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EDITORIAL

Greetings from Editor-in-Chief

I am deeply honored to serve as Editor-in-Chief of the Goa Vet Bulletin for the term 2026- 2027. There was indeed a huge lull since the last edition (December 2019) & it gives me immense pleasure to once again revive the Quarterly bulletin. Special thanks to my TGVA team for pushing it & encouraging me always.

Looking ahead, the Goa Vet Bulletin will continue to strengthen its reputation, firmly establish itself as, the only leading representative in Goa in a diversified veterinary field covering all areas of large, small, exotic & wildlife as well as entrepreneurship and contribute greatly to the advancement of Veterinary Science. I sincerely invite your warmest and continued interest and support.

Thank you very much.

Dr. Loveleen Maria Vaz

Editor-in-Chief, Goa Vet Bulletin

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VETERINARY CONFERENCE HELD IN PANAJI

The Goa Veterinary Association, along with the Veterinary Professionals Welfare Association, Mumbai, and Pet Central Hong Kong, organised a CVE programme in Panaji on April 1, 2026. Over 75 veterinarians attended, and a session on cytology and oncology was conducted by Dr. Kurt from Hong Kong.



DYSTOCIA DUE TO FOETAL MONSTER SCHISTOSOMUS REFLEXUS IN HF HEIFER

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CASE HISTORY & OBSERVATION: A Holstein Friesian heifer, full term pregnant, on sternal recumbency with hanging intestine from vulva (Fig 1). and was straining since 12 hours. A disoriented foetus was palpated per rectum and on vaginal examination ankylosed limb and foetal structures palpated. Emergency Caesarean section performed and fetal monster was removed out diagnosing as Schistosomus Reflexus. (fig 2)

TREATMENT & DISCUSSION: A distal paravertbral nerve block was performed in addition to inverted l block using 2% lignocaine. A 30 cm long incision was made on left flank incising through cutaneous and muscle layers exposing the the rumen, the foetus was removed out with mild traction. The uterus was lavaged within Inj NS +Inj ceftiofur 2g and closed routinely with Lamberts followed by Cushing suture method. Postoperatively antibiotics, analgesics & supportives given.

SUMMARY: The exact cause of Schistosomus reflexus still remains ambiguous. However, many authors are in opinion that genetic factors and or interplay of multiple genes could influence on the occurrence of such monstrosity

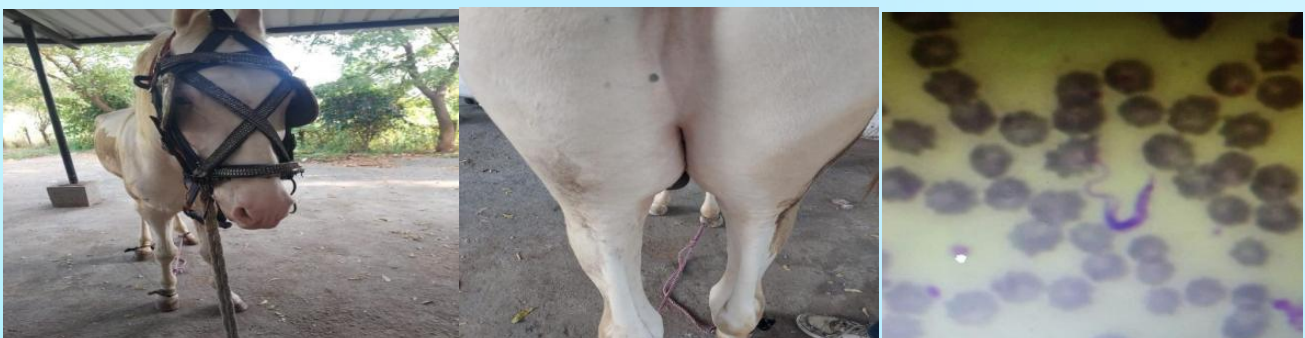


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CLINICAL MANAGEMENT OF EQUINE TRYPANOSOMIASIS IN MARWARI HORSE

Dr. Shreya Kankonkar, College of Veterinary Science and A.H. Jabalpur, NDVSU, M.P.

Equine trypanosomiasis is a vector-borne protozoan disease caused by *Trypanosoma evansi*, transmitted mainly through flies such as *Tabanus* and *Stomoxys*. A case report of a 2-year-old male Marwari horse presented with a history of hindlimb swelling and fever. Clinical examination revealed high fever, anaemia, fluctuating edema of the lower limbs (Fig 2), urticaria plaques on the neck and flank, petechial haemorrhages in the conjunctiva and rare neurological manifestations (Fig 1) Further diagnostic evaluation confirmed *Trypanosoma evansi* organism. (Fig 3). Treatment included inj. Triquinone (Quinapyramine sulphate) and supportive symptomatic treatment was done with antipyretics, multivitamins and fluid therapy, which supported faster recovery.



CLINICAL MANAGEMENT OF SCALY MITE INFECTION IN A BUDGERIGAR

Dr. Charmaine Pinto, Dr. Charmaine Pet Care Clinic, Panjim, Goa,

Budgerigar scaly face mites or *Knemidocoptes pilae* are tiny parasites that burrow into the skin, beak, and legs, causing honeycomb-like crusts, beak deformities, and severe itching. A case report of a 5 year old male budgerigar presented with a history of severe itching and scaly lesions on the beak and causing mild deviation and deformity of the feet. Clinic examination revealed mild diarrhea and exposed keel bone, crusts on the beak and feet. Further microscopic examination confirmed *Knemidocoptes pilae* infestation. The treatment included piperonyl butoxide and supportive symptomatic treatment of coconut oil and gels which supported a quicker recovery. The bird is happy, eating well, devoid of crusts and other lesions.



ARTICLE 4

A PARASITE TALE

Dr. Priya Dalal (Assistant Director), Dr M. Niceta Costa (VO), Dr.Mughda Dessai (VO)

An 8-month-old female Jersey crossbred calf from Batim, Goa, was presented on 27/11/2025 with a history of inappetence, chronic intermittent diarrhoea, and progressive weight loss. Faecal sample revealed characteristic eggs of *Schistosoma spindale*. Serum biochemical analysis revealed hepatic involvement. Reduced Total protein and serum Iron levels were suggestive of chronic parasitism with associated nutritional depletion.

A field investigation was conducted. Batim is a village in Tiswadi taluka of North Goa, located approximately 10 km from Panaji. The area lies in a low-lying coastal zone. The surrounding waterlogged fields and wetland ecosystem provide favorable conditions for freshwater snail intermediate hosts essential for the life cycle of *Schistosoma spindale*. Upon examination, faecal analysis revealed multiple parasitic ova in all seven animals, including eggs of *Trichuris*, *Eimeria* spp. (oocysts), other nematode eggs, and paramphistome eggs. Two animals were also found positive for ova of *Schistosoma spindale*.

The entire herd was treated with Oxyclozanide orally once followed by, supportive therapy for a period of 5 days. Marked improvement was observed. The owner was educated about the life cycle of the parasite and its persistence in the environment. The use of well water for animal consumption was advised to be discontinued, and the importance of regular deworming of the herd was emphasized. This case demonstrates that the initial clinical presentation in a single animal can serve as an indicator of an underlying herd-level parasitic infection.



POSTPARTUM UTERINE PROLAPSE IN JERSEY CROSSBRED COW

Dr Vaibhav Parab, Veterinary Officer, Pernem

CASE HISTORY & OBSERVATION: A 7 year old Jersey Crossbred Cow having a history of recently calved and developed complete postpartum uterine prolapse during night hours. The prolapsed mass was exposed for few hours before presentation.

CLINICAL FINDINGS: Complete eversion of uterus hanging outside vulva, animal was recumbent. Edematous and contaminated uterine mass. Animal showing mild recurrent straining and discomfort. Major hemorrhage observed

TREATMENT Caudal epidural anesthesia induced using 2% Lignocaine to reduce expulsive effort. Prolapsed uterus was carefully repositioned manually using hand and fist technique. Ensured proper placement of uterine horns. Intrauterine antibiotic tablets placed. Vulvar retention suture applied. Rope truss applied for additional support. Systemic antibiotics administered. Antihistamine given. IV Calcium therapy provided. Inj. Tonophosphan administered. Multivitamin injection given. Oral glucose liquid supplementation provided

OUTCOME: The animal showed rapid recovery with no recurrence. Complete recovery was observed within a few days post-treatment.



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