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Graduation Ceremony of MSc (Applied Nutrition) & MSc (Sports Nutrition)

Graduation Ceremony of MSc (Applied Nutrition) of 2017-19 & 2018-20 batches and MSc (Sports Nutrition) of 2018-20 held on 3rd June. Prof. B. J. Rao, Vice Chancellor, University of Hyderabad was the chief guest and delivered the Convocation Address. Dr. B. K. Nandi, Former Sr. Food and Nutrition Officer, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) was the Guest of Honor. Dr. Hemalatha R, Director presided over the meeting. BK Nandi Awards for toppers were given away.



Dr. G. Bhanuprakash Reddy, Scientist-G & HoD Biochemistry Division, and **Dr. Swathi Chitra P**, Project Teaching Associate, MYAS-Department of Sports Nutrition, addressed a gathering of about 450 pregnant women on "Overcoming commonly faced nutritional concerns during pregnancy and pregnancy myths." The event was organized by Sri. T. Ravindra, Vandemataram Foundation (NGO), Warangal. **Members of the Telangana Legislative Assembly, Sri Errabelli Dayakar Rao, and Sri K. Shashanka, IAS, Mahabubabad district**, graced the occasion.





Nutrition Society of India (NSI) Award for NIN Scientists

Congratulations to the NIN Scientists for receiving various awards on 10th June.

33rd Dr. Srikantia Memorial Award



Dr. A. LaxmaiahScientist G & HoD,
Public Health Nutrition

12th Dr. Rajammal P. Devdas Memorial Award



Dr. Bharati Kulkarni
Scientist G & Head,
Division of Reproductive Biology
Maternal & Child Health & Nutrition, ICMR

8th Dr. B. K. Anand Memorial Award



Dr. B. Dinesh Kumar
Former Scientist G

WEBINARS/ MEETINGS ORGANIZED/ PARTICIPATED

An awareness program on "Gender Sensitization and Workplace Etiquette" for the staff and students of our institute organised by Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) of NIN held on 28th June.



TRAINING PROGRAMME

Laboratory Animal Technician Training Course (LATTC) on "Lab Animal Science, Breeding, Handling and Experimentation and Lab Animal Welfare" conducted by NIN Animal Facility from 1st to 30th June.



Dr. Hemalatha R, Director

- Meeting with representatives of the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) and the scientists of our institute to explore possible areas of research in collaboration with ICMR-NIN on 1st June.
- Workshop on 'Guiding Principles/ Policies towards Effective Intellectual Property Management, Licensing and Collaborations", organized by ICMR, New Delhi on 7th June.



- Meeting to discuss impact evaluation methodology, sampling plan, key performance indicators and roles and responsibilities on rice fortification, organized by NITI Aayog on 9th June.
- Oration Awards of the Nutrition Society of India (NSI) (33rd Srikantia Memorial Award, 12th Rajammal P. Devdas Memorial Award and 8th Dr. B. K. Anand Memorial Award), organized by NSI on 10th June.
- Participated in the consultation meeting on "Growth Assessment of Indian Children: Need for India Specific Growth Standards", organized by ICMR, New Delhi on 14th June.
- Meeting with the officials from Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to finalize the work plan and timelines for the development of the project proposal on 14th June.
- Meeting with Mr. Rajkumar Rautray, CMD, Prince International Health Care, Bhubaneswar to discuss Double Fortified Salt – NIN Technology on 20th June.
- Meeting with the International Food & Beverage Association (IFBA) to discuss and arrive at an actionable plan to meet the objectives in the larger interest of industry and consumer on 24th June.
- Introductory virtual meeting with the Director, DHSP, ISRO Headquarters, Bangalore to discuss about the collaboration in framing the dietary practices and nutritional requirements for the Gaganyaan astronauts on 28th June.
- Meeting of the Expert Committee to review the final proposal on "Diet and Biomarkers Survey of India (INDAB-Study)", organized by ICMR, New Delhi on 28th June.
- Delivered a lecture on 'Malnutrition Scenario in India: Food for Optimal Human Health and Planet Health' at the science platform 'Veekshana' to the faculty and students of Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Tirupati on 30th June.

Dr. G. Bhanuprakash Reddy, Scientist-G & HoD Biochemistry Division and **Dr. R. Ananthan**, Scientist E, Food Chemistry Division, delivered a speech on "Nutrition and Health" to the employees of the National Academy of Customs, Indirect Taxes and Narcotics (NACIN), Hyderabad on 29th June.

Dr. SubbaRao M Gavaravarapu

- Invited as a panelist virtually in the hybrid meeting Inception workshop of One CGIAR South Asia Regional Integrated Initiative on 'Transforming Agri-Food Systems in South Asia' (TAFSSA) organized by International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) held on 15th June.
- Invited as a panelist in the Healthy Food Environment Policy Index in India Expert Workshop organized by Madras Diabetic Foundation and Imperial College, London, UK virtually on 23rd June.
- Invited to deliver the valedictory address on 'Reorienting Nutrition Communication in the Era of Climate Change Concerns' in the International Conference on Climate Change Adaptation for Sustainable Biodiversity and Food Security, organised by the Department of Zoology, Scott Christian College, Nagercoil, Tamil Nadu on 23rd & 24th June.
- Invited as a member to take part in the online meeting of the Institutional Ethics Committee (IEC) of ICAR Indian Institute of Millet Research, Rajendra Nagar, Hyderabad on 29th June.

• Invited as an Expert Member to conduct a workshop on "Nutrition Communication and Education in Public Health" during the National Capacity Building and Training Workshop on Public Health Nutrition held at PGIMER, Chandigarh on 27th June.

Dr. K. Rajender Rao

• Delivered a guest lecture on "Genome Analysis and Research Methodology" at Great Eastern Medical School & Hospital (GEMS), Srikakulam, Andhra Pradesh on 29th June.

Mr. Sreenivasa Rao J

 Participated and addressed under the "Community outreach program" for medical & health professionals on malnutrition problems in tribes, organized by RICH & Atal Community Incubation Centre in Vikarabad on 24th June.

Dr. R. Naveen Kumar

- Attended the Codex Working Group (CWG) virtual meeting on the "Guidelines for the control of Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli (STEC) in raw beef, fresh leafy vegetables, raw milk, and raw milk cheeses and sprouts" under consideration of 53rd Codex Committee on Food Hygiene (CCFH53) on 9th -10th of June.
- Attended virtual meeting of the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), FAD-15, Panel-1 Review and Revision of "Methods for drawing and handling of food samples for microbiological analysis" IS 5404:1984 on 9th June.

Dr. P. Jharna, Project Asst. Professor (MYAS – NIN, Department of Sports Science)

 Participated in the International Conference on "Advances in Genetic Diagnosis in the Era of OMICS", organised by the Institute of Genetics and Hospital for Genetic Diseases, Osmania University, Begumpet, Hyderabad, from 17th -18th June.

Ms. Vahini Raidu J. SRF

 Addressed a session for the students of BSc College of Nursing & Muslim Maternity and Zanana General Hospital, Osmanpura, Hyderabad on a field visit to NIN as part of Nutrition & Community Health Nursing Experience on 30th June.

PAPERS PUBLISHED/ ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION

 N, Raghavendra Pandurangi, Mahesh Kumar Mummadi, Sairam Challa, Samarasimha Reddy, Venkatesh Kaliaperumal, Chinta Khadar Babu, Usha Rani Telikicherla, Raghu Pullakandham, JJ Babu Geddam and Rajkumar Hemalatha. Burden and predictors of malnutrition among Indian adolescents (10-19 years): Insights from Comprehensive National Nutrition Survey (CNNS), Published in Frontiers in Public Health section, Public Health and Nutrition, 15th June https://doi.org/10.3389/fpubh.2022.877073

Abstract presented at a National Symposium in Hyderabad

Abstract presented at a National Symposium by M. Srinivas, R. Anuradha, V. Naresh, Anitha Chouhan, M. Satya Vani and K. Rajender Rao (2022). A study on host genetic control of the gut microbiome and its impact on health and disease, on the theme of "Ascent of microbiome research for nutrition and health" organized by Department of Microbiology, Osmania University, Hyderabad on 27th June.

JOURNAL CLUB



Dr. D. Pratyusha Palepu, Scientist B, Clinical Division delivered a talk on "Positive effects of selenium supplementation in women with n e w l y d i a g n o s e d Hashimoto's thyroiditis in

an area with low selenium status" on 10th June.

A special Guest Lecture discoursed by **Dr. Satish K Madala**, Ph.D. Professor and Basic Sciences
Director, Center for Interstitial Lung Diseases, The
Division of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep
Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine, The
University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA
on 'Emerging Concepts in Pulmonary Fibrosis:
The Role of Lung Development Pathways', 16th
June.

8th International Yoga Day Celebration





International Yoga Day was celebrated on 21st June at Assembly Hall, a demonstration-cum-lecture on the "Significance of Yoga in overall health" was delivered by Dr. T. Rajaiah, Yoga Consultant, EFLU, Hyderabad. An Essay Writing competition was organized for the students, research scholars & staff, were given away prizes on that occasion.

EXTENSION PROGRAM

As a part of outreach program, **Dr. P. Jharna**, Project Asst. Professor and **Ms. A. Naga Jyothi** – Project Teaching Asst. (MYAS – NIN, Department of Sports Science) participated in the 8th International Yoga Day organized by Government High School, Rajendra Nagar, R.R District on 16th June to address the school students in order to sensitize them on the importance of balanced diet and daily exercise for their physical and mental well being. The talk emphasized on balanced diet, to avoid junk food, to practice yoga and exercise, to prevent lifestyle diseases and for maintaining physical fitness.



STAFF NEWS

Retirement

We bid farewell to the following staff on the attainment of superannuation.



Mr. B. NarayanaTechnical Officer C



Mrs. B. V. Nancharamma Senior Technician 3



Mr. J. BhujenderLab Assistant 1



Mr. D. Dasaratha
Lab Assistant 1



Mr. M. Krishna Lab Assistant 1 (ES)