



Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists

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CITATION FOR AWARD OF THE FELLOWSHIP-2015

Dr Ravindra Nath Sharma (66) was born on 1st January, 1940 at Allahabad, UP. He is an eminent Veterinary Pathologist and currently serving as Professor of Pathology and Avian Diseases, Associate Dean, School of Graduate Studies and Associate Director Research at the School of Veterinary Medicine, St. George's University, Grenada. Dr Sharma a graduate of 1961 from the UP College of Veterinary Sciences and Animal Husbandry, Mathura, obtained MVSc and PhD degree in Veterinary Pathology from, IVRI, Izatnagar, UP in 1965 and 1974, respectively. He joined as Research Assistant at IVRI in 1965 and within a short period of 11 years rose to the rank of Professor.

Dr Sharma has served in five international universities, two each in Asia (India and Iran) and Africa (Zambia and Libya) and currently working with one in Central America (West Indies). In Iran, Libya, Zambia and Grenada (West Indies) he served as Head, Department of Pathology. In India, he worked on Marek's disease in chickens and developed suitable diagnostic reagents for its diagnosis. In Zambia, isolation and implementation of control measures for several zoonotic serotypes of *Salmonella* spp. from poultry was one of his major contribution. During 4 year mission of Commonwealth Fund for Technical Cooperation (CFTC) in Zambia, he played a significant role in making Zambia free of certain poultry diseases. In Iran, Dr Sharma unveiled many diseases in livestock, not reported earlier. Identification of *Linguatula serrata* (zoonotic) in lung of goats is worth to mention. In Grenada, his research is mostly concentrated on zoonotic diseases with special reference to campylobacteriosis, salmonellosis, toxoplasmosis and leptospirosis. Major contribution of Dr Sharma to veterinary profession was establishment of Veterinary Schools in the Republic of Zambia and in Grenada. In Grenada, he initiated "an outreach program" for the benefit of Grenadian community since last 12 years.

Dr Sharma has mentored more than 2 dozen students for their PhD and MSc degrees in Veterinary Pathology. He has written a book, 3 monographs and published 175 research papers. He has made more than 20 presentations at international scientific meetings. He was an active member of the committee for the establishment of the IAVP and publication of Indian Journal of Veterinary Pathology in 1972 and 1974, respectively. He contributed in formation of IVRI Alumni Association in 1968. He served as Secretary of the association till he left India in 1976 for CFTC assignment. Dr Sharma is recipient of the "ICAR Jawahar Lal Nehru Award" of the year 1975 for his outstanding contribution in the field of Veterinary Pathology. Recently, in 2008 he was awarded Pfizer Research Excellence Award for his research contributions. In 1976, selection of Dr Sharma as consultant to the Commonwealth Fund for Technical Cooperation CFTC was his great achievement.

The Association confers **Fellowship and the title of Fellow of Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists (FIAVP)** on **Dr Ravindra Nath Sharma** for his outstanding contributions to the advancement of Veterinary Pathology in India and abroad.

(Dr B.N.Tripathi)
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