

PROFILE OF SCIENTIST/RESEARCH WORKER

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Qualification: Ph.D. in Botany (currently pursuing from University of London)

Area(s) of Specialization: Indian taxonomy, identification of tropical plant families, Ethnobotany.

Occupation/Designation: CURATOR-FLOWERING PLANTS

Major Activities: WORKING ON MEDICINAL PLANTS & TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE FROM WESTERN GHATS OF INDIA. WORKED ON WORLD COLLECTIONS PROGRAMME SPONSORED “WALLICH AND HIS CONTRIBUTION TO INDIAN NATURAL HISTORY”, SEE: www.kew.org/wallich, Worked for the Millennium Seed Bank Enhancement Project (Kew Gardens) from (2003-2008).

Presented papers on:

“Wallich and Indian Natural History: Collection Dispersal and the Cultivation of Knowledge” at a conference in Dec 2011 at London and

“Wallich and his contribution to Indian Natural History” during the conference on “Natural History of Indian Biodiversity” at Hyderabad in October 2012, organized by National Museum of Natural History (NMNH), New Delhi and Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board.

- **Awards/Recognitions:**
- Daxina Fellowship
- College Open Merit Scholarship
- College Centenary Prize
- Smt. Satyavati Dandekar prize for scoring the highest number of marks amongst all the three faculties in college.
- Bombay University Open Merit Scholarship
- Recipient of 3 stars and medals from the Ministry of Sports, Govt. of India. Represented at State Level in India.

Also won many prizes and scholarships in sports, essay competition, drama, debate competitions and whilst working in the media industry.