

Vice-Chancellor's Desk



At the outset, I am happy to note that University has made progress in many collaborative outreach Programs during the period of January to June, 2025. I am very happy to share that the “Livestock, Poultry and Fisheries Expo-2025” was organized by

Karnataka Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Sciences University, Bidar during 17th to 19th January, 2025 at Nandinagar, Bidar with the motto of “Animal Husbandry and Fisheries for rural prosperity and Livelihood security”. This grand Expo was organized in collaboration with Agriculture and allied sector development departments and institutions of Karnataka and India. Expo was organized for the farmers, industry representatives and stakeholders to promote and develop rural livelihoods. Further, 14th Convocation of KVAFSU, Bidar was held on 25th March, 2025 to celebrate achievements of graduating students. Several extension activities were organized during this period apart from achievements by our faculty and students during this period. Extension activities like training, demonstrations, conferences, workshops, symposiums were also organized.

Finally, I appreciate the efforts of the Director of Extension and his team for bringing out this edition of the news letter.

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(K.C. Veeranna)

Vice-Chancellor

EDITORIAL

It is my pleasure and privilege to place before you the university news letter Volume XXI, Issue-1 for the period January to June, 2025. Sincere efforts are being made to bring out the news letter covering all major events including achievements made by teachers and other staff members in the field of Teaching, Research and Extension.

Sd/-

(Basavaraj Awati)

Chief Editor & Director of Extension

IMPORTANT EVENTS

Livestock, Poultry and Fisheries (LPF) Expo-2025

- Livestock, Poultry and Fisheries (LPF) Expo-2025 was organized during 17th to 19th January, 2025 at Karnataka Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Sciences University, Bidar in collaboration with institutions/departments related to agriculture, livestock, fisheries etc.
- The event showcased different technologies developed by various universities, national and state level research institutions, private companies, input agencies etc. This grand event served as a dynamic platform for farmers, researchers, industry partners and policy makers to engage in knowledge exchange, explore modern technologies in the field of agriculture, livestock and fisheries development.
- The event witnessed an unprecedented 1.2 lakh visitors including farmers, researchers, entrepreneurs, students and industry professionals.



Inauguration of LPF Expo-2025



Best Women Farmer Award

Objectives of the Expo

- To showcase technological advancements in the fields of agriculture, horticulture, livestock, poultry and fisheries and to educate stakeholders on modern and sustainable practices.
- To create opportunities for networking and collaboration between industries and farmers and to provide technical guidance to improve productivity and profitability.
- To provide a platform for pharmaceutical companies and input distributors to share about their latest technologies and practices in all the above sectors including food processing and machinery.
- Provide information to students about the latest interventions in the fields of agriculture, horticulture, livestock, poultry and fisheries.
- To provide information about organic farming, bio-fertilizers and integrated farming practices.
- Explore information about financial assistance, banking services and government schemes to farmers.
- To recognize and encourage progressive farmers (Men and Women) across Karnataka by recognizing and awarding them.
- The livestock show showcased over 100 animals of various species and breeds existing in the state and the region. Farmers and participants had the opportunity to see high quality cattle breeds like Deoni, Sahiwal, Kankrej, Hallikar, Gir and HF (Holstein Friesian) etc.
- A special 'Poultry World' showcased around 16 varieties of exotic and domestic poultry birds. This poultry section gave visitors an opportunity to explore various types of poultry breeds including quail (Japanese quail), turkey, guinea fowl and local chicken breeds like Giriraja, Kadaknath, Sonali and Rhode Island Red (RIR). These chicken varieties were displayed in cages, highlighting their unique features and benefits.
- 'Matsya Loka' (Fish World) exhibited about 80 varieties of domestic, ornamental and commercial fish species which attracted visitors at the expo. The event showcased the latest advancements in aquaculture including ornamental fish farming, feeding techniques and strategies to increase profitability.
- Flower Show and Special Attractions: A grand flower show with an 18-foot tall Buddha statue as the centre piece served as a selfie point and a crowd favorite. The flower show with beautifully arranged flowers focused on peace and integrity. The exhibition featured a display of rare and exotic flowers from around the world, including orchids, bonsai and hybrid varieties.



Participants of LPF Expo-2025



Cultural Programme

Highlights of Expo-2025

- Over 220 exhibition stalls covering livestock, poultry, fisheries, agriculture, horticulture and sericulture innovations were exhibited and presence of more than 10 leading national institutes made LPF Expo-2025 rich knowledge sharing platform.



Flower Show



Prize Distribution

- Large-scale artistic sculptures made entirely of flowers depicting historical figures or nature scenes was excellent. The art of various leaders on watermelons was very attractive. Moreover, a special area was reserved for photography, which allowed visitors to capture wonderful memories.
- Industry and Business Engagement: More than 50 agribusiness companies and startups showcased their innovations in farming equipments, food solutions, veterinary healthcare etc.



Animal Stalls

- Advisory Services and Live Demonstration: A stall was set aside to provide advisory services in the fields of agriculture, horticulture, veterinary, animal husbandry, fisheries etc. A team of scientists from the university and departmental officers advised more than 1500 farmers through this stall.
- In addition, scientists demonstrated various scientific methods/practices like milk quality testing, silage making, dry fodder enrichment, concentrated fodder making etc. to farmers and students. More than 3200 farmers were benefitted through this demonstration unit.

XIVth Convocation of KVAFSU, Bidar

- XIVth Convocation of the University was held on 25th March, 2025 at KVAFSU, Bidar. Shri. K. Venkatesh, Hon'ble Minister of Animal Husbandry and Sericulture and Pro-Chancellor of the University presented the Degrees, Medals and Awards to the students in Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Doctorate studies.
- The Convocation address was delivered by Dr. Naveen Kumar, Director, ICMR-National Institute of Virology, Pune. Totally, 633 candidates were awarded degrees in Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Sciences, Dairy Science & Technology and Fisheries Science. Out of which, degrees for 19

at Bachelors level, 186 at Masters Level and 28 at Doctorate level were conferred. Prof. K.C. Veeranna, Vice-Chancellor welcomed the Hon'ble Minister, Chief Guest and other dignitaries and presented a brief report about the University achievements and accomplishments. A total of 46 meritorious students were honoured with 96 gold medals.



TRAININGS / WORKSHOPS / CONFERENCES / SEMINARS / DEMONSTRATIONS / ANIMAL HEALTH CAMPS / FIELD DAYS ORGANIZED

Veterinary College, Bengaluru

- XXII Convocation and National Scientific Convocation of National Academy of Veterinary Sciences (NAVS) was organized by Veterinary College, Bengaluru during 8th to 9th March, 2025 with a theme of "Challenges and Priorities for Optimal production of Livestock, Poultry, Healthcare and Nutrition of Pets". The event was conducted in collaboration with ICAR-NIVEDI, ICAR-NIANP, KVC and CEAH, Bengaluru. The Convention was attended by more than 250 delegates across India including former Vice-Chancellors, Deans, Scientists, Teachers, Student and Industry representatives.



- Extension Education Centre, Veterinary College, Bengaluru conducted two Entrepreneurship Extension Development Programmes on 'Scientific Sheep and Goat Production' in collaboration with NaaViC, ICAR-NIVEDI, Bengaluru. The first EDP was organised during 6th to 8th January, 2025.



Further, the second programme was organised on 24th March, 2025.

- Department of Animal Genetics and Breeding, Veterinary College, Bengaluru, in collaboration with the Society for Conservation of Domestic Animal Biodiversity (SOCDAB), N B A G R Karnal and the Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, Government of Karnataka, successfully organized a National Symposium and XXII Annual Convention of SOCDAB on “Technological Advancement and their Application for the Management of Native Animal Genetic Resources (AnGR)” during 21st to 22nd January, 2025, at Veterinary College, Bengaluru. A key feature of the event was the livestock breeds exhibition, which showcased Karnataka's rich and diverse animal genetic resources. More than 300 delegates across the country participated in the programme.



- One day training program and distribution of Raja-II grower birds was conducted in Doddaballapur taluk on 11th February, 2025 and also in Ramanagara taluk on 21st February, 2025. About 1625 grower birds and feed was distributed to the SC beneficiaries.



- Training programme on “Sheep and Goat Farming” was organized by Extension Education Centre and Dept. of, Livestock Farm Complex, Veterinary College, Bengaluru during 13th to 15th February, 2025. About 30 farmers from various parts of Karnataka were benefitted from the programme.



- A training programme on Scientific Pig Farming was organised by Extension Education Centre in collaboration with Dept. of Animal Nutrition, Veterinary College, Bengaluru during 20th to 22nd February, 2025. Total 35 farmers from various parts of Karnataka were benefitted from the training programme.



- Training programme on ‘Sheep and Goat Farming’ was conducted for SC beneficiaries on 20th March, 2025 at Mandikal, Gudibande Taluk, Chikkaballapur District, Karnataka under the ICAR-NIVEDI sponsored project “Livelihood Security of Farmers Belonging to Scheduled Caste through Optimizing Sheep and Goat Production”. Further, dewormers for the flocks of beneficiaries were distributed.



Veterinary College, Bidar

- One day training programme on handling of laboratory animals for conducting research was

organised at Veterinary College, Bidar on 11th April, 2025. About 80 participants consisting of staff and students were benefitted through this programme.



- A “Free Rabies Vaccination Program” was organized as part of the “World Veterinary Day” on 25th April, 2025 in collaboration with IAH & VB, Regional Centre, Bidar in which about 100 dogs were vaccinated against rabies. Dr. Vivek R. Kasaralikkar, Controller of Examinations, KVAFSU, Bidar delivered a talk on the theme “Team Cooperation is Essential for Successful Animal Health Services” highlighting the need for inter-departmental collaboration.
- Human Health Camp was organized at Veterinary College, Bidar by Wali Shri Hospital, Bidar on 19th June, 2025 for the teaching, non-teaching staff and students of Nandinagar campus. On this occasion, all the students and staff of the campus took pledge for drug de-addiction.



Veterinary College, Shivamogga

- One day workshop on “Role of veterinary service functionaries and academia in resolving nutritional management related livestock production issues” was organised on 27th June, 2025.



Veterinary College, Hassan

- International workshop on “Animal Welfare Research” was organized at Veterinary College, Hassan in collaboration with CVA during 5th to 6th February, 2025. The workshop had about 50 participants which included international delegates from Australia and New Zealand; senior officers from the Dept. of AH&VS, Government of Karnataka; faculty from various Veterinary Colleges and research stations of KVAFSU.



- Organic Certification Centre under Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, GoI was inaugurated at Veterinary College, Hassan by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. K.C. Veeranna on 5th February, 2025. This centre is established to certify organic animal husbandry products, crops promoting sustainable organic farming and animal husbandry.



- Telemetric Weather Station was established at Veterinary College, Hassan on 27th June, 2025 in association with Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre, Revenue Department, Government of Karnataka.



- Veterinary College, Hassan in association with ICAR-NIVEDI, Bangalore organized three days training programme for the Scheduled Caste farmers of Hassan district on “Bio security practices in Pig farming” during 27th to 29th January, 2025. A total of 55 SC farmers attended the programme. Various bio-security equipments like sprayers, gumboots, dewormers and disinfectant solutions were distributed to the farmers.



- Veterinary College, Hassan organized three days training program on Entrepreneurship Development in Poultry Production for 36 SC beneficiaries of Hassan district during 10th to 12th February, 2025 in collaboration with AICRP on Poultry, Department of Poultry Science, Veterinary College, Bengaluru. Four hundred Raja-II chicks and feed were distributed to the farmers.



- Two days training Programme on “Clean Milk Production, Preparation of Milk and Milk Products” was organized in collaboration with ICAR-AICRP on Post-Harvest Engineering and Technology, UAS, GKVK, Bengaluru at Veterinary College, Hassan during 19th to 20th February, 2025. More than 50 participants participated in the training programme.



- "World Veterinary Day" was celebrated on 26th April, 2025 at Veterinary College, Hassan in collaboration with Department of AH and VS, Hassan. On this occasion, 30 dogs and 5 cats were vaccinated against Rabies at free of cost. Further, de-worming was conducted and free supplements were distributed to large animals and pet animals.

Veterinary College, Athani

- On the occasion of World Veterinary Day, a free anti-rabies vaccination camp was conducted on 26th April, 2025 at Veterinary College, Athani. The event involved vaccination of 25 stray cum owned dogs, along side education for pet owners on health, deworming, and responsible pet care.



- International Yoga Day was celebrated at Veterinary College, Athani on 21st June, 2025 to help students improve their physical health (strength, flexibility), mental well-being (reducing stress and anxiety), emotional balance (boosting confidence, emotional regulation), and academic performance (enhancing concentration and memory).



Dairy Science College, Mahagaon Cross, Kalaburagi

- Organized training programme on “Clean Milk



Production Practices” on 12th February, 2025 at Okali Village of Kamalapur Tq, Kalaburagi Dist. Total 50 farmers were benefitted through this programme.

College of Fisheries, Mangaluru

- Human Health Camp was organized on 28th January, 2025 at College of Fisheries, Mangalore in collaboration with Arabian Sea Fisheries Management Coordination Committee (Sea=MC²), Department of Health and Family Welfare, GoK, Canara Bank, Malpe, NSS, Srinivas University, Mukka, COFAA, Mangalore, Karnataka State FIP, Udupi, and Lions Club, Kankanady-Padil. About 35 people donated their blood and 76 students underwent dental check up while majority of the staff got their health checked from different medical experts.



- College of Fisheries (Tech Wing), Mangalore, in association with KFDC and Prasad Nethralaya, Mangalore, organized a free eye check-up camp for students and staff on 13th June, 2025.



- College of Fisheries (Tech Wing), Mangalore in association with DSLD College of Horticultural



Engineering and Food Technology, Devihosur, Haveri, University of Horticultural Science, Balgalkot organized Student Entrepreneurship Development Programme on ‘Fish Processing and Marine Products’ during 2nd to 3rd June, 2025.

Livestock Research Information Centre (Deoni), Bidar

- LRIC(Deoni), Bidar organised two days training programme on “Backyard Poultry Farming” in collaboration with veterinary College, Bidar for SC beneficiaries under ICAR-SCSP Project of LRIC (Deoni), Bidar during 24th to 25th February, 2025. About 35 SC farmers were benefitted through this programme.



- Final year students of Horticulture College, Bidar visited LRIC(Deoni), Bidar under Rural Horticulture work experience programme on 25th March, 2025.



- Educational study visit for the students of Diploma Agriculture College, Bidar was conducted at LRIC (Deoni), Bidar on 27th June, 2025. The students were exposed to scientific livestock management practices, fodder production and sustainable dairy farming. Total of 25 students were benefitted from this programme.



Fisheries Research and Information Center, Bhutnal, Vijayapura

- Three days training program on “Value Added Fish Products and Demonstration” was organised during 28th to 30th January, 2025 at KFRC, Bagalkote with the funding support of NFDB, Hyderabad. Total of 20 farmers participated in the programme.



- Three days Training programme & demonstrations on “Value Added Fish Products” was organized by FRIC, Bhutnal, Vijayapur in association with NFDB, Hyderabad during 4th to 6th February, 2025. More than 50 farmers participated in the event.



- Three days Training programme on “Hatchery Production of Indian Major Carps” was organized by FRIC, Bhutnal, Vijayapur in association with NFDB, Hyderabad during 17th to 19th February, 2025. More than 50 farmers were benefitted through this programme.



- Three days training programme on “Hatchery Production of Indian Major Carps” was organized by FRIC, Bhutnal, Vijayapur in association with NFDB, Hyderabad from 20th to 22nd February, 2025. More than 50 farmers participated in this programme.

- Three days training programme on “Nursery, Rearing and Grow out culture of IMC” was organized by FRIC, Bhutnal, Vijayapur in association with NFDB, Hyderabad during 17th to 19th February, 2025. More than 50 farmers participated in this programme



- One day training programme on “Water Quality Management in Fresh water Aquaculture” was organised on 3rd February, Fish Diseases and Health Management in Aquaculture” on 24th February, and “Composite Fish Culture” on 15th March, 2025 in association with NFDB, Hyderabad. More than 50 farmers were benefitted through this programme.



- One day Training cum on farm demonstration programme on “Scientific Fish Farming” was organized by FRIC, Bhutnal, Vijayapur on 20th June, 2025. A total of 52 farmers participated in this programme.

Fisheries Research and Information Center, Hebbal Bengaluru

- FRIC, Hebbal, Bengaluru organized one day training programme to the members of Self Help Groups of Chikkaballapura district on “Fish Value Addition” on 17th March, 2025 in collaboration



with Chikkaballapur Zilla Panchayat and Dept. of Fisheries, Chikkaballapura. The programme was organized to develop various inland fish value added products. A total of 44 members of the district participated in this training programme.

Institute of Wildlife Veterinary Research, Kudige

- Conducted two days training programme for Veterinary officers of Dept of AH & VS, Kodagu Dist. on “Chemical restraint in Wild animals” on 28th January, 2025 at IWVR Campus. Thirty Veterinary Officers attended the programme.



- Celebrated ‘World Environmental Day’ at IWVR Campus on 5th June, 2025 by planting 50 fruit plants in the campus.



ICAR - Krishi Vigyan Kendra Dakshina Kannada Mangaluru

- ICAR-KVK, Dakshina Kannada organized Capacity Development Programme on ‘Nutri Garden’ for SC farmers under SCSP Programme on 9th January, 2025 at Hosangady, Belthangady. Total of 25 selected SC farmers were benefitted from this programme.



- ICAR-KVK, Dakshina Kannada in collaboration with Department of Agriculture organized a workshop on “Conservation and Promotion of Traditional Land Races” on 13th January, 2025 at DATC, Belthangady, Dakshina Kannada. Around 38 progressive farmers participated in this programme.



- ICAR-KVK, Dakshina Kannada organized Capacity Development programme for Schedule Tribe farmers on Improved Cultivation Practices in Udupi Jasmine under TSP programme at Poonacha, Bantwala and provided Jasmine seedlings to 20 participant farmers.



- Capacity Development Programme on ‘Vermicompost Production’ was organized at Moodambailu village of Bantwal taluk on 10th January, 2025 under TSP programme by ICAR-KVK, Dakshina Kannada. Around 20 farmers were benefitted from the programme.



- ICAR-KVK, Dakshina Kannada in collaboration with ICAR-CPCRI, Kasargod organized Capacity Development Programme on Coconut cultivation for SC Farmers under SCSP Programme on 6th

February, 2025 at Kavalamudur Grampanchayath of Bantwal Taluk. A total of 393 coconut saplings (Variety: West Coast Tall) procured from ICAR-CPCRI, Kidu were provided to 192 SC Farmers selected from 16 Grampanchayaths of Bantwal and Kadaba Taluks.



- ICAR-KVK, Dakshina Kannada in collaboration with ICAR-IIHR, Bengaluru and Marathi Sangha, Puttur and Bantwal Taluks organised awareness programme on 1st April, 2025 about IIHR technologies for Tribal Farmers under RKVY Programme. About 1000 fruit plants and 50 kg vegetable seeds were distributed to 100 tribal farmers.



- ICAR-KVK, Dakshina Kannada in collaboration with ICAR-IIHR, Bengaluru and Sanjeevini - National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM), Mangalore organised awareness programme on 2nd April, 2025 about IIHR technologies for SC/ST farmers of Sulia taluk under RKVY Programme. About 20 kgs of vegetable seeds were distributed to 64 farmers.



- Primary Agricultural Credit Cooperative Society in collaboration with ICAR-Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Dakshina Kannada organized workshop on “Integrated Leaf Spot Management in Arecanut” at PACCS Kavu, Puttur on 13th May, 2025. A total of 172 farmers were benefitted from this programme.



- Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan was launched at Guttakadu of Mulki Taluk of Dakshina Kannada district from 29th May to 12th June, 2025.



NSS ACTIVITIES

Veterinary College, Bengaluru

- NSS Annual Special Camp, 2025 of Veterinary College, Bengaluru was organized at Jalige Village, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District during 25th to 31st May, 2025. A total of 6 demonstrations and 6 lectures related to livestock were conducted along with village survey, c a l f rally and anti-rabies awareness camp. About 60 animals were treated in the animal health camp.



Veterinary College, Bidar

- A special National Service Scheme (NSS) camp was organized by Veterinary College, Bidar during 17th to 23rd May, 2025 at Anubhav Mantapa,

Basavakalyan. As part of special camp program, animal health camps were held in Khanapurwadi and Neelakanthawadi villages and awareness was created among women about anaemia. In Moodabi village, animal vaccination program and street play were also organized.



- World Environment Day, with the theme “*Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam*” campaign was organized on 19th June, 2025 at Veterinary College, Bidar. Further, a Yoga Camp was also conducted during 19th to 21st June, 2025 as part of International Yoga Day celebrations.



Veterinary College, Hassan

- NSS special annual camp was organised for the III BVSc & AH students at Rachenahally village, Hassan Taluk for seven days during 16th to 22nd May, 2025 under the theme “Self reliance of villages for national security”. Blood donation camp was organised as a part of the camp in collaboration with Therpanth Youth Club.



Veterinary College, Gadag

- NSS Annual Special camp was conducted by Veterinary College, Gadag during 21st to 26th April, 2025 at Asundi Village of Gadag District.

This event started with organizing Health Camp at Asundi in collaboration with KHPIMS, Gadag.

STUDENTS CORNER

Achievements of Students of Veterinary College Hassan

- Miss Likhitha M, a National Service Scheme Volunteer studying in III year BVSc & AH at Veterinary College, Hassan represented KVAFSU, Bidar in the State Republic day Parade on 26th January, 2025 at Bangalore.



SPORTS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Veterinary College, Hassan

- VI KVAFSU Inter-Polytechnic Sports and Games Meet of 2024-25 was organized during 3 to 4 March, 2025 at Veterinary College, Hassan. Diploma students from five constituent Animal Husbandry Polytechnics participated in the event. The details of the result are:

Over all Championship : AHP, Bargi

Overall Runner-up : AHP, Konehalli

Over all Third Place : AHP, Koravangala



- XXII All India Inter-Agricultural University Sports and Games Meet for the year 2024-25 was organized by Acharya Narendra Dev University of Agriculture and Technology (ANDUAT), Kumarganj, Ayodhya during 2 to 5 May, 2025. Altogether, 30 students representing from different constituent colleges of K V A F S U , Bidar participated in the event.



Mr. Dhyan Chittiappa of Veterinary College, Bengaluru secured Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals in 400m Hurdles, 100m and 200m respectively in track events.

Further, Ms. Krupa B.R., of Veterinary College, Hassan secured Bronze Medals in 100m and 400m track events.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

S.No.	Name of the Scientist / Staff / Institute	Awards/ Recognitions	Date/Year	Organized by
1	Dr. K.J Anand Professor & Head Veterinary College, Bengaluru	Best Teacher Award	17 th January, 2025	KVAFSU, Bidar
2	Shri. Nagendra S Senior Personal Secretary (Grade-1) KVAFSU, Bidar	Best Non Teaching Staff	17 th January, 2025	KVAFSU, Bidar
3	Dr. Shrikant Kulkarni Professor & Head Veterinary College, Bidar	Associate Fellow	8 th March, 2025	National Academy of Veterinary Sciences, New Delhi
4	Dairy Science College, Bengaluru	ISO 9001:2015 Certificate	29 th March, 2025	ISO 9001:2015 Certificate
5	Dr Ravi Raidurg Professor & Head Veterinary College, Shivamogga	Scientific Advisory Board	4 - 5 th April, 2025	Asian Foundation of Veterinary Orthopedics and Neurology, New Delhi
6	Dr. Harini Venugopal Dairy Science College, Bengaluru	Young Woman Scientist	18- 20 th April, 2025	Vivekananda Global University, Jaipur

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