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Fish Seed Production: A Cornerstone for Inland Fisheries Development in Maharashtra

Maharashtra is endowed with extensive inland water resources that can drive rural prosperity through aquaculture. The state's 1,32,743 water bodies, including irrigation reservoirs, Zilla Parishad tanks and farm ponds, together cover more than 4.0 lakh ha, offering immense scope for inland fisheries development. Despite this natural advantage, Maharashtra's inland fish production in 2024-25 was only 2.70 lakh tonnes, well below its potential. Strengthening fish seed production and distribution systems has therefore emerged as a strategic priority for enhancing aquaculture productivity, farmer income and nutritional security across the state.

Fish seed - spawn, fry and fingerlings forms the backbone of inland fisheries development. Based on stocking requirements for major cultured species such as Catla, Rohu, Mrigal, Common Carp, Tilapia and Pangasius, Maharashtra requires nearly 92.17 crore fingerlings and about 553 crore spawn annually. Current production remains considerably below this requirement, leaving a substantial gap that compels farmers and hatchery operators to depend on seed sourced from other states, increasing costs and often affecting seed quality and survival. Recognizing this strategic need, Maharashtra Animal and Fishery Sciences University is actively advancing fish seed production through scientific research, skill development and field-based extension initiatives across the state.

Maharashtra already possesses a strong fish seed infrastructure base with 32 fish seed production centres and 32 fish seed rearing centres, offering substantial scope for expanding quality seed availability through modernization and scientific management. Further strengthening this ecosystem, the Fish Seed Production Centre, Morshi (Dist. Amravati), now under Maharashtra Animal and Fishery Sciences University, is expected to emerge as an important hub for quality seed production, broodstock development and farmer training, particularly benefiting the aquaculture potential of Western Vidarbha. Flagship initiatives such as Pradhan Mantri Matsya Kisan Samridhi Sah-Yojana are further creating an enabling ecosystem for fisheries infrastructure development and entrepreneurship-led growth in the state.

Scientific broodstock management, induced breeding, nursery rearing and fish health management are central to scaling up seed production sustainably. Beyond technical interventions, College of Fishery Science Nagpur, as a Cluster Based Business Organization (CBBO) registered under National Co-operative Development Corporation (NCDC), is actively promoting Fish Farmer Producer



Organizations (FFPOs), including Kalpataru Fish Farmers Producer Organization at Saoner, Dist. Nagpur through targeted capacity-building programmes on fish processing, value addition, fish seed rearing, nursery management and diversified aquaculture practices.

A notable intervention has also been undertaken by MAFSU in Gadchiroli district through an aquaculture project implemented in collaboration with the Science and Technology Resource Centre Gondwana University, with technical support from College of Fishery Science Nagpur. Under this initiative, five FRP Portable Carp Hatcheries were established at Dhamadi Tola (Tal. Kurkheda), Jamnara, Vivekanandpur, Shriniwasapur and

Chamorshi, creating decentralized seed production infrastructure in tribal and rural areas. Through training and on-farm demonstrations on induced breeding of Indian Major Carps, hatchery operators were equipped with practical technical skills. During 2024-25, these hatcheries achieved production of 445 lakh Indian Major Carp spawn, from which 13 lakh fingerlings were reared and distributed to 238 fish farmers, demonstrating how scientific intervention can translate into measurable grassroots impact. These hatcheries are expected to play an increasingly important role in the production of Indian Major Carps and Common Carp in the years ahead. Such farmer-centric training, demonstration and extension initiatives are strengthening entrepreneurship, market linkages and sustainable livelihood opportunities in the fisheries sector, particularly in rural and tribal regions.

The future of Maharashtra's inland fisheries lies in strengthening localized seed production systems, improving broodstock quality, modernizing hatcheries and developing skilled human resources. Establishing seed-rearing clusters near reservoirs and perennial water bodies can ensure timely seed availability, reduce transport mortality and improve farmer access to quality seed. Simultaneously, promoting entrepreneurship, youth participation and farmer-led hatchery enterprises can create sustainable livelihood opportunities in rural areas.

Fish seed is the foundation upon which inland fisheries prosperity is built. By investing in science-driven seed production, community-level infrastructure and capacity building, Maharashtra can bridge its current deficit and unlock the immense productive potential of its inland waters. In this transformative journey, MAFSU's continued commitment to research, education and field extension will remain central to building a stronger, self-reliant and sustainable Blue Economy for Maharashtra.

Dr. Niteen Patil
Vice-Chancellor

Experiential Learning Unit at the Students' Training Dairy Plant : Shaping the Future of India's Dairy Industry

India proudly holds the top position in global milk production, with an impressive annual growth rate of 3.58%. The country's total milk production reached 247.87 million metric tons in 2024-25. To sustain this growth, there is an increasing demand for milk processing plants, skilled workforce and entrepreneurial ventures that drive the Indian dairy industry's economic balance. Recognizing this need, College of Dairy Technology, Warud (Pusad) District Yavatmal has gone beyond the conventional education model. While many institutions focus solely on placements, we provide hands-on training to final-year B.Tech (Dairy Technology) students through well-structured experiential learning programs.

To support these initiatives, the college has established two state-of-the-art experiential Learning Units with financial assistance from ICAR, New Delhi viz. Experiential Learning Unit on Milk Processing & Production Facilities for Traditional Indian Dairy Products during 2009-10 and Ice-Cream Production Unit with Logistics & Transportation Facilities during 2018-19.

Earn-While-You-Learn: A Unique Approach to Dairy Training

The college takes experiential learning a step further by enabling students to earn while they learn. The final-year students undergo sectional training in groups, covering key areas such as, milk procurement, quality control, production of milk-based value-added products and sales and marketing. These hands-on activities develop students' decision-making, teamwork and leadership skills. This training is conducted under the Rural Entrepreneurship Awareness Development Yojana (READY-II, and Hands-on Training) program equipping students with real-world business skills.

Innovation & Entrepreneurship: Driving the Future

With a focus on hygienic and scientific production, students are trained to manufacture traditional Indian dairy products, including Khoa, Basundi, Pedha, Chocolate Burfi, Mango Burfi, Santra Burfi, Dahi, Lassi, Paneer, Shrikhand, Ghee, Ice-Cream, and Candies. These products are developed using modern technologies pioneered by the college, ensuring high-quality production under HACCP registration. This guarantees product trust, quality, and purity, further boosting consumer confidence in student-made dairy products.





READY Program : A Pathway to Financial & Entrepreneurial Success

Under the ICAR guidelines, as per the IV Deans' report, students receive 75% of the profit earned, while as per the V Deans' report, students receive 50% of the profit earned from sales as a motivational incentive. This initiative not only provides students with financial independence but also instills the confidence to launch their own dairy enterprises upon graduation.

Training for Rural Entrepreneurs & Industry Collaboration

Our institution is committed to fostering entrepreneurship development among students, dairy farmers, and Self-Help Groups (SHGs). We organize specialized training sessions throughout the year, focusing on rural entrepreneurship and business incubation. Additionally, our success stories and innovative approaches have been featured on the ICAR web portal, highlighting our role in developing technologies and products that support dairy farmers in increasing their income.

Dairy Business Incubation Facility : Supporting Budding Entrepreneurs

The college has launched an Incubation Facility to mentor aspiring entrepreneurs in mechanized and scientific dairy production. Under this initiative, participants receive training in Production & quality control, Packaging & branding, Marketing & sales strategies and technical support for business proposal development

Conclusion : With our strong commitment to experiential learning, entrepreneurship development, and industry collaboration, our Students' Training Dairy Plant is shaping the future leaders of India's dairy industry. Through hands-on experience and real-world business exposure, we are empowering students to become successful entrepreneurs and industry professionals, ensuring the continued growth and sustainability of India's dairy sector.

Dr. Prashant Wasnik
DEAN
DAIRY TECHNOLOGY
MAFSU, NAGPUR.



TRAININGS

TRAINING ORGANIZED ON 'COMMERCIAL POULTRY FARMING' AT PRTC, NVC NAGPUR

The Department of Poultry Science, Nagpur Veterinary College, organized five - days training programmes on 'Commercial Poultry Farming' from 21st to 25th July 2025 and 15th to 19th September 2025, benefitting a total of 81 farmers and unemployed youth across Maharashtra. Both programmes were coordinated by Dr. Darshana B. Bhaire, Assistant Professor under the guidance of Dr. M. M. Kadam, Head of the Department. Valedictory sessions were presided over by Dr. Jayant P. Korde, Associate Dean, NVC, Nagpur.



Expert delivering lecture during the training

INTERNATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMME ON 'SMALL ANIMAL FLEXIBLE AND RIGID ENDOSCOPY' AT MVC, MUMBAI

A comprehensive 3 days hands-on International Training Programme on 'Small Animal Flexible and Rigid Endoscopy and Laparoscopy' was organized from 23rd - 25th July 2025 by the department of Veterinary Surgery and



Live Demonstration of Endoscopy

Radiology, Mumbai Veterinary College providing participants with practical exposure and foundational skills in minimally invasive diagnostic and surgical techniques. The dignitaries included Dr. Paul Reyes - a renowned international speaker from United Kingdom, Dr. G. S. Khandekar - Organising secretary and lead speaker, Dr. S. A. Chauhan - lead speaker, Dr. S. D. Tripathi - lead speaker, Dr. G. G. Khandekar - lead speaker and Dr. S. V. Gaikwad as the course director.

TRAINING AND AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON 'SUSTAINABLE GOAT FARMING THROUGH NUTRITIONAL MANAGEMENT' AT COVAS, UDGIR

One day farmers training and awareness programme was organized on 'Sustainable goat farming through Nutritional management' under the SC-SP project on 'Empowering SC Farmer Livelihoods through Scientific Goat Farming' on 27th July 2025 at COVAS, Udgir. Dr. N. Z. Gaikwad, Associate Dean presided over the inauguration programme and Dr. S. B. Barbudde, Director of National Meat Research Institute, Hyderabad, Dr. A. U. Bhikane, Ex. Director of Extension, MAFSU, Nagpur, Dr. A. A. Devangare, Professor, COVAS, Udgir and Dr. Yogesh Gadekar, Senior Scientist were present as Guest of Honour. Dr. P. V. Patil, Project and Training Co-ordinator and team took efforts for the successful organization of the programme. Total 150 farmers actively participated in this training from Latur district.



Dr. S. B. Barbudde guiding the participants

TRAINING ON 'CARP SEED PRODUCTION' AT COFS, NAGPUR

A training programme on 'Carp Seed Production' was organized at the Fish Seed Production Centre of the College of Fishery Science, Nagpur from 30th July to 1st August 2025. A total of 20 trainees from various districts of

Maharashtra actively participated in the training. The inaugural function was graced by Dr. Nitin Kurkure, Director of Research & Director of Extension Education, MAFSU, Nagpur. Experts from college provided theoretical guidance and practical demonstrations on various aspects of scientific fish culture. The program was coordinated by Mr. Arvind Kulkarni, along with Dr. Satyajit Belsare and Mr. Shamkant Shelke from the Department of Aquaculture under the guidance of Dr. Prashant Telvekar, Associate Dean, College of Fishery Science, Nagpur.



Dr. P. A. Telvekar, Associate Dean distributing certificates to the participants

TRAINING PROGRAMS ON 'ESTABLISHMENT OF MULTIPURPOSE ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION TECHNICIANS IN RURAL INDIA (MAITRI)'

Department of Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology, Nagpur Veterinary College, Nagpur organized MAITRI training from 6th August 2025 to 4th September 2025. Dr. J. P. Korde, Associate Dean, Nagpur Veterinary college, Nagpur inaugurated the training programme in the presence of Shri. Sunil Gawande, University Librarian, Dr. D. S. Raghuvanshi, Project Coordinator and Head, Department of ARGO along with Training Coordinators Dr. Alka Sawarkar and Training Co-Coordinators Dr. R.P. Limsay, Dr. Wakar Khan, Dr. Sonal Dubey, Dr. Swati Umap and Dr. Vivek Borekar.



Distribution of training kit to the participants

TRAINING ON 'MILK COLLECTION AND MILK BY-PRODUCTS PRODUCTION' AT KNPCVS, SHIRWAL

Department of Livestock Production Technology, KNPCVS, Shirwal organized three days training on 'Milk and Preparation of Milk by-products' during 19th-21st August, 2025. A total of 17 Participants participated in the training programme. The training was inaugurated by Dr. V. S. Waskar, Associate Dean, KNPCVS, Shirwal. Dr. B. R. Kadam, Professor of LPT was coordinator whereas Dr. D. T. Sakunde, Professor of LPT was co-cordinator of the training. Different lectures were delivered and demonstrations on collection of milk and production of various value added milk products were conducted in the training.

INTERNATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMME ON 'SMALL ANIMAL OPHTHALMOLOGY' AT MVC, MUMBAI

The Department of Surgery and Radiology, successfully Completed a three-day International Training Programme on 'Small Animal Ophthalmology' from 3rd to 5th September 2025. Dr. D. B. Patil, Ex. Director of Research and Dean PG studies, Kamdhenu University, Gandhinagar, Gujarat was the Chief Guest of the Inaugural function. The event was graced by the Guest of Honours, Dr. Madhura Kulkarni, Founder Director Vet 7 ophthamo and lead speaker for the training Programme, Dr. S. S. Bhatti, Ms. Neha Shah, Director Hemant Surgicals, Dr. S. K. Gupta, Ex. Dean and Prof. of Parasitology, LUVAS, Hissar. Dr. Tamir Spiegel, Founder Director Vision Vet United Kingdom was the international faculty for the training programme. A total of 11 participants from Punjab, Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra participated in this training



Live Demonstration of Cataract Surgery during the training programme

program. Dr. G. S. Khandekar, Professor and Head, VSR was the organizing secretary and Dr. S. D. Tripathi, Associate Professor, VSR was the course Director for this programme.

TRAINING ON 'BACKYARD POULTRY FARMING' AT KNPCVS, SHIRWAL

KNP College of Veterinary Science, Shirwal, Dist Satara organized training on 'Backyard Poultry Farming' for the 25 women of the self-help group of village Shivajinagar, Dist. Satara on 15th September, 2025. Dr. A. S. Kadam and Dr. V. D. Lonkar, Department of Poultry Science, provided detailed information on backyard poultry farming management. The training was concluded by the distribution of chicks and poultry material at the hands of Dr. V. S. Waskar, Associate Dean, KNPCVS, Shirwal.



Distribution of poultry farm equipments to the participants

THREE DAYS' TRAINING ON 'MODERN PIG FARMING' AT KNPCVS, SHIRWAL

A three-day residential training on 'Modern Pig Farming' was successfully organized at Krantisinh Nana Patil College of Veterinary Science, Shirwal, from 17th to 19th September 2025. A total of 59 pig farmers and entrepreneurs from 14 districts of Maharashtra and Belgaum district of Karnataka participated in this program. Experts from various departments of the college as well as external mentors Dr. Avinash Dev, BAIF Foundation; Dr. M. Sai Prasad, Hyderabad; Dr. Hemant Birade, Former Associate Dean; Dr. Nitin Magar, DCAH, Satara; Dr. Deepak Autade and Dr. Amol Aher, officers from Animal Husbandry Commissionerate, Pune provided valuable guidance on various topics related to the current status

and future opportunities in the boar rearing sector. The coordinator of the training program, Dr. Gokul Sonawane and Deputy Director of Research, Dr. Vishwas Salunke, organized the training programme under the guidance of Dr. V. S. Waskar, Associate Dean of the college.



Participants of Modern Pig Farming training

TRAININGS ORGANIZED BY WRTC, GOREWADA

Eight training sessions were conducted by WRTC, Gorewada during July and September 2025 for forest guards from different academies. The training covered various topics including first aid, hand-rearing of orphan cubs, and transportation. The event co-ordinator for the following training programmes was Dr. S.V. Upadhye, Director, WRTC, Gorewada.

1. Wildlife Management for forest guards of Forest Academy, Chikaldara on 05th July 2025 with 91 participants.
2. Advances in Veterinary Care & Wildlife Forensics for Officers of the Forest Department in collaboration with Chandrama Academy, Chandrapur on 17th July 2025 with 27 participants.
3. Training for Forest Guards, involving a batch of Trainee Forest Guards from Kundal Forest Academy, Sangli on 21st July 2025 with 48 participants.
4. Training for Forest Guards, involving another batch of Trainee Forest Guards from Kundal Forest Academy, Sangli on 24th July 2025 with 47 participants.
5. Training for Forest Guards, involving yet another batch of Trainee Forest Guards from Kundal Forest Academy, Sangli on 26th July 2025 with 46 participants.
6. Training for newly appointed forest guards of Forest Academy, Pal on 09th August 2025 with 50 participants.
7. Training of Forest Guards, where a batch

of forest guards participated in a 6-month training program at Chandrama Forest Academy on 31st August 2025 with 102 participants. 8. Training of Forest Guards at the forest training institute, Chilkdharma on 12th September 2025 with 42 participants.



WORKSHOPS/ CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS

VICE-CHANCELLORS' CONCLAVE ON VETERINARY EDUCATION ECOSYSTEM

The Directorate of Research, MAFSU, Nagpur, in collaboration with Poultry India, IPEMA, and Huvepharma, organized a one-day Vice-Chancellors' Conclave on "Dynamics of Veterinary Education Ecosystem to Meet Animal Husbandry Industrial Needs in the Country" on 7th July 2025 at Lonavala, Pune. The conclave brought together Vice-Chancellors of Veterinary Universities, Directors of ICAR research institutes, industry leaders, and regulatory officials including Dr. Sandip Ingle, Vice-President, Veterinary Council of India, and Dr. R. G. Bambal, Joint Commissioner, Department of Animal Husbandry. The inaugural address was delivered by Dr. Niteen V. Patil, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, MAFSU, who emphasized the need to realign veterinary education with industry demands, while Dr. N. V. Kurkure, Director of Research, MAFSU, highlighted the role of academia – industry partnerships in fostering innovation and skill development. The conclave concluded with a strong call for curriculum reforms to prepare an industry-ready veterinary workforce.



Dr. Niteen V. Patil, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, MAFSU, along with other dignitaries

WORKSHOP ON 'INDUCED BREEDING OF CARPS' AT COFS, NAGPUR

On the occasion of National Fish Farmers' Day-10th July, the Department of Aquaculture, College of Fishery Science, Nagpur, organized a workshop on 'Induced Breeding of Carps' for the fish farmers of the region. The function was graced by Hon'ble Dr. Niteen Patil, Vice Chancellor, MAFSU, Nagpur along with Dr. S. V. Upadhye, Director of Instructions & Dean (Vety. Sci.), Dr. N. V. Kurkure, Director of Research, and Shri Shubham Komarewar, Assistant Commissioner of Fisheries, State Fisheries Department, Nagpur. The program began with a symbolic hormonal injection to brood fishes, followed by interactive sessions with fishermen cooperative societies on modern aquaculture practices. Dr. S. S. Belsare, Dr. S. T. Shelke, and Mr. Arvind Kulkarni conducted practical demonstrations for farmers. Dr. Prashant Telvekar, Associate Dean, COFS, Nagpur provided necessary guidance to the organizers.



Beginning of the programme with a symbolic hormonal injection to brood fishes by Dr. N. V. Patil, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor

WORKSHOP ON 'CAGE FISH CULTURE' AT COFS, NAGPUR

Workshop on 'Cage Fish Culture' for SC beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Matysa Sampda Yojana, Government of India was organized by the College of Fishery Science, Nagpur in collaboration with State Fisheries Department, Nagpur on 1st September 2025. Total 50 beneficiaries of the scheme participated in this workshop. Dr. P. A. Telvekar, Associate Dean, COFS, Nagpur guided fish farmers on scientific cage fish culture. Mr. Shubham Komarewar, Assistant Commissioner of

Fisheries, Nagpur elaborated the fish harvesting from the cages and fish marketing to the farmers.



Dr. P. A. Telvekar guiding the fish farmers on scientific Cage Fish Culture

WORKSHOP ON 'LAPAROSCOPIC SKILL LAB TRAINING' AT NVC, NAGPUR

The Veterinary Clinical Complex (VCC), Nagpur Veterinary College, Nagpur organized a one-day training workshop in collaboration with Johnson & Johnson Institute on Wheel (JJIW) on 'Laparoscopic Skill Lab Training' on 3rd September 2025. The workshop was coordinated by Dr. G. A. Fiske, Professor & Hospital Registrar (Surgery), who highlighted the facilities and training models available at VCC. During the sessions, Mr. Sachin, Education Manager & Training In charge from JJIW and Dr. Gauri Fiske demonstrated specialized laparoscopic techniques. A total of 15 faculty members and 25 postgraduate students actively participated in the workshop, gaining valuable exposure to advanced laparoscopic skills and training methods.



Dr. G. A. Fiske demonstrating specialized laparoscopic techniques

WORKSHOP ON 'MICROVASCULAR ANASTOMOSIS IN RAT MODEL'

The Department of Veterinary Surgery and Radiology, Mumbai Veterinary College, in collaboration with JJ Medical College under a formal Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), successfully organized a Hands-on Neurosurgery workshop on 26th September 2025. The workshop was centered on microscopic neurovascular anastomosis utilizing live rat models, thereby offering neurosurgeons a unique opportunity for advanced skill acquisition under controlled experimental conditions. Dr. G. S. Khandekar was the Course Director, while Dr. S. D. Tripathi and Dr. S. V. Gaikwad were the course coordinators. A total of 10 human Neurosurgeons along with the PG scholars of Surgery Department of MVC took part in the workshop.



Participants involved in Hands on Training on Rat model

WORKSHOP ON 'LAPAROSCOPIC GYNECOLOGICAL PROCEDURE: WET LAB WORKSHOP' AT MVC, MUMBAI

Dr. Uddhavraj Dudhedia conducted a Laparoscopic Gynecological Procedure Workshop aimed to target budding gynecologist to learn the minimal invasive procedures. This workshop helped the Veterinary students to learn in depth about laparoscopic techniques. This unique workshop has very well served the mission of One Health by combining veterinary and medical sciences. Dr. G. S. Khandekar was the Course Director, while Dr. S. D. Tripathi and Dr. S. V. Gaikwad were the course coordinators. A total of four human

Gynecologists along with the PG scholars of Surgery Department of MVC took part in the workshop.



Participants engrossed in hands on workshop

BRAINSTORMING SESSION ON LIVESTOCK FARM COMPLEX DESIGNS ORGANIZED AT COVAS, AKOLA

A brainstorming session on the 'Finalization of Layout and Designs of Various Sheds in the Livestock Farm Complex at COVAS, Akola' was conducted in hybrid mode at the COVAS, Akola. The session was chaired by Dr. N. V. Patil, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, MAFSU, Nagpur and featured Dr. A. K. Patel, Former Head, LPM Division, CAZRI, Jodhpur, as the keynote speaker. Proposed farm structure designs were reviewed by experts and university authorities, including Dr. S. V. Upadhye, Dr. N. V. Kurkure, Shri. Arif Shaikh and Dr. C. H. Pawshe. Valuable suggestions were provided for refinement and incorporation into the final designs.



Dr. N. V. Patil, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and other officials during brainstorming session



ANIMAL HEALTH CAMPS

ANIMAL HEALTH CAMP ORGANIZED BY COVAS, PARBHANI UNDER UBA

The College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Parbhani, organized Animal Health Camp in the villages of Zadgaon and Dampuri as part of the Unnat Bharat Abiyan initiative. The camp was conducted with the aim of promoting animal health awareness and providing essential veterinary services to local farmers. Led by experts, Dr. P. R. Suryawanshi and Dr. T. A. Shafi, along with M.V.Sc students. The camp focused on educating villagers about the care, prevention and control of sheep and goat diseases. The team also collected blood sample for surveillance of communicable diseases such as Brucellosis and Listeriosis.



The team collecting blood sample for surveillance of communicable diseases

KNPCVS, SHIRWAL ORGANIZED ANIMAL HEALTH CAMP

Krantisinh Nana Patil College of Veterinary Science, Shirwal and Department of Animal Husbandry, Satara jointly organized animal health camp and seminar on the occasion of 'Preservation and Conservation of Pure Native Cattle Day' on 22nd July, 2025, at Dhagewadi Limb, Dist. Satara. In this camp, a total of 85 native khillar cows from Shri Kisan Jadhav's Gaurishankar Gaurakshan Gaushala were vaccinated against lumpy disease, dewormed and treated. Dr Vishwas Salunkhe and team

along with Animal Husbandry Department officials Dr. Sawant and Dr. Chapane also participated and provided guidance.



Distribution of Spray pump and medicine to the farmers at the hands of Dr. V. S. Waskar, Associate Dean, KNPCVS, Shirwal

AWARENESS CAMP FOR KAIKADI DONKEYS ORGANIZED BY COVAS, AKOLA

On occasion of Pola festival, an awareness camp for SC farmers of Kaikadi Donkeys was held at Akolkhed, Akot and Amboda villages of Akola district on 23rd August, 2025, under ICAR SCSP Project, wherein 20 farmers were benefitted with first aid kits and feed supplements. The event was organized under chairmanship of Dr. C. H. Pawshe, Associate Dean and Coordinated by Dr. P. S. Bankar, PI of Project, COVAS, Akola.



Awareness camp for SC farmers of Kaikadi Donkeys

ANIMAL HEALTH CAMP CONDUCTED AT ADOPTED VILLAGE BY COVAS, AKOLA

COVAS, Akola conducted animal health camp on 24th September 2025 at the adopted village Morgaon (Bhakre) Dist. Akola, wherein total of 83 animals were

treated. Dr. M. V. Ingawale, Dr. R. V. Raulkar and PG students rendered their services as expert in the camp. Camp was coordinated by Dr. M. R. Wade.



Expert examining the animals during camp



EXHIBITIONS

PARTICIPATION IN AGRICULTURE EXHIBITION AT RAMTEK, DIST. NAGPUR

NVC, Nagpur, COFS, Nagpur and KVK, Nagpur participated in Agriculture Exhibition at Ramtek, Dist. Nagpur organized by the District Agriculture Department, Nagpur on 12th September 2025. The informative material on Veterinary, Fisheries and Aquaculture technologies in the form of charts, publications and live models of technologies were displayed in the exhibition stall of the Maharashtra Animal and Fishery Sciences University, Nagpur.



Staff participating in Agriculture Exhibition at Ramtek, Dist. Nagpur



CELEBRATIONS

CELEBRATION OF WORLD ZOO NOSES DAY 2025

Constituent veterinary colleges of MAFSU celebrated World Zoonoses Day on 6th July 2025 with the aim of increasing public awareness about zoonotic diseases.

Department of Veterinary Public Health and Epidemiology, COVAS, Parbhani, under RGSTC Project on One Health organized Zoonoses Awareness workshop entitled "Food Borne Zoonoses : Animal Origin Foods" at College of Food Technology, VNMKV Campus Parbhani. Prof. (Dr.) Indra Mani, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, VNMKV, Parbhani was the Chief Guest and Dr. H. V. Asewar, DI and Dean, VNMKV, Parbhani acted as Guest of Honour of the Programme. A total of 130 students and 20 faculty members attended the workshop. Dr. R. N. Waghamare and Dr. G. M. Chigure co-ordinated the workshop under the guidance of Dr. S. R. Rajurkar, Associate Dean, COVAS Parbhani.

COVAS, Akola celebrated World Zoonoses Day-2025 at Shri Parashuram Naik Vidyalaya, Borgaon (Manju), Dist- Akola. Dr. R. S. Ingole, Professor and Head, Department of Veterinary Pathology delivered lecture and discussed about "Zoonotic Diseases and their prevention" and Dr. P. S. Bankar, Associate Professor, Department of AGB discussed about clean milk production and diseases transmitted through milk and their prevention and control. Total 125 students of



Dr. S. R. Rajurkar, Associate Dean felicitating Prof. (Dr.) Indra Mani, Hon. Vice Chancellor VNMK, Parbhani

10th class and 12th class, teachers and non-teaching staff attended the said programme.



Dr. P. S. Bankar delivering lecture on clean milk production

CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL FISH FARMERS DAY

College of Fishery Science, Udgir celebrated National Fish farmers Day on 10th July 2025. On this occasion, a field visit was organized at Biofloc Unit, Jalkot road, Udgir, Dist. Latur under the guidance of Dr. B. R. Kharatmol, Associate Dean, COFS, Udgir. Technical guidance was provided to the farmers to enhance the fish production in the Biofloc system by the experts of the College.

On occasion of National Fish Farmers' Day, the Department of Aquaculture, College of Fishery Science, Nagpur, organized a one-day workshop on "Induced Breeding of Carps" for the fish farmers of the region.



Staff and students during the field visit

INDIGENOUS CATTLE CONSERVATION DAY CELEBRATION

Indigenous Cattle Conservation Day was celebrated by LFC, Nagpur Veterinary College, Nagpur at Karanja (Ghadge), District Wardha on 22nd July 2025 in

which 65 Gaolao cattle rearers participated. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Suresh Manjare, ACAH, Karanja (Ghadge) and Dr. Jeewan Chahande, Professor and Head, Department of LPM, NVC, Nagpur. The valedictory function was graced by Dr. Nitin Kurkure, Director of Research, MAFSU, Nagpur and Dr. Jayant Korade, Associate Dean, Nagpur Veterinary College, Nagpur. Dr. G. S. Ambhore was the Organizing Secretary.



Release of Information booklet on native cattle breed Gaolao by the hands of dignitaries

CELEBRATION OF INTERNATIONAL TIGER DAY AT WRTC, GOREWADA

On the occasion of International Tiger Day, BTGIZP, Nagpur and WRTC, Nagpur organized a meaningful event that blended wildlife conservation awareness with knowledge sharing on 29th July 2025. As part of the celebration, Dr. Shalini A.S. delivered an insightful lecture on tranquilization techniques to students and animal keepers, emphasizing their importance in wildlife management and rescue operations. In addition, Shri. Darshan Dudhane delivered lecture on International Tiger Day, highlighting the need for tiger conservation and the role of society in protecting this majestic species.



Dr. Shalini A.S. delivering lecture on tranquilization techniques

CELEBRATION OF FOUNDATION DAY OF MUMBAI VETERINARY COLLEGE, MUMBAI

The 140th Foundation Day of Mumbai Veterinary College (BVC) and the 34th Bai Ratan Bai Gharda Oration was celebrated at Mumbai Veterinary College through online as well as offline mode on 02nd August 2025. Dr. Kishore Mahind, an alumnus of college and a renowned practitioner at United Kingdom delivered a very informative oration on "Clinical Veterinary Practice abroad: Opportunities and challenges" Dr. Niteen Patil, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, MAFSU was the Chief Guest and Dr. S. V. Upadhye, Director of Instructions and Dean, Faculty of Veterinary Science presided over the function. More than 250 alumni of MVC participated through offline and online mode in the celebrations. The Citation for the 39th Gharda Oration was handed over to Dr. Kishore Mahind by Dr. S. D. Ingole, Associate Dean.



Dr. N. V. Patil, Hon'ble VC MAFSU addressing the audience through Online Mode

CELEBRATION OF COLLEGE FOUNDATION DAY OF CDT, UDGIR

Foundation Day of CDT, Udgir was celebrated at the campus on 8th August 2025. Demonstration of paneer



Demonstration of paneer preparation at Ghonsi on occasion of College Foundation Day

preparation followed by distribution was carried out among the villagers of Ghonsi. Total 30 villagers, 50 college students and all the staff members attended the event. The program was coordinated by Dr. P. D. Sawale, under the guidance of Dr. M. R. Patil, Associate Dean of the college.

CELEBRATION OF WORLD ELEPHANT DAY BY WRTC, GOREWADA

On the occasion of World Elephant Day on 12th August 2025, a visit was undertaken to the Kamlapur Elephant Camp by the experts from WRTC, Gorewada. The programme was aimed at spreading awareness about the importance of elephants in our ecosystems, their cultural significance and the need for their long-term conservation. During the visit, interactions were held with the camp staff and mahouts regarding the health care, nutrition and management practices of the elephants. Awareness activities were also conducted involving local stakeholders, highlighting the global threats to elephants such as habitat loss, poaching and human-elephant conflict, while emphasizing the role of community participation in conservation.



Interaction of staff of WRTC with camp staff and villagers

CELEBRATION OF 79TH INDEPENDENCE DAY

The 79th Independence Day was celebrated at MAFSU Head Quarter, Nagpur and at all constituent colleges / institutes of University on 15th August 2025. National Flag was hoisted by Dr. N. V. Patil, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, MAFSU at Nagpur H.Q. and by Associate Deans / Head of the Institutes at their respective Institutes. All the staff and students attended this programme.



Dr. N. V. Patil, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and staff saluting National Flag

CELEBRATION OF SPORTS WEEK AT CDT, UDGIR

The ADSW and Gymkhana sections, CDT, Udgir celebrated the sports weeks during 26th August to 1st September 2025. Various sports tournaments like chess, tug-of-war, kabaddi, badminton, volleyball etc. were organized. The events were coordinated by M. A. Deshmukh under the guidance of Dr. M. R. Patil, Associate Dean of the college.



Inauguration of Sports Week

CELEBRATION OF WORLD OZONE DAY

World Ozone Day was celebrated on 16th September 2025 at KNP College of Veterinary Science, Shirwal by Department of Veterinary Physiology. On this occasion a guest lecture entitled "Theme, Significance, Montreal Protocol and action" was delivered by a renowned speaker Dr. Anupam Kashyapi, Retd. Scientist G, Indian Meteorological Department and Advisor to Government of India, Pune. Around 80 students and staff members were present for this awareness programme.

MARATHWADA MUKTI SANGRAM DIWAS CELEBRATED AT UDGIR

COVAS, Udgir, CDT, Udgir and COFS, Udgir celebrated the Marathwada Mukti Sangram Din on 17th September 2025 with various series of events. National flag was hoisted at the hands of Associate Deans of respective colleges. Swachata campaign was launched by Dr. M. R. Patil, Associate Dean of CDT, Udgir at Ghonsi village and college premises. Swachta awareness rally was organized in adopted village Ghonsi. Awareness about importance of milk and milk product in diet was created among the villagers. All staff members and students were present in the programme.

CELEBRATION OF WORLD RABIES DAY 2025

To mark World Rabies Day 2025 on 28th September, the constituent Veterinary Colleges of MAFSU organized various programmes.

At MVC, Mumbai, Rabies awareness campaign was conducted for pet owners. Total 55 dogs and cats were vaccinated during vaccination camp at affiliated Bai Sakarbai Dinshaw Petit Hospital for Animals. The camp was coordinated by Dr. R. V. Gaikwad, Professor and Head, department of Clinical Medicine under the Guidance of Dr. S. D. Ingole, Associate Dean, MVC, Mumbai.



Free antirabies vaccination for pet animals at MVC, Mumbai

Anti-rabies vaccination camp was organized on 30th September 2025 at the VCC of the COVAS, Parbhani. Total 127 dogs and cats were vaccinated and

provided with deworming medicine. Also, a one-day technical seminar and technical quiz competition was held on 1st October. Dr. Manjusha Patil, Head of the VCC and team organized the programmes under the guidance of Associate Dean Dr. Sudhir Rajurkar.



Staff and students of COVAS, Parbhani during antirabies vaccination camp

COVAS, Udgir organized anti - rabies vaccination camp at the Veterinary College, Udgir in which 25 dogs and pets were vaccinated against rabies. The camp was inaugurated by Dr. Ashok Kumar Devangare, Associate Dean by vaccinating a dog.



Dr. A. A. Devangare, Associate Dean, COVAS, Udgir vaccinating a dog

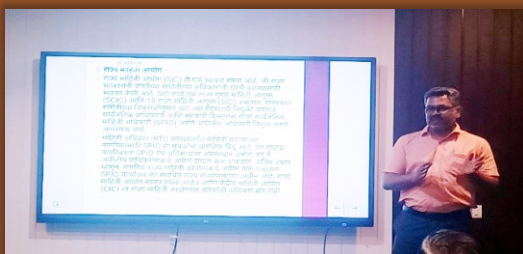
KNPCVS, Shirwal, organized anti - rabies vaccination camp which was inaugurated by the Associate Dean of the college, Dr. Vikas Vaskar. During the camp, a total of 49 domestic dogs and cats were vaccinated against rabies. The program was coordinated by Dr. Ravindra Jadhav, with the help of postgraduate students, interns and final year students.



*Dr. Vikas Waskar, Associate Dean, KNPCVS, Shirwal
vaccinating the dog during camp*

CELEBRATION OF RIGHT TO INFORMATION DAY

Right to Information Day-2025 was celebrated at KNPCVS, Shirwal, Dist. Satara on 29th September, 2025. On this occasion, a lecture was organized on the topic of 'Right to Information Act : Primary Information and Doubt Clearance' by Dr. C.S. Mote, Public Information Officer of the college and Dr. V. M. Sardar, Assistant Public Information Officer. Academic and non-academic staff of the college was present on this occasion.



Dr. C.S. Mote delivering lecture



OTHER ACTIVITIES

APPRECIATION PROGRAMME AT THE ADVANCED VETERINARY DIAGNOSTICS AND MINIMALLY INVASIVE CENTRE

The Department of Surgery and Radiology, MVC, Mumbai hosted a Heartfelt Appreciation Programme at the Advanced Veterinary Diagnostics and

Minimally Invasive Centre on 15th July 2025 to acknowledge the generous financial support of Rs. 2,64,902 extended by Shri Gopalji Narang through the Inner Wheel Club of Bombay Shivaji Park, which enabled the department to procure essential materials for strengthening educational and clinical services. Dr. Hosedar and Dr. Vedika took lot of efforts to procure the all materials. The programme was graced by the presence of Dr. S. D. Ingole, Associate Dean of MVC, Mumbai; Ms. Veena Watve, President along with other esteemed members of the Inner Wheel Club and Dr. G. S. Khandekar, Professor and Head of the Department of Veterinary Surgery and Radiology.



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EXPERTISE SERVICES GIVEN BY WRTC, NAGPUR

Dr. S. M. Kolangath and Dr. M. D. Pawshe visited Rajiv Gandhi Zoological Park, Katraj, Pune, on 16th July 2025 as part of the MZA expert team to investigate the mortality in Spotted Deer.

FARM DEMONSTRATION ON FISH SEED STOCKING IN FARM POND

COFS, Udgir organized On Farm Demonstration on "Fish seed socking in farm pond" at Dawan hipparga and Mahadeowadi, Tq. Udgir, Dist. Latur on 05th August 2025. Dr. A. S. Kulkarni, Associate Professor acted as Coordinator and Dr. V.B. Sutar, Associate Professor acted as Co-coordinator. Total 10 farmers were present during demonstration.



Demonstration on Fish Seed Stocking in farm pond

STUDENTS VISIT TO COFS, NAGPUR

A group of 29 students from S.F.S. College, Nagpur, 28 students from Niwajabai Hitkarini College, Bramhapuri, District Chandrapur and 40 students from Shri Mathuradas Mohota College of Science, Nagpur, accompanied by the Head of the Zoology Department, as well as teaching and non-teaching staff, visited the Fish Seed Production Centre at the College of Fishery Science (COFS), Nagpur on 07th, 12th and 21st August 2025 respectively. The students were provided guidance on fish biology, biodiversity, anatomy, fish culture, fish seed production and rearing and importance of conservation of fish and their habitats. Shri. A. K. Kulkarni, Fish Farm Assistant & Dr. S. S. Belsare, Professor, Aquaculture coordinated these activities under the able guidance of Dr. P. A. Telvekar, Associate Dean, COFS, Nagpur.



Visit of students to Fish Seed Production Centre of COFS, Nagpur

FODDER STUMPS DISTRIBUTED AT ADOPTED VILLAGE BY COVAS, AKOLA

Total 600 fodder stumps were distributed to three farmers in adopted village at Morgaon (Bhakre) with guidance of scientific fodder cultivation on 20th August, 2025, by COVAS, Akola wherein, Dr. Ratnakar Raulkar and Dr. M. R. Wade took efforts.

KARISHMA N. PARADKAR SELECTED AS A TRAINEE JUNIOR LIBRARY ASSISTANT

Ku. Karishma N. Paradkar, selected as a Trainee Junior Library Assistant, University Library and Information Centre, Maharashtra Animal and Fishery Sciences University, Nagpur under the 'Chief Minister's Youth Work Training Scheme'. She has completed training of 11 months on 26th August 2025 under the guidance of Prof. S. N. Gawande, University Librarian, MAFSU, Nagpur.



Ku. Karishma N. Paradkar receiving certificate from Prof. S. N. Gawande, University Librarian

VISIT OF STUDENTS OF WORLD VETERINARY STUDENT ASSOCIATION TO WRTC, NAGPUR

The World Veterinary Students Association (WVSA) organized a one-day exposure visit to the Wildlife Research and Training Centre, Nagpur on 13th September, 2025. A total of sixty veterinary students representing twelve states participated in the program. The visit was successfully facilitated by the team members of WRTC, Nagpur, providing the participants with valuable insights into wildlife health management and research activities.



Visit of students from WWSA to WRTC, Gorewada

STUDENTS VISIT TO COFS, UDGIR

Students of Sambhajirao Kendre Mahavidyalay, Jalkot, Dist. Latur visited College of Fishery Science, Udgir on 19th September 2025 to get exposure of fisheries information through various departments and laboratories.



Students visit to COFS, Udgir

SCIENTIST VISITS TO FARM

Dr. P. V. Patil visited the buffalo farm of Shri. Sukhdev Gumnar, Daul Tq. Udgir dist. Latur and on 21st September 2025 and guided about preparation of homemade concentrate, feeding management of buffaloes, loose housing system, silage making etc. This farm have 5 Murrah buffaloes and one Deoni cow.



Dr. P. V. Patil guiding the farmer at Daul Ta. Udgir

AN AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON WOMEN'S HEALTH AT NVC, NAGPUR

An Awareness Programme on Women's Health was organized at Nagpur Veterinary College, Nagpur in collaboration with National Institute of One Health, Nagpur under ICMR on 26th September, 2025 under the chairmanship of Dr. J. P. Korde, Associate Dean, NVC, Nagpur. Total 58 women staff & students participated in the Awareness Programme. The Blood Donation camp was also organized on this occasion in which total 28 donors donated the blood. Dr. Kranti Kharkar, Dr. Vaishali Banthiya, NSS Programme Officer & Dr. Shiny Joy took efforts for the organization of the programmes.



Expert delivering lecture on importance of healthy diet for Women's health

VISIT OF FISH FARMERS TO COFS, MORSHI

Ten Fishermen from Veer Renga Korku Sahakari Sanstha, Neemkund, Achalpur Dharni, Amravati visited the College of Fishery Science, Morshi on 26th September 2025 for developing reservoir fisheries. They interacted with the experts of the college and took guidance regarding prestocking management and stocking management of fishes.



Visit of Fish Farmers to COFS, Morshi



EMPLOYEES CORNER

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- Dr. Rajiv H. Rathod, Associate Professor appointed as the First Associate Dean of the College of Fishery Science, Morshi, District Amravati. He joined as Associate Dean on 11th July 2025 at COFS, Morshi.



Dr. R. H. Rathod

- Dr. Bhooshan N. Ramteke, M.V.Sc., Ph.D. Professor (Animal Nutrition) and Deputy Director of Research, MAFSU, Nagpur took over the charge of Dean, Faculty of Lower Education, Maharashtra Animal & Fishery Sciences University, Nagpur on 26th August 2025.



Dr. B. N. Ramteke

- Prof. S. N. Gawande, University Librarian, superannuated on 30th September 2025 after rendering more than 30 years of dedicated service. He was instrumental in the establishment and development of the University Library of MAFSU and contributed significantly to its growth and development.



Prof. S. N. Gawande



NSS/NCC ACTIVITIES

NSS BLOOD DONATION CAMP AT MVC, MUMBAI

A Blood Donation Camp was organized at Mumbai Veterinary College, Parel on 17th September, 2025. The event was inaugurated by Dr. S. D. Ingole, Associate Dean MVC, Dr. G.S Khandekar, Professor and Head, VSR and Dr. Nilesh Dagli, NSS Program

Coordinator, Professor & Head, ARGO. The postgraduate scholars and UG NSS Volunteers worked hard in organizing and executing the camp.



Staff and Students Involved in the Blood Donation Camp during the NSS Programme

SOCIAL SERVICE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (SSCD) ACTIVITIES BY NCC CADETS

Cadets of 1 MAH R&V Sqn NCC participated in various programmes during July-September 2025 under the guidance of Officer Commanding, Lt Col. S.K Mishra, Associate NCC Officer Lt Shital Chopde, Caretaker Officer Cr. Shekhar Badhe and PI staff of the unit. As part of the PM Internship Scheme, 56 cadets participated in the program 'Kaushal se Samridhi aur Rojgar'; to mark Paper Bag Day, 30 cadets participated in a workshop on



Swachhata Pledge On the occasion of Swachh Bharat Divas

'Waste to Wealth & Waste to Wonder', on the occasion of World Youth Skill Day, 32 cadets attended an interactive program on 'Atmanirbhar Bharat: Idea & Innovation', paid tribute to the martyrs by participating in Kargil Vijay Diwas-2025; seventy cadets participated in the grand Tiranga Yatra organized under the Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign 2025; on National Space Day, 30 cadets celebrated the theme 'Jai Vigyan, Jai Anusandhan in the

campaign 'Making India a Sporting & Fit Nation', to commemorate National; Sports Day, 50 cadets joined a 'Run for Wellness; under the Nai Roshani scheme, 30 cadets attended a seminar at Nagpur Veterinary College on the theme 'Asmita, Advaita & Aditi – Sashakt Nari and on the occasion of Swachh Bharat Diwas, 15 cadets participated in 'Ek Din, Ek Ghanta, Ek Saath – Swachhata Hi Seva' at NVC premises.



NCC cadets with paper bags during workshop on "Waste to Wealth & Waste to Wonder"

NSS ACTIVITIES BY KNPCVS, SHIRWAL

NSS wing of KNP College of Veterinary Science, Shiwal organized various activities during July to September 2025. Blood Donation Camp was organized in collaboration with Akshay blood bank, Satara on 29th August 2025. Under the Central Government's 'Healthy Women, Strong Families' National Campaign, a special awareness program was organized on 29th September, 2025 by Dr. Smita Kolhe, with the help of NSS at KNPCVS, Shirwal. These programmes were organized by Dr. Milind Nande, NSS Officer under the guidance of Dr. Vikas Waskar, Associate Dean of the college.



Participation of Students in Swasth Nari Sashakt Pariwar Campaign

NSS ACTIVITIES BY CDT, WARUD

The College of Dairy Technology, Warud (Pusad), organized a blood donation camp on 17th September, 2025. 'Swachotsav 2025' was organized on 19th September, 2025. Dr. Rahul Bhagat, MBBS, Pusad delivered lecture on 'Heart Attack' on 22nd September, 2025. As a part of VIKSIT BHARAT @ 2025, the college organized debate competition on 'Scope of Artificial Intelligence @ 2025,' and a poster competition on the clean green environment. On 29th September 2025, 'Swasth Nari, Sashakta Pariwar Abhiyan' was organized for women at Shrimati Vatsalyabai Mahila Mahavidyalay, Pusad. These events were organized by Dr. S. J. Shende, NSS Program Officer, under the guidance of Dr. P. G. Wasnik, Associate Dean, CDT, Warud.



Blood donation camp at CDT, Warud

SWASTH NARI SASHAKT PARIWAR CAMPAIGN ORGANIZED AT CDT, UDGIR

NSS unit of College of Dairy Technology, Udgir organized an awareness campaign on 'Swasth Nari Sashakt Pariwar' on 29th September 2025. An awareness



Health checkup of girl students

lecture on Women health and wellness was delivered by Dr. Dipali Bhadre. The program was coordinated by Dr. V. K. Lule and Dr. B. G. Nagrale of CDT, Udgir under the guidance of Dr. M. R. Patil, Associate Dean of the college.

NSS ACTIVITIES BY COFS, UDGIR

NSS unit of COFS, Udgir celebrated World Information Act Day on 29th September 2025 by organizing online quiz competition in which total 92 students participated. Students also participated in Viksit Bharat Quiz. On the same day, medical health camp under 'Swastha Nari, Sashakt Pariwar Abhiyan' of Govt. of India in collaboration with Government Hospital, Udgir for women staff and students of college was also organized. Dr. M. M. Girkar NSS Coordinator, organized the events under the guidance of Dr. B. R. Kharatmol, Associate Dean, COFS, Udgir.



Health Checkup camp for women staff and students at COFS, Udgir

NSS ACTIVITIES BY COFS, MORSHI

Tree plantation activity was carried out within the campus of College of Fishery Science, Morshi on 17th September 2025. A Campus cleaning activity was carried



Students during campus cleaning activity

out in the college campus on 24th September 2025 as a part of the National Service Scheme Day celebration. The activities were organized by NSS In-Charge Dr. Rohini Mugale, Assistant Professor (contractual) and other staff members of the college under the guidance of Dr. Rajiv Rathod, Associate Dean of COFS, Morshi.



STUDENTS CORNER

STUDENT OF COLLEGE OF FISHERY SCIENCE, NAGPUR SELECTED IN CIFE, MUMBAI AS JRF

Mr. Akash Mane, the final year student of College of Fishery Science, Nagpur secured AIR- 6th in the Post Graduate entrance examination for admission to M.F.Sc.-2025 conducted by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi and has received admission in Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Mumbai with a Junior Research Fellowship (JRF).

STUDY TOUR OF B.F.SC. STUDENTS OF COFS, UDGIR

Study tours were conducted for B.F.Sc. I year and III year students at Padmini Food Products Pvt. Ltd. Loni, Tq. Udgir, Dist. Latur on 07th August 2025 and at Ajwa Farm, Malewadi. Tq. Udgir, Dist. Latur on 14th August 2025 under the guidance of Dr. A.T. Markad, Professor and Dr. A.S. Kulkarni, Associate Professor, CoFS, Udgir.



Visit of students to Padmini Food Products Pvt. Ltd.

ORGAN DONATION AWARENESS PROGRAMME AT COVAS, AKOLA

An Organ Donation Awareness Programme was organized on 12th August 2024 at the College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Akola, in the gracious presence of Dr. C. H. Pawshe, Associate Dean. In his presidential address, Dr. Pawshe guided the students and staff to actively participate in the noble cause of organ donation and to create awareness among others. Dr. P. S. Bankar delivered a presentation on organ donation.



Dr. C. H. Pawshe, Associate Dean addressing the students

CELEBRATION OF ANTI-RAGGING WEEK

All the constituent colleges of MAFSU celebrated Anti-Ragging Day on 12th August 2025 and Anti-Ragging Week from 12th to 18th August 2025 with a series of awareness activities and student competitions like Slogan Writing Competition, Poster Competition and Essay Writing Competition etc. The initiative aimed to educate students about the harmful effects of ragging and its legal and social consequences.



Participants of Poster making competition along with staff of college

STUDENTS OF COLLEGE OF DAIRY TECHNOLOGY, UDGIR EXCELED IN ESSAY COMPETITION

On the occasion of Independence Day, 15th August 2025, a taluka-level essay competition on the theme "India of Great Leaders' Dreams and the Present Reality" was organized by Maharashtra Udaygiri Mahavidyalaya, Udgir, in which students of the College of Dairy Technology, Udgir Ms. Aarti Aher, a 4th-year student, secured the Second Prize with a cash award of Rs. 2,500, while Mr. Mahesh Kendre received an Encouragement Prize.



CDT, Udgir students receiving prize for Essay competition

ORGANIZATION OF SPORTS WEEK AT CDT WARUD

The College of Dairy Technology, Warud (Pusad) hosted the Annual Sports Week from 21st to 27th September 2025. Throughout the week, indoor and outdoor games were scheduled for the students. The event was inaugurated by auspicious hand of Mr. Avinash Ubale, Police Patil of Warud Village, under the chairmanship of Dr. P. G. Wasnik, Associate Dean, CDT, Warud. The entire Sports Week was coordinated by Dr. Prasad Patil, Gymkhana In-Charge, with the active support of all teaching and non-teaching staff members.



Organization of Annual Sports Week 2025 at CDT, Warud

ORGANISATION OF THE MARATHON AT KNPCVS, SHIRWAL

Krantisinh Nana Patil College of Veterinary Science, Shirwal, organized a 'Marathon' for Students on 28th September 2025 under the guidance of Dr. Vikas Waskar, Associate Dean of the college. A total of 120 students and staff participated in the 10 km marathon.



Inaugurations of Marathon

WORLD RIGHT TO INFORMATION DAY CELEBRATED AT CDT, UDGIR

To commemorate World RTI day, College of Dairy Technology, Udgir organized series of events to raise awareness among students about RTI act 2005. Mr. Satish Bhapkar, delivered a lecture on RTI act, 2005 followed by essay competition on "RTI and Social responsibility". Various other events like Quiz competition, Speech competition, drawing competition were also organized. The program was coordinated by Dr. B. G. Nagrale and other staff members under the guidance of Dr. M. R. Patil, Associate Dean of the college.



RTI Day lecture by Mr. Bhapkar

AWARD TO STUDENTS OF MVC, MUMBAI IN SPORTS EVENTS

Team of MVC students comprising of Nikhil Bedse, Pratik Suvarnkar, Kartik ugale won the Inter College Table Tennis Championship held at COVAS, Parbhani.



Team of MVC students won the Inter College Table Tennis Championship held at COVAS, Parbhani

DEEKSHARAMBH INAUGURATION AT COLLEGE OF FISHERY SCIENCE, MORSHI

As a part of the ICAR VI Dean's Syllabus and the National Education Policy – 2020, the Deeksharambh of the first batch of College of Fishery Science, Morshi (Academic year 2025–26) was inaugurated by Dr. Rajiv H. Rathod, Associate Dean, organized by Deeksharambh Coordinator Dr. Rohini Mugale and Deeksharambh Co - Co-coordinator Shri Shubham Soni. The programme was successfully organised by the coordinators from 15th to 30th September, 2025, during which brainstorming sessions, leadership, team building and interactive activities were carried out.



Deeksharambh inauguration at College of Fishery Science, Morshi



VISIT OF DIGNITARIES

VISIT OF DR. SUNIL E. JADHAV, PRINCIPLE SCIENTIST TO MAFSU MUSEUM

Dr. Sunil E. Jadhav, Principle Scientist (Animal Nutrition) ICAR-IVRI, Izzatnagar, Bareilly visited MAFSU Museum on 9th July 2025.



Dr. Sunil E. Jadhav along with University staff

VISIT OF HON'BLE SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, DAIRY DEVELOPMENT AND FISHERIES TO COFS, MORSHI

Dr. Ramaswami N., Hon'ble Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development and Fisheries, Government of Maharashtra visited the newly established College of Fishery Science, Morshi on 3rd August, 2025. During the visit, Dr. N. V. Patil, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, MAFSU, along with senior university officers of MAFSU, Dr. S. V. Upadhye, Director of Instructions and Dean (Vet.), MAFSU, Dr. N. V. Kurkure, Director of Research, MAFSU, Dr. S. W. Bonde, Dean



Welcome of Hon'ble Secretary Dr Ramaswami N. at CoFS, Morshi.

(Fisheries), MAFSU, Miss. Mona. Thakur, Registrar, MAFSU, Shri Arif Sheikh, University Engineer, MAFSU, Shri Rishikesh Khande, Hon'ble Executive Council Member, MAFSU, Nagpur visited the College and interacted with Dr. Rajiv Rathod, Associate Dean, COFS, Morshi. On this occasion, fish seed stocking was carried out in the fish ponds by Hon'ble Secretary and other MAFSU dignitaries.



Interaction of Hon'ble Secretary Dr. Ramaswami N. and Hon'ble V.C. Dr. Niteen Patil with Associate Dean, CoFS, Morshi and other MAFSU officials

VISIT OF HON'BLE VICE-CHANCELLOR TO COFS, MORSHI

Dr. Niteen Patil, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, MAFSU, Nagpur, visited College of Fishery Science, Morshi, on 31st August 2025. The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor reviewed the ongoing work at the college building and the Fish farm.



Floral welcome to the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Dr. Niteen Patil at CoFS, Morshi

VISIT OF DEAN, FISHERY SCIENCE, MAFSU, NAGPUR TO COFS, MORSHI

Dr. Sachin W. Bonde, Dean, Faculty of Fishery Science, MAFSU, Nagpur visited the College on 11th

September, 2025. A review meeting was conducted at the college regarding the progress of the layouts for the new Academic and Administrative Building and various ongoing activities within the campus.



AWARDS / HONOURS

BEST POSTER PRESENTATION AWARD TO DR. RAJESH PHARANDE

Dr. R. R. Pharande, Associate Professor, Department of Veterinary Microbiology & Biotechnology, MVC, Mumbai was honored with the Best Poster Presentation Award at APCRICON 2025, the 25th Annual National Conference of the Association for Prevention and Control of Rabies in India (APCRI) held on 13th July 2025 at the Department of Community Medicine, CHRI and CARE, Chengalpattu, Chennai.



Dr. R. R. Pharande receiving Best Poster Presentation Award at APCRICON 2025

MR. VAISHRAVAN RANDIVE GOT THE BEST TRAINEE AWARD AT CIFA, BHUBANESHWAR.

Mr. Vaishnavan Randive, 3rd year B.F.Sc. student of the College of Fishery Science, Nagpur has been awarded with the Best Trainee Award in the training Programme on "Genetic Training Management of Carp Broodstock for quality seed production" organized during 18th to 22nd August, 2025 at the Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture (CIFA), Bhubaneswar.

BEST VETERINARIAN AWARD AND LOUIS PASTEUR NATIONAL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE 2025 TO DR. P. V. PATIL

Dr. P.V. Patil Farm Manager, COVAS, Udgir received Best Veterinarian Award 2025 with the hands of Hon'ble Dr. Mohan Bhagwat, Sarsanghchalak, RSS during event organized by Senior Vet Pratishthan Marathwada, Ch. Sambhajinagar on 23rd August 2025. He also received Louis Pasteur National Award of Excellence 2025 for erudite and informative essay in the national level essay writing competition conducted by Pashudhan Prahare and Veterinary Association of India to celebrate World Rabies Day on 28th September 2025.



Dr. P. V. Patil receiving the Award with the hands of Hon'ble Dr. Mohan Bhagwat

BEST POSTER PRESENTATION AWARD TO DR. GAJENDRA BHANGALE

Dr. Gajendra Bhangale, Assistant Professor, Department of Veterinary Parasitology, COVAS, Parbhani received the Best Poster Presentation award at the XIX National Conference of Indian Academy of Tropical Parasitology (TROPACON – 2025) and National



Dr. Gajendra Bhangale receiving Best Poster Presentation award

Symposium organized at Jawaharlal Institute of Post Graduate Medical Education and Research, Puducherry during 17th to 20th September, 2025.

MAFSU BECAME MEMBER OF THE 'PM ONE NATION ONE SUBSCRIPTION CONSORTIUM'

Maharashtra Animal and Fishery Sciences University, Nagpur became a member of the "PM One Nation One Subscription consortium", (ONOS). This facility has been implemented for all the constituent colleges of MAFSU. Through this consortium (ONOS) the n-number of e-Journals/ e-resources of 30 National and International Publishers are accessible on <https://onos.gov.in/>. The remote access of ONOS also extended via MyLOFT.



INAUGURATIONS

LAYING OF FOUNDATION STONE AND BHOOMIPUJAN CEREMONY OF COLLEGE OF FISHERY SCIENCE, MORSHI, DISTRICT AMRAVATI

The Laying of Foundation Stone and Bhoomipujan ceremony for the new Administrative and Academic building of the College of Fishery Science, Morshi, was held on 3rd August, 2025. The foundation stone was laid at the auspicious hands of Hon'ble Shri



Hon'ble CM Shri Devendra Fadnavis, performing the Bhoomipujan of the College of Fishery Science, Morshi, Dist. Amravati

Devendra Fadnavis, Chief Minister of Maharashtra state in the presence of Hon'ble Shri Chandrashekhar Bawankule, Revenue Minister and Guardian Minister of Amravati; Hon'ble Shri Nitesh Rane, Minister for Fisheries; Hon'ble Dr. Ramaswami N., I.A.S., Secretary, ADF and Dr. Niteen Patil, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, MAFSU, Nagpur. Special guests included Members of Parliament Hon'ble Dr. Anil Bonde, Shri Amar Kale, along with several Members of the Legislative Assembly and Council from the District.



Felicitation of Hon'ble Shri Devendra Fadnavis, Chief Minister, Maharashtra State, by Dr. N. V. Patil, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor

INAUGURATION OF PRODUCT SALE COUNTER OF ATIC AT COVAS, UDGIR

The Agriculture Technology Information Centre (ATIC) at the College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Udgir, achieved another milestone on 17th September 2025 with the inauguration of its Product Sales Counter. The counter was formally inaugurated by Professor Dr. A. A. Devangare, Associate Dean, COVAS, Udgir in the



Product sale counter of ATIC inaugurated by Dr. A. A. Devangare, Associate Dean, COVAS, Udgir

presence of faculty members, staff, and students. The sales counter is designed to provide farmers, entrepreneurs, and the local community with easy access to livestock-based products, value-added technologies, and innovative inputs developed at the institute.

INAUGURATION OF MEDICINAL PLANT GARDEN AT COVAS, UDGIR

Dr. A. A. Devangare, Associate Dean, College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Udgir inaugurated a Medicinal Plant Garden on the eve of 38th Foundation Day of college. The garden houses over [43] species of medicinal plants such as Tulsi, Ashwagandha, Neem, Brahmi, Aloe Vera, and many others known for their therapeutic value in Ayurveda and traditional medicine. The initiative, led by Dr. M. K. Patil, Asso. Prof & I/c Head and Dr. B. V. Ballurkar, Asst. Prof., Department of Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology, aims to sensitize students about sustainable living and the role of natural remedies in holistic health.



Inauguration ceremony of the garden by Dr. A. A. Devangare, Associate Dean, COVAS, Udgir



MEETINGS

ANNUAL RED KANDHARI RESEARCH MEET ORGANIZED AT COVAS, PARBHANI

The Annual Technical Research Meet on Red Kandhari was organized in online mode at COVAS,

Parbhani on 17th September, 2025 by Department. of LPM. Dr. M. M. Chopade, Associate Professor, AGB and Dr. S. M. Wankhede, Professor, Animal Nutrition delivered their talks on various aspects of Red Kandhari rearing. A total of 74 Red Kandhari farmers throughout Maharashtra participated in the meet. Dr. M. B. A. Siddiqui, I/c Professor of LPM, co-ordinated the programme under the guidance of Dr. S. R. Rajurkar, Associate Dean, COVAS, Parbhani.



MOU'S

MOU SIGNED BETWEEN MAFSU AND STATE INSTITUTE OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE, NAGPUR

At the inaugural ceremony of the 1st National Symposium of the International Veterinary Students' Association (IVSA) India, held at Nagpur Veterinary College on 12th September 2025, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was exchanged between Maharashtra Animal & Fishery Sciences University (MAFSU), Nagpur, and the State Institute of Health and Family Welfare, Nagpur. The MoU was signed by Dr. Niteen V. Patil, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, MAFSU and Dr. Ajay Dawale, Director, State Institute of Health and Family Welfare, Nagpur. This collaboration seeks to strengthen Med-Vet partnerships with a focus on zoonotic disease control, in line with the One Health approach.



Exchange of MoU between MAFSU and State Institute of Health & Family Welfare, Nagpur

MAFSU'S AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS

AWARENESS PROGRAMMES

To celebrate the silver Jubilee year of the university special Awareness Campaigns were planned with the initiative of Directorate of Extension Education, MAFSU, Nagpur.

EGG AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

Egg awareness programs were organized at the Poultry Research and Training Centre, NVC, Nagpur, for various training groups benefitting 135 participants. Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Dudhbardi, Nagpur, conducted egg awareness programmes which were attended by 85 participants. TV talk and Radio talk was delivered by expert from COVAS, Akola on Egg Awareness extending the outreach and importance of egg consumption among the public. Also two egg awareness programs were conducted with 60 participants attending program.

RABIES AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

A Rabies Awareness Campaign cum workshop organized on 29th September, 2025, by COVAS, Akola at Prabhat Kids School Akola, wherein 120 school students participated. The event was inaugurated at the hands of Dr. Gajanan Nare under the chairmanship of Dr. C. H. Pawshe, Associate Dean. A book on 'Rabies' was released at the occasion. The programme was coordinated by Dr. S. P. Awandkar, Dr. S. P. Waghmare, and Dr. M. V. Ingawale.

WRTC, Gorewada organized Rabies Awareness Campaign at BTGIZP on 26th July 2025 for 37 Forest Guards, where they were sensitized about the nature of the disease, its transmission, clinical course, and crucial preventive measures to be taken in the event of dog bites or suspected rabies exposure. First-hand information was given to 40 students of Adarsh Prathamik School, Borgaon, Nagpur on 28th August 2025 by the experts from WRTC, Gorewada.

A Vaccination - cum - Awareness Camp on Rabies was organized by WRTC, Nagpur, in collaboration with the FGZ, Gorewada and Veterinary Dispensary Grade I, on 29th September, 2025.

FISH AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

The Colleges of Fishery Science, Nagpur and Udgir successfully reached over 500 beneficiaries through 11 targeted programs. The initiative encompassed a range of activities, including Farmers Training, water quality testing in Satnaveri, and Fish Seed Ranching at Vena Reservoir. Educational outreach engaged students and staff at institutions such as Zilla Parishad High School, Peth Kaldongri, Sindhu Mahavidyalaya, Nagpur and Shivaji Mahavidyalaya, Udgir. College-specific programs connected with students from Shri Mathuradas Mohota College of Science, Nagpur, Nivzabai Hitkarini College, Brahmapuri and St. Francis de Sales College, Nagpur. A significant exhibition at Ramtek in August attracted 40 participants, while a major September event at Ramtek Exhibition drew 200 farmers, students, and entrepreneurs.

YouTube Live programme series with the Reliance Foundation

As a part of ongoing digital outreach programs of the university, four YouTube Live programmes were organized with the technical help of Reliance Foundation. The programmes included Goat Health and disease management during rainy season by Dr. Sunil Waghmare, Health and disease management of dairy animals during rainy season by Dr. Meera Sakhre, Lumpy skin disease management by Dr. Kishor Pajai and Conservation of fodder crops in rabi season by Dr. Kuldeep Deshpande.

The digital outreach series was led by Dr. S. W. Bonde, Director of Extension along with the team of experts from the university viz. Dr. Sunil Waghmare, Professor, Veterinary Medicine, Dr. Sariput Landge, Professor Extension Education, Dr. Mahesh Ingawale, Professor, Animal Reproduction Gynecology and obstetrics, Dr. Girish Panchbhair, Associate Professor, Livestock Production and Management and Dr. Kuldeep Deshpande, Assistant Professor, Animal Nutrition.

GLIMPSES OF AWARENESS CAMPAIGN



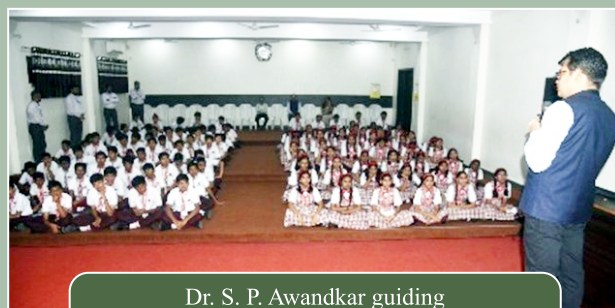
Egg Awareness Campaign
by KVK, Nagpur.



Dr. M. R. Wade Campaign delivering a TV talk
on Egg Awareness on Krishidarshan



Rabies Awareness Campaign
by KNPCVS, Shirwal



Dr. S. P. Awandkar guiding
the school students about Rabies



Expert explaining about importance of fish consumption
to visitors at fish production centre of COFS, Nagpur



Fish awareness campaign by COFS, Udgir

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