

ICAR-National Institute of High Security Animal Diseases, Bhopal

Awareness Program on Antimicrobial Resistance

The rapid spread of multi drug-resistant bacteria and the lack of new antibiotics to treat infections caused by these organisms pose a rapidly increasing threat to public and animal health. Joining the initiative of 'Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)' for containing the Antimicrobial resistance (AMR), a public awareness week was celebrated at ICAR-National Institute of High Security Animal Diseases, Bhopal from 13 to 19th November, 2017. Twenty five AMR awareness tool kits were distributed among the staffs of the Institute as per the request by FAO. A program on 'AMR: Role of Food and Agriculture' was organised on 17-11-2017 at the auditorium of the Institutes. Dr. V. P. Singh, Director of NIHSAD, chaired the session and addressed the challenging issues on AMR. He suggested the audience to judicious use of antibiotics. Dr. D.D. Kulkarni, Principal Scientist, elaborated the different ways of indiscriminate use of antimicrobials. He suggested for appropriate use of antibiotics with the prescription of experts. A lecture on 'Antimicrobial resistance: control strategies' was delivered by Dr. Fateh Singh, Scientist. In his lecture, he explained the uses and misuses of antibiotics in human, veterinary, and aquaculture practices. He focused on the control strategies of AMR and advocated for coordinated approach from all the stakeholders for implementing a safe and effective antimicrobial stewardship program. About 80 persons including the scientific, technical, administrative, supporting, and other staff, research associates/assistants and students of the Institute were present on this occasion.


