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Summary: Ph.D completed: 2003 | UGC NET - 2016 | Teaching: 9 years | Research: 9 years | Research

Publications: 52 | Research Projects: four | Book (ed. Proceedings): One | Professional Awards: two

<u>Area of Interest</u>: Applied Ecology, Angiosperm Taxonomy, Traditional Knowledge, Sacred landscapes, Restoration Ecology, Remote Sensing, GIS Modelling in Forestry, Agriculture and Marine. IPR and Crop diversity, Bioinformatics, Biological Data Analytics, Biostatistics – R software, Python Programming for Bioinformatics, Mathematical Biology

## **Academic Qualifications**

Degree	Subject	Year	University		
B.Sc.	Botany	1995	St.Joseph's	College	Bharathidasan
			University, Tiruchirappalli		
M.Sc	Botany	1997	St.Joseph's	College	Bharathidasan
			University, Tiruchirappalli		
Ph.D	Botany	2003	St.Joseph's	College	Bharathidasan
			University, Tiruchirappalli		

<u>Ph. D thesis:</u> Plant Diversity Assessment and its Conservation in Shervarayan hills of the Eastern Ghats of Tamil Nadu using Remote Sensing and Geographical Information System.

#### **IPR Courses**

General Course on Intellectual Property — Feb 1, 2013 — April 28, 2013, Distance learning program conducted by World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva.

## **MOOCs Completed:**

*Integrated Pest Management* organized by Department of Entomology UAS-Raichur, Karnataka, Centre for Continuing Education Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur and Commonwealth of Learning, Canada from 21.4.2020 - 16.6.2020. (8 weeks).

### **Employment**

- May 2018 –till date, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli
- Nov.2013 April 2018 , Assistant Professor in Biodiversity Informatics (UGC Innovative)
   Department of Botany, Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli
- Sep 2007- Oct. 2013, Scientific Officer/ Scientist, Loyola College, Chennai
- Feb 2005 Sep 2007 Fellow-National Innovation Foundation (Autonomous body of DST, Government of India), Ahmedabad.
- June 2003 Jan 2005, Lecturer in Botany, Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli

# **Professional Training/Courses**

- 2022 Overview of Geoprocessing using Python organized by Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS), ISRO, Dehradun 17 January 2022 to 28<sup>th</sup> Jan 2022
- **2021** Innovation Ambassador Training Program (Advance Level) organized by Institution **Innovation Council (IIC), AICTE**, Government of India 30<sup>th</sup> June to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021.
- 2020. Remote Sensing & GIS Technology and Applications for University Teachers & Government
  Officials organized by Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS), ISRO, Dehradun 13.6.2020 01.07.2020.
- 2020. Geoinformatics in Ecological Studies organized by Indian Institute of Remote Sensing,
   (IIRS) ISRO, Dehradun from 13.07.2020 to 24.07.2020.
- 2020.Week Induction/Orientation Programme for "Faculty in Universities/Colleges/Institutes of Higher Education" "Faculty in Universities/Colleges/Institutes of Higher Education" organized by Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College University of Delhi from 4<sup>th</sup> June to 4<sup>th</sup> July 2020.
- 2020 Online Science Academics- Science Leadership Program Central University of Punjab Bathinda 22.06.2020 28.06.2020
- 2020 Online Innovation, IPR, Entrepreneurship, and Start-ups among HEIs. MHRD's Innovation Cell, Government of India, New Delhi 27.05.2020 –31.05.2020
- 2020 Five Days Online Hands On Workshop On "Patent Searching, Drafting And Filing" (Online Mode) Panimalar Institute of Technology, Turnip Innovations and Exilyze Intellectual Services, IEEE Computer Society & Computer Society Of India 29.05.2020 02.06.2020

- 1997.Application of remote sensing and GIS for Bio-resources assessments and monitoring 8- 19<sup>th</sup>
   December 1997, Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS), Dehra Dun.
- 2008. DST sponsored Advanced Training Programme on Application of Remote Sensing and GIS
   Tools for Coastal and Ocean Resource Mapping, Monitoring and Management () 10 30<sup>th</sup> September
   CAS Marine, Biology, Annamalai University.
- **2010. DBT sponsored Molecular Techniques in Plant Sciences** 1-21 February 2010 Department of Plant Biology and Biotechnology, Loyola College, Chennai.

## **Professional Training (Short Term)**

- ➤ 2016 DST sponsored National workshop on "Data Science Research" November 3-5, 2016 organized by National Institute of Technology (NIT), Tiruchirappalli
- ➤ 2013 National Workshop on "Bioinformatics A Practical approach to Genomics & Proteomics" 7-11 October 2013, Organized by Bioinformatics and ARIS Cell, Madras Veterinary College, Tamil Nadu Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Chennai.
- ➤ 2013 An introduction to landscape ecology using QGIS/GRASS and R. 9th Sep-13 Sep 2013 Organized by Foundation for Ecological Research, Advocacy and Learning and French Institute Pondicherry.
- $\gt$  2012 DST supported Workshop on Drug Development with good laboratory practices and good clinical practices  $28^{th}$  May  $-2^{nd}$  June 2012 Organized by Loyola College Chennai.
- ➤ 2011 TNSCST supported "Workshop on Methods in assessment of aquatic pollution and Bioremediation" 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2011 to 4<sup>th</sup> Feb 2011 Organized by Loyola College Chennai.
- ➤ 2010 National workshop on "Quantitative Techniques in Biodiversity Assessment, February 26-27, SRTM University, Nanded, MH.
- ➤ 2010 PCR workshop, February 9 at Eppendorf Training Centre, Chennai.
- ➤ 2008 National workshop on Biodiversity Database organization and its Management, March 12-14 Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics, TPGRI, Tiruvananthapuram, Kerala, 2008.
- > 2001 Workshop on "Statistical tools in research Hands on experience with statistical software", 1-6 November, St. Joseph's college, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu

#### **Software - Training**

- ❖ 1998 Introductory training on Remote sensing and GIS Softwares (Microstation, EASI/PACE, SPANS, MAPINFO from Tricad Design Consultant Pvt. Ltd. Hyderabad (20-26 April 1998).
- ❖ 2000 Erdas Imagine 8.3.1 (RS & GIS software) from Erdas India Pvt. Ltd. Hyderabad. (five days)

- ❖ 2000 ArcInfo/Arc View (GIS Software) from Tricad Design Consultant Pvt. Ltd. Hyderabad Recognized by Department of Space. (15 -31 Jan 2001).
- ❖ 2005 ARC GIS 9.0 (GIS Software) ERSI-India, New Delhi (25-29 July 2005).
- ❖ 2006 Programming C and VB 6.0, Anik computers & Education, Ahmedabad
- ❖ 2006 RH 105 Red Hat Linux Desktop, redhat certificate (3 15 Feb, 2006)
- **❖ 2010** GRASS GIS (open source software) K-cube consultancy Services, Chennai (27 Aug. -01 Sep, 2010).

# Awards/Fellowships

- Outstanding performance in Masters in Botany (1997)
- Young Scientist Research Fellowship –DST (2009)
- Travel Fellowship CICS-INSA (2011) for presenting paper in EMAPi Conference, Hungary.
- UGC- National Eligibility Test of Assistant Professor in the year 2016
- Junior Research Fellow (JRF) and Senior Research Fellow (SRF) MoEF, Government of India Projects (1997 – 2001).

## **Research Projects:**

- Predicting distribution of some invasive plant species in proposed Palani Hill National Park, Western Ghats of Tamil Nadu- A GIS based approach (DST, Government of India-GOI) PI – Completed Grant ₹ 16,84,000 (2009 April – 2012 March) - Completed
- Ecosystem Modelling approach to generate habitat suitability for some endemic and rare fish species in estuaries of the east coast of Tamil Nadu (MOES, GOI) co-PI –Completed Grant ₹ 20, 77,000.
   (2009 August 2012 August) Completed
- Documentation of Traditional Knowledge and grassroots innovations from remote villages in Pudukottai and Perambalur districts of Tamil Nadu. (National Innovation Foundation – DST, Government of India). Project Investigator Grant ₹ 1, 15,000 (2016-2017). -Completed
- Documentation of Traditional Knowledge and grassroots innovations from Coastal districts of Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry. (National Innovation Foundation – DST, Government of India). Project Investigator Grant ₹ 2,70,000 (2017-2019) - Completed
- Documentation of Traditional Knowledge and grassroots innovations from foot Hills of Pachaimalai and Kolli hills of Eastern Ghats of Tamil Nadu. (National Innovation Foundation (Autonomous). Co-Investigator Grant ₹ 4, 70,000 (2020-2021)

# Seminar/ Conference/ Workshop Organized.

### **Organizer/ Committee Members**

- Two days'workshop on Hands on Training in Mapping Biodiversity with FOSS GIS software
  held on 5th and 6th August 2016 at Centre for Biodiversity Informatics, Department of Botany,
  Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli.
- Threesdays DST sponsored National workshop on Data Science Research- Biological Data management held from 23 -25 January 2017 organized by Centre for Biodiversity Informatics, Department of Botany, Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli. Funded by Department of Science and Technology, Government of India (Coorganizer)
- "National Conference on Biodiversity, Biotechnology and Bioresources for sustainable improvement of Rural Livelihood" from 18 to 20th January, 2008 organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy, Loyola College, Chennai.
- International Conference on Recent Trends in Sensor-Development for the Assessment and Management of the Environment" from 8 - 10, January 2009 organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy, Loyola College, Chennai.
- "Awareness cum training workshop on Rejuvenate Traditional farming technologies and Traditional Farmers Rice Varieties "on 22nd September 2010, organized by VAANGHAI, funded by PPV & FRA, Ministry of Agriculture Government of India.

## Seminar/ Conference/ Workshop/Training Program – Resource Person

- Resource person for training program on **Mapping Biodiversity with FOSS GIS software**, Jamal Mohamed College (2016-2018) (60 nos. from different parts of India)
- Resource person for three days training workshop on Data Science Research Biological Data
   Management DST funded programme at Jamal Mohamed College (off-line program 100 participants from different parts of India) 2016
- Resource person for awareness program on **Protection of Traditional Knowledge** to Students of Jamal Mohamed College (350 nos.) 2016 & 2019.
- Training program Jamal Mohamed College students (56 nos.) on Remote Sensing and GIS (2018-2019).
- Training Programe for **QGIS** for Students of Holy cross college, Tiruchirappalli (15 nos.) -2019
- Seminar on **Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)** were organized at Seminar Hall, Department of Botany, Jamal Mohamed College. 13-12-2018,

- Training Programe for **Biostatistics for using R** organized by Department of Mathematics, Jamal Mohamed College (30 nos.) -2019
- Training programs (16 batches min 10 students each) for Remote Sensing, Geoinformatics,
   QGIS applications, R Statistical analysis from 2018-2020)
- An Interdepartmental Workshop on GIS Data Processing and Analysis using FOSS 12-10-2020 to 16-10-2020 to V.V.Vaniperumal College for Women, Virudhunagar
- Online Hands-on Training Programme on **Remote Sensing and GIS Data Analysis** 20-07-2020 to 24-07-2020 Department of Physics, Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli.
- Internship program on **Spatial Informatics** from 4.01.2021 -11.01.2021 to V.V.Vaniperumal College for Women, Virudhunagar.
- Innovation and Startup at Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) organized by Innovation Incubation Centre, Jamal Mohamed College on 12.7.2021.
- Online Impact Lecture Series- Introduction to IPR- Plant Variety Protection and GI organized by HICAS IIC Funded by IIC-MIC, Government of India on 30.09.2021
- Interdepartmental Hands on Training Program on "Applications of Geospatial Technology in Resource Management, Organized by Department of Physics, Jamal Mohamed College from 25.11.2021 to 26.11.2021.
- Internship Program on **Spatial Informatics** from 4.1.2022 to 8.1.2022 to Holy Cross College for Women, Virudhungar.

#### **Outreach program - Resource Person**

- Established Community **Seed Bank** for **71 Traditional Paddy Varieties** at VAANGHAI, Nagapattinam District.
- Acted as JURY for Internal Smart India Hackathon 2020 organized by Department of Computer Science and Innovation Incubation Centre, Jamal Mohamed College on 13.01.2020.
- Herbarium Techniques to school teachers 29.08.2020 organized by Department of Botany, Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli
- Online Awareness program on **traditional knowledge** for school teachers 19.12.2020
- Summer Training lecture on Wildlife in Western part of India CAM: CARE UK, Upper Cambourne, Cambridge, UK on 12-07-2020
- Seed Ball Preparation and Nursery Technique, Ayesha Girls Matriculation Higher Secondary school, Tiruchirappalli organized by Department of Botany, Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli 23.11.2021
- Awareness program on Pollution Control, Ayesha Matriculation Higher Secondary school,

Tiruchirappalli organized by Department of Botany, Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli on 2.12.2021.

- Acted as Quiz Master and Jury for Quiz program on Pollution Awareness on 2.12.2021 organized by women Part V Clubs of Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirapalli.
- Botanical Techniques, Pancyat Union Middle School, Nagamangalam, organized by Department of Botany, Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli 20.12.2021

#### **Reviewer**

- Applied Microbiology and Biotechnology, Springer Publications
- Current Science (Indian Academy of Science), India
- Journal of Green Computing (IGI Global), USA

### **Membership Professional Bodies**

LIFE Member Indian Society of Remote Sensing, Dehradun

### Awards/Fellowships

- Outstanding performance in Masters in Botany (1997)
- Young Scientist Research Fellowship –DST (2009)
- Travel Fellowship CICS-INSA (2011) for presenting paper in EMAPi Conference, Hungary.
- Qualified UGC NET (Environmental Science) Assistant Professor 2018.

### **Academic Responsibilities**

- Deputy Coordinator, DBT Star College Scheme, Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli
- Institute Nominated Faculty for implementing Startup Policy in Jamal Mohamed College,
   Tiruchirappalli by IIC, MOEs.
- Innovation Coordinator, Institution Innovation Council, Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli by IIC, MOEs.
- Innovation Coordinator Institution IIC 2.0 & 3.0, MOE, Government of India.
- Institution Innovation Ambassador, MOE, Government of India

### **Inventories- Plant Taxonomy**

New Plant species : Two

New Records to Tamil Nadu: Five

### **Research Publications (Citations 166 H index – 6)**

#### IPR/Registration/Patents

Six Traditional Paddy crop variety Registered under IPR behalf farmers of Tamil Nadu – Registration granted for Six varieties

## RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

## **International Journals**

- Soosairaj, S. P. Raja, S. John Britto, B. Balaguru, 2021. Solanum pulneyensis Soosairaj, sp. nov. (Solanaceae) from Palani Hills National Park of Tamil Nadu, India, ADANSONIA 43 (21) - PAGES 235-240 https://doi.org/10.5252/adansonia2021v43a21
- Soosairaj, S. P. Raja, S. John Britto, B. Balaguru,2018. A new species of *Dalbergia* (Fabaceae: Dalbergieae) from Tamil Nadu, India Phytotaxa .I .org/10.11646/phytotaxa.360.3.8
- Balaguru, B, S.Soosairaj, N.Nagamurugan, R.Ravindran and A. Khaleel Ahamed. 2016Native Vegetation pattern and the spread of three invasive species in Palani Hill National Park, Western Ghats of India, Acta Ecologica SinicaActa Ecologica Sinica 36, 367–376. http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.chnaes. 2016.05.005.
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  conservation priority sites for effective management of tropical forests in India: A value-based
  conservation approach. Applied ecology and environmental research 5(2): 37-48.
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- Balaguru, B., S. John Britto, N. Nagamurugan, D. Natarajan and S.Soosairaj.2006 Identification of Conservation Priority Zones for effective management of Tropical forests in Eastern Ghats of India. Biodiversity and Conservation vol 15 (4): 1529-1543

### **National Journals**

- Muruganantham P, Mohammed Hussain J, Jeevanatham G, Vinoth M, Balaguru B and Khaleel Ahamed A (2018). Effect of physiochemical factor induced Reactive Oxygen Species (ROS) on Marine Microalgal population in South East Coast of India- A spatial temporal approach. Haya: The Saudi Journal of Life Sciences, 3: 226 – 242.
- Vinoth M., P. Muruganantham, G. Jeevanantham, J. Mohammed Hussain, B. Balaguru, A. Khaleel Ahamed, 2017. Distribution of cyanobacteria in biological soil crusts, In sacred groves forest of

- Ariyalur and Pudukottai Districts, Tamil Nadu, India, RJLBPCS3(3):215-241
- Soosairaj, S., P.Raja, B. Balaguru and T.Dons, 2016. Two additions to the flora of the Palani Hills, Southern India. Journal of Threatened Taxa, 8(9):9216-9220.
- .Kumaraguru A., Brinda, T., Balaguru B., Soosairaj , S and Johnbritto, S, 2015. Vascular plant distribution in an endangered fragile ecosystem of Shervarayan hills, eastern ghats of India, International Journal of Recent Scientific Research, 6(10): 7006-7012
- Balaguru B, Nagamurugan N, Kumaraguru A3, Soosairaj S4 and Brinda T, 2015. Estimation of Tropical deforestation and Prediction of Biotic pressure zone for effective Forest management in Eastern Ghats of India. International Research Journal of Biological Sciences, Vol. 4(12), 14-21
- Soosairaj, S., A, Kala, P. Raja and B. Balaguru. 2014. Reproductive Biology of Tropical Vulnerable Shrub Capparis shervaroyensis Sund.- Ragh. (Capparaceae). Life Science Leaflets, 52:71-78.
- Soosairaj, S., A, Kala, P. Raja and B. Balaguru, 2014. Reproductive biology and seed germination of tropicalevergreen tree Canarium strictum Roxb. Journal of Biodiversity and Environmental Sciences, 6(6), p. 24-32.
- Soosairaj, S., A. Maheswari and B. Balaguru. 2010. Micromorphological assessment in Datura Species of Tamil Nadu, India. J. Econ. Taxon. Bot. vol.34 (4) 873-879.
- Natarajan, D, B Balaguru, N Nagamurugan, S Soosairaj and E Natarajan. 2010. Ethnomedicobotanical survey in Malliganatham village of Pudukottai district in Tamil Nadu. Indian Journal of Traditional Knowledge (CSIR).9(4):768-774.
- John Britto, S, S. Soosairaj, B. Balaguru, and N. Nagamurugan. 2009. Stenochlaena palustris (Burm.f)
  Beddome (Blechnaceae); A new record for the Eastern Ghats of Tamil Nadu. Jl. Econ. Taxon. Bot.
  33(2): 318-321.
- John Britto, S, S. Soosairaj, B. Balaguru, and D. Natarajan. 2009. Anisochilus dysophyllodes Benth (Lamiaceae): A little known species from the Shervarayans, Tamil Nadu Jl. Econ. Taxon. Bot. 33(1): 51-53.
- Ramachandran A, D. Natarajan , N. Nagamurugan, B. Balaguru , S. Soosairaj and S John Britto. 2008.
   Assessment of tree species diversity in semi-evergreen forests of Chitteri hills, Eastern ghats of Tamilnadu, South India. Indian Journal of Forestry 32(2): 175 180.
- Soosairaj, S., N. Nagamurugan, B. Balaguru and D.Natarajan. 2006. Contribution of lianas and climbers to species richness in tropical forests of Pacchaimalai hills, Eastern Ghats, Tamil Nadu. Ecol. Env & Cons 12(4):599-603.
- John Britto, S. Soosairaj, D. Natarjan, N, Nagamurugan, B. Balaguru. 2006. Check list of Plant species in Elagiri Hills, Eastern Ghats of Tamil Nadu. Retell 7(1):77-87.

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- Soosairaj, S. ,S .John Britto, B .Balaguru, D. Natarajan, N. Nagamurugan. 2005. Habitat similarity and species distribution analysis in tropical forests of Eastern Ghats, Tamil Nadu. Tropical Ecology., 46(2): 183–191.
- Muthukumar, B., S. Dhanasekaran, S. Soosairaj, N. Nagamurugan and B.Balaguru.2005. Woody vegetation structure in a Sacred Grove of Pudukottai District of Tamil Nadu, South India. Jl of Eco.Env.Pl. Vol. 10 (2):409-412.
- John Britto, S., D. Natarajan, B. Balaguru, D.I.Arockiasamy.2004. Distribution of some vascular epiphytes in the Chitteri hills (Eastern Ghats) of Tamil Nadu, South India. Jl. Econ. Taxon. Bot. 28(3): 734-737.
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- John Britto, S., B. Balaguru., S. Soosairaj, 2003 Extended Distribution of Desmodium tortuosum (Sw.) Dc.(Papilionoideae) In Eastern Ghats Of Tamil Nadu. Jl. Econ. Taxon. Bot. 2003, 27(Suppl), 1232-4.
- John Britto, , S. Soosairaj B. Balaguru , D. Natarjan, N, Nagamurugan, S. Ravi paul. First eport of syzygium Alternifolium (Wight) Walp. (Myrtaceae) In Southern Eastern ghats Of Tamil Nadu. Jl. Econ. Taxon. Bot. 2003, 27(Suppl), 1229-31.
- Soosairaj, S., S. John Britto, B Balaguru, N, Nagamurugan, D. Natarajan. 2004. Mapping forest types of Pacchaimalai Hills, Eastern ghats, India-using Remote Sensing and GIS. Eco. Env. Cons. 10(2): 131-135.
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## **Books Chapters / Proceedings**

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- Raja Prakasam, B. Balaguru., Soosairaj Sebastian, 2020. Diversity and Distribution of Tropical Dry Forests: A Case Study From Pudukkottai District of Tamil Nadu, India In. Rahul Bhadouria, Sachchidanand Tripathi Pratap Srivastava and Pardeep Singh (eds) ,Handbook of Research on the Conservation and Restoration of Tropical Dry Forests, IGI Global USA. Pp:115-123. DOI: 10.4018/978-1-7998-0014-9.ch006
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- Participatory planning for effective management of forest resources in Hilly regions –A GIS approach.
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### **Book (Proceedings) Edited/Manual**

- Biodiversity, Biotechnology and Bioresources for sustainable livelihood of Rural Community National Conference proceedings edited by Selvanayagam, Francis P. Xavier and B. Balaguru, Loyola Publications, Loyola College, Chennai
- Training Manual for Mapping Bioresources using QGIS- A FOSS.

## **RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS (symposia/conference/seminar/workshops)**

#### International

Invasions of Non-Native plant species and habitat changes in the Western Ghats of Tamil Nadu, India" in "11th International Conference on the Ecology and Management of Alien Plant Invasions (EMAPi) Organized by Institute of Ecology and Botany of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Szombathely Hungary at Szombathely, Hungary from 30th August to 3 September 2011.

### **National**

- Identifying the habitat suitability of a relisted fish species- case study from Pichavaram Estuaries in East Coast of Tamil Nadu in National Symposium on Impact of Climate Change and Biodiversity organized by Department of Zoology, Periyar University, Salem, Tamil Nadu on 23rd January 2013.
- Impact of Invasive alien species on shola vegetation, Western Ghats of Tamil Nadu, India. In International Conference on Sustainable utilization, Management and Conservation of Bioresources Organised by Department of Botany, St.Joseph's College, Tiruchirappalli on 10th and 11th of January 2013.
- "Seasonal variation of Phytoplankton diversity in Phichavaram Mangrove Ecosystem". Environmental Protection and Management, Organized School of Entomology & Centre for Natural Resource Management on 29th and 30th August 2011 at Loyola College, Tamil Nadu.
- Assessment of Fin fish habitat suitability in Pichavaram region using IRS P6 LISS III satellite Data"
   Environmental Protection and Management, Organized School of Entomology & Centre for Natural Resource Management on 29th and 30th August 2011 at Loyola College, Tamil Nadu.
- Estimate Biomass of an Endangered Ecosystem in Shervarayan Hills, Eastern Ghats of Tamil Nadu. National Seminar on Renewable Energy Resources held at Yadava College, Madurai. 2010.
- Significance of Bioethics in Biotechnological Research. National Conference on Biodiversity and

- Biotechnology for sustainable livelihood of Rural Community held at Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy, Loyola College, Chennai. 2008.
- Applications of IPR in Biotechnology. National Conference on Biodiversity and Biotechnology for sustainable livelihood of Rural Community, held at Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy, Loyola College, Chennai.2008
- Biodiversity informatics- A promising decision making tool for Biodiversity conservation and Management. 2006. National conference on Biodiversity held at School of Entomology and centre for natural resource management Loyola College Chennai.
- Study on structure and total importance value of the woody vegetation in a sacred grove in Pudukottai
  district of Tamil Nadu. In Regional Seminar People, Plants held at Gadhigram Rural Institute,
  Gadhigram.2003.
- Tree diversity in a sacred grove of Pudukottai district of Tamil Nadu. In National symposium held at Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli.2000.
- Effect of some medicinal plants on economic parameter and development of silk worm. In National symposium in "Trends in Natural Resources" held at St. Joseph's college, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu.1997.
- Models for sustainable management of forest resources in the Shervarayan hills using Remote Sensing and GIS. In International Conference on Sustainable Development and Management of Natural Resources held at Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu.2003.
- Identification of biodiversity gap in Eastern Ghats using Remote Sensing and GIS. In National seminar on Remote sensing and GIS in Natural Resource Management; current status and emerging trends held at School of Environmental Sciences, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, Kerala. 2003.
- Anti-Fungal activity of Acanthus ilicifolius L A Mangrove plant In National symposium on recent trend in plant science held at Kerala University, Trivandrum.2000.
- Floristic analysis of select sacred groves of Pudukottai and Tanjore district of Tamil Nadu In 87th Indian science congress held at Pune university.2000.
- The biodiversity in the sacred grove of Thiruvalarcholai in Tiruchirappalli district in Tamil Nadu, South India. In Mountain meet '98 International seminar on environment of the mountain regions held at Govt. PGC, Rishikesh. 1998.

### PARTICIPATED IN SEMINARS/SYMPOSIA/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOP

Using IBIN Database for Conservation and Management of Forest Resources, GKVK Agriculture
 University, Bangalore
 National level 14 -02-2019 & 15-02-2019.

- Seminar on "Challenges and changes in the evaluation system" Internal Quality Assurance Cell, Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli/Local level 18 -01-2019 & 19-01-2019.
- One day state level seminar on "Perspectives in Plant systematics and Conservation Biology"
   State level 22 -02-2019
- Workshop on The Role of Teacher in the Present Scenario organised by the Internal Quality Assurance cell of Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchirappalli on 10th December 2016.
- Participated in the Wildlife Census Programme organised by Tamil Nadu Forest Department,
   Tirchirapalli during 14 to 16 February 2015.
- Workshop on Biodiversity awareness using open source geospatial software (FOSS4G) tools organized by OSGEO, IIIT-H, French Institute Pondicherry held at French Institute Pondicherry on 19th August, 2015.
- National Symposium on Medicinal Plants-Diversity, Utilization and Conservation organized by Department of Botany, St. Joseph's College, Tiruchirappalli from 5 – 6 February 2001.
- International Seminar on Opportunities for life science graduates in food processing sector jointly organized by the Center for International programme, Loyola College, Chennai and Lille Catholic University, France, held on 3rd March 2011.
- State level seminar on Entrepreneurship skills in Biotechnology, Organized by Department of Plant Biology and Biotechnology, Loyola College, Chennai held on 3rd December 2008.
- Seminar on open source GIS tools organized by AU-KBC Research Centre, Anna University held on 13th October 2009.
- Seminar on Modern Trends in Biotechnology organized by Department of Plant Biology and Biotechnology, Loyola College, Chennai held on 14th February 2011.

#### **Industrial/Academic /Non-Academic Consultancies**

- Scientific Advisor (Honorary), VAANGAI, Nagapattinam (from 2010-2018)
- Provide Scientific inputs to the project "Characterization and Registration of Traditional Rice Varieties from Cauvery Delta and Coastal Belt of Tamil Nadu Project funded by PPV and FRA, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India (13 lakhs).
- Senior Geospatial Consultant, J–Technologies India Pvt. Ltd., Chennai (500 Crore Indo shell Group) (from 2010- 2014).

### **E.** Content Developed

- Introduction to Intellectual Property Rights
- Species Diversity (with reference to plants)
- Global Biodiversity hotspots

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