

**ICAR sponsored short term training programme (June 1-21, 2018)
at ICAR-IVRI**

A 21days CAFT short course on "*Acclimatization and adaptation of high altitude livestock in changing climatic scenario*" organized by the Centre of Advanced Faculty Training (CAFT) in Veterinary Physiology was inaugurated at Indian Veterinary Research Institute (IVRI), Mukteswar Campus. This is the 45th short course being organized by P&C Division under the aegis of CAFT in Veterinary Physiology. The said course is being attended by 22 scientists & assistant professors from different SAUs and ICAR institutions under NARES. Director and Vice-Chancellor of ICAR-IVRI, Dr. R.K. Singh, during his inaugural presidential address mentioned that the topic of the training programme is very pertinent in present context for sustainable livestock production particularly in hilly areas. At high altitude shortage of feed resources, nutrient deficiencies, compromised animal husbandry practices, prevalence of animal diseases and animal welfare are some of the major concerns. Guest of honor, Dr. Vineet Bhasin, Principal Scientist, Animal Science Division, ICAR, New Delhi emphasized the importance of the short course and mentioned that the understanding of adaptation mechanism of livestock is necessary to optimize their production potential. Guest of honor Dr. K.S. Khera, Professor, PAU, Ludhiana while emphasizing the importance of studies related to the climate change in livestock sector. Dr. G. Taru Sharma, Director, CAFT and Head, Division of Physiology and Climatology presented an overview of the division and the major objectives of the Centre of Advanced Faculty Training (CAFT) in Veterinary Physiology. Dr. M.A. Ramakrishna, SIC, IVRI Mukteswar Campus welcomed all the guests and participants and ensured about the comfortable stay of the participants at IVRI Mukteswar. Dr. S.S. Dangi, course convener, briefed the overview of contents of the training program. Dr. G. Singh, PS, P&C Division proposed vote of thanks. On this occasion, scientists of Virology Division, TAH Division, DFMD Mukteswar as well as students and staff members were also present.

