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Abstracts on original research papers, concept papers covering one or more of the above themes are invited for presentation. Abstracts should contain the title, author(s) name, affiliation, Email and contact number of corresponding author, preference of session etc. (not exceeding 350 words) in MS word, Times New Roman (Font size 12; 1.5 space) is to be mailed to aphvkolkata@gmail.com before 15th June, 2025. Name of presenting author should be underlined. Only quality papers will be selected for presentations in the relevant technical sessions. Submitted abstracts will be evaluated by a scientific committee and decision regarding acceptance/ rejection will be communicated to the corresponding authors. Abstract will be accepted only on receipt of registration fees of at least one of the authors. For poster presentation the space provided will be 3.5 ft height X 2.5 ft width (portrait). The presentations/posters will be evaluated by a jury of eminent scientists in each session. Best presentation/poster will be awarded in the valedictory function of conference.

Delegates are requested to register early to enable the organizers to plan the event adequately for best possible arrangements. Registration fees in the form of Demand draft in favour of "Association of Public Health Veterinarians" payable at Belgachia, Kolkata/may be transferred online /UPI can be done as per the details given below:

Name of the Bank: Union Bank
Account No.: 774802010010125
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Registration Fees:

Faculty member/ In-Service & others: Rs. 500.00/-
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Announcement cum Invitation

National Symposium

on

“Breaking Silos: Proclaiming One Health Approach for Addressing Zoonoses”

4th July,
2025



On the eve of Celebration of
World Zoonoses Day - 2025

Organized by:
Department of Veterinary Public Health & Epidemiology
Faculty of Veterinary & Animal Sciences,
West Bengal University of Animal & Fishery Sciences

In Collaboration with
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Invitation & Theme

Dear Colleagues,
It gives us great pleasure in extending a warm and cordial invitation to you all to attend the National Symposium on "**Breaking Silos: Proclaiming One Health Approach for Addressing Zoonoses**" to be held at West Bengal University of Animal and Fishery Sciences, Kolkata-700037, West Bengal on 4th July, 2025.

Zoonotic diseases, which spread between animals and humans, pose significant global health threats, as seen with Nipah virus infection, rabies, tuberculosis, Ebola, COVID-19 and avian influenza. Addressing these challenges requires breaking of silos between human, animal, and environmental health sectors by adopting the "One Health approach". This integrated strategy promotes collaboration among medical professionals, veterinarians, ecologists, and policymakers to enhance disease surveillance, prevention, and response. By fostering interdisciplinary cooperation, sharing data, and aligning public health strategies, the One Health framework ensures a holistic understanding of zoonotic risks. Proclaiming this approach is essential for mitigating outbreaks, safeguarding biodiversity, and ensuring global health security in an interconnected world. Addressing the silent pandemic of antimicrobial resistance demands a unified approach to antimicrobial stewardship, promoting the responsible use of antibiotics in both human and veterinary medicine. Meanwhile, ensuring food safety amid climate change calls for resilient agricultural systems, strengthened surveillance, and adaptive risk management strategies from production to consumption. Through interdisciplinary collaboration, policy coherence, and community involvement, the One Health framework bridges scientific knowledge and actionable solutions, protecting public health and securing sustainable food systems for current and future generations

About Host Institution

West Bengal University of Animal & Fishery Sciences was established on 2nd January, 1995 vide West Bengal University of Animal & Fishery Sciences Act-1995 to impart education, training and to conduct research in veterinary and animal sciences, dairy sciences and fishery sciences. The University has been engaged in commendable task of improving the research infrastructure to develop cutting edge technologies for improved management of animal and fishery resources, disease problems, nutrients, water resources and environment. Significant achievement has been made to improve the research activities with the funds made available from State and Central Governments and non-government organizations. There are three faculties in this University viz. (1) Faculty of Veterinary & Animal Sciences (B.V.Sc. & AH, M.V.Sc. & Ph.D. courses) (2) Faculty of Dairy Technology (B.Tech. (DT), M.Tech. (DT) and M.Sc. (Dairying) and Ph.D. courses) and (3) Faculty of Fishery Sciences (B.F.Sc., M.F.Sc. and Ph.D. courses).

About APHV

The Association was registered under the West Bengal Societies Registration Act, 1961, in August 1997. Its first activity was organizing a day-long scientific seminar, inaugurated by the Hon'ble Minister Shri Anisur Rahaman of the Animal Resources Development Department, Government of West Bengal. The seminar, titled "100 Years of Bang's Disease and Its Control in Humans and Animals," was held on 19th September, 1997, and featured participation from renowned scientists in both the medical and veterinary professions in India. Since then, the Association has been dedicated to disseminating knowledge of Veterinary Public Health (VPH) among medical and veterinary professionals, while also raising awareness among the general public and school children about various VPH and One Health related issues to encourage their active involvement.

Scientific Sessions

The One day Symposium will be consisting of Key note addresses and lead paper presentation by eminent speakers across the disciplines. Besides, there would be plenary and technical sessions having presentations by the participants on different facets of One Health and Zoonoses.

Session I: One Health Approach to combat Zoonotic Diseases:

By integrating human, animal and environmental health strategies. It promotes collaboration among veterinarians, doctors, ecologists, and policymakers to enhance disease surveillance, control outbreaks, and prevent future pandemics. By addressing the interconnected roots of zoonotic diseases, One Health ensures a holistic and sustainable solution to global health threats.

Session II: Global Health at The Human-Animal-Ecosystem Interface:

The One Health approach will provide a collaborative framework-uniting medical, veterinary, and environmental sciences-to monitor disease risks, strengthen health systems, and promote sustainable practices. By addressing shared vulnerabilities across species and ecosystems, this integrated strategy will be vital for preventing pandemics, safeguarding biodiversity, and ensuring resilient global health for future generations.

Session III: Food Quality and Food Safety of Animal Origin:

Implementing Good Agricultural Practices (GAP), Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points (HACCP), and stringent veterinary inspections will minimize risks from farm to fork. Climate change and antimicrobial resistance further challenge food safety, necessitating One Health approaches.

Session IV: Emerging, Reemerging Zoonotic Diseases and Antimicrobial resistance:

Emerging and re-emerging genetic diseases, along with antimicrobial resistance (AMR), pose significant threats to global health. Zoonotic pathogens with genetic mutations-such as novel influenza strains, drug-resistant tuberculosis, and coronaviruses-can rapidly cross species barriers, triggering outbreaks.