

BRIEF ABOUT MYSELF

I completed my Ph.D in 1980 in Plant Biochemistry. I worked as associate professor of Plant Breeding in Panjab agricultural university from 1980 -89. In 1989, I joined the Pioneer seed company which becomes Proagro in 1990. I was heading the Q.C. department, operational and production department.

In 1992, I was heading the corn breeding and all activities of Proagro in Bangalore.

In 1994, I became the director on board of joint venture established between Proagro and Plant Genetics system a leading biotech company of Europe.

In 1997, I became the Managing Director of Proagro-PGS and actively pursued the “Seed link” technology in *Brassica juncea*. All the environment safety experiments were designed and achieved acceptable results. Also established the Entomology lab for Bt gene experiments in Cauliflower, Cabbage, and Tomato and DH lab for Brassica’s and eggplant.

In 1999, I became the Managing Director Of NUNHEMS INDIA, a subsidiary of leading Dutch company. This is the third largest vegetable seed company globally

In ten years time this company became the top company of vegetable seeds in India and established business in other

Asian countries. I was Head of R&D Asia Pacific and established research companies in China and Indonesia. Presently I am CEO of vegetable seed division of Rasi Seeds (P) ltd

I was actively associated with the professional societies and organizations during my career.

I remained Secretary General of Seed Association OF India for five years.

I was Chairman of the technical committee of Asia Pacific Seed Association for PVP laws harmonization in Asia and represented Asia in UPOV.

I was selected to represent Asian seed industry in GFAR (Group For Agricultural Research) of FAO and participated in fixing research priority for CGIAR centers. I am continuing as member of GFAR

I am member of Vegetable seed committee of International Seed Federation (ISF) representing Indian seed industry

I am also member of ISTA (International Seed Testing Association) and other seed related organization

HONORS/AWARDS:

- Awarded Fellowship from distinguished science bodies in India for higher studies. Got certificate of merit for toping the list of successful candidates' consecutives for three years. Citation offered for leading the group "Young Adventurous Club" for adventurous travel.**

- Received award from the American Bibliographic Institute for the outstanding contribution to the farming communities in India.
- Received Bhartiya Udyog Ratan Award for his Individual Achievements and National Development from Indian Economic Development & Research Association (IEDRA).

PUBLICATIONS :

Published 25 Scientific Articles and 25 General Articles.

Lecture delivered in conferences and other business Forums

I delivered more than 150 lectures on biotechnologies, policies, IPR and other agricultural related to wider audience in India and abroad.