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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Department of Botany, University of Kashmir, Srinagar, India., 1978
M.Sc. Department of Botany, University of Kashmir, Srinagar, India., 1972

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

February 2009 – till date	NASI-Senior Scientist, Hamdard University, New Delhi
Aug. 2008 – Jan. 2009	Visiting Senior Fellow, TERI, New Delhi
June 2003 – April 2008	Director, G.B. Pant Institute of Himalayan Environment and Development (GBPIHED), Almora, INDIA
Nov. 1990 – May 2003	Senior Scientist (at different levels), GBPIHED, Almora
1979 – 1990	Research Officer, Survey of Medicinal Plants Unit (CCRUM) Department of Botany, University of Kashmir, Srinagar, India
1976 – 1979	Senior Research Fellow/Post Doctoral Fellow (CSIR).
1973 – 1976	Research Fellow, Department of Botany, University of Kashmir, Srinagar, India

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Biodiversity and Climate Change, Conservation Biology, Biotech applications in conservation and sustainable use, interdisciplinary methodologies and scenario building for policy interventions, floristics, ecology and tissue culture protocols.

PUBLICATIONS

Author/co-author of 5 books on biodiversity, conservation
Edited 3 conference proceedings
Edited /co-edited 12 booklets
Authored/co-authored 114 research publications (including 33 in Proceedings and Books)

PRINCIPAL HONOURS & AWARDS

NASI-Senior Scientist Platinum Jubilee Fellowship, 2009
Fellow of National Academy of Sciences, Allahabad, India, 2001
Recipient ICFRE Award for Excellence in Forest Conservation, 2003

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & PEER RECOGNITION

Member, National Biodiversity Authority, Chennai (22.02.2010 - 21-02.2013)
National Consultant, IV National Report to the Convention on Biological Diversity, 2009
Expert on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services under TEEB, Bonn, Germany, 2009
Member, Task Force Problems of Hill states and Hill Areas, Planning Commission, 2008
Member, Task Force "The Mountain Ecosystems", XI Plan, Planning Commission, 2006
Country Representative, PDF-B GEF Project on Pollinators, Rome Italy, (2004 – 2008)
Peer Reviewer – The Northern Range Assessment, MA.,2004
Country Representative AHTEG, Convention on Biological Diversity, Rome, Italy, 2003
National Coordinator NBSAP (MoEF)- Wild plant Diversity, 2001
Coordinator NBSAP – SSG, Uttar Pradesh, 2001

LEADERSHIP

As Director, GBPIHED (2003 – 2008)

Developed interdisciplinary approaches for finding solutions to complex environment linked development issues involving a team of professionals of various disciplines ranging from biotechnology to environmental engineers and economists.
Facilitated collaboration with Government, NGOs, academia, researchers and policy planners and diversified research, development and dissemination mechanisms.
As Core Head, Conservation of Biological Diversity (1990-2003)
Integrated biodiversity conservation strategies with biotech applications
Developed and implemented Action plan on Himalayan Biodiversity
Developed approaches on conservation education involving students and teachers
Generated resources (over 15 peer-reviewed funded projects from National and International funding agencies) for conducting research on biodiversity conservation and biotech applications.

TEACHING

Supervised or co-supervised 18 Post graduate students for M.Phil/Ph.D. on biodiversity, in-situ and ex-situ conservation, biotech applications, florists and biogeography (1979-till date)
Teaching Plant taxonomy, Biogeography, biodiversity conservation, climate change to PG students