## NEW DIRECTOR OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, GOVERNMENT OF RAJASTHAN

Dr. Rajesh Maan has taken over as the new Director of Animal Husbandry of the Government of Rajasthan. Born on 7th April, 1955, Dr. Maan (son of Sh. Umrao Singh Maan) belongs to his native village Gorir, District of Jhunjhunu in Rajasthan. Arising from an agricultural family, he opted to farm sciences for his career. He secured his B.V.Sc from the College of Veterinary and Animal Science, Bikaner in 1977 and post-graduation (M.V.Sc) in Obstetrics and Gynaecology in 1979 from the same college. He joined the veterinary services of the state government in March 1980 as a Veterinary Assistant Surgeon and was successively elevated to higher posts of Assistant Director (1994), Deputy Director (1998), Joint Director (2001) and Additional Director (2007) before presently being appointed to the coveted post of Director in 2012. He was also the Chief Executive Officer of Rajasthan Livestock Development Board from 2009. He was



elected President of Rajasthan Veterinary Council in 2005 and was also President of Lions Club, Jhunjhunu city during 1994-96. He has visited USA in 1997 to study the developments in Animal Husbandry Sector. He was awarded several prizes and awards during his field postings for his outstanding performance in animal husbandry sector and other co-curricular activities. Being a keen debater in Hindi, he won acclaim at the state and national levels. Among his multifarious activities, field training programmes, camps for diagnosis of Brucellosis, group insurance scheme for veterinary practitioners and herd improvement programmes in Rajasthan are worthy of remembrance. He has participated in several Radio and TV programmes relating to animal husbandry extension. A man of taste in music, books, touring and service to the down trodden, there can be no better choice than Dr. Maan to occupy this coveted post of Director of Animal Husbandry of the Government of Rajasthan. The IVA and IVJ extend warm greetings and congratulations to Dr. Maan and wish him a memorable and successful tenure in his new assignment.

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## Hearty Congratulations to Dr Maan

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Veterinary Sciences and veterinary profession.