

Mitigating Risks from Diseases Transmitted Between Wildlife, Domestic Animals and Humans - the One Health Approach

A Seminar organized under the Wildlife-Human Health Net Project (WHHNP) funded by the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) of Canada

Project Partners:

Sri Lanka - University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka Wildlife Health Centre, Department of Wildlife Conservation, Department of Animal Production & Health, and Ministry of Health, Nutrition & Indigenous Medicine;

Canada - University of Saskatchewan, Canadian Wildlife Health Cooperative and Centre for Coastal Health, Nanaimo

23rd May 2017

Sri Lanka Foundation Institute

No100, Sri Lanka Padanam Mawatha, Colombo 07

PROGRAMME

09:30 Registration and refreshments

10:00 – 11:00 Opening Session

- Welcome address by Dean, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine & Animal Science, University of Peradeniya – Prof. H.B.S. Ariyaratne
- Addresses by Directors General (or their representatives) of the Partner Institutes:
 - Department of Wildlife Conservation
 - Department of Animal Production & Health
 - Department of Health Services
- Address by Canadian Project Leader – Dr. Ted Leighton
- Vote of Thanks by Sri Lankan Project Leader – Dr. Oswin Perera

11:00 – 13:00 Technical Session: Chairperson – Prof. Devaka Weerakoon

11:00 Keynote Lecture: Important zoonotic diseases in Sri Lanka: current status and future needs for surveillance and control – Prof. N.P. Sunil-Chandra, University of Kelaniya

11:30 Overview of the activities and outcomes of the WHHNP – Dr. Oswin Perera

11:45 Results from surveillance for wildlife diseases – Dr. Shalika Perera

12:00 Pathological conditions in Indian Flying Fox *Pteropus medius* – Dr. Anjana Karawita

12:15 Challenges and opportunities in wildlife disease surveillance for zoonotic disease control – Dr. Nihal Pushpakumara

12:30 Translation and mobilization of knowledge among rural communities about Foot and Mouth Disease in wildlife and livestock – Dr. Manoj Akalanka

12:45 Studies on social community dynamics, communication and one-health agency management – Dr. Ryan Brook

13:00 Lunch

14:00 Findings from the external evaluation of the project – Prof. Devaka Weerakoon, University of Colombo

14:30 Panel Discussion on needs and mechanisms for surveillance and management of wildlife health for mitigating risks from zoonotic diseases in Sri Lanka
– Moderator Dr. Ted Leighton

15:30 Closure and Tea