

10<sup>th</sup> Biennial Congress of Asian Association of Veterinary Anatomists

# AAVACON-2026

## Anatomy for Life and Livelihood

Exploring Mammalian, Avian, and Piscine Systems  
for Sustainable Biomedical Research and Livestock Advancement

28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> October 2026  
India

N.T.R. College of Veterinary Science, Gannavaram

For details Scan here



# Welcome to Vijayawada, the City of Victory



**Greetings from Vijayawada, India  
—where natural beauty and historic  
architecture meet scientific innovation and  
academic excellence. We are delighted to  
welcome you to AAVACON-2026.**

The congress will serve as a premier platform for researchers to present innovative methodologies, examine recent scientific advances, and engage in critical discussions, while promoting interdisciplinary collaboration among academia, industry, and research institutions toward the advancement of biomedical research and livestock health at a global level.

Jointly organized by:

The Asian Association of Veterinary Anatomists (Asian AVA), the Indian Association of Veterinary Anatomists (IAVA), and Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University (SVVU), Tirupati

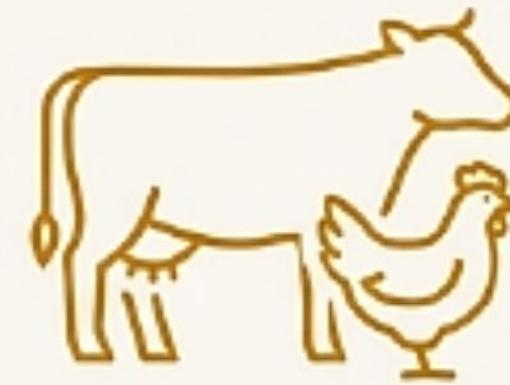
# Congress Vision

## **Anatomy for Life and Livelihood: Exploring Mammalian, Avian, and Piscine Systems for Sustainable Biomedical Research and Livestock Advancement**



### **Sustainable Biomedical Research**

We explore environmentally responsible and sustainable research approaches that form the foundation of future medicine and scientific innovation.



### **Advancing Livestock Health**

We enhance livestock health and productivity—essential for food security and public health—through advances in anatomical and biomedical knowledge.



### **Cross-Species Innovation**

By integrating insights from studies of diverse species, including mammals, birds, and fish, we foster novel discoveries and translational innovation across disciplines.



# Organizing Committee

✓ Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University (SVVU), India



✓ Indian Association of Veterinary Anatomists (IAVA)



✓ Asian Association of Veterinary Anatomists (AsAVA)



# Organizing Team & Leadership

## Patrons & Chairs

- ✓ **Chief Patron: Dr. J. Venkata Ramana**, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, SVVU
- ✓ **Patrons: Dr. R. V. Suresh Kumar**, Dean of Veterinary Science, SVVU &  
**Dr. P.V.S. Kishore**, President, IAVA
- ✓ **Chairperson: Dr. Y. Naga Malleswari**, Professor & Univ. Head

## Executive Committee

- ✓ **Organizing Secretary: Dr. M.P.S. Tomar**, Secretary General, AsAVA
- ✓ **Treasurer: Dr. N.K.B. Raju**, Professor



# Why Should You Attend?

## Benefits for Researchers and Delegates



### Collaborate

Engage in dynamic interactions with global peers from academia, industry, and research institutions.



### Learn

Absorb insights from keynote lectures, technical presentations, and poster sessions by distinguished experts.



### Publish

Gain the opportunity for award-winning papers to be published with a 100% fee waiver in 'PeerJ' (Impact Factor 2.4).



### Be Recognized

Compete for many session awards, medals, and certificates from IAVA and AsAVA.



## Benefits for Sponsors

### Showcase

Present your technologies and products to a targeted, expert international audience.



### Connect

Network with key decision-makers and leading researchers in veterinary anatomy and biomedical sciences.



### Gain Visibility

Receive worldwide advertisement through our website, social media, and physical displays at the congress.



# Scientific Program (1/2)

## A. Broad Section – Basic Anatomy

- **Session I:** Gross Anatomy  
(Dr. Md. Hafeezuddin Silver Jubilee Medal & Award; Dr. A. N. Tewari Memorial Medal & Award)
- **Session II:** Anatomy of Wild and Zoo Animals  
(Dr. Md. Hafeezuddin Silver Jubilee Medal & Award)
- **Session III:** Avian Anatomy  
(Dr. C. Vijaya Ragavan Memorial Silver Jubilee Medal & Award)
- **Session IV:** Developmental Anatomy  
(Dr. C. Vijaya Ragavan Memorial Silver Jubilee Medal & Award)
- **Session V:** Histology & Histochemistry  
(Dr. Mohan Bhattacharya Silver Jubilee Medal & Award)
- **Session VI:** Histoenzymology & Immunohistochemistry  
(Dr. K. S. Roy Medal & Award)
- **Session VII:** Ultrastructure  
(Mrs. O. Wati & Dr. Yashwant Singh Medal & Award)

## B. Broad Section – Applied Anatomy

- **Session VIII:** Forensic Anatomy, including Archaeological Studies  
(Late Shri L. O. Dhande Memorial Medal & Award)
- **Session IX:** Biotechnology, including Stem Cell Technology  
(Mr. Avinash Yogesh Vyas Medal & Award)
- **Session X:** Clinical Anatomy & Multidisciplinary Approach  
(Late Dr. D. S. Grover Memorial Medal & Award)
- **Session XI:** Applied Anatomy, including Biomechanics  
(Dr. G. Rajeshwar Rao Memorial Medal & Award)
- **Session XII:** Anatomy of Experimental Animals, including Laboratory Animals and Fishes  
(Prof. L. H. Hyman Medal & Award)



# Scientific Program (2/2)

## **C. Broad Section – Anatomy Education**

- **Session XIII:** Anatomical Techniques

(Dr. V. Ramakrishna Silver Jubilee Medal & Award)

## **D. Broad Section – Undergraduate Anatomy**

- Awards for this broad section will be provided by the Asian Association of Veterinary Anatomists (Asian AVA).

## **E. Broad Section – Poster Presentation**

- **Session XIV:** Poster Presentation

(Two medals are awarded)

- ✓ **Best Poster Presentation – Microscopic Anatomy**

(Dr. K. L. Suri Medal & Award)

- ✓ **Best Poster Presentation – Gross Anatomy, including Techniques**

(Dr. A. K. Barnwal Medal & Award)

## **Independent Sessions**

(Sessions not categorized under the broad sections of Asian AVA)

- **Session XV:** Outstanding M.V.Sc./Master's Research Work  
(Dr. A. M. Srivastava Gold Medal & Award)
- **Session XVI:** Outstanding Ph.D./Doctoral Research Work  
(Dr. A. M. Srivastava Gold Medal & Award)
- **Session XVII:** IAVA Young Scientist Award  
(Dr. K. N. Vyas & Dr. Y. L. Vyas Medal & Award)
- **Session XVIII:** National Veterinary Anatomy Quiz Award  
(Dr. U. K. Mishra & Dr. P. V. S. Kishore Award) \*The quiz will be conducted online for Indian participants only prior to the congress, and the winner will be awarded during the congress.

## **Note**

- Session awards (medal and certificate) will be provided by the IAVA.
- The best paper in each broad section will be awarded by the AsAVA.
- Best paper (from each broad section) will be published in PeerJ with a 100% article processing charge (APC) waiver, provided that the authors strictly follow the Instructions for Authors.



# Featured Speakers

## Prof. William Pérez (Uruguay)

Professor of Veterinary Anatomy with over 30 years of teaching experience. President of the World Association of Veterinary Anatomists (WAVA) and expert in comparative animal morphology.

## Mr. Nick Jukes (United Kingdom)

Coordinator of InterNICHE with 25 years of experience in promoting humane alternatives to animal dissection and experimentation. Recipient of the Lush Prize (2012) for outstanding contributions to humane education.

## Dr. W. M. Kalpani Madhushika Ratnayake (Sri Lanka)

Senior Lecturer at CINEC Campus with 15 years of experience in laboratory animal research. Former President of national societies for alternatives to animal testing and laboratory animal science.

## Dr. Venkatesan Sundaram (Trinidad & Tobago)

Deputy Dean, University of the West Indies, with 22 years of expertise in reproductive biology and toxicology. Focuses on environmental and lifestyle effects on endocrine and reproductive health and anatomy education.

## Dr. D. C. Sharma (India)

Scientist at Palamur Biosciences with 21 years of experience in preclinical and translational cardiology. Specialist in cardiology and vascular interventions, trained at the National Heart Centre, Singapore.

## Prof. Devendra Pathak (India)

Principal Scientist at GADVASU with 15 years of experience in veterinary anatomy research and education. Author of 190+ scientific publications, specializing in the endocrine–gonadal axis and anatomy education.

## Dr. Girish Patil (USA)

Assistant Professor of Veterinary Anatomy at Oklahoma State University, USA, has 11+ years of experience in research, & teaching of anatomy, molecular biology, and comparative morphology. Expertise in Teaching Anatomy with novel approaches and Use of Technology.

## Prof. Okan Ekim (Turkey)

Professor of Veterinary Anatomy at Ankara University with 21 years of teaching and research experience. Has published over 150 papers in veterinary anatomy and histology.

※The program and speakers are subject to change without notice.

# The Host Venue: N.T.R. College of Veterinary Science



## About the Venue

A vibrant academic, scientific, and cultural environment. Its lively campus life, diverse student community, and scenic beauty make it a hub of learning, innovation, and inspiration.

- 📍 Located on the Chennai-Kolkata National Highway (NH5).
- ✈️ Directly opposite to Vijayawada International Airport.
- 🌿 Recipient of grants from InterNICHE, NuTech Biosciences Inc., and PETA for developing humane alternatives.

## Local Logistics

For Your Convenience

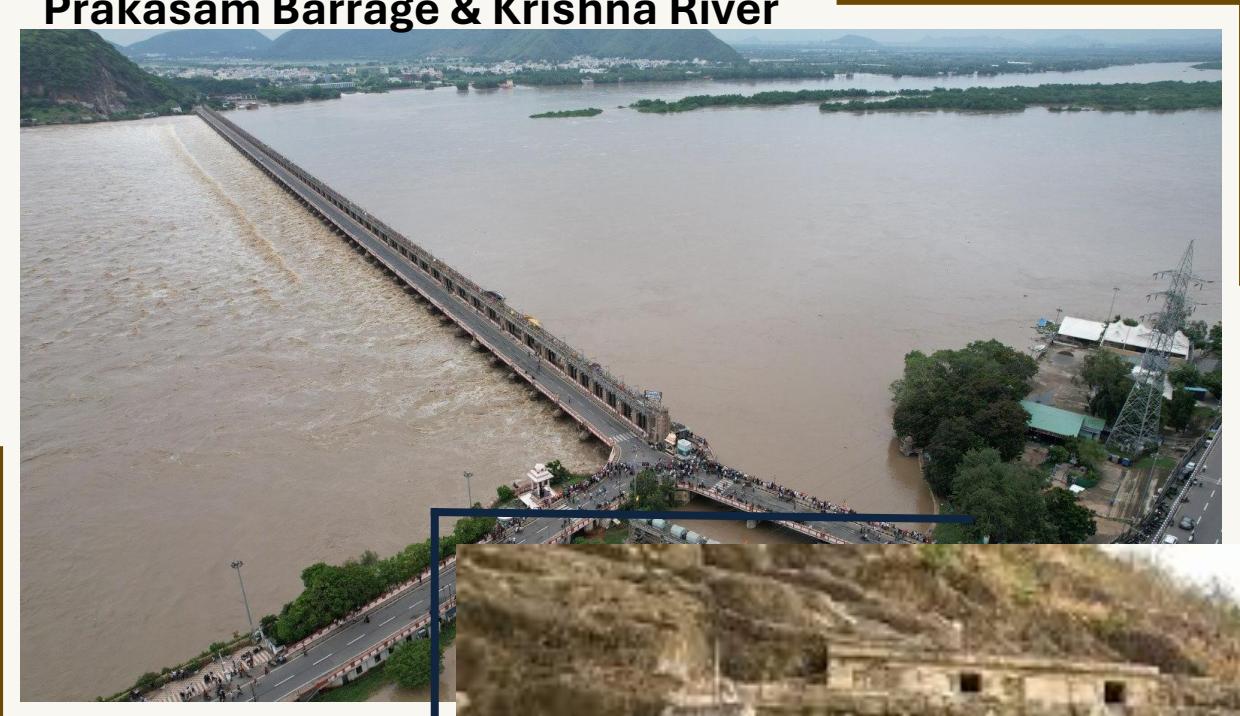
**Accommodation:** Accommodation for overseas registrants will be arranged on a payment basis.

**Transport:** Free local transportation will be arranged from designated hotels to the venue daily.



# Discover Vijayawada and Its Rich Heritage

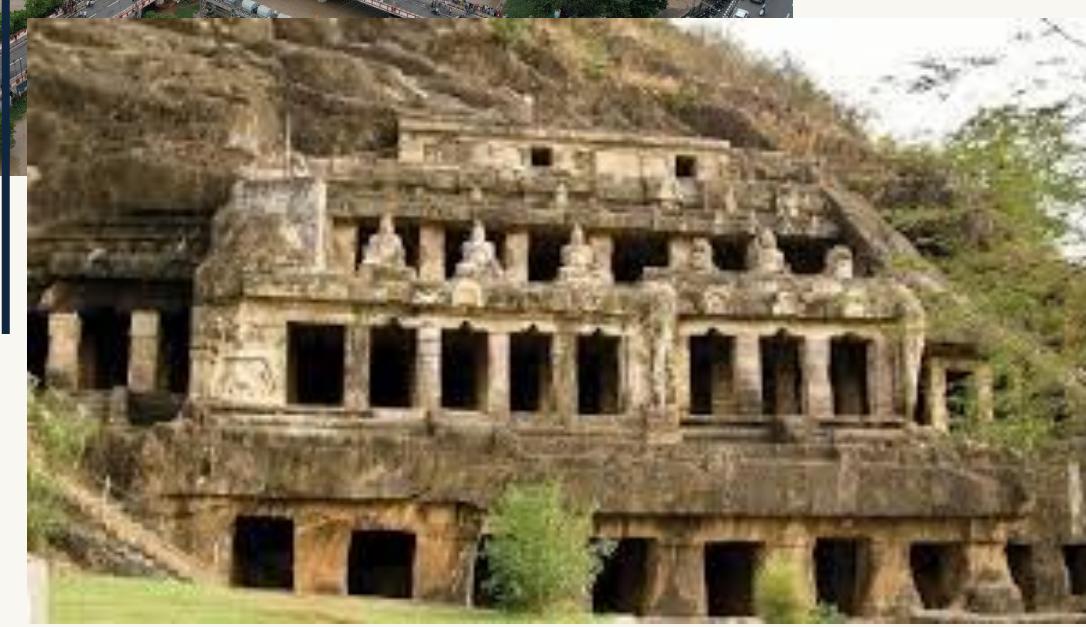
Prakasam Barrage & Krishna River



Kanaka Durga Temple



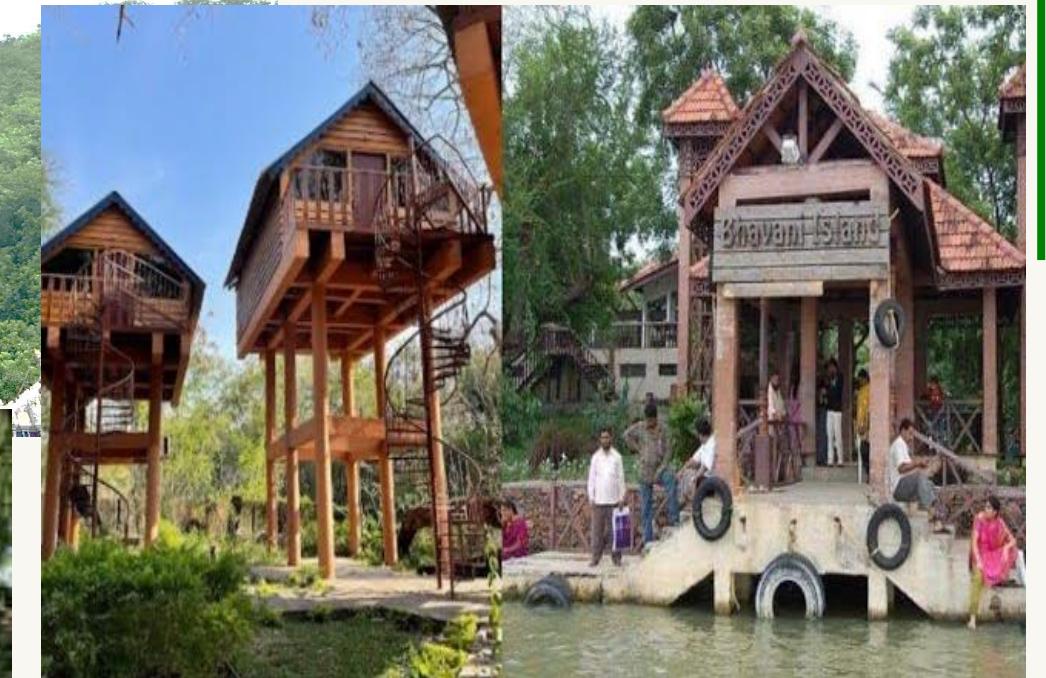
Undavalli Caves



Bapu Museum



Bhavani Island



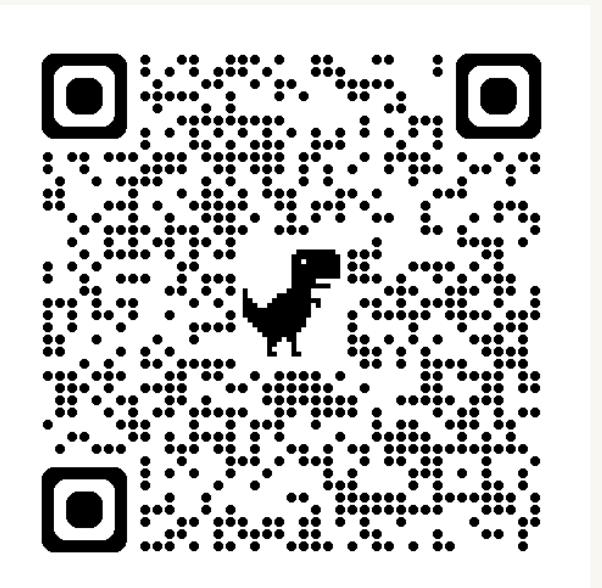
Nestled along the beautiful banks of the River Krishna, Vijayawada offers a unique blend of ancient history and modern development.

We invite you to explore the region's attractions during your stay.

# To Members of the AsAVA

A membership number is required for registration.

- **If you belong to a national veterinary anatomical society in your country:** Please contact your local society representative to confirm your membership number.
- **If there is no veterinary anatomical society in your country:** Please enter your information using the QR code to apply for a **provisional membership number**.



# Your Timeline for AVACON-2026



# Call for Abstracts

**Deadline: 30th April 2026**

Submit abstracts for oral or poster presentations via

<https://app.oxfordabstracts.com/stages/80819/submitter>

or email to [aavacon2026@gmail.com](mailto:aavacon2026@gmail.com).



To submit your abstract  
online Scan the QR code



Scan the QR code to  
download the mandatory  
'Abstract Submission Form'.

## Key Guidelines

- **Word Count:** 300–500 words.
- **Authors:** Maximum of six (6) authors. Presenter must be marked with an asterisk (\*).
- **Content:** Must include introduction, materials & methods, results & conclusions. No figures, tables, or references in the abstract.
- **Poster Format:** A0 size (~84 × 119 cm), portrait orientation.



# Registration Fee

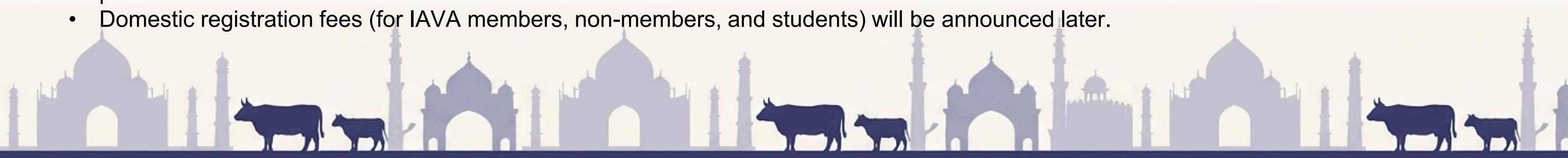
Category (for Overseas)	Early-bird (by 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2026)	Late (by 21 <sup>st</sup> Aug 2026)	Spot
IAVA/AAVA/WAVA members	\$200	\$225	\$250
Non-members	\$220	\$245	\$270
Delegates from low- income countries (LIC) <small>*World Bank Data Help Desk</small>	\$100	\$115	\$130
Students (international) Concession of \$40 for students from LIC	\$100	\$110	\$120
Accompanying person (No kit)	<b>\$40 per person</b>		

## Cancellation Policy

- **Early (by 15 Jul 2026):**  
Refund minus \$20 handling fee.
- **Late (by 15 Oct 2026):**  
Refund minus \$40 handling fee.

### \* Note

- According to the regulations of the Government of India (Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of External Affairs), event organizers are required to submit a detailed list of all international participants—including passport details and visa application numbers—at least 60 days prior to the event.
- Domestic registration fees (for IAVA members, non-members, and students) will be announced later.



# Join Us at AVACON-2026

## Register Online

<https://forms.gle/ehNGHUwDX3QEEotj7>



## Submit Your Abstract

<https://app.oxfordabstracts.com/stages/80819/submitter>



## For All Inquiries

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