MEETINGS ON CAMPUS
Seminar on “Recent Practices for the Improvement of Animal Welfare” was organised as part of World Laboratory Animal Day celebrations in association with Committee for the Purpose of Control and Supervision of Experiments on Animals, New Delhi and Human Society International India, Hyderabad. (April 25)

PARTICIPATION OF SCIENTISTS IN MEETINGS/ CONFERENCES

Dr.Sylvia Fernandez Rao
Investigators meeting of Infant Phase of Project Grow Smart and Symposium at Experimental Biology Conference, at University of Maryland, Boston, USA (Mar. 26 – Apr. 01)

Dr.R.Hemalatha
Invited speaker for the ‘KARMIC’, a National Conference organized by Indian Medical Association Students’ Wing at Apollo Medical College, Hyderabad. (April 22-24)

Dr.V.Vijayalakshmi
Joint Meeting of The Islet Study Group & Beta Cell Workshop at the Menachem Begin Center, Jerusalem, Israel. (May 3- 7)

12th Asian Congress of Nutrition, at Paciffico Yokohama, Japan (May 14-18). The following scientists from the Institute participated in the conference and presented Papers:

Dr.R.Hemalatha … Delivered a talk in the session entitled “Country/Regional Report on Health and Nutrition”

Dr.N.Harishankar … Body weight lowering effect of Piper nigrum Linn extracts on HFD induced SD obese rats – A non invasive study

Dr.P.Amrutha Rao … Assessment of nutritional status of under five year tribal children in the districts of Meghalaya state

Dr.P.Suresh
Animal House Construction Committee meeting of the National Institute for Research in Tribal Health (NIRTH), Jabalpur. (May 15)
S. Vishwaraj (CSIR-SRF)  
(May 15-20)

Dr.A.Laxmaiah  
Presented a Paper on “Dietary intakes in India and Descriptive Epidemiology” in the one day workshop on “Critical voice in the early strategy phase of developing a nutrition intervention to improve child nutrition and prevent stunting”, held at The Sackler Institute for Nutrition Sciences, The New York Academy of Sciences, New York, USA.  
(May 20-22)

TRAINING PROGRAMMES  
(April 23-24)

SPECIAL EVENT  
Dr.B.R.Ambedkar’s 124th and Dr.Babu Jagjivan Ram’s 108th Birthday Celebrations organized by National Institute of Nutrition (ICMR) & NIN SC/ST Employees Welfare Association (May 18). Shri Kadiyam Srihari, Hon’ble Deputy Chief Minister, Telangana State was the Chief Guest for the event.

STAFF NEWS  
We congratulate

- Dr. G. Bhanuprakash Reddy, Scientist-F, on being awarded Eminent Research Supervisor Award by Dr. K. V. Rao Scientific Society – 2015 (May 23, 2015) and selected as External Member, Departmental Research Committee, Department of Biochemistry, School of Life Sciences, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad (for a period of two years from April 2015)

- V. Sudhakar Reddy, UGC-SRF, on being awarded PhD degree in Biochemistry by Osmania University in March 2015 for his thesis work on “Role of small heat shock proteins in diabetic complications” under the Research Supervision of Dr. G. Bhanuprakash Reddy.

- Mehrajuddin Bhat on being awarded PhD degree in Biochemistry by Osmania University in March 2015 under the Research Supervision of Dr. Ayesha Ismail.

and

Nutrition Investigator Award at the ACN, 2015 held in Yokohama Japan during May, 2015 for his poster entitled "Vitamin D deficiency induces mild oxidative stress in rat muscle and treatment with 1,25 (OH)2D3 reverses oxidative stress related changes".

- Jitendra Kumar Sinha on being awarded PhD degree in Biochemistry by Osmania University in May 2015 for his thesis work on “Accelerated ageing/ reduced longevity
of WNIN/Ob obese rats: Role of altered neurochemical profile, oxidative damage and trophic support in the brain” under the Research Supervision of Dr. M.Raghunath.

We bid farewell to the following staff on their retirement:

1. Shri N.Sitaramanjaneyulu … Sr.Administrative Officer
2. Dr.Kalpagam Polasa … Director-Incharge
3. Dr.K.Yadamma … Technical Officer ‘B’
4. Shri C.Janardhan … Technician ‘C’

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