

Faculty of Veterinary Sciences & A.H, SKUAST-J, celebrates World Zoonoses Day 2023



Dr. B.N Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, SKUAST-Jammu inaugurated the World Zoonoses Day, 2023 as the Chief Guest at Faculty of Veterinary Sciences & A.H, R S Pura in the presence of Brig. J.S. Dharmadheeran, CEO, Brook India as guest of honour, and Dr. M.S. Bhadwal, Dean, Faculty of Veterinary Sciences & Animal Husbandry. In his address, he informed the gathering that World Zoonosis Day is observed on July 6th every year to raise awareness about zoonotic diseases and their impact on human and animal health. He further said that the primary goal of World Zoonosis Day is to educate people about the risks associated with zoonotic diseases and promote measures to prevent their spread. It aims to highlight the importance of collaboration between human and animal health sectors, as well as environmental agencies, in addressing zoonotic threats. Zoonotic diseases can have significant public health implications, causing illness, death, and economic losses. Many of these diseases originate in animals and can be transmitted to humans through various means, including direct contact, consumption of contaminated food or water, or exposure to vectors like mosquitoes and ticks.

Brig. (Dr.) J.S. Dharamadheeran, CEO, Brooke India, emphasized on the theme for the celebration of this year's World Zoonoses Day, "One World, One Health: Prevent Zoonoses, Stop the Spread". He said that this day plays a vital role in safeguarding public health and fostering a One Health approach, which recognizes the interconnectedness of human, animal, and environmental health by promoting awareness and knowledge about zoonotic diseases.

Dr. M.A. Malik, Prof. & Head, Division of Veterinary Public Health & Epidemiology, presented thematic talk on the topic 'Zoonoses: An overview'.

Dr. Rajesh Katoch, DSW, SKUAST-J, Dr. J.S. Soodan, Dean, Faculty of Dairy Technology, all HoD's, Faculty members and students of F.V.Sc & A.H attended the celebration of World Zoonoses Day. Dr. H.K Sharma, Prof. Division of Veterinary Public Health & Epidemiology, conducted the proceeding and extended the vote of thanks.

