

An Online Training Workshop on “Empowering Young Researchers for Sustainable Development” organised at TEC, ICAR-IVRI, Pune, on 31st March 2023

A day long training workshop on “*Empowering Young Researchers for Sustainable Development*” was successfully organized by Training and Education Centre, ICAR-IVRI Pune on 31st March 2023. The virtual event saw 97 enthusiastic participants from 17 different Indian states joining in via Zoom. The objective of the workshop was to empower young researchers by adopting a systematic approach towards content delivery, which was expertly designed and implemented by Dr Amol Bhalerao, Scientist Agri. Extension (Course Coordinator) and Dr Sanghratna Bahire, Scientist Animal Biochemistry (Course Co-coordinator).

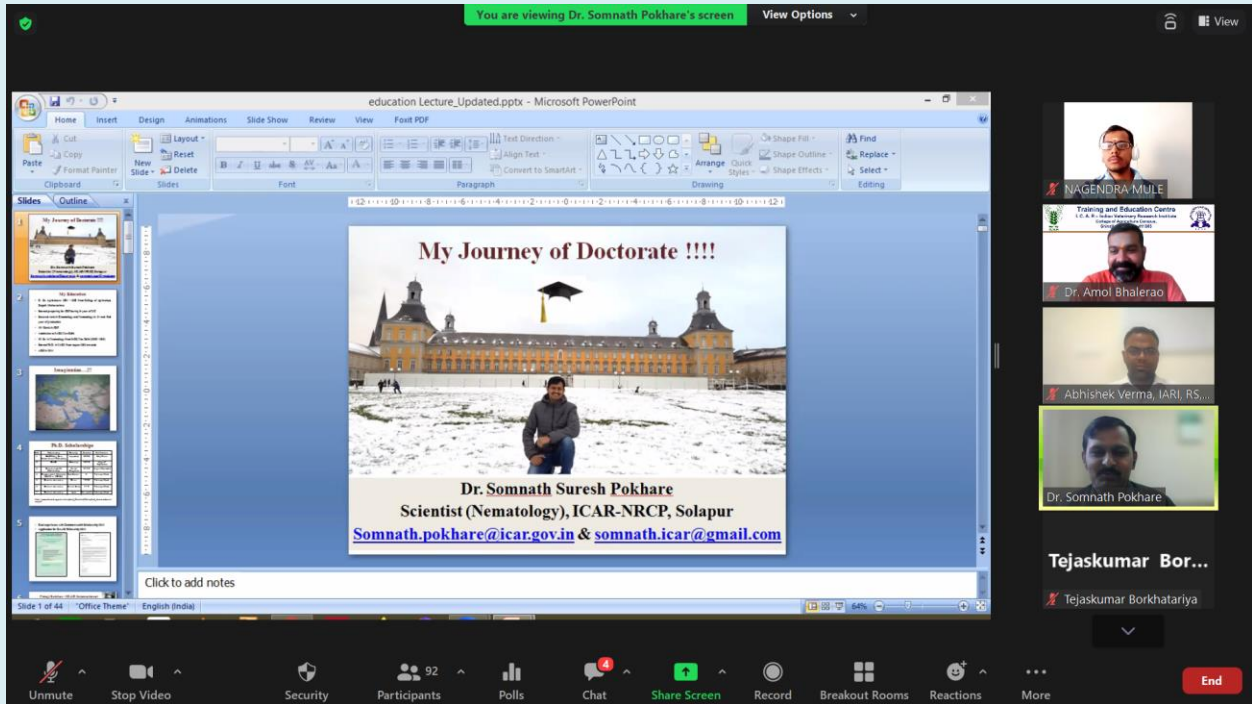


(Dr HP Aithal, Station In-charge, TEC IVRI Pune, inaugurated the Training Workshop)

The training workshop was inaugurated by Dr HP Aithal, Station In-charge, TEC, Pune, who emphasized the importance of developing research acumen among young researchers. He further emphasized the significance of sustainable development philosophy, acquiring soft skills training and publishing research papers in high-impact journals to improve research quality. The inaugural session also included an ice-breaking session by Dr Amol Bhalerao, where he provided an overview of the workshop objectives and learning modalities.

The five sessions of the workshop were designed to create awareness among young assistant professors of SAUs, doctoral students, and other young researchers regarding possibilities of collaborative research in foreign universities via various programmes. Resource persons with foreign exposure and research experience abroad

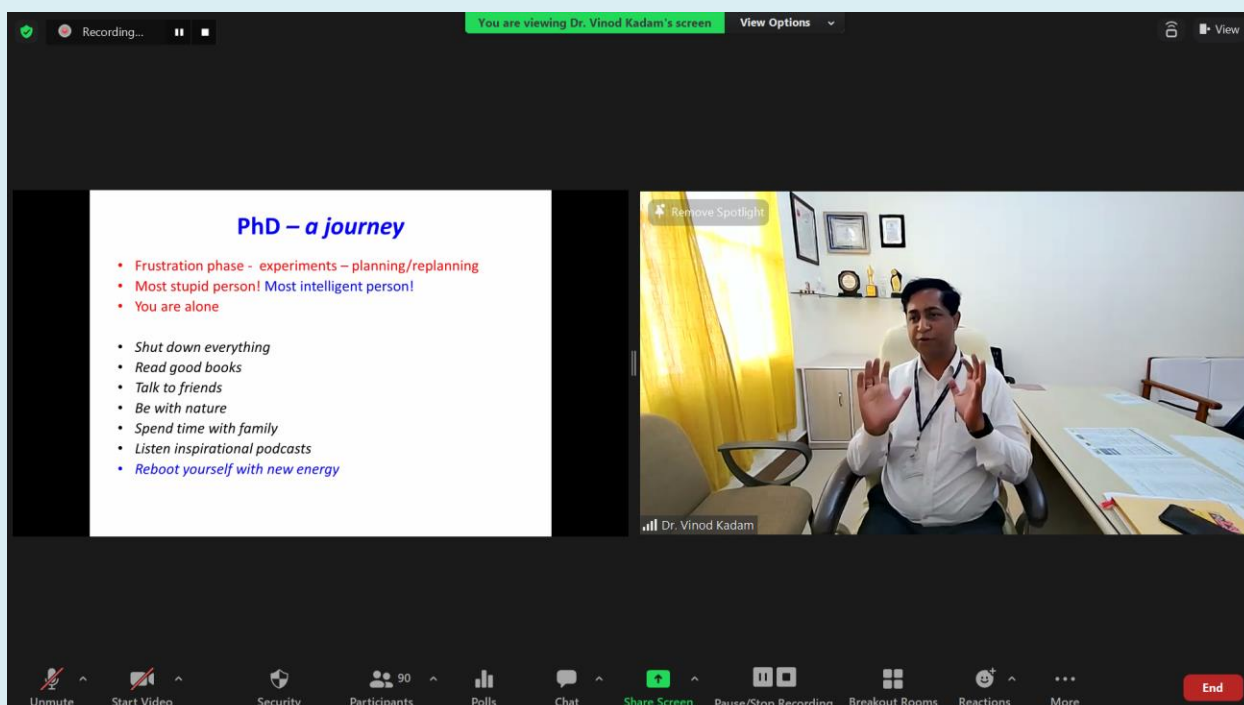
were invited to conduct the sessions, which covered leadership development in academia, entrepreneurial prospects for doctoral students and young researchers, and the use of various software for enhancing research productivity.



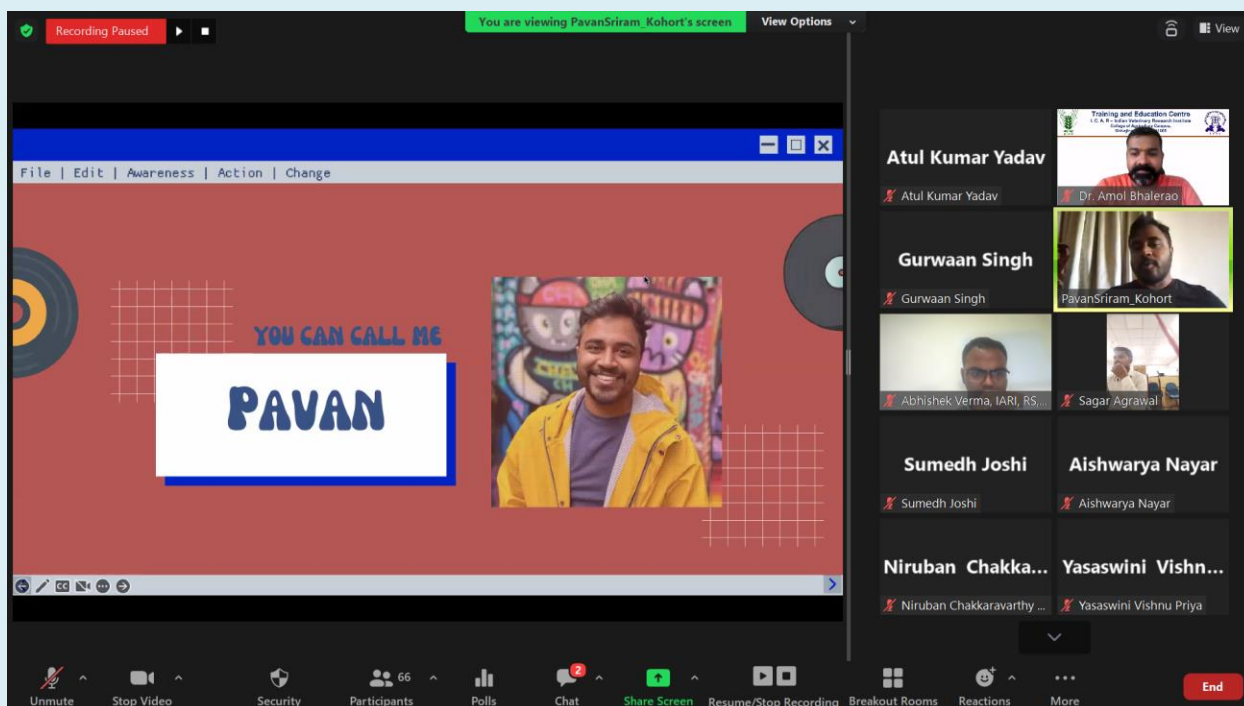
(A snap of presentation by Dr Somnath Pokhare, Scientist, NRC Pomgranate)



(A snap of presentation by Dr Ulhas Kadam, Research Scientist from South Korea)



(Dr Vinod Kadam, Scientist, CSWRI Awikanagar while sharing his experience)

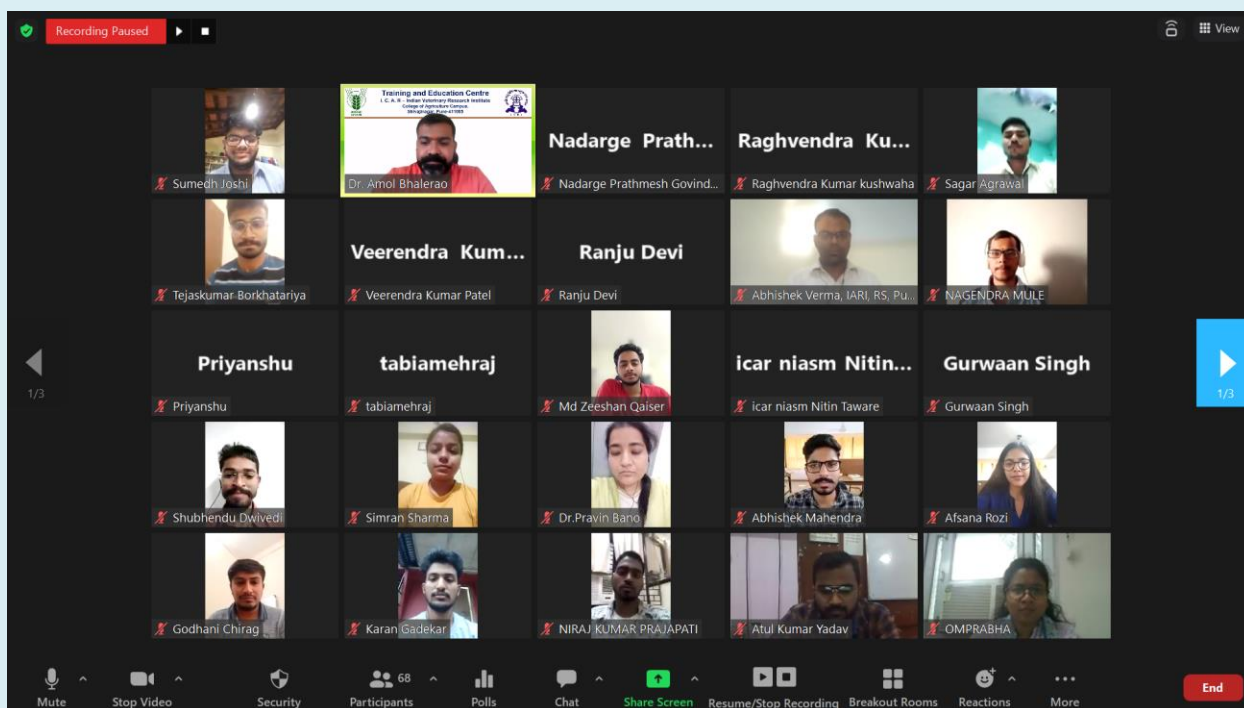


(Mr Pavan Sriram, CEO Kohort, Bengaluru and Erasmus Mundus Fellow in workshop)

The resource persons included Dr Somnath Pokhare (Scientist, NRC Pomogranate) who shared his research experience in a German university; Dr Ulhas Kadam, Research Professor, South Korea, who detailed post-doctoral research opportunities abroad; and Dr Vinod Kadam (Scientist, CSWRI-Avikanagar), who shared his passionate doctoral research journey in Australia. Mr Pavan Sriram (CEO Kohort,

Bengaluru and Erasmus Mundus Fellow) narrated his entrepreneurship experience and motivated participants to try unconventional career paths. Dr Amol Bhalerao delivered three presentations on leadership in science, digital technologies for improving research and publication productivity, and strategies to establish productive collaborations with foreign researchers. The participants were encouraged to engage in group discussions and dialogues to endorse key learning points.

The participants showed a great amount of enthusiasm and appreciation towards the training workshop, and feedback session concluded the course on a positive note. The training workshop was a huge success, with the participants gaining vast knowledge and practical exposure.



(A snap of participants interacting with Dr Amol Bhalerao, the Course Coordinator)

