

TEC-IVRI Pune organised a Training Programme on *Fracture Management by External Skeletal Fixation Techniques* from 22nd to 25th January 2019

The Training and Education Centre, IVRI, Pune has conducted a four day training programme on 'Fracture Management by External Skeletal Fixation Techniques' during 22nd to 25th January 2019, in collaboration with the District Veterinary Polyclinic, Department of Animal Husbandry, Aundh, Pune (MH). Nineteen veterinary officers of the Department of Animal Husbandry, Maharashtra State attended the training programme.

The chief guest of the inaugural function of the training was Dr DD Parkale, Additional Commissioner, Department of Animal Husbandry, Maharashtra State. Dr KN Bhilegaonkar welcomed the Chief Guest and the participants of the training programme, and briefed about the objectives of the course. Dr DD Parkale spoke on the need for specialized training programmes for the practicing veterinarians to keep abreast with latest developments and expressed satisfaction on the participants for showing interest in attending the course. Dr HP Aithal proposed vote of thanks. Others present on the occasion were Dr SK Das and Dr HP Aithal, Principal Scientists, and D Bhaskara Rao (TO) from TEC Pune; Dr Rohit Kumar, Scientist, Division of Surgery, IVRI, Izatnagar; and Dr Anil Deshpande, Asst. Commissioner AH, District Veterinary Polyclinic.

The training included lectures, demonstrations and hands-on trainings on different external fracture fixation techniques such as fibre glass cast fixation, linear and circular external fixation techniques and epoxy-pin fixation; apart from anaesthetic management of fracture cases, and lectures on structure and development of bone, biology of fracture healing and principles of external skeletal fixation. The faculty included Dr HP Aithal, Principal Scientist from TEC-IVRI Pune; Dr Rohit Kumar, Scientist, Division of Surgery, IVRI, Izatnagar; Dr RV Suryawanshi, Assistant Professor, KNP College of Veterinary Sciences, Shirwal; and Dr SM Shete, Livestock Development Officer, Department of Animal Husbandry (MH).

The chief guest during the valedictory function was Hon. Commissioner of Animal Husbandry, Maharashtra State Shri Kantila Umap. Others present on the occasion were Dr DD Parkale, Additional Commissioner of AH; Dr SS Rautmare, Joint Commissioner, IAH&VB; and Dr MN Athawale, Regional Joint Commissioner. Dr KN Bhilegaonkar welcomed the guests and briefed about the conduct of the training programme. Dr Athawale hoped that the trainees have made full use of the training in learning different fracture fixation techniques. Dr Parkale stressed on the need for conduction of more specialized training programmes. The chief guest distributed certificates to the participants, and hoped that the knowledge and confidence gained by the trainees would help treating day to day clinical cases. He also hoped that more such programmes would be conducted in the future for the benefit of more number of practicing veterinarians. Many trainees expressed their views on the training programme, and they expressed satisfaction and thanked TEC IVRI Pune for providing an opportunity to learn advanced fracture fixation techniques and informed that they have gained confidence to treat fracture cases. Dr SK Das, Principal Scientist compered the proceedings.



Dr KN Bhilegaonkar welcoming the guests and participants during the inaugural function



Dr DD Parkale, Chief Guest addressing the participants during the inaugural function



Dr Rohit Kumar, giving lecture on anaesthetic management of fracture cases



Dr RV Suryawanshi giving lecture on External Skeletal Fixation techniques for small animals



Demonstration of fibreglass cast application



Demonstration of CEF application



Hands-on training on epoxy-pin fixation



Hands-on training on CEF application



Demonstration of IM pin fixation



Dr KN Bhilegaonkar welcoming the Commissioner of AH for the valedictory function



The Chief Guest, Shri Kantilal Umap, Commissioner of Animal Husbandry, addressing the participants during the valedictory function



One of the participants expressing views on training programme



Distribution of certificate to a participant



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Group photograph of trainees with staff and the Chief Guest