

National Seminar on

**Emerging opportunities on
alternate poultry farming systems**

22nd and 23rd April, 2010

Organized by

**Department of Poultry Science
Madras Veterinary College
Chennai - 600 007**

and

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Under co-ordination of

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Poultry farming in India was built by the contribution of many small poultry units maintained by farmers as well as by research institutions. Backyard farming got transformed into more scientific broiler and layer farming in the early seventies. It has now developed into a multi million dollar industry as a result of sustained research coupled with the latest technologies, imported high performing strains and integrated marketing structure.

Government institutions are presently popularizing other poultry species especially Japanese Quail, Turkey, Guinea fowl, Duck, Geese and Ratites by introducing improved varieties with good productivity and have developed standard package of practices also. Due to the sustained efforts taken by different research institutions including Tamil Nadu Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Japanese quail farming has become popular in urban and semi urban areas. Turkey rearing which was a seasonal avocation earlier has become a round the year operation due to its availability through these research institutions. During the past one decade Emu farming has gained importance in Southern India for its nutritious red meat, oil and skin. At present the farming of these alternate poultry species and ratites need technological interventions to address the field problems.

In pursuit of the same, it is proposed to organize a national seminar on ***“Emerging opportunities on alternate poultry farming systems”*** by bringing the subject matter specialists to exchange their scientific knowledge. The seminar will focus on scientific advancements, technology gap and the course of action for future development of this sector.

It is planned to organize this national seminar for two days on 22nd and 23rd April, 2010 at Madras Veterinary College, Chennai - 600 007 with the following technical sessions dedicated to individual alternate poultry species. Guest Lectures/Lead papers are also invited from experienced scientists who have rich exposure to scientific breeding, nutrition, management and bio-security of Japanese quails, turkeys, guinea fowls, ducks, geese and ratites.

TECHNICAL SESSIONS

- ❖ Turkeys and Guinea fowls
- ❖ Japanese quails
- ❖ Ducks and Geese

- ❖ Ostrich and Emu
- ❖ Other species of Poultry

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The participants are requested to submit abstracts on or before 31.03.2010. Abstracts will be reviewed and assigned to appropriate session. Authors will be notified regarding acceptance. They will be informed about the method of presentation. Abstracts will be accepted only by e-mail as Microsoft word document to poultrysciencemvc@gmail.com

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

- 1) In A 4 format with 2.5cm margin on all four sides.
- 2) Abstracts should not exceed 250 words and must be submitted in English.
- 3) Use Arial typescript (font size 12) throughout, the spacing 1.0 and justified.
- 4) Title of the paper should be in upper case and aligned centrally.
- 5) Presenting authors name should be in bold letters with full contact address.

THE GENERAL INFORMATION

The city of Chennai is one among the four major metropolitan cities of India. It is the capital of Tamil Nadu and is well known for its temples, carnatic music and classical dance, for its vast and beautiful marina beach and silk sarees. It has a rich cultural past. There is an endless list of destination to tourists like the bewitching beach resorts at Mahabalipuram, forts, museums, temples at kancheepuram and Arignar Anna Zoological Park, Vandalur. The city is well connected by Air, Train and Bus routes. Kamaraj Domestic Air terminal is located at Tirisulum which is about 15 kms away from the venue. Madras Veterinary College is very near to Chennai Central and Egmore Railway stations, within a radius of 1km.

MADRAS VETERINARY COLLEGE

Madras Veterinary College was established in 1903 and was the First Veterinary College to get affiliated to an University. The relentless service by this institute to the society was duly recognized and a separate

Tamil Nadu Veterinary and Animal Sciences University was formed for the first time in Asia in 1989.

DEPARTMENT OF POULTRY SCIENCE

The Department of Poultry Science was started in the year 1970-71. The post graduate programme in Poultry Science was initiated in 1972-1973. The first batch of students registered for M.V.Sc degree in Poultry Production in 1972. The Doctoral (Ph.D.) programme in Poultry Science was instituted in 1977. A total of 79 M.V.Sc and 37 Ph.D scholars have graduated from this Department so far.

INSTITUTE OF POULTRY PRODUCTION AND MANAGEMENT

This institute is having good research facilities of national reputation. It has been used for research in different poultry species for the last 67 years. It has to its credit the release of three varieties of Japanese quail, two varieties of Turkey, two varieties of Chicken and one variety of Guinea fowl. Most of the biological research works in poultry and other related species have been carried out in this institute. It has the credential for having developed standard package of practice for Turkey, Japanese quail and Guinea fowl. It also serves as an Instructional farm for undergraduate, post graduate students and has an experiential learning facility in post harvest technology for turkeys. A modern hatchery complex and a Central Feed Technology Unit are inbuilt components of Institute of Poultry Production and Management. It is the pioneer centre in popularizing alternate poultry farming like Turkey, Guinea fowl and Japanese quail in Southern India.

ACCOMMODATION

Limited accommodation will be available on payment basis at the Teachers Hostel, Madras Veterinary College on first-come-first serve basis. Chennai has good hotel facilities with rents starting from Rs.750/- onwards per day. Hotel reservation can be arranged on request with advance payment of the entire amount only by way of Demand Draft in favour of Professor and Head, Department of Poultry Science, Madras Veterinary College, Chennai payable at Chennai.

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