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Dr. V. R. Mehta : End of an Era



Late Dr. V. R. Mehta
Former Vice Chancellor, GAU

Dr. V. R. Mehta, former Vice-Chancellor of unified Gujarat Agricultural University (GAU) left for his heavenly abode on Nov. 23, 2015 at the age of 102 years.

With his demise, an era of agricultural education and research in Gujarat has ended.

Dr. Mehta before joining erstwhile GAU, the first Agricultural University of Gujarat on Feb 3, 1972 had retired as Secretary, Department of Education, Government of Gujarat. He completed his schooling at Alfred High School, Rajkot and then did B. Sc., LLB and joined administration of Saurashtra State after cracking IAS.

He remained as Vice-Chancellor of GAU for six years (two terms) and was instrumental in shaping the future of agricultural education and research in Gujarat. Later on he became Vice Chancellor of Gujarat Ayurveda University also.

Anand Agricultural University bestowed him with D. Litt degree for his commendable work in the field of agriculture education and research.

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WORD FROM THE VICE CHANCELLOR



KU in Developmental Phase

The fourth issue of "Kalarav" ushers new milestones in the developmental trajectory of Kamdhenu University. Events like 'Bhoomi Pujan' of new campuses of Polytechnic in Animal Husbandry, Himmatnagar and College of Dairy Science, Amreli in the gracious presence of Hon'ble Chief Minister and Hon'ble Agriculture Minister were noteworthy. An innovative effort was one day technical seminar on "Applications of Homeopathy in Veterinary Practice". Our Director of Student Welfare keeps the co-curricular activities of KU buzzing. On financial front, ICAR has released the maiden first installment of developmental grants.

As IAUA President, after my deliberations, I feel Agri. and Vety. varsities need to re-orient their programmes and developmental strategies. Kamdhenu University has initiated efforts in this direction, which will unfold in days to come. Here, we remember the clarion call of "Jai Jawan Jai Kisan" by former Prime Minister, Late Sri Lal Bahadur Shastri, whose 111th Birth Anniversary coincides with that of his idol, Mahatma Gandhi. Shastriji ushered White Revolution by supporting AMUL and created National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) at Anand.

I look forward towards sustaining the pace of developmental activities of Kamdhenu University in close co-operation with State Government.

Jai Hind

Prof. M. C. Varshneya
Vice Chancellor

On a Firm Footing.....

CM performs Bhoomipujan of Polytechnic Building at Himmatnagar

Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat, Smt. Anandiben Patel performed the Bhoomipujan for the building of Polytechnic in Animal Husbandry to be constructed at Rajpur (nava), Ta. Himmatnagar on September 10, 2015 and unveiled the inscription stone of the building.

Present on the occasion were Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture, Shri Babubhai Bokhiria, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. M. C. Varshneya, Smt. Mona Khandhar, IAS, Secretary, Animal Husbandry Department and Shri Jethabhai Patel, Chairman, Sabar Dairy. Addressing a large gathering of women from Dairy Co-operatives and people from surrounding villages, Chief Minister said that Kamdhenu University has to play a greater role in the upliftment of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries by applying innovative research in these sectors through its researchers and students. A believer in the motto of "Pashuseva ej Prabhuseva", Hon. Chief Minister Smt. Anandiben Patel said that this Polytechnic would serve as a mini University campus for the management and treatment of animals in and around the Sabarkantha district. She emphasized the role of livestock in rural economy and the need of Veterinary health care for increasing animal production to promote livelihood and overall economy of the State and the country.

Hon'ble CM advised the students of Polytechnic in AH, Himmatnagar to serve the animals with utmost sincerity and blessed them for a bright future and rewarding career.

The District Administration in the leadership of Shri P. Swaroop, IAS, District Collector, Sabarkantha and the Chairman, Sabar Dairy, Himmatnagar provided active support in organising the event at Rajpur (Nava), Himmatnagar.



Hon'ble Chief Minister Smt. Anandiben Patel addressing the audience at Bhoomipujan of proposed polytechnic in AH, Himmatnagar



Hon'ble Chief Minister, Smt. Anandiben Patel, unveiling the inscription stone of proposed building of Polytechnic in AH, KU at Rajpur (nava), Himmatnagar



Prof. Varshneya, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of KU explaining the plan of proposed building of Polytechnic to Hon'ble CM, Smt. Anandiben Patel and Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Shri Babubhai Bokhiria



Hon'ble Chief Minister Smt. Anandiben Patel performing Bhumi Pujan of building of Polytechnic at Himmatnagar, Gujarat along with Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. M. C. Varshneya, Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry, Smt. Mona Khandhar, IAS and Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture, Government of Gujarat Shri Babubhai Bokhiria

Bhoomipujan of Building of College of Dairy Science, Amreli

Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture Shri Babubhai Bokhiria performed the Bhoomipujan and unveiled the inscription stone of proposed building of College of Dairy Science, Amreli on October 15, 2015 at Shedubhar Patiya, Amreli accompanied by Hon'ble Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment Shri Ramanlal Vora, Former Minister of Agriculture, Shri Dilip Sanghani and Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Kamdhenu University, Prof. M. C. Varshneya. The occasion was also graced by Dr. A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, JAU, Shri Ashwin Savaliya, Chairman, Amreli District Cooperative Milk Producers Union Ltd. and President, Taluka Panchayat, Amreli and Dr. R. S. Patel, Managing Director Amreli District Cooperative Milk Producers Union Ltd., Amreli. Addressing the audience, Shri Babubhai Bokhiria highlighted the need of skilled manpower in dairy industry to meet international standards of dairy production, processing and quality.

An exhibition was also organised at the event to highlight the role of dairy technology and animal husbandry, where students of College of Dairy Science, Amreli displayed various technologies to dignitaries, visitors and farmers.

Dr. V. M. Ramani, Principal and Dean, College of Dairy Science, Amreli, Shri S. G. Chandne, Executive Engineer and entire KU team working in tandem with Dr. P. H. Vataliya, Director of Extension Education and Dean, Veterinary Faculty, KU, Gandhinagar, paved the way for successful events of bhoomipujan.

The building will be constructed at the cost of Rs. 6.25 crores having various departments, seminar hall and auditorium.



Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture Shri Babubhai Bokhiria unveiling the inscription stone of proposed building of College of Dairy Science, Amreli with Hon'ble Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment Shri Ramanlal Vora, Hon'ble VC of KU, Prof. M. C. Varshneya, Former Minister of Agriculture Shri Dilip Sanghani and Dr. A. R. Pathak, VC, JAU



(from left) Dr. A. R. Pathak, VC, JAU, Prof. M. C. Varshneya, VC, KU, Hon'ble Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment Shri Ramanlal Vora and Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture Shri Babubhai Bokhiria understanding the plan of proposed building of College of Dairy Science, Amreli



Dignitaries on the Dias at Bhoomipujan and Khatmuhurat of Proposed Building of College of Dairy Science, Amreli

A Salute to the Nation.....

Independence Day celebrated

Kamdhen University celebrated 69th Independence Day on August 15, 2015 at its Headquarters at Karmayogi Bhavan, Gandhinagar. Prof. M. C. Varshneya, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, KU hoisted the National Flag and paid tribute to the martyrs of India's freedom struggle. Addressing the officers and other staff members of the University, Prof. Varshneya narrated his participation in the movement for Independence and went down the history and remembered the Green Revolution and the White Revolution and narrated its significance in India's self-reliance in agriculture and milk production. He said that it is a matter of great pride that India is now not just self-reliant but also an exporter of agricultural and milk products. He also briefed the progress of Kamdhen University since inception. All University Officers, staff and students of KU attended the programme and paid their salutation to the nation.

Remembering the Mahatma.....

KU celebrates International Non-Violence Day

Kamdhen University, Gandhinagar celebrated International Non-violence Day and undertook cleanliness drive on Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti on October 02, 2015 at KU headquarters, Gandhinagar.

After taking the oath of non-violence, all the officers, staff and students of KU began *shramdaan* and cleaned the roads from Civil Supplies Bhavan, Gandhinagar to KU Headquarters, Karmayogi Bhavan, Gandhinagar.

In the beginning, Prof. M. C. Varshneya, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor said that it is the moral duty of each and every citizen of the nation to participate in the cleanliness mission which is the proliferation of Mahatma Gandhi's dream of 'Clean' India. He said that this step of KU although being a tiny one, it will definitely prove its worth in the mission of clean city and clean India as a whole.



Prof. M. C. Varshneya hoisting the Tricolour on the occasion of Independence Day celebrations at KU headquarters, Gandhinagar

Registrar, Shri V. P. Macwan said that Mahatma Gandhi always believed in doing a task rather than do talking about the task and likewise we too should take a broom and start cleaning.

Dr. D. B. Patil, Director of Research, KU provided a new vision to KU students regarding the importance of cleanliness of human surroundings as well as surrounding of animals. He said that not only humans but animals too are facing evil effects of unclean surroundings in the form of various incurable diseases.

After the task was over, about one-tractor load debris of plastic bags, woods, pouches, plastics cups and other junk items were removed.



(in the middle) Prof. M. C. Varshneya, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, KU and Mrs. Varshneya with the staff and students of KU, Gandhinagar posing for Independence Day celebrations on August 15, 2015.

International Non-Violence Day celebrations



Students of College of Dairy Science, Amreli taking the oath of non-violence on International Non-violence Day on October 02, 2015

International Non-violence Day was celebrated at College of Dairy Science, Amreli on Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti on October 02, 2015. Students of the college took an oath of non-violence on this day and remembered Mahatma Gandhi for his supreme contribution made for the Indian Independence through non-violence.

International Non-violence day was also celebrated at Polytechnic in AH, Himmatnagar and a cleanliness drive was conducted on the occasion. Students and staff of the polytechnic took the non-violence oath on the occasion and undertook the cleanliness drive in remembrance of Mahatma Gandhi's clean India mission.



Hon. Vice Chancellor Prof. M. C. Varshneya along with Registrar Shri V. P. Macwan and others at the cleanliness drive organized on the occasion of International non-violence day and Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti on Oct. 02, 2015



Students and staff of KU removing debris during the cleanliness drive.



Hon. Vice Chancellor Prof. M. C. Varshneya addressing the staff and students on International Non-violence day on Oct. 02, 2015

An Innovative Step.....

Workshop on "Application of Homeopathy in Veterinary Practice"



Dignitaries on the Dias (from left) Dr. D. B. Patil, Director of Research, KU, Dr. K. U. Mistry, Chairman, Gujarat Pollution Control Board, Prof. M. C. Varshneya, Hon'ble VC, KU, Dr. Bhaskar Bhatt, President, HMAI and Dr. Hita Patel, Director, Animal Husbandry at the Inaugural function of two day workshop on "Application of Homeopathy in Veterinary Practice"

Kamdhenu University organised a two-day workshop on Application of Homeopathy in Veterinary Practice on November 03-04, 2015 at Gandhinagar.

Addressing as many as 235 delegates and PG students from the fields of veterinary and homeopathy, Prof. M. C. Varshneya, who presided over the function, said that it is a historic event that today practicing veterinarians and homeopaths will deliberate over the use of alternate medication for the treatment and cure of animals. He said that the purpose of the workshop is to promote the use of homeopathy by veterinarians and people engaged in animal husbandry which is a cheaper and harmless medication and also to discuss as to what kind of course should be introduced for the practicing veterinarians for equipping them in the use of homeopathy for the treatment and cure of animals.

The occasion was graced by Dr. Bhaskar Bhatt, President, Homeopathy Medical Association of India, Dr. K. U. Mistry, Chairman, Gujarat Pollution Control Board, Dr. Hita Patel, Director, Animal Husbandry, Dr. D. B. Patil, Director of Research, KU and Dr. P. H. Vataliya, Director of Extension Education, KU. Dr. Poshak Patel, Registrar, Gujarat Veterinary Council and Dr. R. G. Shah, Associate Director of Research, KU were organising secretaries.

During the technical session, veterinarians and homeopaths from across the country presented their lectures. A Compendium, edited by Dr. R. G. Shah, ADR, KU and Dr. Poshak Patel, comprising of the articles by veterinarians and homeopaths and a CD were also released



Dr. B. N. Patel, DSW, KU hosting the valedictory function of the workshop on "Application of Homeopathy in Veterinary Practice"

KU organises one day Training on Reproductive Ultrasonography in animals

Kamdhenu University organized a one-day training workshop on Reproductive Ultrasonography of animals on September 08, 2015 at Kamdhenu University, Gandhinagar for timely diagnosis of uterine diseases in animals. During the workshop disease diagnoses at a farm nearby Gandhinagar was conducted through sonography by experts like Dr. D. B. Patil, Director of Research, Dr. R. G. Shah, Associate Director of Research and Dr. Vishal Suthar, Assistant Professor, Kamdhenu University. Also, explanation of principles and procedural aspects of ultrasonography were provided to the participants of the seminar.



Hon. Vice Chancellor Prof. M. C. Varshneya inaugurating the workshop. Dr. D. B. Patil, Director of Research is also seen.

Dr. Vishal Suthar, Associate Director of Research giving hands on training to the participants



The Saga Continues.....

KU signs MoUs for collaborative education, research & extension

Taking a major leap in the field of Research, Education and Extension, KU signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Central Institute of Fisheries Education (CIFE), Mumbai; National Dairy Research Institute (NDRI), Karnal and National Research Centre on Camel (NRCC), Jorbeer, Bikaner.

KU in proliferation of its objective of providing strong back bone in the areas of research, education and extension in the field of Veterinary, Dairy, Fisheries and allied sciences has signed the MoUs for collaborative research and education. This move will also strengthen the academic base of students of veterinary and allied sciences.

Academic Corner

At a Glance: Polytechnic in Animal Husbandry, Himmatnagar

INTRODUCTION

As the contribution of Livestock sector in the economy of Gujarat state is significant, the veterinary and animal husbandry services at rural level are required to be strengthened by providing skilled para- veterinary staff to improve animal management, health and thereby production. Therefore, to support the veterinary staff working in the field and to provide guidance to the farmers for feeding, breeding and management and extension services, the Polytechnic in Animal Husbandry was established on August 01, 2011 under the umbrella of Kamdhenu University.

VISION

Excellence in providing skilled para veterinary manpower.

MANDATE

The mandate of Polytechnic at Himmatnagar is to impart skills to serve the livestock in the surrounding villages and districts to empower the women dairy farmers. The institute is entrusted with responsibilities to produce highly skilled para veterinary manpower in the field of animal husbandry and veterinary extension services.

COURSES OFFERED

The polytechnic offers a three year (six semesters) full time "Diploma in Animal Husbandry" with an intake capacity of 50 students per year. During the first five semesters, students are exposed to different disciplines of Animal Husbandry with a special emphasis on Animal Nutrition, Breeding, Livestock Production and Management, Animal Reproduction and Extension in classroom teaching along with hands on training in well equipped laboratories. During the last six months students are sent to different premier educational institutions / Polyclinics/ Livestock and Poultry farms etc. in Gujarat state for a rigorous farm practice training to get acquainted with the latest knowledge and techniques being used / adopted in Animal Husbandry practices.



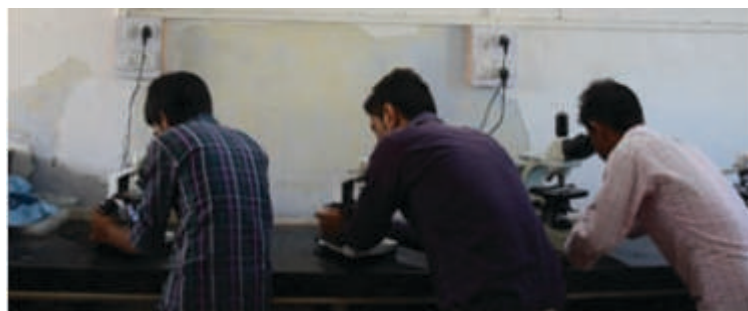
Prof. M. C. Varshneya exchanging MoU with Dr. W. S. Lakra, Principal scientist, CIFE, Mumbai in the presence of (from left) Shri N. G. Akolkar, Dean, Faculty of Fisheries, KU, Dr. D. B. Patil, Director of Research and Dean PG studies, KU and others

FACILITIES

Presently, the polytechnic possesses facility of three classrooms, three well equipped laboratories, computer laboratory with internet facilities and a library. The institute also provides a well facilitated hostel with regular bus services. The construction of new building of the polytechnic is under progress at Rajpur (nava), Himmatnagar.

FACULTY

The core faculty consists of Principal, three Assistant Professors and three Veterinary Officers with supporting staff, one each of Accounts Officer, Assistant Librarian and Laboratory Technician.



Laboratory



Computer Lab

Celebration of Sardar Patel Jayanti

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's 140th birthday was celebrated at KU headquarters on October 31, 2015. PG students along with Dr. B. N. Patel, DSW and Ms. Hiral Shukla, Asst. Librarian, KU, Gandhinagar visited Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Memorial at Shahibaug, Ahmedabad. Students were guided through the memorial and audio-visual show and were made aware of the life and work of a great leader Sardar Patel and his contribution in the unification of the nation.



PG students along with Dr. B. N. Patel, DSW and Ms. Hiral Shukla, Asst. Librarian at Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Memorial, Ahmedabad to celebrate 140th Sardar Patel Jayanti on October 31, 2015

Participation at SCOPE Orientation Workshop

Post graduate students of Kamdhenu University participated in the orientation workshop organized by SCOPE (Society for Creation of Opportunity through Proficiency in English) established by Government of Gujarat. The workshop entitled 'English as opportunity opener and available tests – CEPT and BULATS' was organized at KCG Campus, Ahmedabad on October 31, 2015. Dr. V. M. Ramani, Principal, Dairy Science College, Amreli, Dr. S. B. Deshpande, Principal, Polytechnic in Animal Husbandry, Himmatnagar, Dr. Dharmendra Shukla, Principal, MIDFT, Mehsana, Dr. B. N. Patel, Director Student Welfare and Ms. Hiral Shukla, Asst. Librarian, KU, Gandhinagar also attended workshop along with PG students.

Students Corner

PG students' visit to Livestock Farms

Six Post Graduate Students of Kamdhenu University alongwith Dr. P.H. Vataliya, DEE & Dean, Faculty of Veterinary and Dr. P.M. Desai, Adjunct Faculty, visited livestock farms at Zarola, Shekhadi (Petlad), Anand and Kanjari on November 30, 2015. They interacted with the farm owners on Farm Management, Breeding, Nutrition and Dairy Farm Economics.



College of Dairy Science, Amreli

Orientation Programme of students at College of Dairy Science, Amreli

An orientation programme of newly admitted students was organised at College of Dairy Science, Amreli on August 10, 2015. Present on the occasion was Dr. B. N. Patel, Director of Student welfare, KU. Dr. V. M. Ramani, Principal of the college introduced the students to the rigorous academic life of the college, opportunities, responsibilities, co-curricular activities and dairy in-plant training aspect of the syllabus.

Thalassemia testing camp organised at College of Dairy Science, Amreli

A Thalassemia testing camp was organized at College of Dairy Science, Amreli on September 10, 2015 in collaboration with Indian Red Cross Society. The purpose of the camp was to spread awareness about the disease, causes of its transmission and ways for its prevention.



Dr. B. N. Patel, DSW at Inaugural function of the orientation programme at College of Dairy Science, Amreli, Dr. V.M. Ramani, Dean, Dairy Science Faculty, Dr. Mitesh Hingu, Asst Professor were seen.

Celebrations at College of Dairy Science, Amreli



Newly admitted students at the orientation programme

Gurupurnima celebration

College of Dairy Science, Amreli celebrated Gurupurnima on September 28, 2015. Students of the college expressed their gratitude towards their Gurus on this auspicious day.



Teachers' Day

Paying tribute to a great teacher and former President of India Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan, College of Dairy Science, Amreli celebrated Teachers' Day on September 05, 2015. Students of the college enthusiastically participated and enacted as their favourite teachers and imparted teaching to their fellow mates.

Navaratri Mahotsav 2015 celebrated



Participation at National Dairy Products Judging Contest

Shri A. K. Solanki, Assistant Professor, College of Dairy Science, Amreli and students Shri Dhaval Raval, Shri Ankit Dobariya, Shri Rayan Lunagaria and Ms. Urvashi Popaliya participated in various contests and represented College of Dairy Science, Amreli at National Dairy Products Judging Contest held at Anand Agricultural University, Anand on September 10-11, 2015.



Faculty and students at National Dairy Products Judging contest organised by AAU, Anand



Students in a quiz contest at National Dairy Products Judging contest organised by AAU, Anand

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. M. C. Varshneya and Mrs. Varshneya performed pooja of the Goddess Ambe on the occasion of Navaratri Mahotsav celebrated by College of Dairy Science, Amreli during October 13-21, 2015. Staff and students of the college enthusiastically participated in the raas-garba and offered prayers.

Dr. Vimal Ramani, Principal & Dean Dairy Faculty, Dr. P. H. Vataliya, Director Extension Education also participated in the pooja.

Celebrations at Polytechnic in Animal Husbandry, Himmatnagar

Teachers' Day

Teachers' Day was celebrated at Polytechnic in AH, Himmatnagar on September 07, 2015 to pay tribute to Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan, a teacher and former President of India. Students of the polytechnic performed the roles of their teachers and administered the polytechnic for the entire day. Principal Dr. S. B. Deshpande encouraged the students on the occasion.



A student enacting a Teacher on Teachers' Day celebration at Polytechnic in AH, Himmatnagar

Rangoli competition organised

A rangoli competition was organised at Polytechnic in AH, Himmatnagar on October 02, 2015. Students of the Polytechnic enthusiastically participated in the competition. Dr. D. P. Amin, Principal, Riddhi Polytechnic, Smt. Swatiben Deshpande and Dr. K. S. Vaishnav were invited judges of the event. Shri Shravan Thakor of first semester was declared the winner of the competition.



Vice Chancellor's Activities

During the quarter Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. M. C. Varshneya was busy with following activities

- Attended meeting of Gauclear at ICAR, New Delhi on August 07, 2015.
- Visit to IAUA New Delhi on Aug. 08, 2015.
- Visited CIFE, Mumbai for signing MoU on August 10-11, 2015.
- Attended a meeting of Board of Directors at AFC, Mumbai.
- Visited JAU for delivering a lecture on Crop Modeling on Oct. 01, 2015.
- Presided the Executive Committee meeting of IAUA, New Delhi on Oct. 03, 2015
- Attended a seminar on Genomics as a chief guest at AAU, Anand on Oct. 26, 2015.
- Attended a meeting with Dr. K. N. Shelat on knowledge multiplication and mass communication for agriculture in arena of climate change on Oct. 28, 2015.
- Presided the IAUA Executive Committee meeting on Nov. 3-4, 2015 at Delhi.
- Attended a task force meeting of ICAR on Hail storm at NRC Grapes, Pune on Nov. 21, 2015.
- Attended a meeting of sub-committee on administration of the governing body of the ICAR, New Delhi on Nov. 30, 2015.

Faculty Buzz

Dr. D. B. Patil, Director of Research, attended 39th Annual Congress of Indian Society for Veterinary Surgery and National Symposium on 'Recent Innovations in Diagnosis and Treatment of Surgical Disorders in Ruminants and Equines with Particular Applicability in Hilly Terrain' held at Faculty of Veterinary Science & Animal Husbandry, Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agriculture Sciences and Technology, Srinagar (J & K) and delivered a lecture on 'Veterinary Surgical Specialties - A Growing Need' from September 01-03, 2015. He also delivered an expert lecture on 'Affections of Cornea and Important Ophthalmic Affections - General Practitioner's Concern' at Department of Surgery, Veterinary College, Anand Agricultural University, Anand, on September 12, 2015.

Further, he delivered two lectures on 'Veterinary Ophthalmology' at Department of Veterinary Surgery & Radiology (Centre of Advanced Faculty Training), College of Veterinary Science, GADVASU, Ludhiana, Punjab, during Winter School on 'Hands on Training in Specialised Procedures in Veterinary Anaesthesia and Surgery' on September 16, 2015.

Dr. P.H. Vataliya, DEE & Dean (Vet.) and **Dr. V.M. Ramani**, Principal & Dean, College of Dairy Science, Amreli attended the meeting of Board of Directors of Amar Dairy, Amreli on Oct 14, 2015 as special invitees.

Dr. P.H. Vataliya, DEE & Dean (Vet) along with **Dr. D.B. Patil**, Director of Research attended "Workshop on Livestock Breeding and Genomics" organized by Gujarat Livestock Development Board at Frozen Semen Station, Patan on Nov 19, 2015 Dr. P.H. Vataliya also presented a talk on "Proposed R & D setup of Institute of Livestock Genetics and Genomics".

Dr. Rohit Shah, Associate Director of Research, nominated by the NDDB in the Project Management Committee, SPP under NDP - 1, attended the third management committee meeting of Project for import of In-Vivo produced embryos of HF and Jersey breeds held on November 23, 2015 at NCDFI, Anand.

Inter College / Polytechnic Elocution Competition

Kamdhenu University organised an Inter College/Polytechnic elocution competition for the students to encourage their talent of rational and analytical thinking and public speaking. The competition was organised into two groups viz., inter college and inter polytechnic. A total of 72 students, out of which 22 participants and 11 mentors were present for the competition which was organised at KU headquarters, Gandhinagar on November 28, 2015.

Addressing the students, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. M. C. Varshneya encouraged them by narrating the incidences of his childhood when he used to participate in such competitions. The jury of the competition comprised of Shri Manish Shah, Deputy Secretary, GAD, Gujarat, Dr. Ranjana Dave, Coordinator Gujarat Chapter, SPIC MACAY (Society for Promoting Indian Classical Musical and Culture amongst Youth), Anand and Shri Swapnil Soni, Assistant Consultant, Khel-Mahakumbh, Sports Youth and Cultural Activities Department, Govt. of Gujarat, Gandhinagar.

Winners of the competition, from inter collegiate group, Shri Jitendra Kumar T. Tandel of Post Graduate Centre for Fisheries Education and Research, Gandhinagar and from inter polytechnic group, Shri Sodhaparmar Narendrasinh Rameshbhai of Polytechnic in AH, Himmatnagar and runner ups from each group were awarded with mementoes and certificates.



Hon'ble VC Prof. M. C. Varshneya along with invited judges at the lamp lighting ceremony during inter college/polytechnic elocution competition



Participant student at inter college/polytechnic elocution competition

Employee Corner

Newly Joined employees of KU

A number of employees joined KU Headquarters and College of Dairy Science, Amreli subsequent to their appointments. Among them are 01 Office Superintendent at KU headquarters, Gandhinagar; 01 Senior Research Assistant at KU headquarters; 05 Head Clerks out of which 04 joined at KU headquarters and 01 at College of Dairy Science, Amreli; 02 Steno Grade-II, of which 01 joined at headquarters and 01 at College of Dairy Science, Amreli; 01 Store-keeper joined at headquarters; 02 Computer Programmers joined at headquarters; 04 Lab Technicians out of which 03 joined at College of Dairy Science, Amreli and 01 at headquarters; 04 Senior Clerks joined headquarters and 01 Steno Grade-III joined at headquarters, Gandhinagar



Winner of the competition awarded with memento and certificate by invited judge Dr. Ranjana Dave. Shri Manish Shah, Dy Secretary, GAD, GoG (left) and Shri Swapni Soni are seen in the picture

Dr. Patil bags Oration Award



Dr. D. B. Patil, during the Symposium on 'Recent Innovations in Diagnosis and Treatment of Surgical Disorders in Ruminants and Equines with Particular Applicability in Hilly Terrain' held at Faculty of Veterinary Science & Animal Husbandry, Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agriculture Sciences and Technology, Srinagar (J & K) was awarded 'Dr. O. Ramakrishna Oration Award' for the year 2015. He also received three Gold Medals and two appreciation certificates. He has been elected Executive Secretary of Indian Society for Veterinary Surgery.

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