

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MICROBIAL RESEARCH IN HUMAN WELFARE 2015 REPORT

The conference brought together over 200 professionals from various parts of India North and South, to share their experiences, to learn from one another and to debate the future development of recent innovations in science. The conference was structured around small, facilitated presentations to allow all participants to enter into practical discussion. The welcome address of the conference was delivered by Prof. Dr. K. Natrajaseenivasan, Department of Microbiology, the conference summary was given by Dr. P. Thiagarajan, Organizing Secretary and Assistant Professor, Department of Microbiology. The presidential address was given by Dr. M. Ravichandran, Registrar, Bharathidasan University, Trichy. Inaugural address was delivered by the honorable vice chancellor, Dr. P. Gunasekaran, Thiruvalluvar University, Vellore. The key note address was delivered by Professor, Dr. M. Krishnan, Department of Environmental Biotechnology. The vote of thanks in the inaugural function was delivered by Dr. V. Rajesh Kannan, Assistant Professor, Department of Microbiology.

After this inaugural session oral and poster sessions were conducted parallel to exhibit the innovations of Young Scientists. After which valediction function was organized in which Prof. Dr. N. Thajuddin, Head Department of Microbiology delivered the welcome address. After which the cenniterz report was presented by the secretary of Chit Chat Club. Followed by this presidential and valedictory address was delivered by Dr. G. Subramanian, Founder and Director of NFMC, BDU and Prof. Dr. E. Ramganes, Department of Educational technology. Felicitation was given by both syndicate members of BDU Dr. R. Mangaleswaran and Dr. P. Mansoor. Best Oral and poster presenters were awarded by cash prize and memento.

Feedback from the conference was very positive – participants greatly enjoyed the chance to meet great scientists from India, the opportunity to network and to learn from one another, and the chance to explore ideas. The next conference, to be held in 2016 in the same department.

On behalf of everyone involved in organising the conference I would like to express my sincere thanks to the workshop facilitators. When we organised the conference one of our prime aims was to let people learn from each other. The facilitators played a key role in making this happen. I would also like to thank everyone who participated in the conference and making the conference a memorable and successful occasion.