

CURRICULUM VITAE

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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- **B.Sc. (Agri)** with First Class, U.A.S., Bengaluru. 1973
- **M.Sc. (Horticulture)** with First Class, G.B. Pant UAT, Pantnagar. 1976
- **Ph.D. (Horticulture) with First Class and Gold Medal** from University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru. 1986

IMPORTANT TRAININGS AND INTERNATIONAL EXPOSURES

- Study tour to Indonesia and Vietnam under National Seeds Corporation programme.
- Study tour to Tanzania under DANIDA Watershed Development programme.
- Study tour to Denmark under DANIDA assisted WYTEP programme.
- Study tour to China to study agricultural development.
- Training Programme in the Netherlands on Innovative approaches for sustainable farming.

Experience Matrix:

Period	Position held	Activities
17.8.2009 to May, 2013	Director, Watershed Development Department and Coordinator IWMP, GOK Bengaluru.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preparation of state perspective and strategic plan for development of rainfed areas on watershed basis.• Preparation of Development plans using remote sensing, GIS and GPS tools by integrating thematic layers such as soil, land use, geomorphology, etc.• Introducing innovations in IEC, to develop capacities of rural communities.• Adopting innovative measures of working with NGOs to create awareness and to mobilize participation.• Providing assistance to SLNA in evolving appropriate procedures to implement IWMP.• Introduction of ICT tools such as developing Net plan software, state MIS

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		<p>software, video and SAT com conferences for progress review, mutual learning and to take corrective measures in programme implementation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting cost-effective conservation technologies viz. TCB Pipe waste weirs. • Concerted effort to empower the community for taking informed decision in all aspects of the programme. • Delegating power to Executive Committee at Gram Panchyath level for effective decentralization of decision making process to community. • Promotion of innovative livelihood activities and implementation strategies for vulnerable sections. • Promoting inclusive growth through VBT/ AHC and intensification of horticultural and forestry activities for marginalized groups. • Introducing high level of transparency in procurements by adopting e-procurement process. • Developing Terms of References for the services outsourced by the department. • Well versed with procurement practices starting from preparing bid documents, evaluation and selection with considerable knowledge of transparency rules and regulations. • Evolved well defined clear cut strategy for in house and third party monitoring and evaluation. • Good at identifying good practices and replicating the same at different levels. • Introduction of JLG concept for smooth flow of bank credit to farmers. • Good at team building and developing leadership at different levels for smooth functioning of the department. • Identifying local leaders at community level and exposing them to wider community for

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30.9.2007 to 17.8.2009	Director of Agriculture, Commissionerate of Agriculture, GOK, Bengaluru.	<p data-bbox="834 226 1325 260">possible replications across the state.</p> <ul data-bbox="792 268 1429 1024" style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall technical supervision and Management of the Department of Agriculture. • Responsible for Kharif, rabi and summer agricultural campaigns. • Evolving programme planning for Kharif, rabi & Summer. • Evolving contingency plans and implementation • Input management. • Overall in-charge of Agricultural farms & seed farms • Quality control of Inputs. • Management and supervision of Agricultural schools and training centres in the state. • Implementation of centrally sponsored and state sector schemes. • Estimation of Agricultural Production through crop-cutting experiments.
1.6.2006 to 30.9.2007	Additional Director (Organic Farming), Commissionerate of Agriculture, GOK, Bengaluru.	<ul data-bbox="792 1039 1416 1386" style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotion of organic agriculture. • Training to NGOs for promoting organic agriculture. • Organizing village level demonstration on organic agriculture. • Organizing exposure visits. • Promotion of vermicomposting and bio-gas at household level. • Promotion of bio fertilizer/ Bio pesticide use.
25.11.2004 To 1.6.2006	Additional Director (Vigilance), Watershed Development Department, GOK, Bengaluru.	<ul data-bbox="792 1402 1393 1625" style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall quality control of watershed activities and follow up action thereof. • Technical assistance in the usage of RS and GIS tools in planning. • Conducting enquiries and initiation of disciplinary actions.

6.1.2003 To 25.11.2004	Additional Director of Agriculture (HRD)- Coordinator IPM, GOK, Bengaluru	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of Training Modules for different levels. • Organizing training programmes for different levels for in-house and outside personnel. • Promotion of Integrated Pest Management in crops. • Conducting Farmers' Field schools for promoting IPM, soil and water conservation.
21.6.2002 To 5.1.2003	Managing Director, Karnataka Agro Corn Products Ltd, GOK, Bengaluru	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administration of corn processing unit. • Production of quality nutritional supplements to Anganwadis. • Development of Value added production in corn.
3.7.2000 To 20.6.2002	Additional Director of Agriculture (Development & Extension) and Secretary to Agricultural Commission and also Secretary to Karnataka State Agricultural Price Commission, GOK, Bengaluru	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotion of Agricultural extension activities. • Coordinating WAs and KVK for identifying the best practices by organizing bi-monthly workshops. • Organizing trainings to departmental staff at different levels on new technologies. • Assisting Agricultural commission in undertaking studies on crop production from time to time to understand the reasons for stagnancy in agriculture Production. • Assisting Agricultural Price commission in fixing economically remunerative price for agricultural produce.
8.8.1997 to 3.7.2000	Director, Karnataka State Seed Certification Agency. GOK Bengaluru	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall quality control of certified seeds. • Planning and organizing seed production programmes for the state.

<p>3.1.1996 To 8.8.1997</p>	<p>Additional Director (Soil and Water conservation) Commissionerate of Agriculture, GOK, Bengaluru</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall in-charge of soil and water conservation programmes of state sector, centrally sponsored schemes and externally funded programmes. • Organizing field surveys and preparation of watershed development plans. • Monitoring and Evaluation of Programmes • Quality control of soil conservation activities. • Responsible for organizing detailed soil surveys in catchment and command areas. • Coordinated with universities of Agriculture sciences in the state and National agricultural research centers in identifying appropriate conservation technologies for different Agro-climatic zones of the state.
<p>8.6.1992 To 3.1.1996</p>	<p>Managing Director Karnataka State Seeds Corporation Ltd., GOK Bengaluru</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall-in charge of seed production in the state. • Planning and organizing seed production in the state. • Enforcing quality control measures.
<p>1988-1992</p>	<p>Joint Director of Agriculture. (Team member of Multi- Disciplinary Cell of Dry Land Development Board), GOK, Bengaluru</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsible for planning soil survey and undertaking land use studies. • Preparing watershed development plans. • Monitoring watershed development plans. • Preparation of watershed development plans for the World Bank Aided project in Hassan and its implementation.
<p>1983-1988</p>	<p>Principal Agricultural officer, Department of Agriculture, Tumkur</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall in-charge of the Agricultural programme. • Organizing workshops & training in the district programme. • Preparation of crop plans for different seasons • Assessing input requirements in the district and quality control. • Assessing soil fertility of each land parcel for crop planning. • Responsible for the implementation of centrally sponsored and state Sector schemes.

1978-1983	Assistant Director of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture, Kunigal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-charge of agricultural programme in the Taluk. • Preparation of crop plans and assessment of input requirement. • Assessing soil fertility of each land parcel for crop planning. • Enforcement of quality control measures.
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Summary of key Skills/ Expertise

1. Planning, Co-ordination and Management

- Use of Remote sensing, GIS and GPS tools in developing efficient resource use and management plans for watershed programmes.
- Effective coordination with relevant line Department for identifying best practices to conserve resources and improve productivity.
- Developing convergence plans across the schemes for implementation at the field level.
- Establishing effective coordination between various partners in programme implementation.
- Introducing innovative measures in monitoring, evaluation, learning and documentation (MEL & D).
- Good project and personnel management skills in managing numerous stakeholders and partners with different skills and background.
- Endowed with skills to develop strategies for achieving the desired results by keeping the interest of all stakeholders of programmes/interventions.

2. Research

- Adopting innovative approaches for resource conservation and productivity enhancement
- Using innovative techniques in Farmer Field Schools (FFS) for up scaling the adoption of improved technologies by farmers. Similarly, it was introduced in Watershed Development Programmes which was appreciated by FAO.
- Identifying simple and cost-effective methods for resource conservation such as Trench cum Bund (TCB) waste weirs, intensification of horticultural activities to promote inclusive growth for poverty eradication among the marginalized groups.

3. Public undertaking and Commercial Organizations

- Assessing seed requirement for different areas and planning for its production.
- Enforcement of quality control measures for ensuring profitability to the stakeholders.
- Developing value-added products in different crops.

PERSONAL:

- Born on 14th May 1953. Languages: English, Hindi and Kannada.

ACHIEVEMENTS & AWARDS:

- Secured gold Medal in Ph.D. at U.A.S. Bengaluru, 1986
- Secured National productivity awards for following watersheds
 - Sujala watershed project- Madderi Mallandahalli watershed, Kolar district (1st best award)
 - River valley project- Katralli Subwatershed, Koppal dist (2nd best award)
- Recipient of Green Award (2012) presented by Bharatiya Samaja Seva Trust, Bangalore.

DOCUMENTATION AND PUBLICATIONS:

1. Recommendation on minimum support price for potato, onion and dry chillies in Karnataka for the year 2001-2002 – published in October 2001.
2. Recommendation on price support for arecanut (chali type) in Karnataka State- published in April 2002.
3. Market intervention price (MCP) for coconut – published in May 2002
4. Review of Minimum support price for Ragi crop in Karnataka, May 2002
5. Procurement, storage and disposal of Agricultural and Horticultural commodities – a report – published in April 2003
6. Marketing behaviour of Farmers in Karnataka – field level study – published in July 2003.
7. Review of Methodology of measuring and costing Managerial input, rental value of land and risk in Agriculture.
8. A study on the programme of Regulated Markets in Karnataka – published in March 2004.
9. Market intervention price for dry chillies in Karnataka – published in July 2005.
10. Handbook on implementation of IWMP Watershed Development Department, 2010
11. Manual for training on Skills and techniques for livelihood programmes. (March 2013)
12. Livestock management technique for profitability – manual for village-based training activities. (Mar 2013).
13. Land Management technique for watershed development in Karnataka, 1997.
14. National level Trainers Training on Cotton-Methodology and concept of farmers field school conductance. Presented at DATC, Dharwad on 14-11-2008

Other activities

1. Recognized PG teacher / External guide and included as member in PG student Advisory Committee. Evaluated M.Sc. Agri (thesis) 'Studies on certain pre and post pruning treatments on yield and quality of seedless grapes (*Vitis vinifera*) during 2002 of Sri. Manjunath B., P.G. Student.
2. Worked as President of Institution of Agricultural Technologies (IAT), Bangalore for 6 years from 2003 to 2009.
3. Participated in Inter National Conference on Environment and Health organized by Karnataka Environment Research Foundation, Bangalore during December 14-16, 1998.
4. Participated in International conference on Plant Protection in the Tropics (ICPPT) held at Kuala Lumpur from 8-14th, August 2003.
5. Attended training programme on 'New Dimension of Agri. Extension reforms' from 23.11.2004 to 27.11.2004 at National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management, Hyderabad.
6. Participated in 5th International Conference on 'Children's health and the Environment' at Bangalore from Feb 1-3, 2010.
7. Attended Training Programme in Netherlands on ' Agriculture in Transition : Innovative approaches to sustainable farming 'from 9th May to 20th May 2011.
8. Attended training on 'Quality Assurance systems for Watershed Management' held at Vishakapatnam, from 21-25, Feb 2011 in collaboration with giz. (Deutsche Gesellschaft for Internationale Zusammenarbeit)

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