

IVA Commemorates World Zoonoses Day



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Our Association commemorated World Zoonoses Day. Around fifty Presidents or members of Grama Panchayats from Thiruvananthapuram and Kollam districts and more than four hundred veterinarians from different parts of Kerala gathered at Kanakakkunnu Palace at 11:00 am on 6th July 1998, to participate in the World Zoonoses Day commemoration function organized by Indian Veterinary Association, Kerala.

Sri E Chandrasekharan Nair, Minister for Animal Husbandry, inaugurated the function. He stressed the need to get the milk and meat tested for quality, and condemned the mushrooming agencies who bring milk from other states at a low rate and selling at prevailing market rates and reaping huge profits. The quality of such milk are often questionable. These agencies indirectly affect the prospects of dairy farming in Kerala.

Dr George Varghese presided over the meeting. Dr L Ravikumar, General Secretary welcomed the gathering. The problems faced by veterinarians at implementing schemes to prevent zoonotic diseases were highlighted by Dr P P Vava, Director of Animal Husbandry in his introductory remarks. Sri S M Vijayanand IAS, Government Secretary, Local Administration, presented a paper on the role of Local Bodies in the control of zoonotic diseases. Now that the local bodies have the advantage of availability



of technical support, funds and legal support, they can very well take up any programme that they think useful to the public. The need of the hour is to formulate a state level strategy to which the veterinarians, local administration department and the community can contribute. Once the concept or strategy is formulated, it can be taken up with the local bodies and with their active involvement the actual operation can be carried out. Since there can be so many variables which may be out of control hindering the implementation of the programme, we have to take up the entire programme very seriously and cautiously. He promised his sincere co operation to all our endeavours and wished all the best.

Sri B Sathyan, President, Thiruvananthapuram District Panchayat offered felicitations and formally inaugurated the free prophylactic anti rabies vaccination camp organised by IVA by handing over the vaccine to Dr. P P. Vava. Sri R Sivarajan, President, Grama Panchayat Presidents' Association offered all support to our efforts to control of zoonotic diseases. Dr. K Raman Pillai, President, Kerala State Veterinary Council, Dr. K P Jacob, District Animal Husbandry Officer, and Dr. Deva Das Thampi, President, AHOAK, offered felicitations. Dr. E G Prem Jain, Secretary, IVA District Unit presented the note on the anti rabies vaccination camp. Dr. N Sukesan President, IVA District Unit proposed vote of thanks.



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