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Scientific Sessions of SLVA

The 72nd Annual Scientific Sessions/ International Veterinary Conference of SLVA was held as a Webinar on 3rd and 5th July 2020. It was conducted as a Live Zoom video presentation in which the members joined online. It was broadcasted live enabling participants to interact with the presenter at the same time. The presentations were made from the Auditorium of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science, University of Peradeniya.

More than 70 abstracts were received this year and the scientific committee had to select limited number of abstracts after series of meetings.

3rd July

The Annual Scientific sessions was ceremonially launched following the national anthem, lighting the traditional oil lamp and welcome address. The Keynote speech was delivered by Dr. Diwakar Vyas, Assistant Professor, Department of Animal Sciences in University of Florida by joining live from USA.

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72nd Executive Committee



Executive meetings of SLVA

12th July 2020

The 9th Executive Committee meeting was held on 12th July 2020 as a Zoom video conference.

28th August 2020

The 10th Executive Committee meeting was held on 28th August 2020 at E-Library of Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science, University of Peradeniya.

01st October 2020

The 11th Executive Committee meeting was held on 01st October 2020 at OPA, Colombo 7.

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The Clinical, Public Health and Wildlife & Zoo sessions were conducted on 3rd July. Each session was started with a theme seminar conducted by an invited guest speaker.

Clinical session theme seminar – Prof. Masahiro Okumara, Professor in Veterinary Surgery, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Hokkaido University Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan.

Public Health theme seminar – Dr. Nalinika Obeysekera, Co-Founder & Director, Pet Vet Clinic, Colombo 5.

Wildlife & Zoo theme seminar – Dr. B.A.D.S. Jayawardana, Wildlife Veterinarian, Department of Wildlife Conservation, Sri Lanka

5th July

Animal Health, Animal Production and Poster sessions of Annual Scientific sessions were conducted on 5th July 2020. It was launched online live via Zoom platform and the members joined online to witness the proceedings. The keynote speech for the 2nd day was conducted by Dr. Athula Mahagama, In-country Representative for US Soybean Export Council followed by theme seminars for each session respectively.

Animal Health theme seminar – Dr. Marcelo Paniago, Director of Veterinary Services, CEVA Animal Health Asia, Malaysia.

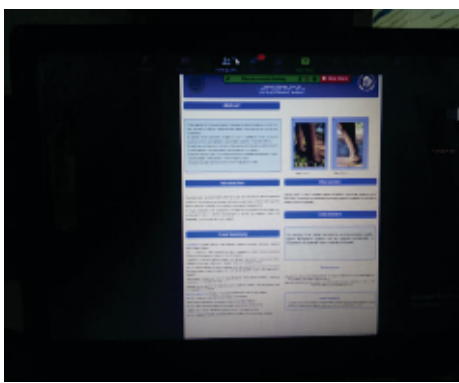
Animal Production theme seminar – Dr. Nico Vreeburg, Consultant/Cow Signals Trainer, Vetvice, Netherlands.

The Poster session consisted of two main categories namely Research and Clinical. The digital posters were displayed online and the corresponding author was available online to answer the questions raised by judges or the online participants.

The annual scientific session was concluded successfully as the first ever digital webinar experience of the history in SLVA. The US Soybean Export Council (USSEC) and Super Feed (Pvt) Ltd were silver sponsors of this year's scientific sessions.



Scientific Sessions of SLVA



Proceedings of
72nd ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS
3rd and 5th July 2020

Webinar

at; Main Auditorium
Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Sciences
University of Peradeniya.

Sri Lanka Veterinary Association

Preventing the next pandemic: One Health Approach

Pre Conference Seminar on 'Preventing the next pandemic: One Health Approach" a collaborative effort

The above conference was held as a Webinar on 20th July 2020 by the SLVA in Collaboration with the Sri Lanka Medical Association (SLMA)

The Following Resource personnel from overseas organizations and from Sri Lanka took part in the conference.

- Prof. Malik Piris-Chair Professor, Department o Microbiology,Faculty of Medicine, University of Hongkong
- Prof. B.M.A.Oswin Perera,Visiting Professor, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine & Animal Science, University of Peradeiya
- Prof. Michael Wilkes, Professor of Medicine and Global Health
Director Global Health, School of Medicine, University of California, Davis
- Prof. N. P. Sunil Chandra,Senior Professor and Chair, Medical Microbiology University of Kelaniya

133rd International Medical Congress of Sri Lanka Medical Association -
Pre Congress Workshop

Preventing The Next Pandemic: One Health Approach

20th July 2020
10am - 12noon

Registration link -
<https://slma.lk/onehealth>



Speakers

 <p>Dr. (Mrs.) R. Hettiarachchi Director General Dept. of Animal Production and Health</p>	 <p>Dr. Sudath Samaraweera Chief Epidemiologist at Director General of Health Services</p>
 <p>Prof. Malik Peiris Chair Professor Department of Microbiology, Faculty of medicine University of Hong Kong</p>	 <p>Dr. B.M.A. Oswin Perera Visiting Professor, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science, University of Peradeniya</p>
 <p>Sr. Prof. N.P. Sunil Chandra Senior Professor & Chair of Medical Microbiology University of Kelaniya</p>	 <p>Dr. Tikiri P. Wijayathilaka AMR Technical Officer World Organization for Animal Health Sub-Regional Representation for South East Asia, Thailand</p>
 <p>Dr. Ravi Bandara Dissanayake Veterinary epidemiologist Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Rome</p>	 <p>Dr. Dilan Amila Satharasinghe Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science, University of Peradeniya</p>

Moderators

 <p>Prof. Indika Karunathilake President Sri Lanka Medical Association</p>	 <p>Dr. D.D.N. de Silva President Sri Lanka Veterinary Association</p>
 <p>Senior Prof. Saroj Jayasinghe Senior Professor and Chair of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo.</p>	 <p>Dr. Tharanga Thoradeniya Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo Assistant Secretary, SLVA</p>

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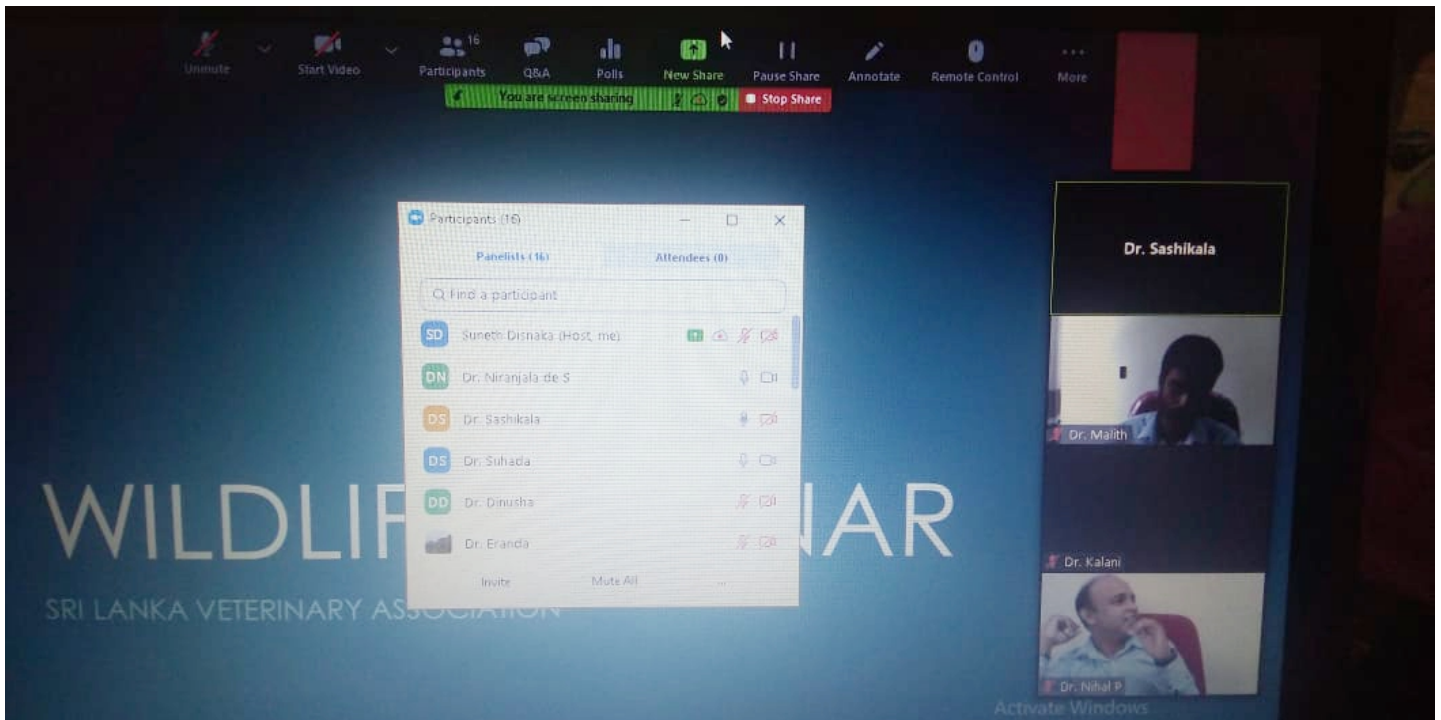
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The Moderators were Dr. D.D. Niranjala de Silva/ President SLVA, Senior Professor. Saroj Jayasinghe, University of Colombo and Dr. Tharanga Thoradeniya, Senior Lecturer, University of Colombo.

Dr. Ranjani Hettiarachchi, DG/DAPH and Dr. Sudath Samaraweera, Chief Epidemiologist, actg DG/Health Services also graced the Occasion The Proceedings were uploaded on to Youtube and will be available in printed form.

Webinar for Wildlife and Zoo Veterinarians-21st July 2020

A discussion platform via Zoom for wildlife veterinarians was conducted by Sri Lanka Veterinary Association. There were numbers of burning issues related to sensitive incidences reported in the country during the recent past. Death of few black leopards due to snaring by people, and several other wildlife related issues were hot topics in media. The wildlife veterinarians were carrying out their duties with the limited human and other resources therefore, SLVA decided to gather them on to a digital platform since physical meetings were not allowed under the prevailing situation. It was a very productive session in which all the wildlife veterinarians, few zoo veterinarians and several wildlife experts exchanged their experiences and necessary improvements in the sector for a better service in future. The need for written protocols was emphasized during the discussion and the SLVA expressed its willingness to help formulating them in due course.



NOTICES

Become a member of SLVA

The 72nd Executive committee could gather more members to the association during the period of last one year and presently there are total of 1204 members in the association (life members - 298 and ordinary members - 906)

We invite veterinary surgeons specially the newly graduated veterinarians to obtain the SLVA membership and become a member of this prestigious organization which serves the veterinary profession since 1940 in Sri Lanka. More details and application forms are available in the website (www.slva.org).

A Life membership card will be provided to all the life members. Ordinary members can upgrade their membership as a life member by paying the life membership fee and submitting the application via email (secretary@slva.org) or post. For more details visit our website.

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Life Membership
Rs. 18,000

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Rs. 1,200 per year

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Ordinary membership fee - Rs. 1,200 per year
Life membership fee - Rs. 18,000

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Dr. Dhanapala Research Fund

Dr. Dhanapala Research Fund is available for supporting field veterinarians those who are interested in research studies in field level on livestock and related areas. The SLVA provides finance through this fund for their logistics expenses in field studies. Interested veterinarians can submit their application letters along with a short research proposal on the selected study. One or few proposals will be selected for funding at a time. The abstract of the research should be presented at the Annual Scientific Sessions of SLVA. For more details, please contact the Secretary SLVA.



The advertisement features a central graphic with the word 'RESEARCH' in large, bold letters. Surrounding it are various icons and text: 'Data', 'WWW', 'Field', and 'Center'. Below the graphic, a blue banner reads 'Dr. Dhanapala Research Fund is available supporting field Veterinarians'. Underneath, the text 'Apply Now' is written in a large, red, bold font. At the bottom, it says 'Contact: Secretary SLVA for more information' and 'Dr. Disnaka (0773782138)'.

Sri Lanka Veterinary Journal (SLVJ)

The volume 66 (2) of Sri Lanka Veterinary Journal (SLVJ) will be released soon.



SLVJ is the biannual peer reviewed official journal of Sri Lanka Veterinary Association. It covers original research papers, review articles and clinical communications on a wide range of veterinary topics. SLVJ is inviting papers to be considered for publishing at next volume. For more details contact the Editorial Secretary, Dr. Samanthika Jagoda (0773481480). www.slva.org/slvj

Internet Payment Gateway (IPG)

SLVA introduced an online payment gateway through the official website recently.

Any payments such as membership fees, donations, sponsorship payments...etc can be made through this new channel easily and securely. An automated email confirmation will be received by the payee instantly and a copy will be sent to the Secretary of SLVA.



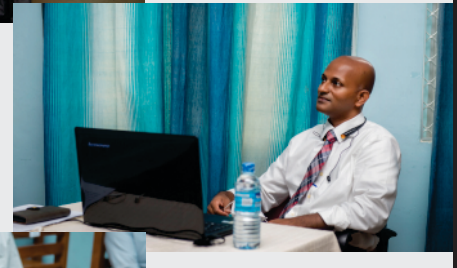
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The 72nd Annual General Meeting of SLVA

The 72nd Annual General Meeting of the SLVA was postponed considering the Covid 19 outbreak situation in the country at present. According to the regulations imposed by the health authorities, conducting gatherings are not allowed. Therefore, the Executive committee was compelled to make a decision to postpone the event temporarily until the situation becomes normal. The date and venue for the AGM will be noticed in future.



Photos during Annual Scientific Sessions 2020



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