

झंडा ऊँचा रहें हमारा

75th Independence Day Celebrations



Dr. Hemalatha R, Director, ICMR-NIN hoisted the tricolor flag and addressed the gathering. Ms. Dripta Roy Choudhury, Ms P.S. Prasanthi, Ms. P Swathi Chitra and Ms. Daniella received certificates for completion of their PhDs from the institute.



- Dr. Hemalatha R, Director and Dr. JJ Babu Scientist F & Convener, Maintenance, seen presenting prizes as a token of appreciation to the staff and security personnel. Dr. A. Laxmaiah, Scientist G & HoD, Public Health Division is also seen.

Illumination of NIN on occasion of 75th Independence Day celebrations



PRESTIGIOUS MoU

- ICMR-NIN has signed an MoU with the Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy (SVPNPA), Hyderabad to carry out regular nutrition monitoring and counselling for the IPS probationers. The Director of SVPNPA, Mr. Atul Karwal IPS accompanied by Mr. Amit Garg IPS, Joint Director and Mr. Seju P Kuruvilla IPS, Assistant Director met Dr. Hemalatha R, Director and signed the MoU in the presence of Dr. Bharati Kulkarni, Head, Clinical Division and Chairperson, MYAS-NIN Dept. of Sports Sciences, Dr. M. Maheshwar, Head, Extension & Training Division and MYAS-NIN, Dr. C Suresh, Head, Cell Biology Division and Academic Member, MYAS-NIN and Dr. Keren Cherian, Scientist-B, MYAS-NIN Department of Sports Science.



JOURNAL CLUB



Mr. Ramesh Gogulothu [CSIR-SRF], Biochemistry Division, presented a paper titled "Molecular mechanism(s) involved in Vitamin D deficiency induced muscle atrophy" (27th Aug).



Mr. Suresh Kondeti [UGC-SRF(CSIR)] presented a paper on "Studies on the regulation of glucose homeostasis by fibroblast growth factor 21 in a pre-diabetic obese rat model" (13th Aug).

WEBINARS/ MEETINGS ORGANIZED/ PARTICIPATED

Dr Bharati Kulkarni

- The 8th E-Dialogue in the monthly Maternal Nutrition Technical E-Dialogue series jointly organized by ICMR-NIN with FOGSI and UNICEF India was held on 27th August on the topic "The role of social marketing in maternal health and nutrition". Sight and Life supported the event. Dr. Rajan Sankar, Dr. Hema Divakar, Ms Roli Singh IAS, Ms. Pooja Haldea, Dr. SubbaRao M. Gavaravarapu, Ms. Prachi Pandit, and Ms. Atika Malik, based on their experiences from diverse fields, illustrated the value of social marketing in enhancing uptake of maternal nutrition interventions. Mr. Madhavika Bajoria and Ms. Puja Tsering also participated. The webinar was led by Dr Bharati Kulkarni, Scientist - F & Head, Clinical Division, ICMR-NIN.
- NIN and UKRI GCRF Action Against Stunting Hub joint Webinar (5th Aug).
- NIN and Nutrition Society of India (NSI) joint Webinar (6th Aug).
- Anthropometric training organized for "Action Against Stunting Hub" project staff (25th - 31st Aug).



Dr. Hemalatha R, Director

- BMGF's Assessment of the SAPLING programme organized by IPE Global Limited (2nd Aug).
- Secretary level meeting regarding National Food Security Act (NFSA) – participation by all the Secretaries of all participating Ministries and CEO, FSSAI (4th Aug).
- Meeting with DWCD regarding Stunting Hub (4th Aug).
- Delivered special remarks at the Summit and Awards on 'Nutraceuticals- The frontline of Consumers Health', on Nutraceuticals and Dietary Supplements, OTC org. by ASSOCHAM, New Delhi (5th Aug).
- Meeting regarding presentation of Nutrition Atlas-2.0 with the experts, organized by ICMR (9th Aug).
- Participated in a meeting of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) Core Group on Right to Food and Nutrition, organized by NHRC and delivered a talk on "Nutrition for 6-14 year children" (10th Aug).
- Meeting regarding IFCT-2017 on vitamin D content in foods, organized by Food Fortification Resource Centre (FFRC), Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (12th Aug).
- Virtual mini-dialogue consultation with experts on the six thematic lenses – Production, Processing, Plate, Planet, People, Policy to develop India Food System Vision 2030, organized by Food and Agriculture Centre of Excellence, Confederation of Indian Industry, New Delhi (13th Aug).
- Discussion on 'Role of Nutrition Supplements in COVID-19' at the Joint meeting of ICMR-National Task Force on COVID-19 and Joint Monitoring committee meeting, organized by ICMR (14th Aug).
- Participated as an Expert member in the First meeting of the "Meeting to examine the issue of dairy analogues", organized by FSSAI (16th Aug).
- Participated as a Member in the Scientific and Program Advisory Committee of the Centre for Health Research and Development, Society for Applied Studies (CHRD-SAS), organized by CHRD (24th & 25th Aug).
- As an expert member reviewed applications related to "Fixed dose combinations of vitamins and minerals and other related issues", organized by DGHS, Central Drugs Standards Control Organization (25th & 26th Aug).

- Delivered the inaugural address at the International Conference & Exhibition of Confederation of Indian Industry, Telangana (CII-TS) FOODBIZ 2021 (27th Aug).
- Attended a webinar on 'Mandatory Food Fortification: Boon or Bane?' organized by Alliance for Sustainable and Holistic Agriculture (ASHA) (28th Aug).



An interview with Dr Hemalatha, Director, NIN aired on ETV titled “Nutrition for mother and child during COVID context” (15th Aug).

Dr. GM. SubbaRao

- Meeting of the Advisory Committee for the Department of Visual Communication, Kumaraguru College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Coimbatore (4th Aug).
- Attended the 36th Meeting of the Scientific Panel on Food Labelling and Advertising, Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (Virtual) (5th Aug).
- Invited for a Meeting with UNICEF India and Dept of Women and Child Development, Telangana on 3rd August and 9th August on Nutrition Education Videos and Collaboration.
- Attended the 28th Annual General Body Meeting of the National Academy of Agricultural Sciences (NAAS) as a Fellow on 9th August 2021.
- Chaired the Southern Zone Regional Communications Hub of ICMR Institutes (10th Aug).
- Invited for a discussion on mainstreaming nutrition conversations with APCO Worldwide (17th Aug).
- Invited as an expert member to the Pre-piloting Consultative Workshop for UN-FAO Project on “Strengthening Capacities for Nutrition-Sensitive Agriculture and Food Systems-Integration of Nutrition into the training by Agricultural EAS Providers in India” at MANAGE, Hyderabad (23rd Aug).

Dr. Sreenivas.J

- Participated in a nutritional intervention and medical camp at Borapur chenchu penta in Nagarkarnool district for the improvement of health and nutritional activities of primitive tribes' (Chenchu) with the District Collector, Governor's office Joint Secretary, MLA, DMHO and other officials. Organized by Palamur University under the guidance of the Hon'ble Governor, TS (4th Aug).

Dr. Vakdevi Validandi

- Attended an online training programme on “Climate Change: Challenges and Response (for Women Scientists)” conducted at the Centre for Disaster Management, LBSNAA, Mussoorie organized in collaboration with Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India and presented a paper on “Environmental contaminants, its impact on human health and modulation by dietary intervention” (9-13 Aug).

PAPERS PUBLISHED/ ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION

- Veleri, Shobi. "Nutrients seminal role in the development and epigenetic reprogramming during the first 1000 days of life." Epigenetics and Metabolomics. Academic Press, 2021. 265-277.

STAFF NEWS

Retirement

We bid farewell to the following staff on the eve of their retirement on attaining superannuation.

Dr. N. Harishanker
Scientist E



Mr. P.V. Poulus
Laboratory Asst. 1