

# Kerala Veterinarians Convention '96



Our annual convention is scheduled to be held on 27th, 28th and 29th of December 1996 at Koorkkancherry, Trissur. The District unit met several times, and formed various committees for the smooth conduct of the programmes. Dr. K.D. Paul is unanimously elected as the General Convenor.

Reception committee office was inaugurated on 22nd September by Dr P.P. Vava, Director of Animal Husbandry. A large turn out is expected this year.



Dr. P. Vava, Director of animal Husbandry inaugurating the Reception Committee Office of Kerala Veterinarians' Convention '96



The member of the District Unit with the Director of Animal Husbandry at the Reception Committee Office



First telephone call from the Reception committee office

# Idukki

Young, dedicated members of the Association could instill enthusiasm in the activities during this year. The meetings often termed as dull and unproductive, suddenly became live, and the face lift is well appreciated. Compared to previous years, more members started showing interest in the activities of the Association, and the district leadership could motivate its members. It was for the first time in the history of the district unit of IVA, that a Regional Convention was convened at beautiful, blessed-by-nature Madupatty. All the veterinarians and their families of this district assembled at Indo- Swiss Project campus on 2nd and 3rd June 1996. This programme named "Gather 96" was formally inaugurated by Dr. P.P. Vava, Director of Animal Husbandry, and the entertainment programmes including "elephant shooting" made the programme lively and colorful. On the second day, Dr. K.C. Panicker, Director, Elephant Study Centre, presented scientific papers on "Wild/Captive Animal Control", and

led the discussions. Video shows on controlling of elephants were also very attractive.

**Dr. D. Shine Kumar**  
District Secretary,  
IVA, Idukki.



Dr. P.P. Vava, Director of Animal Husbandry inaugurating 'Gather 96' at Indo-Swis Project, Mathipatty

## Kollam

Sri. E. Chandrasekharan Nair, Minister for Animal Husbandry inaugurated, the Veterinarians' Welfare Day' celebrations at Co-operative Bank Auditorium, Kollam on 15-8-1996. On 28-9-1996, Sri. E. Chandrasekharan Nair, inaugurated the State level Embryo transfer technology at RAIC campus, Kottiyam. The Livestock Management Training Centre was formally inaugurated by Sri. Baby John, Minister for Irrigation at the same function.

J. Padmakumar, President, IVA, Kollam District.

### Retirements

**Dr. S.M. Viswadas,**  
Chief Veterinary Officer,  
Kollam 29.2.96

**Dr. G. Gopalakrishnan,**  
Additional Director,  
31.8.96

**Dr. A. Mohammed Kunju,**  
District Animal  
Husbandry Officer  
30.9.96.

### Death

**Dr. Varadarajan,**  
Director I/C,  
Lakshadweep.  
(Native of Chavara,  
Kollam District)



State level inauguration off Embryo transfer Technology at Kottayam. Sri E Chandrasekharan Nair Minister for Animal Husbandry on 28.9.96. Also senn on the picture are Dr. PP Vava, Sri. P. Ravindran & Dr. Mohammed Kunju.

## Pathanamthitta

The new team of office bearers took charge on 15-2-1996, with Dr. M.G. George as President, Dr. V. Chandramohan Nair as Secretary, and Dr. Babu Abraham as Executive Committee member.

On 20-9-96, a scientific seminar was conducted on Embryo Transfer in association with TRCMPU at Thiruvalla. Decision to constitute a committee with Dr. Prince, Dr. Alex M Chacko, and Dr. Jacob Varghese as members, to study the fesibilities to secure a permanent building for the IVA District Unit. This important decision was adopted at the

special General body held on 20-9-96, in which IVA State President Dr. G. Gopalakrishnan, and Vice President Dr. K.G. Unnithan participated.

IVA District Unit decided to honour the best farmer in Animal Husbandry sector through nominations from the veterinarians of the district. And a competition on AH sector, for the school students will be conducted during November 1996.

**Dr. V. Chandramohan Nair**  
Secretary, IVA, Pathanamthitta.

## Thrissur District

On 16th March 1996, Therambil Ramakrishnan, Speaker of Kerala Legislative Assembly inaugurated a seminar on "Activities of the Department of Animal Husbandry in the Panchayati Raj system", at Tagore Centenary Hall Thrissur. Dr. G. Sudevan, Additional Director, District Panchayat President and all the veterinarians of the district attended the seminar.

A warm send off was given to Dr. K.G. Sekharan District Animal Husbandry Officer, Thrissur on 30th June 1996, on the date of his retirement.

General body meeting of the District Unit met several times to form various committees for the successful con-

duct of the Annual Convention. The reception committee office was inaugurated by Dr. P.P.Vava, Director of Animal Husbandry.



Sri. Therambil Ramakrishnan, Speaker, Kerala Legislative Assembly inaugurating the Seminar on "Activities of the Department of Animal Husbandry in the Panchayat Raj System on 16th March 1996 at Tagore Centenary Hall, Thrissur.



Memento to Dr. K. G. Sekharan, District Animal Husbandry officer, Thrissur on the date of his retirement

# Alappuzha

A warm send off was given to Dr. Francis Thachil, District Animal Husbandry Officer on his retirement on 29th May 1996 at Rahim Bunglow.

A one day seminar on "Hygienic Meat Production" organised by the district unit, was inaugurated by Sri. E. Chandrasekharan Nair, Minister for Animal Husbandry on 12th October 1996 at Municipal Town Hall, Alappuzha. Smt. C.S. Sujatha presided over the meeting, Dr. P.P.Vava, presented the topic of discussion. Dr. K.P.Jacob and Dr.D. Jayarus felicitated the function, and Dr. P.G. Joy expressed vote of thanks in the inagural function.

Dr.J.Abraham, and Dr. George T Oommen presented papers, on the subject, and Dr. A.Rajan acted as the moderator.



*Dr. Francis Thachil at his office on his retirement day.*



*Sri E. Chandrasekharan Nair inaugurating the Seminar on 'Hygienic Meat Production' at Municipal Town Hall, Alappuzha on 12.10.96. Also seen on the picture are Smt. C.S. Sujatha, District Panchayat President, Dr. P.P Vava, Dr. G. Gopalakrishnan, Dr. K.P. Jacob and Dr. G. Sudevan*

## VETERINARY INSTITUTIONS:

There were 39 Veterinary Hospitals, 4 Veterinary Dispensaries, and 8 Minor Veterinary Dispensaries in charge of veterinary Assistant Surgeons, 35 Veterinary dispensaries in charge of Stockman, 8 stockmen stations in charge of stockmen, 2 Touring billets in charge of Touring Veterinary Assistant Surgeon, and 8 Veterinary and Livestock first aid centres in charge of Veterinary Livestock Inspectors in the State as on 31st March 1957.

## VETERINARY COLLEGE

### Physical Education Department in 1957.

Lack of play grounds did not stand in the way of achievements in the field of sports. In athletics the college created history by winning the championship. Sri. T.G. Rajagopalan was selected to the University Foot ball team. Sri. C.J. Chandra brought credit to the institution by representing the state in the National Tennis championship, held at Calcutta. College Athletic Meet was conducted along with sister colleges at the Palace grounds. Mr. Stephen Thomas broke the University record in Javelin throw. Mr. K.O. Oommen and Mr. George Joseph by scoring 20 points each became the champion athletes of the college for the year. Miss Lincy Menachery won the women's championship.

## LIVESTOCK DISEASES

*a. Rinderpest* : The state was completely free from this disease during the year 1957.

*b. Hemorrhagic Septicaemia* : Ninety three outbreak reports with 459 attacks and 405 deaths were received and attended to during the year. The disease prevailed in a severe form in Perintalmanna Taluk of Palghat district.

*c. Black Quarter* : forty seven outbreak reports, with 271 attacks and 256 deaths were recorded during the year. The disease prevailed in a very mild form in almost all different parts of the state.

*d. Anthrax* : Forty six reports with 249 attacks and 227 deaths were received during the year.

*e. Foot and Mouth* : There were 14 outbreak reports as against 13 in the previous year. One thousand and seventy five animals were affected in these outbreaks. All the affected cases were treated and cured.