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1. Education (Graduation onwards) :

B.F.Sc. (Bachelor of Fisheries Science) CGPA 3.56/4.00 (≈ 89%), UAS, Bangalore, Oct. 1991; **M.F.Sc.** (Master of Fisheries Science) Industrial Fisheries Technology, **First Rank; Gold Medalist**, CGPA 3.90/4.00 (≈ 97.5%), UAS, Bangalore, Jan. 1994; **Ph.D.** (Fisheries) Marine Life Sciences - Biofunctional Material Chemistry, Hokkaido University, Japan, March 2009; **Master's (M.F.Sc.) Thesis** : Incidence of Bacteria of Public Health Significance in Cultured Shrimps (*Penaeus monodon*) [Guide : Prof. TM Rudra Setty]; **Doctoral (Ph.D.) Thesis** : Lipids of tropical and temperate seaweed species with special reference to conjugated fatty acids and food applications [Guide : Prof. Kazuo Miyashita]

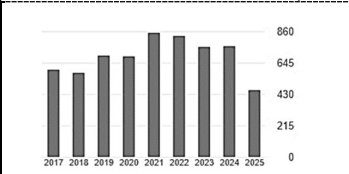
2. Professional experience :

Director (CSIR-IITR) (26 Sept 2022 to till date); **Advisor (Sci & Stds / Codex)** (11 Jan 2020 to 23 Sept 2022); **Advisor (QA)** (29 Dec. 2016 to 10 Jan 2020), FSSAI, New Delhi; **Principal Scientist** (Jan. 2010 to till date), CSIR-CFTRI, Mysore; **Scientist EI** (Jan. 2006 to Dec. 2009), CSIR-CFTRI, Mysore; **Scientist-C** (Jan. 2002 to Dec. 2005), CSIR-CFTRI, Mysore; **Scientist-B** (May 1997 to Dec. 2001), CSIR-CFTRI, Mysore; **Research fellow** (Feb. 1996 to Apr. 1997), ; **Manager – Shrimp Hatchery** (June 1995 to Dec. 1995); Manager – Shrimp farm (Dec. 1994 to May 1995); Research Fellow (Feb. 1994 to Nov. 1994)

3. Students guided :

PhD (as Guide) / Post-Doc	02+01	MTech (as Guide)	07	Master's (as Guide)	30
PhD (as co-Guide)	03	MTech (as co-Guide)	02	Master's (as co-Guide)	02

4. Publications (types & numbers only) & Citation indices :

Number of Research papers in SCI journals : 97 Book Chapters : 15 Authored Books : 02 Patents - Granted : 06 Patents – Filed : 05 Presentations in symposia / Conferences : >120 Best Poster (poster paper) Awards : 10 Trademarks Filed/Registered : 06 Copyrights Filed/Registered : 10	CITATION INDICES (as on 21 October 2025; based on Google scholar)  <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Indices</th> <th>All</th> <th>Since 2020</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Citations</td> <td>9551</td> <td>4355</td> </tr> <tr> <td>h-index</td> <td>49</td> <td>40</td> </tr> <tr> <td>i10-index</td> <td>100</td> <td>76</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Indices	All	Since 2020	Citations	9551	4355	h-index	49	40	i10-index	100	76
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5. Fellowships / Awards / Honors / Recognitions :

Fellowship : National Academy of Agricultural Sciences (2017) [FNAAS]; National Academy of Biological Sciences (2016)[FNAB]; Association of Food Scientists & Technologists, India (AFSTI) (2015) [FAFST]; Society of Fisheries Technologists, India (SOFTI) (2020) [FSFT]; Society of Applied Biotechnology (SAB) (2011) [FSAB]; Karnataka Science & Tech. Academy (2022) [FKSTA]; Biotech'y Researchers' Society of India (BRSI) (2023) [FBRSI]; Society of Toxicology (Honorary) (2024) [FST]

Awards / Honors : **UAS Gold Medal** (1993), Prof. **HPC Shetty Gold Medal** (1993) by UAS, Bangalore; **Best Student Award** (1993) by AFSTI, Mysore; **Best Group IV Scientist Award** (2006-07) by CSIR-CFTRI, Mysore; Prof. **MS Swaminthan Best Fisheries Scientist Award** (2006-07) by PFGF, Mumbai; **Merit Certificate** – CSIR Leadership Development Programme (2009-10); **Laljee Godhoo Smarak Nidhi Award** for excellence in R&D (2010) by AFSTI, Mysore; International Union for Biological Sciences (**IUBS**) **travel grant award** (1998) by University of Singapore; **Monbukagakusho (Japanese Govt.) Scholarship** (2002-04) by Govt. of Japan; **JSPS Invitation Fellowship** (2008-09 & 2015-16) by JSPS, Govt of Japan

Recognitions : **Editor-in-Chief of Journal of Food Science & Technology** (Springer Publication) (2019-current); **Associate Editor of Journal of Food Science & Technology** (Springer Publication) (2012-15); **Editor** – *Egyptian Journal of Aquatic Research* (Elsevier Publication) (2011 - current); **Member** – Research Council of IITR, Lucknow (2020 - current); **Editor** – for *Indian Food Industry* published by AFST(I) (2010 - 2013); **Country Editor** – *Journal of Science of Food, Agriculture and Environment* (published by ISFAE, Finland) (2006 – 2010); **Chairman Integrated assessment Committee of NABL**; **President** – Association of Food Scientists & Technologists of India (AFST-I) and **Organizing Chairperson** – 9th International Food Convention (IFCoN) 2023

6. Salient contributions :

Technical and administrative management of all science related matters of CSIR-IITR incl. organizing international conferences (IFCoN; EARTH 2024 etc); **Technical and administrative management for setting up standards/regulations** through various scientific panels and scientific committee; **Head of Codex** related activities and also **the National Codex Contact Point of India**; Responsible for conceptualizing and establishing **Network of Scientific Co-operation** for Food Safety & Applied Nutrition (NetSCoFAN) & **the network of National Reference Laboratories** (NNRLs) involving many laboratories of CSIR and ICAR; **Conceptualizing, designing and successfully rolling out Two generations of “Food Safety on Wheels”** (FSW), the mobile food testing laboratory, across the country; **Conceptualizing, designing and development of Food Safety Magic Box with a companion book** for the benefit of Schools and colleges for introducing food safety issues; Responsible for **designing and setting-up renovated National Food Laboratory (NFL) under Public-Private-Partnership mode** at Ghaziabad, Delhi-NCR; Conceptualized & established the **International Training Center for Food Safety & Applied Nutrition (ITC-FSAN) with Hands on training (HoT)** facility at Mumbai, **Food Safety Solution Center** in association with M/s Thermo Fischer and **Center for Microbiological Analysis Training (C-MAT)** in collaboration with M/s Merck, both at NFL-Ghaziabad; **Created and regularized the Food Analyst Examination (FAE)**, a mandatory exam as per the FSS Act; **Operationalized and rolled out the digital conduct** of FAE since 2017; **Conceptualized and rolled out the Junior Analyst Examination (JAE)** to provide resource pool for Food Analyst; **Responsible and instrumental in executing an MoUs with CSIR** for scientific/academic cooperation, Association of Official Analytical Chemists (**AOAC**) **International** for method sharing and with United States Pharmacopeia (**USP**) **International** for sharing standards; **Responsible for collaborative arrangements with various national** (EIC, MPEDA, ICAR, ICMR etc) and **international agencies** (like Codex, Global Food Safety Partnership, NVWA-Netherlands, Queen’s University-Belfast) and associations (AOAC, AFST, USP etc).

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