

DST SERB sponsored high-end workshop on

Recent advances in diagnosis of zoonotic diseases with special emphasis on rapid diagnostic assays

NEWS ABOUT VALEDICTORY SESSION OF WORKSHOP

The DST SERB sponsored high-end workshop (*Karyashala*) on **Recent advances in diagnosis of zoonotic diseases with special emphasis on rapid diagnostic assays** was successfully organized from 3rd to 12th July 2023 at the Division of Veterinary Public Health. The participants of this workshop were drawn from 13 veterinary colleges across 12 states of the country. Hon'ble Director cum Vice-chancellor, Indian Veterinary Research Institute - Dr Triveni Dutt presided over the valedictory session of the *Karyashala*. Speaking at the workshop, Dr Dutt expressed his happiness over the theme of the workshop and congratulated the organizers for choosing a contemporary topic. He urged the students to apply the lessons learnt from the experienced faculty at the Institute and incorporate these learnings in their research program. Dr Dutt expressed his pleasure over the gender response in the training, of which 75% of the participants were female candidates. He discussed about various initiatives taken at the Institute for gender equality and applauded the role of women in research. He further elaborated on the initiatives taken up by Institute towards establishing a global university including initiation of various diplomas and certificate courses in veterinary and animal husbandry specializations. **He expressed his happiness over the various projects being executed at the Division of Veterinary Public Health and informed the house about One Health initiatives taken up by the Govt. of India.** Dr R.S Rathore, Principal Scientist, VPH Division spoke on the occasion and congratulated the organizers for choosing the contemporary theme of the workshop as rapid and reliable diagnosis of diseases is very much necessary to limit spread of the disease to a larger population.

The workshop focused on providing hands-on experience to the participants on various rapid diagnostics to detect zoonotic diseases and covered a wide variety of topics to give practical exposure on diagnostic techniques. Learned faculty of eight divisions of IVRI including bacteriology, biotechnology, biochemistry, biological products, parasitology, animal genetics, epidemiology and Joint Directorate of CADRAD contributed in the workshop so that the participants gained maximum exposure to the lab facilities of IVRI. The workshop was coordinated by Dr Himani Dhanze along with Dr Suman Kumar, Dr ZB Dubal and Dr RS Rathore.



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Group photograph of valedictory session