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Dear Friends,

I am extremely happy to be a part of and to inaugurate XXI th National Congress of Veterinary Parasitology in Mumbai. I will also note that this is a part of 125th year celebration of this largest Veterinary institute of India. I bow down in front of heritage and the traditions with this Veterinary Institute carries. As a matter of fact, Veterinary College is a next door neighbor of KEM hospital and I know that is older than KEM which was established in 1925. I can only bow down in front of the town planners in the late 18th Century who planned Haffikine Institute, Veterinary College, Wadia Children and Wadia Maternity and then subsequently TATA Memorial Hospital and E.S.I. Corporation's M.G.M. Hospital within two kilometers. The entire area of Parel Village is thus Baltimore of India.

I am a verdant canine lover and have always had four legs members right from my early school age. They have been my sisters and now my daughters in my home. Everything from a German shepherd, Rottweiler to a dog Pomeranian and now a Pug have been my family members of Oaks and therefore I am use to their infections, immunization, and periodic medication.