards and awardees and zonal activities.
- 2. The existing logo of the association was prepared about 40 years ago and now it has been modified with inclusion of microscopes and more clarity in the depiction and look.
- 3. Executive Committee felt the need for strengthening of Zonal activities with targeted goals especially in North-East Zone. Proposals are welcome in this regard.
- 4. Reactivation and/ or creation of local IAVP chapters and strengthening the activities of different zones were also discussed. The expert lectures will be arranged in selective zones with genuine financial support from Central Unit and these events will be organized by Zonal Secretary.
- 5. IAVP Award Review Committee reviewed the new awards like IAVP-Best Teacher Award, IAVP-Best Women Pathologist Award without increasing number of IAVP Awards. The committee also reviewed and proposed the merging of Wildlife and Laboratory Animal Pathologist and Farm Animal and Companion Animal Awards as sufficient quality applications are not received. Following consensus arrived:

- 6. (A) IAVP-Best Farm Animals Pathologist Award, IAVP-Best Poultry Pathologist Award and IAVP-Dr B.L. Purohit Memorial Best Toxicologist Pathologist Award will be merged and these three will be Annual Awards and given in each specialty subject.
  - (B) IAVP-Best Companion Animal Pathologist Award, IAVP-Best Wildlife Pathologist Award and IAVP-Best Laboratory Animal Pathologist Award will be merged and these three will be Biannual Awards and given one in each specialty subject.
  - (C) Two new awards IAVP-Best Veterinary Pathology Teacher Award (Annual Award) and IAVP-Best Women Veterinary Pathologist Award (Biannual Award) will be initiated.
  - The minimum of 10 year experience is for specialty award, 15 years for Best Women Veterinary Pathologists and also 15 years for Best Veterinary Pathology Teacher Award.
- 7. To establish direct communication link with its' all life members (>1300), an IAVP Facebook handle (Only for IAVP Life-members) was created. In this, group discussion on case diagnosis, professional news including appointments, promotions, retirements, demises, IAVP conference and all other related information etc. will be allowed.
- 8. For establishing the smooth contacts with colleges/universities, it was decided to prepare a list of Professors and Heads of Department of Veterinary Pathology of various Veterinary Colleges/Universities/Institutions along with their contact details.
- 9. Loan of Rs. 30,000/- was given to South Zone to hold the Zonal Conference but due to some financial crunch the loan could not be refunded to the Central Unit. The issue was discussed in GB and it was unanimously approved to wave off the money so that the audit objection may be settled accordingly.
- 10. The issue to reduce the number of printed copies of the Indian Journal of Veterinary Pathology (IJVP) was discussed and it was approved by the GB that the number may be reduced and the emphasis may be given for the digitization of the journal. The money saved by this means, may be utilized for other activities of the association.
- 11. The President and the Secretary, ICVP will be made an *Ex-Officio* Member of the IAVP Executive Council. All the members of EC-IAVP agreed to proposal.
- 12. The 'ICVP-Technical Session' will be integrated as a regular feature along with other technical sessions of IAVP Conference/Veterinary Pathology Congress. Various activities of ICVP will be taken during the IAVP Conference/Veterinary Pathology Congress and will be included in the Conference Brochure in future.
- 13. Term of present EC is completing by end of 2019, Therefore, Dr Samir Raval, Assistant Professor, Department of Veterinary pathology, Veterinary College, SDAU, S.K. Nagar, Gujarat, has been appointed as Returning Officer to initiate the process for the election of new Executive Committee of IAVP during 2019.

## 36<sup>th</sup> IAVP Conference 2019:

Dr D.P. Kadam, I/C Head, Department of Veterinary Pathology, Bombay Veterinary College, Mumbai, Maharashtra and Dr T.K. Rajkhowa, Professor, Dept. of Pathology, C.V. Sc., Selisih, Aizawl, Mizoram proposed to host the 36<sup>th</sup> IAVP Conference, 2019. Both the proposals were considered by EC. IAVP was continuously intending to strengthen its activities in North-East Zone of Country. Finally, it has been decided to organize XXXVI IAVP Congress and X Annual Meeting of Indian College of Veterinary Pathologists, 2019 at Department of Veterinary Pathology, College of Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry, Central Agricultural University, Selesih, Aizawl, Mizorum under leadership of Dr T.K. Rajkhowa,

**Professor and Head. Dates are 6-8th November, 2019.** Vice Chancellor, CAU, Imphal has very kindly permitted for same. Soon Congress topic will be decided and communicated.

Dated: 22.12.2018

**Dr K.P. Singh** Secretary General, IAVP



**NEW IAVP LOGO**