

## 8. EVENTS

### 8.1 National Science Week Celebration

As a part of National Science Week celebration (28<sup>th</sup> February to 5<sup>th</sup> March 2006), a scientific exhibition focusing the achievements of the centre over last two decades was displayed. Students from different colleges/schools also visited laboratories and interacted with scientists and research staff of the centre.



Scientific Exhibition during National Science Week



Students visiting laboratories

### 8.2 Foundation Day

The centre celebrated its Foundation Day on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2006. Prof. A.P. Dash, Director, National Institute of Malaria Research, New Delhi delivered the chief guest lecture and also released the RMRCT Update along with Late Dr. M. A. Ansari, Director, RMRCT, Jabalpur in the presence of Hon'ble Justice Tamaskar.



Prof. A.P. Dash released RMRCT Update in presence of Hon'ble Justice Tamaskar and late Dr. M. A. Ansari

### 8.3 Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting

Nineteenth Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2006 at the RMRCT under the chairmanship of Lt. Gen. Raghunath, Principal Executive, Sir Doraji Tata Centre for Research in Tropical Disease, Bangalore.



SAC meeting in progress

### 8.4 National Technology Day

On National Technology day (11<sup>th</sup> May 2006) celebration, Dr. S.P. Gautam, Head of the Dept. of Bioscience and Ex-vice chancellor, Rani Durgavati University, Jabalpur delivered a scientific lecture focusing on Micro Array and Nano Technology.



National Technology day

## 8.5 Hindi Fortnight Celebrations

Hindi-Fortnight was observed by the Centre during 1<sup>st</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> September 2006. An appeal was made by the Officer-in-Charge to all officers and staff of the Centre to do their official work as much as possible in Hindi. Some Hindi competitions were also organized for the employees. Dr. V.G.Rao, Dy. Director distributed cash prizes and certificates to the winners of the competitions on behalf of the Officer-in-Charge.



Prize distribution ceremony on occasion of *Hindi* day

## 8.6 National Symposium on Tribal Health

A national symposium on tribal health was organized on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> October 2006 at RMRCT Jabalpur. Various health needs and problems of the tribal population were highlighted and discussed. National and international scientists and eminent laureates of various fields addressed the symposium. Prof. N. K.Ganguly, Director General of ICMR inaugurated the symposium and chaired the plenary session.



### Inauguration of Auditorium

Prof. N. K. Ganguly, Director General, ICMR, inaugurated new auditorium of the centre on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2006.

## Inaugural Function

On the dais from left to right

Dr. T. Chakma, Dr. S. Pattanayak, Prof. R.C. Mahajan, Prof. N.K. Ganguly, Lt. Gen. D. Raghunath, Shri. V.K. Batham, Prof. A.P. Dash and Dr. Neeru Singh.

Shri. V. K. Batham, Director, Dept. of Tribal Welfare, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh lighting the lamp.

Prof. N. K. Ganguly delivering inaugural speech.

Lt. Gen. D. Raghunath, Principal Executive, Sir Dorabji Tata Centre for Research in Tropical Diseases, Bangalore addressing the audience at inaugural function.





Prof. R. C. Mahajan, S.N. Bose INSA Research Professor & Emeritus Professor, PGIMER, Chandigarh addressing the audience at inaugural function.



Dr. T. Krongthong, Regional Advisor Malaria, WHO Regional Office of South-East Asia, New Delhi, delivering plenary lecture.



Dr. Sampat Krishnan, Regional Advisor, WHO Regional Office of South-East Asia, WRO, New Delhi, presenting a paper.



Dr. V. Udhayakumar, CDC, Atlanta chaired a session on Hemoglobinopathies along with Dr. G.P. Chhotray, RMRC, Bhubaneswar and Dr. R.B. Gupta, RMRCT, Jabalpur.

Feiko ter Kuile, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, UK, chaired a session along with Dr. Daniel Chandra Mohan, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, UK.



A view of a poster session.



## 8.7 Vigilance Week (1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> November 2006)

National vigilance week was observed from 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> November 2006. An oath was taken by all employees of the centre not to indulge in corrupt practices.

## 8.8 World AIDS Day (1<sup>st</sup> December 2006)

On world AIDS day a team of RMRCT scientists participated in an activity organized at Central Jail, Jabalpur for educating the Jail inmates about HIV/AIDS. The team includes Dr. S. R. Qamra, Dr. Jyothi Bhat, Mrs. Canina Luke, Mr. Atul Karkare, Ms. Shraddha Shrivastav and Mr. Krishnakant Verma. Team also participated in various activities as a part of World AIDS day and visited nearby villages for educating people about HIV/AIDS.