<u>Dr. S. Ramalinga Raju</u>

Retd. Director, Animal Husbandry

Place of Birth: Rly Koduru, Kadapah District.

Date of Birth: 15th July 1946.

Qualifications: B.V. Sc (Veterinary College Tirupathi)

M.Sc. Animal Nutrition (Veterinary College Trichur) Kerala

PG From West Germany

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Veterinary Assistant Surgeon (1972-1974)

Managed 13,000 poultry stock and hatchery at Regional Poultry Demonstration
& Research Farm, Kadapa.

Senior Research Assistant (1974-1975) Animal Nutrition AICRP on cattle at LAM Farm. Guntur

Developed fodder formulations and conducted feeding trials.

District Veterinary Officer (1975-1977) – Anantapur & Chittoor

Assistant Director, Animal Husbandry, (1977-1987) - Chittoor & Nellore

- Introduced frozen semen technology and crossbred calf rearing schemes, making Chittoor #1 in India.
- Worked as Assistant Project officer, Animal Husbandry, Chittoor
- Prepared five-year agricultural planning for all the departments under DRDA and implemented biogas plants & drought relief programs.
- Worked as Special officer, Choudepally and Kuppam Panchayat Samithis at Chittoor
- Organized National Rinderpest Conference, Tirupati and represented the state at National Crossbred Calf Rearing Program, Jaipur.
- Served as Election officer (kuppam Samithi) and conducted successful electoral processes.

Joint Director, Nellore & Ongole (1987-1996)

- Implemented multiple beneficiary-oriented schemes and managed cyclone & drought relief efforts.
- Served as Executive Director, SC Corporation, ensuring effective implementation of SC programs.

- Served as Special Officer, Vakadu & Kota samithis in Nellore district
- Assisted district administration in elections, disaster relief, and policy planning.

Joint Director, Ranga Reddy, Additional charge - Medak & Mahboob Nagar (1996-1997)

- Improved drought relief programs.
- Appointed Special Officer, Rajendranagar Municipality, overseeing municipal development projects.
- Appointed Special Officer, Maheswaram mandal & Executive Director, SC corporation, Ranga Reddy district.

Additional Director, Production & MD, Meat & Poultry Development Corporation (1997-2000)

- Organized All India Livestock Show, Hyderabad and conducted technical reviews across regional HQs.
- Led modernization of slaughterhouses in Hyderabad, Vijayawada, Nellore & Visakhapatnam.

Director, Animal Husbandry & CEO, Andhra Pradesh Livestock Development Agency (2000-Present)

- Led AP's Livestock Agency, ensuring quality breeding inputs for AI centers, a model later adopted nationwide.
- Spearheaded statewide cattle breeding & livestock development initiatives.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Played a pivotal role in establishing the AP Livestock Development Agency, creating a successful breeding model recognized by the Government of India. Developed five-year plans under the Drought Prone Area Programme (DPAP), leading to the introduction of the Assistant Project Officer (Animal Husbandry) post in all districts.
- As Vice President of the Veterinary Council of India (2003-2010), led major reforms by upgrading veterinary colleges, revising curricula, introducing OMRbased entrance exams, and formulating national veterinary practice regulations. Chaired All India Veterinary Entrance Examinations (2003-2010).
- Coauthored CALPI Programme Series 5 & 6, focusing on Para-Veterinary Training Programmes in Andhra Pradesh (curricula & evaluation) and Para-Veterinarian & Animal Health Workers (service delivery, supplies, support & supervision).
- Developed 17 training modules for veterinary education under Continuing Veterinary Education (CVE) programs.

 Represented India in Switzerland and the Netherlands to study global veterinary practices. Participated in International Embryo Transfer Society Conference (USA, 2004) and various national seminars and workshops.

AWARDS RECOGNITION:

National Awards:

- Received the Indira Gandhi Sadbhavana Award (1999-2000) at New Delhi.
- Veterinary Leadership: Recognized as a Distinguished Personality (2006) by the Indian Veterinary Association.

• State Honors:

- Awarded the Telugu Seva Patram by the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh for work done on drought relief and overall development of Chittoor district.
- Received the State Award for Biogas Program Implementation done at Chittoor
- Received merit awards from five different district collectors at Nellore district
- Election Excellence: Commended by Election Observers, District Collectors, and the Government of Andhra Pradesh for conducting free and fair elections, including the 10th Lok Sabha and Legislative Assembly elections.

Consultancy & Advisory Roles: After retirement

- Served as a consultant for FAO, & World Bank projects, IFFCO, Fonterra New Zealand, and Wageningen University (Netherlands), contributing to livestock development, disease control strategies, and dairy sector reforms.
- Served as Director-Technical for Greenport corporation, Bengaluru and Naamdhari, Animal Genetics, Bengaluru for establishing modern dairies.
- Worked as retainer consultant for department of Animal Husbandry, Govt of Andhra Pradesh for preparing master plans for fodder development, sheep development, frozen semen technology and buffalo breeding.
- Served as President of Dr.CKRao endowment trust for five years