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Prof. Vaidya Rabinarayan Acharya Assumes Charge as Director General, CCRAS



Glimpse of Prof. Rabinarayan Acharya takes charge as Director General, CCRAS, Ministry of Ayush, Government of India on 28th February, 2022.

Prof. Vaidya Rabinarayan Acharya has been assumed the charge of Director General for Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences, under Ministry of Ayush, with effect from 28th February, 2022.

A native of Nalibar village in Jagatsinghpur district, Odisha, Prof. Acharya was born on 26th February, 1967. Prof. Acharya formerly served as Dean and Head of Dravyaguna department at ITRA, Jamnagar. He started his career as faculty in SSN Ayurveda College, Paikmal and Government Ayurveda College Balangir, Odisha. He was a Professor of Dravyaguna (Ayurveda Pharmacology) at ITRA, Jamnagar where he was a faculty from September 2007 to February 2022.

“Having more than 27 years of teaching and research experience in various fields of drug research, Prof. Acharya formerly served as Dean and Head of Dravyaguna department at ITRA, Jamnagar.”

Professor Acharya completed his PG in 1996, Ph.D. in 2002 from Gujarat Ayurved University, Jamnagar, and his undergraduate degrees, B.Sc. (Botany Hons.) in 1986 and BAMS in 1993, from Utkal University Bhubaneswar Odisha and PG Diploma in Bioethics from IGNOU New Delhi in 2015.

Having more than 27 years of teaching and research experience in various fields of drug research, he has worked on standardization of 13 poisonous plant drugs by using Shodhana. He had established the impact of Shodhana for their better therapeutic application besides creating awareness among physicians.

He also enriched Ayurvedic Pharmacopoeial by providing Pharmacopoeial Standards and Safety Studies on over two dozen extra pharmacopoeial drugs to encourage further clinical research. He has published more than 325 research articles in peer-review journals and authored five books, contributed 10 chapters to his credit. He has served IGNOU as a course writer and WHO as a temporary advisor. Dr. Acharya also provided his service to the Ministry of AYUSH, Govt of India, at different capacities. Prof. Acharya has worked as principal investigator in more than 10 research grant projects and under his guidance 35 Ph.D., 51 Post Graduate theses /dissertations in Dravyaguna, has been awarded.



Visit of Ayush Minister at CARI, New Delhi

Shri Sarbananda Sonowal, Hon'ble Union Minister, Ministry of AYUSH, Govt. of India & Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways visited Central Ayurveda Research Institute (CARI), New Delhi one of the peripheral institutes of CCRAS on 18th February, 2022. He was accompanied by Secretary, Ministry of Ayush, Shri Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha along with other eminent dignitaries. Dr. Bharti, Director of

the Institute, along with senior officials of the council, welcomed them.

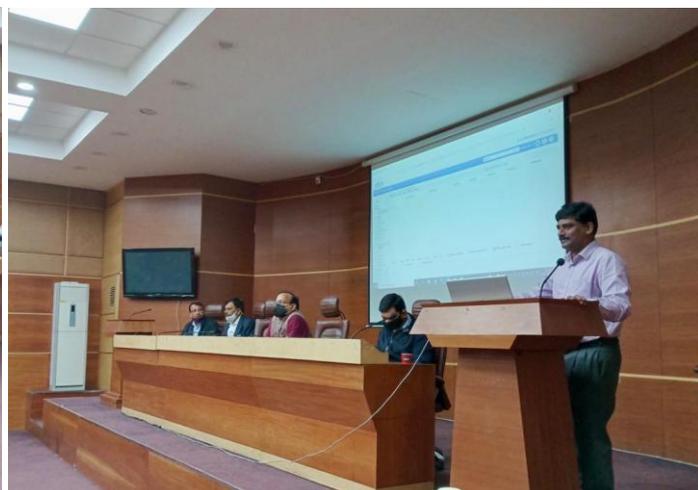
Hon'ble Ayush Minister laid the foundation stone for setting up a Panchakarma Block, Pharmacology and Chemistry Laboratories at CARI, Guwahati on 12th February, 2022

Sh. Sarbananda Sonowal, Union Minister, Ministry of Ayush and Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways laid the foundation stones for setting up a Panchakarma Block, Pharmacology and Chemistry Laboratories at Central Ayurveda Research Institute (CARI), Guwahati in the august presence of Sh. Keshab Mahanta, Minister of Health & Family Welfare and IT, Government of Assam and Smt. Queen Oja, Member of Parliament in Lok Sabha for Guwahati on 12th February, 2022.



The new buildings for Panchakarma will help in providing world class training courses for skill development. The pharmacology & chemistry building at CARI will help in pre-clinical experimental procedures, drugs standardization, chemical testing for any herb, animal related toxicology report etc. This first of its kind facility is in the Northeast Region.

CCRAS Headquarters launches eOffice at its office.



Dr. N. Srikanth, Director General, CCRAS processing an e-file through eoffice application to launch the platform for the Council on 3rd January, 2022 at CCRAS Headquarters, New Delhi.

In its quest for becoming a paperless organisation, the Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences has launched eOffice at its office on 03rd January, 2022. The application has been developed by NIC, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology for government organizations. Dr. N. Srikanth, Director General Additional Charge, CCRAS processed an e-file to formally launch the application. While appreciating the efforts of the Shri Ravinder Ahluwalia, DDA and the IT team led by Dr. Radhe Krishan, Research Officer, he mentioned that this is a historic day for the Council as it is moving towards a new and more efficient way of working.



Dr. N. Srikanth, Director General (Additional Charge), CCRAS signing a document in his chamber in the presence of Dr. N. Srikanth, Director General (Additional Charge), CCRAS along with other eminent dignitaries and senior officials of CCRAS on 7th February, 2022.

Release of CCRAS Publication

Vaidya Jayant Deopujari, Chairperson, National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (NCISM) has released, two CCRAS publications titled 'SHALYA TANTRA: Surgery in Ayurveda Volume-II' and 'Ayurveda based clinical methods for examination of Kasa and Shwasa Roga: Ayurveda Clinical Method

Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between CCRAS and Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth, Pune



A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between CCRAS and Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth, Pune for a collaborative project entitled 'Comprehensive collection of health related references from Vedic Literature & Systematic Documentation of selected Vedic practices'. The MoU has been exchanged between Dr. G. P. Prasad, AD Incharge, CCRAS – National Institute of Indian Medical Heritage (NIIMH), Hyderabad and Dr. Abhijit Joshi, Acting

Registrar, Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth (TMV), Pune on 08th March, 2022 at NIIMH, Hyderabad.

IEC, Awareness programmes and Arogya Mela

CCRAS celebrates International Women's Day



Glimpses of International Women's Day Celebrations at CCRAS, Headquarters, New Delhi

International Women's Day is celebrated on 8th March every year. To mark the celebration, the Council observed International Women's Day on 10th March, 2022 at CCRAS Headquarters, New Delhi. The event was planned around the theme of 'Gender equality today for a sustainable tomorrow', with the goal of

honouring women who are trying to make the world a better place. The event was inaugurated by Director General, CCRAS, Prof. Vaidya Rabinarayan Acharya, in the gracious presence of senior officials of the Council including Shri R.K. Ahluwalia, Deputy Director (Admn.); Dr. Adarsh Kumar, AD (Ay.); Dr. Sanjay Kumar Y.R., AD (P'ology); Dr. B. Venkateswarlu, AD (Ay.); Dr. Pratap Makhija, AD (Ay.) and Sh. A.K. Meena, Ado (Admn.). Dr. Sakshi Sharma, R.O. (Ay.) and Dr. V.K. Lavania, R.O. (Ay.) offered their *Kavya Paath*. Various cultural and team-building activities were held on the occasion. Five female employees were recognized for their outstanding performance in the areas of research and administration.

Visit of Ayush Minister at CCRAS Stall



Central Ayurveda Research Institute (CARI), New Delhi on behalf of CCRAS participated in '2nd BIMSTEC Ayush International Exhibition cum Conference Arogya Fair', India Habitat Centre, New Delhi from 24th -26th March 2022 in view to bring the awareness about the Ayurvedic practices, medicines and research amongst common public. Honorable Minister of State for Ayush, Dr. Mahendra Munjapara, along with Shri K.B. Sinha, Under Secretary,

Ministry of Ayush and other senior officials from the Ministry visited the CCRAS stall. Dr. Amit, RO (Ay.) and Dr. Kishor Patel, RO (Ay.) from CCRAS welcomed the guests at the stall and informed them about the various activities that are carried out by CCRAS.

CCRAS participated in Surya Namaskar Mass Demonstration

To mark the holy occasion of Makar Sankranti on 14th January 2022 under Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations, CCRAS along with all the peripheral institutes participated in the event of large scale virtual Surya Namaskar organized by Ministry of Ayush. Glimpse of some of the activities are:



Glimpse of Officials and staff performing Yogasana on the occasion of Suryanamaskar Mass Demonstration organized under AzadikaAmritMahotsav celebrations on 14th January, 2022 at CCRAS Headquarters, New Delhi.



Under the guidance of Dr. Bharti, Director Institute, CARI, New Delhi all the officers and staff participated in the event of Suryanamaskar Mass Demonstration and performed yogasanas.



Officials and staff of RARI, Lucknow participated in large scale Suryanamaskar Programme with theme Suryanamaskar for Vitality organized by MoA on 14th January, 2022 under the guidance of Dr. Om Prakash, AD In-charge.



Officers and Staff of CARI, Patiala performing yogasanas during the event of Suryanamaskar Mass Demonstration.



View of Surya Namaskar Programme organized at RRAP-CARI, Mumbai with the active participation of officials and staff.

Distribution campaign for Ayush Prophylactic medicines and diet and lifestyle guidelines for Covid-19

In the continuing series of activities to distribute prophylactic medicines and diet and lifestyle guidelines with special focus on geriatric population under the 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', CCRAS along with all the periphery institutes organized various events for its distribution. Glimpse of some of the activities are:



A vehicle campaign organized at CARI, Bhubaneswar for the distribution of prophylactic medicines as a part of large scale prophylactic medicine distribution on 09th March, 2022.



As part of the campaign, CARI, Bhubaneswar organized a Medical camp at OSRTC MALL, Bhubaneswar in collaboration with ESI, Bhubaneswar on 23rd February, 2022.



As part of the campaign, Dr. Sudesh N. Gaidhani, A.D. (P'cology) and Dr. V.C. Deep, A.D. (Ay.) of NARIP, Cheruthuruthy distributed Ayu Raksha Kit to Dr. Syam Viswanath, Director, Kerala Forest Research Institute, Kottappara, Thrissur.



As a part of the campaign, Dr. D. Sudhakar, Director, NARIP, Cheruthuruthy presented Ayurveda Raksha kit to Shri. E. Sreedharan, popularly known as the Metro man of India.



A Distribution campaign for Ayush Prophylactic medicines for Covid-19 organized at Dadar Railway station by RRAP-CARI, Mumbai on 05th February, 2022.



A camp organized for the distribution of Prophylactic medicines by RRAP CARI, Mumbai at Worli Koliwada, Mumbai on 31st January, 2022.



Glimpses of Prophylactic medicine distribution to the residents of RVB Colony & Malakpet police staff personnel organized as a part of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsava by NCIMH, Hyderabad on 03rd February, 2022



Prophylaxis medicine and IEC material distribution at Chinakani, Mangalagiri, Andhra Pradesh by RARI Vijayawada under Azadi ka Amrit mahotsava on 29th January, 2021

Participation of Council Officers in Important Meetings, Trainings, Seminars & Conferences and Presentation of Papers

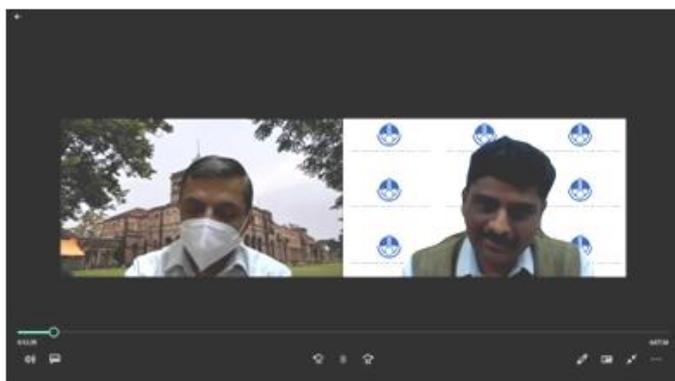
MSRARI, Jaipur

- Dr. Dara Singh Rotwar, R.O. (Ay.) and Dr. Monika Kumari, R.O. (Ay.), participated in 4 days video conferencing ‘Training programme for capacity building of its Scientists regarding importance of enhancing research integrity and publication ethics’ at centre for publication ethics, Savitribhai Phule, Pune University from 22nd February, 2022 to 25th February, 2022.

- The institute participated in ‘Ayush Expo and Food Festival’ at JawaharKala Kendra, Jaipur Rajasthan from 11th March, 2022 to 13th March, 2022 organized by National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur.
- The Institute participated in ‘Yoga Fest’ at Nathdwara, Rajsamand, Rajasthan organized by Gayatri Parivar Trust from 08th January, 2022 to 10th January, 2022.

CARI, Patiala

- Dr. Sangeeta Sangvikar, R.O. (Ay.), participated in the National Webinar on ‘Applied Aspects of Agadtantra & Medical jurisprudence in Ayurveda Practice’ at Shri Ayurved Mahavidyalaya, Nagpur, Maharashtra on 02nd February, 2022.
- Dr. Sangeeta Sangvikar, R.O. (Ay.), participated in the 4th National Webinar on ‘Viral Disorders and their Management in Ayurveda’ with Special Reference to COVID-19 at RARI, Nagpur on 04th March, 2022.
- The Institute organized a workshop on ‘Awareness on Sexual Harassment’ through V.C. on 21st March, 2022. Mrs. Kusum, Advocate, delivered a lecture on ‘Prevention of Sexual Harassment of Women at workplace and Use/Misuse of the Act’.
- Dr. Sanjiv Kumar, A.D. (Ay.), attended the National Seminar on ‘Role of Panchakarma in 21st Century’ as a Keynote Speaker held at Desh Bhagat Ayurvedic College & Hospital, Mandi Gobindgarh on 29th March, 2022.
- Dr. Rinku Tomar, R.O. (Ay.), attended the National Seminar on ‘Role of Panchakarma in 21st Century’ held at Desh Bhagat Ayurvedic College & Hospital, Mandi Gobindgarh, on 29th March, 2022.



Glimpse of four days online training programme on ‘Capacity building of CCRAS Scientists on Research Integrity and Publication Ethics’ organized by RARI, Pune from 18th January, 2022 to 21st January, 2022

CCRAS organized a four days online short term training programme on ‘Capacity building of CCRAS Scientists on Research Integrity and Publication Ethics’ jointly in collaboration with Centre for Publication Ethics and Centre for Complementary and Integrative Health (CCIH), Savitribai Phule Pune University to its 330 Scientists in 3 Batches. RARI, Pune was designated as a nodal institute for the training programme and the training was conducted from 18th - 21st January, 2022; 22th - 25th February, 2022 and 8th - 11th March, 2022.



Glimpse of the participants of the 2 days Regulatory training program for ASU&H Drug regulators, Industry personnel, & other stakeholders organized by RARI, Ahmedabad held during 25th – 26th November, 2021

Two days Regulatory training program for ‘ASU&H Drug regulators, Industry personnel, & other stakeholders’ was organized by RARI Ahmedabad in collaboration with the Drug Policy Section, Ministry of Ayush from 25th – 26th November, 2021. In the training program, about 42 delegates had participated. The practical aspects regarding manufacturing and enforcement were discussed in this two way interactive session where the centre, state and stakeholders met for hand holding and encouragement of the work being done with the target of quality Ayush medicines.

Guest Lectures, Radio/TV Talks and Interviews



As part of Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsav, Dr. A. K. Panda, RO (Ay.), CARI, Bhubaneswar giving an interview on ‘free prophylactic medicine distribution’ to Argus News, Odisha.



Appointment/Promotions/Retirements/Transfers

MSRARI, Jaipur

Sh. Prahlad Mahto, Laboratory Technician has been transferred to RARIID, Patna on 31st March, 2022.

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