



## Goa University

### School of Biological Sciences and Biotechnology

#### Report on 15th Conference of Vectors and Vector-Borne Diseases

<b>1. Title of the Event/Activity/program</b>	15th Conference of Vectors and Vector-Borne Diseases "Vector-Borne Diseases: Join hands for Elimination"
<b>2. Date and Time</b>	15th- 17th February 2023
<b>3. Mode of conduct (Physical/Online)</b>	Physical Mode.
<b>4. School/ Directorate/ Section</b>	School of Biological Sciences and Biotechnology, Goa University
<b>5. Collaborating Agency/School/Directorate</b>	Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), National Institute of Malaria Research (NIMR), National Academy of Vector Borne Diseases (NAVBD) and the Indian Council of Medical Sciences
<b>6. Detail of the Resource Person (Brief biodata)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr Suman Rijal (Regional Director of WHO and SEARO)</li><li>• Dr. Sarthak Das (Chief Executive officer of the Asia Pacific Leaders Malaria Alliance).</li><li>• Dr. Altaf Lal (Senior Advisor for Global Health and Innovation)</li></ul>
<b>7. Number of Faculty attended/participated</b>	30
<b>8. Number of Student attended / participated</b>	100+
<b>9. No. of external students/faculty/other participants</b>	250+

<b>10. The objectives of the Program/activity/event</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Awareness on vector borne diseases</li> <li>• Progress on Malaria elimination</li> <li>• Research and modern biology for VBD</li> <li>• Addressing concepts of Epidemiology and disease burden of other VBDs, AI technology and General topics related to VBDs</li> </ul>
<b>11. Description of the Program/activity/event</b>	<p>The 3-Day conference begun with an inaugural function that included lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries on the dais followed by welcome address by Prof. Savita Kerkar, Dean School of Biological Sciences and Biotechnology, Goa University and the Chairperson of the local organizing committee and the Chief guest for the day. The conference comprised of 2 keynote addresses, 4 plenary talk sessions with 16 speakers in total, 6 scientific sessions held parallelly with 32 speakers and 3 turbo talk sessions with a total of 45 participants. 3 poster presentation sessions were also held that received a large number of participants. Apart from this, the General body meeting of NAVBD took place on day 2 along with the Panel discussion on novel tool and technologies for VBD Diagnosis and control that took place on day 3. A Special session was also held where in various industries were provided an opportunity to present the work and career opportunities their organization provided. The conference concluded with a valedictory function during which all prize winners were awarded.</p>
<b>12. Benefit/Key outcomes of the Program/activity/event</b>	<p>Enhancement of the Capacity building and Community participation in the elimination of VBDs, awareness on the progress of eliminating Malaria and other VBDs.</p>
<b>13. Enclosures with report</b>	<p>Photographs of the event are attached below.</p>



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