

PROFILE OF SCIENTIST/RESEARCH WORKER

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Area(s) of Specialization Plant Taxonomy; Ethnobotany; Phytogeography; Medicinal &
Aromatic Plants; Biodiversity; Conservation.

Occupation/Designation **INSA Honorary Scientist**

Major Activities **Research, Research promotion through lectures,
workshops, Evaluation of research proposals, papers, etc.**

Awards/Recognitions

- Fellow**, Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi (**FNA**)
- Fellow**, National Academy of Sciences, Allahabad (**FNASc**)
- Fellow**, Indian Academy of Sciences, Bangalore (**FASc**)
- Fellow**, Society of Ethnobotanists (**FES**)
- Fellow**, Indian Botanical Society (**FBS**)
- Fellow**, Indian Association of Angiosperm Taxonomy, Calicut (**FIAAT**)
- Fellow**, Association for plant Taxonomy
- Fellow**, International Society for Conservation of Natural Resources
(**FNRS**)
- Fellow**, Linnean Society of London, UK (**FLS**)

1. Recipient of **Pitambar Pant National Environment Fellowship** award of the year 1999 by the Ministry of Environment & Forests.
2. Recipient of **William Harshberger Medal** for 1994 by the Society of Ethnobotanists.
3. Recipient of **Prof. B. A. Razi Medal** of the Association of Plant Taxonomy, Calcutta, 1999.
4. Recipient of **Prof. Y. D. Tyagi Gold Medal** of the Indian Association for Angiosperm Taxonomy, Calicut, 2008.

5. Recipient of **Prof. V. Puri Memorial Medal**, and Cash prize, 2013, from the Indian Science Congress Association Calcutta, during the Centenary session of the congress, 2013.
6. Honoured with the **Talented Scientist Award** and a Medal during the 35th World Congress on Natural Medicines, S. V. University, Tirupati.
7. Honoured with the **Scientist of the Year – 2001** awarded by the National Environmental Science Academy, New Delhi. A Gold Medal, Citation and Momento was awarded.
8. Honoured with a membership of the Conservation Breeding Specialist Group of the species survival Commission of the IUCN, Switzerland.
9. **Elected President, Society of Ethnobotanists** for 1988-91 and again for 2nd time 1995-98.
10. **Elected President, Indian Botanical Society** for the year 2006
11. Served as Nominated member, Programme Advisory Committee (PAC) of the Department of Science & Technology, New Delhi. (for 4 terms; 13 years)
12. Served as Nominated Member of the Advisory Board for the Journal Natural Product Radiance by National Institute of Science Communication, New Delhi.
13. Served as Nominated Member of Thematic Working Group on Terrestrial Ecosystem for National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan by Ministry of Environment & Forests, New Delhi.
14. Served as Nominated member of Programme Steering Committee of the DBT, New Delhi for monitoring and ensuring proper implementation of multi-institutional project “Bioprospecting of Biological Wealth using Biotechnology tools, 1998.
15. Served as Nominated Member, Expert Committee, Assistance to Botanical Garden and Centres of Ex-Situ Conservation, Ministry of Environment & Forests, New Delhi.
16. Nominated Member, Programme Steering Committee on Bioprospecting and Molecular Taxonomy, DBT, New Delhi 2003.
17. Served as Nominated Member, Programme Steering Committee on Task Force on Application of Biotechnology for Biodiversity Conservation and Environment, DBT, New Delhi 2003.
18. Served as Nominated Member, Research Advisory Council, Birbal Sahni Institute of PalaeoBotany, Lucknow.
19. Served as Member of Management Committees of CIMAP, NBRI and ITRC, Lucknow.
20. Served as Nominated Member, Area Advisor for Plant Biotechnology of The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) New Delhi.
21. Served as Nominated Member, **Editorial Board**, Current Science, Bangalore.
22. Served as Nominated as Chairman, 4th Project Evaluation Committee of the Integrated Action Oriented Research, Development and Extension Programme for the Himalayan Region. G B Pant Institute of Himalayan Environment & Developments, Almora.
23. Served as Nominated Member, Sectional Committee, Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi.
24. Served as Nominated Chairman by Government of India as a **Chairman, State level Environmental Appraisal Committee** (SEAC, Karnataka) for 2007-2010.
25. Nominated as **Visitor’s nominee**, Executive Council, Sikkim University, Gangtok, 2012-15.
26. Member, **Programme monitoring & Advisory committee** of the Botanical Survey of India, Kolkata
27. Member, Academic Council, S. D.M. College, Ujire
28. Member, **Programme Advisory committee** of IBSD (DBT Institute,) Imphal