

## PROFILE OF SCIENTIST/RESEARCH WORKER

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**Qualification: M.Sc. (Botany); Ph.D. in Botany (Plant Taxonomy)**

**Area(s) of Specialization: Plant Taxonomy, Conservation, Ethnobotany, Medicinal  
Plants**

**Occupation/Designation: Service, Chief Scientist**

### **Major Activities:**

\* Management of CSIR-NBRI Botanic Garden- A National Facility.

\* Engaged in plant introduction & *ex-situ* conservation of endangered, endemic plant species; education and documentation of germplasm resources in the Botanic Garden; co-ordinating in organising the R & D activities, preparation of reports, Flower Shows & Science Exhibitions and other day to day management works. Established a Cycad House in 300 sq m area in NBRI Botanic Garden.

**Built- up the germplasm collection of 45 taxa of Cycads; introduced over 25 new plant species viz: *Welwitschia mirabilis*, *Dracaena draco*, *Jacaranda cuspidifolia* etc. in the NBRI Botanic Garden.**

\*Managing Editor of the international journal '**Ethnobotany**' published regularly by the Society of Ethnobotanists; Member Editorial Board of *Rheedea*. **Reviewer of Indian Forester, ICFRE.**

\* **Expert in ICMR, New Delhi to review Indian Medicinal Plants; Expert in MoEnF, New Delhi for *ex-situ* conservation in Botanic gardens in India; On the panel of Editors in Wealth of India- Raw Materials (NISCAIR), New Delhi; On the panel of experts in UGC, New Delhi for evaluating project progress on Medicinal Plants at Indraprasth University, New Delhi; Expert member of IUCN at MoEnF, New Delhi.**

### **Awards/Recognitions:**

\*Conferred with '*S.K. Jain Medal - 1998*' by the Society of Ethnobotanists at special function held on December 16, 1998 organised by SEB.

\* Conferred with V.V. Sivarajan Gold Medal on 11 Oct., 2008 at XVIII Indian Association of Angiosperm Taxonomy Conference held at Kalyani University, Nadia (WB).

\* Conferred with '*J.W. Harshberger Medal - 2008*' by the Society of Ethnobotanists at a special function held on March 17, 2009 during the conference at Silcher (Assam).