

**Observance of Vigilance Awareness Week 2023 at ICAR-National Institute of High Security Animal Diseases from 30th October- 5rd November 2023**

A series of vigilance awareness and sensitization programs were conducted at ICAR-NIHSAD, Bhopal by a committee comprising of Dr. G.Venkatesh, Vigilance officers as Chairman and Dr. Atul Kumar Pateria, Sr. Scientist, Dr. Pradeep Gandhale, Sr. Scientist, Dr. Fateh Singh, Sr. Scientist, Shri. M.S. Hedau, FAO, Shri. Ashish Choube, AO as members.

On 30th October 2023, Dr. Aniket Sanyal, Director, ICAR-NIHSAD, administered the integrity pledge in presence of vigilance officer to all the scientists, administrative & technical staff, research fellows, students and contractual staffs of the institute. He further briefed everyone present about its significance and highlighted the activities to be undertaken by the institute as a part of “Vigilance Awareness Week” from 30th Oct. to 5th Nov 2023. The vigilance officer requested the employees to take e-pledge by visiting the CVC’s website. Nearly 80 e-pledges were taken by both the permanent and contractual staff of the institute.

A workshop on “Vigilance for efficient governance” was conducted by the committee wherein all the staff and students of the institute participated. The vigilance officer stressed the role of vigilance to curb corruption and its importance for growth of the country in his talk. He also sensitized the gathering about transparency, accountability and corruption-free quick governance. Dr. Fateh Singh made presentation on the genesis, role, and function of CVC in Hindi. He further explained about Public Interest Disclosure and Protection of Informers (PIDPI) resolution and how to make complaints accordingly. A quiz program was conducted at the end of the presentation.

An extempore speech competition was conducted by the committee at the institute covering topics related to vigilance and corruption. Dr. Rajukumar, Principal Scientist, Dr. Anamika Mishra, Principal Scientist and Dr. Manoj Kumar were requested to be the judge of the competition. Totally thirteen staff members from the institute participated in the competition. The prizes to the winners and a token of appreciation to the remaining participants were distributed by the Director, ICAR-NIHSAD. The event was coordinated by Shri. B.K. Singh, AAO

A sensitization workshop on “Role of vigilance by youth for growth of the country” was conducted by the committee to the students of 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> standard at Government Higher Secondary School, Anand Nagar, Bhopal. Smt. Sashi Singh Vice-Principal of the school was requested to administer integrity pledge to the students. The students were addressed by Dr. G.Venkatesh, Shri. M.S.Hedau and Smt. Sashi, Singh. A presentation was made by Dr. Fateh Singh explaining about CVC, PIDPI resolution etc., in Hindi and he conducted a quiz program subsequently. An elocution competition was conducted for the students wherein five students participated. The prizes were distributed to the students at the end.

Posters on PIDPI resolution in Hindi and English were prepared and displayed at the gate and administrative building of the institute. Pamphlets with PIDPI resolution and integrity pledge

were prepared in Hindi and was distributed among institute staff, higher secondary school students, college students and common public to create awareness.

The week long programme saw the participation of about 150 institute's personnel including permanent and temporary staff, about 200 school children and their teachers. Awareness was also created among many college students and general public.



