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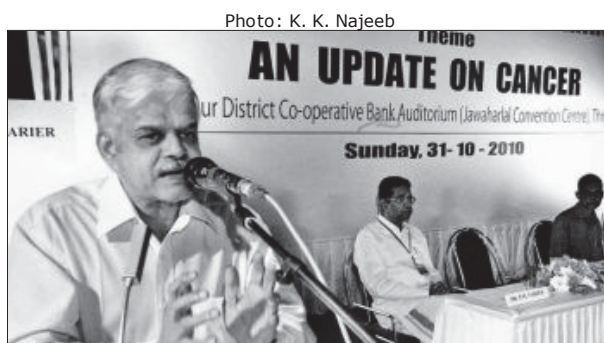
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### 'Improve the quality of public health care'

Staff Reporter

*State lags behind in medical research, says VC*



**BETTER HEALTH CARE:Kerala University of Health and Allied Sciences Vice-Chancellor K. Mohandas addressing a national Ayurveda seminar in Thrissur on Sunday. —**

Thrissur: The Kerala University of Health and Allied Sciences Vice-Chancellor K. Mohandas has stressed the need for evolving an integrated system of medical care to improve the quality and reach of public health care.

Addressing the National Ayurveda Seminar organised by the Kottakkal Arya Vaidya Sala, here, on Sunday, he said the Kerala University of Health and Allied Sciences (KUHAS) would try to formulate an integrated treatment protocol of various systems of medicines, such as Allopathy, Ayurveda, Homeopathy, Naturopathy, Siddha and Unani.

He said though the State was way ahead in health care, it lagged in medical research. The KUHAS would start schools for fundamental research in various disciplines of medicine, Dr. Mohandas added. Dr. V. Ramankutty, Professor, Achutha Menon Centre for Health Science Studies, Sri Chithira Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Thiruvananthapuram, delivered the keynote address on 'Public health management – the scope and limitation of integrating treatment system.'

The topic of the seminar was 'An Update on Cancer'. "Terminally-ill patients take recourse to Ayurveda treatment for supportive and palliative care," said Dr. Sanjeev Vasudevan, Professor, Pain and Palliative Department, Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences, Kochi.

Dr. M. Kesavan, Chief Physician, Amala Ayurvedic Hospital and Research Centre, Thrissur, said that Ayurveda, which emphasises on prevention and protection, was helpful in improving the quality of life of cancer patients by reducing the side-effects of radiation and chemotherapy and enhancing

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immunity.

Dr. T. Sivadas, Drug Controller (ASU drug), Government of Kerala, presided over the function. About 1,000 delegates participated in the seminar.

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