

ICAR-NIFMD bids farewell to its esteemed Director, Dr. R. P. Singh, as he embarks on a new chapter of his distinguished journey

A distinguished veterinary virologist, accomplished scientist, and inspiring leader, Dr. R.P. Singh has made remarkable contributions to the development of vaccines, diagnostics, and disease control and eradication strategies, with his pioneering work in Rinderpest, PPR and FMD earning him national and international recognition. At ICAR-NIFMD during his tenure spanning more than five and a half years, Dr. Singh provided visionary leadership to this dynamic institute and made significant contributions towards strengthening its scientific capabilities and advancing the FMD control programme. Under his stewardship, the institute continued to grow in research, diagnostics, surveillance, vaccine, and other areas supporting the national FMD control and eradication efforts. Beyond his scientific accomplishments, Dr. Singh will be remembered for his humbleness, mentorship, encouragement, and the warmth with which he connected with colleagues and young scientists. His leadership has inspired many and his presence has been an integral part of the institute's journey.

As he superannuates from ICAR service, the ICAR-NIFMD family expresses its deep gratitude for his invaluable contributions, heartfelt appreciation for his leadership, and extends warmest wishes for the journey ahead. We are delighted that his wealth of knowledge and wisdom will continue to enrich the veterinary profession as he takes up the position of Dean, College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, RLBCAU, Jhansi.

