



International Society for Applied Ethology

Official launch of the ISAE in India

ANIMAL BEHAVIOUR AND WELFARE WORKSHOP

Saturday 8th December 2018

EVENT REPORT

Venue: CSIR-Institute of Genomics & Integrative Biology
South Campus, Mathura Road, New Delhi, India

Overview



We were delighted to officially launch ISAE in India with our first meeting in New Delhi in December. We had more than 60 attendees from across India, a mix of students, vets, researchers, government staff and NGOs. On the day social media helped to raise awareness beyond those at the meeting. The meeting concluded with a panel discussion (panel: Dr. Vijay Pal Singh, Prof. Clive Phillips, Rebecca Sommerville) about future strategies and activities of ISAE in India. The audience's main interests were about how to secure research funding for animal welfare science so that they can get involved.

Speaker Summary



Dr. Vijay Pal Singh, India

CSIR-Institute of Genomics & Integrative Biology /
ISAE Country liaison

Welcome to ISAE India &
Animal Welfare in India

Vijay, the main event organiser, opened the conference with a warm welcome, encouraging all of the attendees to introduce themselves individually and setting a warm atmosphere for the day. He spoke about animal welfare in India later on.



Rebecca Sommerville, United Kingdom

ISAE Development Officer /
Dogs Trust

This is ISAE - Past, present and future &
Dog Welfare and Adoption, A Worldwide View

Rebecca, the event co-organiser, introduced the society and explained the benefits of joining. She also gave a scientific talk on companion animal welfare about dog post adoption support and Dogs Trust's work in India.

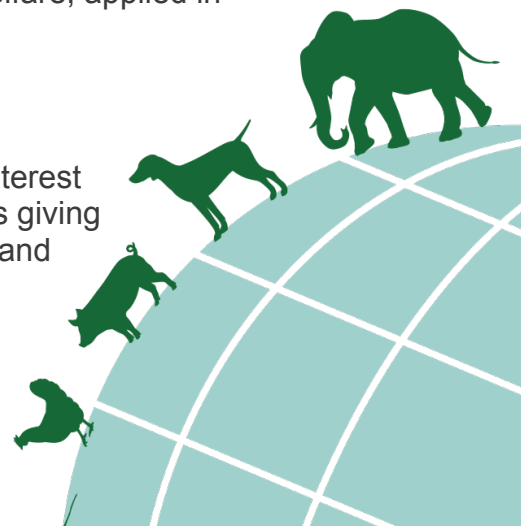


Professor Clive Phillips, Australia

University of Queensland

Key note speech:
The science of animal welfare, applied in
India

Our key note speaker Prof. Phillips captured the audience's interest with a lively speech and interactive ethical dilemma, as well as giving an overview of his team's research into cattle welfare in India and asking what we owe to animals.





Dr. Chinny Krishna, India

Chairman Emeritus & Co-founder of Blue Cross of India, Chennai

History of Animal Welfare in India

Dr. Krishna gave an insightful overview of the history of animal welfare organisations in India, dating from ancient beliefs through to the present day laws and charities.



Dr. Neelam, India

Animal Welfare Board of India

Animal Welfare – Indian Perspective

Dr Neelam gave an overview of the animal welfare legislation that exists in India, as well as suggesting what more could be done and called for animal lovers to unite.



Dr. S. Abdul Rahman, India

The 2020 ISAE Conference in Bangalore

ISAE 2020 congress lead organizer / Commonwealth Veterinary association

Dr Rahman got the audience excited for the ISAE 2020 congress in Bangalore, as the lead organiser of the event. He got a lot of interest and explained how attendees could consider research now to present at the event, plus why Bangalore will be a great place to visit and be part of the congress.





Dr. Arvind Sharma, India / Australia

University of Queensland

Welfare assessment of cows in cow shelters (gaushalas) in India

Dr Sharma described his research on cattle shelters across India, where hundreds of roaming and elderly cows are taken in, with measures originating from Welfare Quality. He described his unique application of using hair cortisol as a measure of stress.



Sirjana Nijja, India

India Equine Farriery Foundation

OIE Minimum Standards on Working Equids in India

Sirjana gave an overview of what the World organization for animal health (OIE) standards for working horses and donkeys are, she explained that India already has the instruments for implementation, but owners and vets need the capacity to do so.



Dr. Madan Kamboj, India

NDRI, Karnal

Cattle welfare & opportunities with ISAE India

Dr Kamboj described his research into cattle welfare in India from a different angle, outlining how simple changes can improve welfare and discussing the design of high welfare sheds to optimise cow welfare with sand for lying, fans and feeding from the ground more naturally. He also shared his experience as a past attendee at the 2017 ISAE congress in Denmark.

