Medicine Division, ICAR–IVRI Celebrates Establishment Day

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The Division of Medicine, ICAR–Indian Veterinary Research Institute (ICAR–IVRI), Izatnagar, Bareilly, celebrated its Establishment Day on 1 September 2026, commemorating the establishment of the Division as a separate entity on 1 September 1993. The Division was formed following the separation of the erstwhile Division of Experimental Medicine and Surgery, marking an important milestone in the history and development of veterinary medicine at ICAR–IVRI.

The celebration was organised with great enthusiasm and participation from faculty members, scientific and supporting staff, and students of the Division. The programme was graced by Dr. S. K. Dwivedi, Former Head, Division of Medicine and Former Director, ICAR–National Research Centre on Equines (ICAR–NRC on Equines), as the Chief Guest. Dr. S. K. Mehndiratta, Joint Director (Academics), ICAR–IVRI, also attended the programme.

The event was attended by distinguished faculty members, including Dr. Vinodh Kumar O. R., Dr. K. Mahendran, Dr. Akilesh Kumar and Dr. R. Raguvaran, along with the scientific and supporting staff and students of the Division. Dr. D. Swarup, Former Head, Division of Medicine and Former Director, ICAR–Central Institute for Research on Goats (ICAR–CIRG), and Dr. S. Dey, Former Head (A), Division of Medicine, also joined the celebration online.

The Establishment Day provided an opportunity to reflect on the rich history, achievements and contributions of the Division of Medicine over the past 33 years. Since its establishment as an independent Division in 1993, the Division has made significant contributions to veterinary education, clinical services, research, diagnosis, treatment and capacity building in the field of veterinary medicine.

The occasion also provided an opportunity to recognise the valuable contributions of former and present faculty members, scientists, technical personnel and supporting staff who have contributed to the growth and development of the Division. The presence and participation of former Heads of the Division added special significance to the celebration and highlighted the continuity of the Division's academic, clinical and research legacy.

Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Guest, Dr. S. K. Dwivedi, shared his experiences and reflections on the evolution of the Division. He emphasised the importance of maintaining excellence in veterinary medicine, research and clinical services. He encouraged students and young professionals to pursue scientific innovation and contribute meaningfully to the advancement of veterinary healthcare.

The participation of former Heads of the Division, including Dr. D. Swarup and Dr. S. Dey, through both physical and online presence, provided an opportunity for interaction between different generations of faculty members and students. Their experiences and reflections served as an important reminder of the strong foundation laid by the pioneers of the Division.

The celebration brought together faculty members, staff and students in a spirit of academic camaraderie and institutional pride. The occasion not only commemorated the establishment of the Division in 1993 but also celebrated its journey of 33 years of dedicated service to veterinary education, research and clinical care.

The programme concluded with a renewed commitment to further strengthen teaching, research, clinical services, innovation and capacity building in veterinary medicine and to carry forward the rich legacy of the Division for the benefit of the veterinary profession and animal health.

The Establishment Day celebration was a memorable occasion to honour the past, celebrate the achievements of the present and reaffirm the Division of Medicine's commitment to shaping the future of veterinary medicine.

Glimpses of the 33rd Foundation Day Celebration of the Division of Medicine