

## PROFILE OF PROF. N. D. PARIA

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**Qualification:** M.Sc., Ph.D. in Botany

**Area(s) of Specialization:** Angiosperm Systematics, Seed and Seedling Morphology, Palynology, Medicinal Plants, Floristics, Biosystematics, Ecology, Biodiversity and Conservation, and Ethnobotany.

**Occupation:** Teaching & Research

**Designation:** Professor and former Head, Department of Botany, University of Calcutta,  
and former Vice Chancellor, Vidyasagar University

**Major Activities:**

Seventeen (17) students have been awarded Ph.D. degrees. Four (4) students are working at present for their Ph.D. degrees.

Published 80 papers in National and International journals in the above areas of his interests in association with his research students.

Published seven books (including the Flora of Hazaribagh District, Bihar in 2 vols. published by Botanical Survey of India) in Taxonomy, Medicinal Plants and related fields.

Conducted thirteen (13) research projects, sponsored by different funding agencies of Govt. of India.

Visited some Herbaria, Laboratories and Research Institutes in UK and USA in connection with academic assignments as follows:

- ❖ Post-Doctoral studies in the Department of Silviculture, University of Helsinki, Finland.
- ❖ Visited and studied Herbarium and some botanical Laboratories of A & M University (College Station), Texas, USA.
- ❖ Visited and studied the boreal flora and vegetation of Finnish Lapland and Aland Islands.
- ❖ Visited and studied the Botanical Garden of Linnaeus in Uppsala, Sweden.
- ❖ Visited and studied in the Palynological Laboratory of Naturhistoriska Riksmuseet (Stockholm), and Institute of Systematic Botany (Uppsala) for training and exchange of knowledge.
- ❖ Visited V. L. Komarov Botanical Institute, Leningrad, USSR for academic interactions.
- ❖ Visited and studied Jodrell Research Laboratory, Royal Botanic Garden and Herbarium in Kew; British Museum of Natural History, London; Museums, Libraries, Plant Science Laboratory and Herbarium in Department of Botany, University of Reading, U. K. in collaboration with the British Council, Kolkata and London for academic interactions.
- ❖ Visited and studied Rijksherbarium and several Research Laboratories in Leiden, Netherlands for academic interactions.

***Awards/ Recognitions:***

- ◆ Prof. V. V. Sivarajan Gold Medal award for best taxonomist for 1999 by Indian Association for Angiosperm Taxonomy (IAAT), Calicut, Kerala.
- ◆ Dr. S.K. Jain FNA Awards (2007) for contributions in Plant Taxonomy by Association for Plant Taxonomy, Dehradun.
- Fellow of Linnaean Society of London
- Fellow of West Bengal Academy of Science and Technology
- Fellow of Indian Association for Angiosperm Taxonomy, Calicut.
- Fellow of Association for Plant Taxonomy, Dehradun.
- Fellow of Indian Botanical Society
- Life Member of Botanical Society of Bengal
- Life Member of Indian Science Congress Association
- Life Member of Indian Science News Association

***Others assignments:***

- *Chairman*, Undergraduate Board of Studies in Botany, Calcutta University.
- *Former Local Secretary, Plant Science Section, Centenary Celebration of Indian Science Congress Association (2013)*, held in Kolkata.
- *Member of the Executive Council*, West Bengal Biodiversity Board.
- *Member of the Executive Council*, West Bengal Academy of Science & Technology.
- *Associate Editor, Science and Culture*, Indian Science News Association.
- *Former Dean*, Faculty of Fine Arts, Music and Home Science (C.U.).
- *Former Convenor*, Ph.D. Committee in Botany, Calcutta University.
- *Former Secretary, and presently Vice President*, Botanical Society of Bengal.
- *Former Editor*, Journal of Botanical Society of Bengal.