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Qualifications

M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D., F.L.S.

Teaching Experience

PG & UG for 19 years

Experience

- -Fisheries Extension Officer (Department of Fisheries, Govt. of Kerala) 5 years (1997-2002)
- -Principal Investigator in National Fish Workers Forum (NFF, Trivandrum) for EIA Study in NTPC project at Ennore, Chennai (2002-2003)

-Research Associate in University of Kerala (Dept. of Ocean Development, Govt. of India Project), WAPCOS (Water and Power Consultancy India Ltd.), Center for Earth Science Studies (CESS- Govt. of India), and RRL (CSIR, Govt. of India) for EIA Studies (2003-2005)

Research Contributions

- More than 30 original research articles in reputed journals
- Research reports, Books, Edited book, book chapters and seminar presentations in Nat. / Int. conferences
- Attended more than 50 National/ International Conference/Seminars/Workshops
- Approved Research Guide of University of Kerala
- 2 research scholars researching under guidance for Ph.D. in University of Kerala and 1 awarded, 2 submitted
- Completed Three research projects as Principal Investigator

Corporate life/ Memberships in Professional bodies

- Fellow of Linnean Society of London
- Member, Society for Conservation Biology, Washington DC, USA,2009 onwards
- Life Member, The Indian Science Congress Association. Kolkata, Mem. Id. No. L34974
- Life Member, Marine Biological Association of India. Kochi. Mem Id: 793
- Member, Bombay Natural History Society. Mem No. 3701
- Member, Applied and Natural Science Foundation. Mem. Id. 53/2021
- Member, Mannam Memorial National Club, Thiruvananthapuram
- Member, Asian Fisheries Society, Mem Id. IN

Important Positions held

- Army Wing Associate NCC Officer in the rank of Lieutenant 2008 to 2020 (10 Ker. Bn. & 2 Ker. Bn.)
- Elected member of College Council, 2009-2010 (NSS College, Pandalam)
- AISHE, MHRD, Govt of India College Officer of Mahatma Gandhi College- (2013-2016)
- RUSA Coordinator, (Mahatma Gandhi College, 2014-2016)
- Planning Board Convener (Mahatma Gandhi College, 2016-2020)
- **UGC-CPE Coordinator**, (Mahatma Gandhi College, 2016- 2020)
- Head of the Department (Zoology) of Mahatma Gandhi College, (2016- onwards..)
- Academic Council Member (Elected), University of Kerala (2017 -2021)
- Coordinator, Internal Quality Assurance Committee, Mahatma Gandhi College, Thiruvananthapuram (2019-2021)
- Professor of Zoology (2022 onwards..)
- Principal In Charge, Mahatma Gandhi College, Thiruvananthapuram (June, 2024 March, 2025)