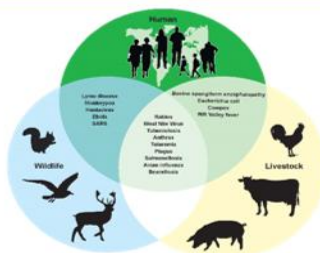


WORLD ZOO NOSES DAY



Theme: One World, One Health: Prevent Zoonoses

Celebration of World Zoonoses Day – 2023

Zoonoses are the infectious diseases which are naturally transmitted between vertebrate animals and man. As per latest figures, total human infectious diseases are 1415, out of which, 868 (approx. 62%) are zoonotic in origin. Zoonotic diseases are responsible for one billion cases of illness and millions of death every year with huge economic loss. The World Zoonoses Day is celebrated on July 6th every year to create awareness on zoonotic diseases among general public. Remarkably, July 6th marks the day on which the first successful anti-rabies vaccine was administered by Louis Pasteur.

The staff and students of Division of Veterinary Public Health, ICAR-Indian Veterinary Research Institute organized a group presentation competition under the theme area of ‘**One Health approach for combating Zoonoses/ Food borne diseases: A success story**’ to mark the occasion. The program aimed to provoke the thought process of the burning issue of zoonoses among the students of BVSc & AH at IVRI. The participants of the group presentation competition included the research scholars of Deemed University - IVRI along with participants of the ongoing DST *Karyashala* which is being organized by the Division of VPH, IVRI. The 20 participants of the *Karyashala* have been drawn from 13 veterinary colleges across 12 states of the country. The participants were divided into groups of 5 students each and were tasked with presenting the current status and future needs of high priority zoonoses in India.

Participants of competition deliberated on 5 different important zoonotic diseases including **Nipah virus infection, Ebola virus infection, Rabies, KFD and Avian influenza**. The competition was judged and the best three teams were awarded with certificates on the occasion.

The event was coordinated by Dr. Himani Dhanze and Dr M. Suman Kumar, Scientists at VPH Division under the guidance of Dr KN Bhilegaonkar, HD, VPH, Dr RS Rathore and Dr ZB Dubal, PS, Division of VPH. Dr BR Singh, Head, Epidemiology and Dr DK Sinha, PS, were part of the judging panel. **More than 130 students of IVRI attended the event and benefited from the presentation and actively participated in the discussion.**



Celebration of World Zoonoses Day at IVRI



Participants of winning team with faculty of VPE



Active participation of trainees of DST sponsored workshop in WZD celebration