



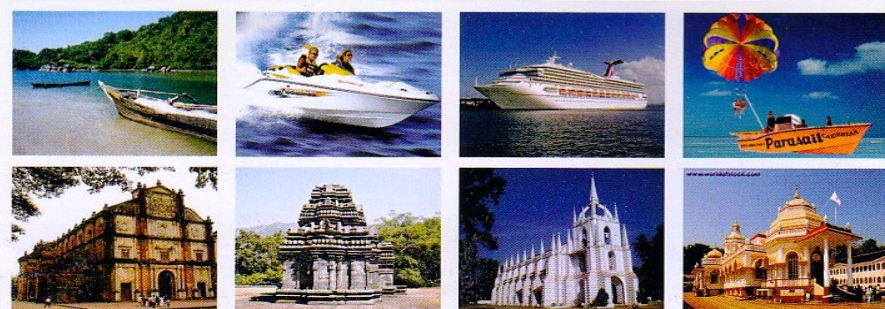
Society For Vector Ecology (Indian Region)

Dear colleagues and friends!

It gives me immense pleasure in inviting you to the Inaugural Conference of the Society for Vector Ecology (Indian Region) which will be held in Goa from 13th - 16th Feb. 2019. Vector Borne Diseases (VBDs) continue to exact heavy toll on mankind and economies. Global warming and international travel is resulting in the movement and establishment of vectors in new regions making them vulnerable to the risk of VBDs. For vector control, understanding of vector bio-ecology is critical. Undoubtedly, significant progress has been made on vector control and diagnosis, treatment, prevention and control of VBDs in the last two decades. As novel researches are being made, new interventions are rolled out, policies reshaped and process of planning moves forward, the conferences provide platform where budding and established scientists, programme managers, healthcare professionals and policy makers deliberate on the issues and exchange views freely. The dialogue helps in forging of collaborations and to sharpen the focus to lower the burden of vector borne disease. Encouraged by WHO, elimination of many of the VBDs like malaria, leishmaniasis and filariasis is now being attempted by a number of countries. Additionally, many multi-lateral and regional initiatives are being taken by the heads of the states to meet SDGs. Hence, the Conference's theme "**Lab to Public Health Setting: Prevention, Control of vectors and Elimination of Vector Borne Diseases**" is appropriate and timely.

Beautiful and idyllic Goa is a perfect setting for a serious scientific dialogues as well as for recreation. With its own distinctive flavour, Goa, the erstwhile Portuguese colony, is a popular tourist destination for Indians and Foreigners alike. Goa is small (~4000 sq. km.) but has its strong cultural identity and a breathtaking landscape. One of India's most progressive states, Goa has a healthy economy. Its friendly people, beaches, hills, coconut groves, spice gardens and broad perennial rivers are awe-inspiring that instantly elevate human spirit. The weather is mild in February and temperature usually remains around 21-32°C. In the backdrop of this setting, the SOVE organizing committee is looking forward to welcoming you to the conference which will be scientifically rewarding with a key note address, plenary lectures, oral and poster presentations, invited talks, a special session for industry and sessions covering almost all dimensions of VBD management. Above all, awards shall be presented to the distinguished achievers. While the conference promises to be enriching, your presence will indeed make a big difference. You are most welcome to join in Goa!

Dr. Ashwani Kumar, Director SOVE (Indian Region)



THEME

Main Theme:

'Lab to Public Health Setting: Prevention, Control of Vectors and elimination of Vector Borne Diseases'

Subthemes:

1. Vector bio-ecology: The old and the new!
2. New vector control tools and technologies
3. Vector control tool development cycle: Innovation, improvisation, prototype evaluation, registration and deployment
4. Climate change: impact on vectors and vector borne diseases
5. Vector control in disease elimination: Lessons learnt and the future course
6. Vector surveillance and control at points of entry
7. GenNext: Involvement of children and youth in vector suppression at home and school
8. Public Health Entomology : Education for trained manpower, programme capacity building and skill development for trained human resource pool

Note : Authors must mention the Sub-theme of their abstract.

ABSTRACT

1. Abstract should be written in English in no more than 500 words
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4. Author's name : surname followed by initials with space and without points between surname and initials; if authors are more than one their names should be separated by comma.
5. Affiliation : Author should be followed by institutional affiliation. If more than one institute are involved it should be indicated by superscript Roman numerals.
6. Presenting author's name should be underlined.
7. Please indicate (on the top right hand corner in 10 font size) the subtheme in which your abstract falls.
8. Abstract should be in Microsoft Word document.
9. Abstract should contain a brief introduction/background to the study.
10. A statement of the research problem/research question/research hypothesis.
11. Research methodology employed in your study.
12. Summary of results obtained.
13. Discussion and conclusion/summary of the results/preliminary results/anticipated results.
14. Please name the file after first author. If more than one abstract is being submitted by the same first author use different suffixes.
15. Abstracts of delegates whose registration is confirmed by **(1ST Jan. 2019)** will be processed further. Confirmation is subject to payment of the registration fees.
16. Email your abstracts as MS word document to sovecongoa2019@gmail.com

Abstract Deadline: Nov. 1, 2018

17. Please indicate whether you would like your abstract to be considered for an oral or poster presentation. While the scientific committee will try to go by your choice, however the committee's decision on mode of presentation will be final.
18. Oral PowerPoint presentations must be in English (compatible with Office 2007 or later versions), no longer than 10 minutes with five additional minutes will be allowed for answering questions.
19. "Poster size" : Size should be **36" width and 48" height** with portrait orientation. Accepted posters shall be displayed in accordance with the programme schedule.

TRAVEL

Goa is well connected to the rest of the country by Air, Rail and Road.

AIR : Dabolim Goa International Airport is about 35 km from Panaji, the capital city of Goa where conference will be held. International Flights arrive directly from and depart to Bahrain, Doha, Kuwait, UAE etc. Domestic flights connect Goa to Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Bhubaneswar, Chandigarh, Chennai, Delhi, Hyderabad, Jaipur, Kolkatta, Mangalore, Mumbai, Srinagar and Thiruvananthapuram. Many connecting flights are also available practically from all over India. Overseas delegates may contact their travel agents for details.

Train: There are two main Railway Stations, Margao (38 km from Panaji) and Vasco da Gama (35km from Panaji). All the trains halt at Margao and only a few trains run upto and from Vasco da Gama terminal. Besides, on coastal Konkan Railways route some trains coming from North and South India stop at Thivim (35 kms from Panaji) and Karmali/Old Goa (12 Kms from Panaji) stations.

Bus: Panjim being the capital city, is connected by Semi Luxury, Luxury, Super luxury Bus Service with Bangalore, Hyderabad, Mumbai, Mangalore, Chennai & Pune.

Please Note: Venue of the conference Hotel Fidalgo is in Panaji (Panjim).

AWARDS

1. 'Padmabhushan' **Dr. V. P. Sharma** Oration Award for Outstanding Research in Vector Bio-ecology and Control (To be awarded to an Indian Scientist)
2. **Prof. Mir Mulla** Award for Excellence in Vector Biology and Control (To be awarded to an International Scientist)
3. **Dr. T. R. Ramachandra Rao** Award for Outstanding Research in Medical Entomology
4. **Shri P. B. Deobhankar** Award for Distinguished Work in Public Health especially in Municipal bodies and State Government programmes
5. **SOVE (Indian Region) Young Scientist Award (Woman)** below 35 years of age for outstanding research and innovation in the field of vector bio-ecology/vector borne diseases
6. **SOVE (Indian Region) Young Scientist Award (Man)** below 35 years of age for outstanding research and innovation in the field of vector bio-ecology/vector borne diseases

Awards 1-4 are by nomination while 5 & 6 are by application. Form can be requested by sending an e-mail to sovecongoa2019@gmail.com

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