

Interface Meet between vets of Tripura and IVRI

Interface meet between Veterinary Officers of Animal Resources Development Department, Govt of Tripura and Scientists of Indian Veterinary Research Institute was held on 28th Jan, 2014 at Agartala in which a total of 198 Veterinarians from the state department along with faculty members of the Veterinary college, ICAR research complex etc. participated. The programme was inaugurated by Dr V K Bahuguna, Principal Secretary, Govt. of Tripura and on his inaugural address he emphasized on the role of vets in augmenting productivity enhancement of livestock and poultry for increased production of milk, meat and eggs to supply the required proteins of animal origin for human health. He also asserted that this sector is very important for giving a boost for economic upliftment of the rural poor and tribal populations of the state. He also emphasized on use of indigenous cattle breeds for milk production, expansion of brooder house schemes, piggery and goatery development etc. in the state. He called upon the IVRI Scientists to address the issues in collaboration with ARDD, Govt of Tripura. Dr. Triveni Dutt, JD (EE), IVRI highlighted the achievement of IVRI towards Veterinary Medical profession in terms of vaccines and diagnostics and he promised all sorts of possible help from IVRI including training of field vets in various fields as and when required and asked for by the Govt. of Tripura. Prof. Dharmeswar Das, Director, ARDD, Govt. of Tripura expressed that this interface meeting of IVRI scientists with the state veterinarians not only will go a long way in getting the first hand information and understanding about the technologies generated by the premier veterinary institute of the country and impetus to utilize these as per need of the state but also would give a platform to provide feedback to the scientists on various researchable issues from the field to address and to generate suitable technologies and interventions. The Scientists of IVRI delivered their presentations in some of the important areas like drug resistance pattern of microbes, surgical techniques and implements developed, reproduction augmentation, mitigation of parasitic infection, technology patented and commercialized and different services available at IVRI etc.

Later on interaction held and each issue raised by VOs was thoroughly discussed. Major issues which prevailed throughout and recorded for address were as follows:

- (1) Mineral mapping of state of Tripura and formulation of area specific mineral mixture. This is the need of the day. As data base is available with NBSSLUP and ICAR Complex for NEH region, formulation procedure could be initiated and possible help can be rendered by IVRI
- (2) Parasitology software as has been developed by ERS, IVRI, will be given to ARD deptt with due permission from Director, IVRI.
- (s) Strategic anthelmintic and vaccinations schedules for different livestock and poultry for Tripura may be provided.
- (4) Alternatives to drug resistance problems and for organic farming suitable technologies may be developed and provided.

- (5) Artificial Insemination (AI) in pig will be initiated and ERS, IVRI will give technical help and training.
- (6) Future technologies as and when developed at IVRI could be validated in Tripura with the help of ARDD, Tripura.
- (7) Training calendar of IVRI be sent to ARDD so that more and more VOs can be deputed for skill up gradation. Tailor made training programmes may be organized at IVRI for specific need of the state.

In concluding remark, Prof. Dharmeswar Das, Director, ARDD emphasized the importance of such meet and requested the JD-EE, IVRI to have such meetings in future as well and Dr T. Dutt assured all possible cooperation from IVRI whenever asked for. Dr B. C. Das, PS, IVRI, Kolkata proposed Vote of Thanks at the end.



