

## Scientific Events Organized

### 1. 7<sup>th</sup> Joint Conference of ISMOCD & IAE

7<sup>th</sup> Joint Conference of ISMOCD & IAE was organized from 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2007 in view to discuss the implications of rapid changes in living conditions and life style due to increasing economic growth and associated developmental activities, which in turn may be responsible for significant rise in non-communicable diseases world wide, whereas, the dual burden of long standing communicable and upcoming non-communicable diseases in developing countries. The immediate objective of this conference was to identify the agenda for the investment in public health for the health security and quality of life, which would not only help in improvising the ongoing national health programmes but also define the directions of future community oriented eco-conscious interventional strategies.

### 2. Brain Storming Session on Desert Health

A brain storming session on desert health was organized from 28<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2007 with local participating institutes and other experts with the objectives to strengthen linkages between different institutes and agencies involved in health research in desert areas by coming together at a common platform, a broad-spectrum analysis of the desert health problems keeping in view the social, cultural and geographical aspects of the desert and to strengthen the scientific and technical know-how of various health issues collectively through interactions, networking and resource sharing. The group came out with certain recommendations on various issues of desert health and their redressal by researchers, public health specialists and administrators for undertaking individual and collaborative search projects for betterment of health.

As a follow up action a Workshop on 'Prioritizing the areas of Desert Health and strategies to implement' was also organized on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2008.

### 3. Workshop on Right to Information

Centre organized a workshop on 'Right to Information' on 21-22 April, 2007 with the faculty support from Institute Secretariat Training & Management, Govt. of India, New Delhi and the participants from different ICMR and local institutes and ICMR headquarter attended the workshop.

### 4. Training

Training for Medical Officers, Entomologists and Technicians of Jodhpur zone, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of Rajasthan was organized from 28-29<sup>th</sup> July and 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> August, 2007. A 'Refresher Training Course for Laboratory Technicians', sponsored by State Health Society (NVBDCP), Government of Rajasthan, was organized in three batches from 24<sup>th</sup> March to 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2008.