



### **Curriculum Vitae of Prof. R. N. Kharwar**

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### **Brief writeup on area of specialization/awards/achievements:**

Working on microbial endophytes; the microorganisms which reside inside healthy plant tissues without causing any detectable negative symptoms to their concerned hosts. Endophytes are known to promote the plant growth and provide protection to their hosts against various biotic and abiotic stresses. Our current research focus is on isolation, purification and characterization of bioactive natural products from fungal and actinobacterial endophytes along with their diversity and ecology. Epigenetic modulations for cryptic and enhanced metabolites isolation from endophytes are also in area of interest. Additionally, endophytes derived biosynthesis (Green Synthesis) of metals nanoparticles, their usage, and understanding the mechanisms of induced resistance in plants against stresses through endophytes/PGPMs are also our focused research area.

### **Awards:**

1. Junior Research Fellow and Senior Research Fellow, CSIR, New Delhi
2. BOYSCAST Fellow, DST, New Delhi-2006-07
3. Fellow, Mycological Society of India, Chennai-2011
4. Fellow, Indian Phytopathological Society, New Delhi-2013
5. Dr. S. K. Shome Memorial Award, Mycological Society of India, Chennai-2012
6. Dr. V. Agnihothru Memorial Award, Mycological Society of India, Chennai-2016
7. Dr. A. K. Sarbhoy Memorial Award, Indian Phytopathological Society, New Delhi-2020
8. Dr. P. C. Jain Memorial Award, Mycological Society of India, Chennai-2021
9. Sir E. J. Butler Memorial Award (18<sup>th</sup>), Indian Mycological Society, Kolkata-2022
10. INSA Teachers Award-2022, INSA, New Delhi
11. Fellow, National Academy of Sciences India (NASI)-2023, Prayagraj
12. Honor of Appreciation Award, Indian Lichenological Society, NBRI, Lucknow-2024

**Coordinators:** 1. Applied Microbiology (2024-2027); 2. Industrial Microbiology UG (2020-2023); 3. Dr. Ambedkar Centre of Excellence (DACE) BHU (2022---cont)

### **Achievements:**

1. Member, Wild life Board, U. P. Lucknow (2010-2012)

2. Vice President, Mycological Society of India (2014-15)
2. Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Plant Science and Research (2016.....)
3. Editor (Mycology), Indian Phytopathology (2007-2010 and 2014-17)
4. Associate Editor, Archives of Phytopathology and Plant Protection (T&F 2017....)
5. Review Editor, Frontiers in Microbiology (2017....)
6. Council Member, Mycological Society of India (2012-2014)
7. Council Member, Mycological Society of India (2017-2020; 2023-2025)
8. **Member, Executive Council, VBS Purvanchal** University, Jaunpur (01-12-2013-30-11-2017; 01-12-2020-30-11-2021)
10. **Member, Executive Council, Dr. RML Avadh University, Faizabad**, Ayodhya (2015-2018)
11. Member Proctorial Board and Deputy Chief Proctor, BHU (2013-14)
12. Member, Vidyalay Management Committee, KV, BHU, Varanasi (2014.....)
13. Delivered Lecture and Chaired Sessions at several national and international conferences
14. Convened the lecture of Prof James P Stack, (USA) in a plenary session at IARI, New Delhi during 5th International Conference on "Plant Pathology in Globalized Era" during November 10-13, 2009.
15. Member, Complaints Committee, BHU, Varanasi- (2016—2019; 2022---)
16. Member, Board of Studies, Botany, Dr. RML Avadh University, Faizabad (2015-2018)
17. Member, Board of Studies, Botany, VBS Purvanchal University, Jaunpur (2015-2018)
18. Member, Board of Studies, Botany, DDU Gorakhpur University, Gorakhpur (2016-18)
19. Member, Board of Studies, Environmental Microbiology, BBA University, Lucknow (2017-20)
20. Member: Board of Studies, Botany, University of Madras, Chennai (2017-2020-2023)
21. Organizing Secretary, National Seminar on 'Impact of Increasing Human Population on Natural Resources' from 16-18 Oct, 2003 at BHU, Varanasi
22. Organizing Secretary, International Conference on Mycology and Plant Pathology: Biotechnological Approaches ([www.icmpb2012bhu.com](http://www.icmpb2012bhu.com)) from February 27-29, 2012, BHU, Varanasi
23. Convener, Emerging Trends and Challenges in Plant Science Research, Dept of Botany, from Feb19-20, 2015, BHU, Varanasi
24. Convener, Emerging Trends in Fungal Biology and Plant Protection 'ETFPP-2016', Dept of Botany, from Feb16-18, 2016, BHU, Varanasi
25. Convener, National Seminar on Recent Advances in Fungal Diversity, Plant-Microbes Interaction and Disease Management 'RFPIDM-2020', Dept of Botany, from Feb28-29, 2020, BHU, Varanasi
26. Convener, Refresher course in Botany (27 Dec 2008- 16 January 2009) Academic Staff College, BHU, Varanasi
27. Coordinator: Undergraduate Admission Coordination Committee (UACC), Institute of Science, BHU, Varanasi (2019---)
28. Coordinator: B. Sc. Industrial Microbiology Vocational Course (01-07-2020-30-06-2023)
29. Member Board of Studies, DDU Gorakhpur University, Gorakhpur (2020---)
30. **Member Board of Studies, Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar**, Ar.P (2020-2023)
31. Member, Research Degree Committee, RMLAU, Ayodhya (2020----)
32. Member, Review committee of Stride Project (2020-21)
33. Member, **Academic Council, Sidhharth University Kapilvastu**, Sidhharthnagar (2021--)
34. Member, Research Degree Committee, JNCU, Ballia (19-11-2021-18-11-2023---)
35. Member, Annual Report Committee, Inst of Science, BHU, (2020-2021.)
35. Programme Coordinator, Dr. Ambedkar Centre of Excellence, BHU, Varanasi (Feb 02, 2022--)
36. Life Member, Association of Microbiologists of India, New Delhi
37. Life Member, Indian Phytopathological Society, New Delhi
38. Life Member, Mycological Society of India, Chennai
39. Life Member, Indian Mycological Society, Kolkata

40. COURT Member, Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur (11.5.2022---)
41. Member DRC, Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur (06.7.2022---)
42. Member, **Academic Council, VBSPU, Jaunpur (22-10-2022-21-10-2025)**
43. Member, Compassionate Appointments Committee, BHU (2023-2024)
44. Expert Member Project Monitoring Committee, ICFRE, Dehradun
45. Member, Evaluation Committee, MJ Narasimhan Medal for Best Res Paper, IPS (2022)
46. Member, Editorial Advisory Board, Bioscience Discovery (ISSN: 2231-024X Online, ISSN: 2229-3469 Print)
47. President Elect-Mycolological Society of India-2024
48. Editorial Board Member- Indian Mycological Society, Kolkata (14-02-2024----
49. Academic Council Member, Birangana Sati Sadhani Rajyik Viswavidyalaya, Golaghat, Assam (10-12-2024-09-12-2027)
50. Member, Governor Nominee for selection committees of Science, Rabindranath Tagore University, Hojai, Assam (10-12-2024-09-12-2029-)
51. Member, Compassionate Appointments Committee, BHU (20-12-2024-19-12-2026)
52. Chairman, 'Unfairmeans Committee' for University Examination, BHU (2024-2025)

### **Research Projects Undertaken as PI/Co-PI:**

1. Elucidation of host-parasite relations and control of leaf-spot diseases of important timbers yielding trees, UGC, New Delhi (2002-2005), Amount 8.0 Lakh INR
2. Taxonomy and documentation of fungi occurring in Varanasi region, CSIR, New Delhi (2006-2009) Amount- 8.0 Lakh INR
3. Isolation and characterization of antimicrobial compounds from endophytic fungi and actinomycetes of selected medicinal plants from rain forest of North-East India, DST, New Delhi (2010-2013) Amount-35.05 Lakh INR
4. Diversity Assessment and Characterization of Antimicrobial Compounds and Enzymes from Endophytic Fungi and Actinomycetes Isolated from Selected Plants of Uttar Pradesh, India", DST, New Delhi (2014-2018) Rs. 36.88 Lakh INR
5. Metabolic profiling of known and cryptic compounds of endophytic microbes under modulated condition and evaluation of their biopotential in metal nanoparticles (NPs) synthesis. SERB, DST, New Delhi (2020-2023) INR-44.75 Lakh
6. Exploring the potential of endophytic fungi in alleviation of abiotic stresses of wheat plant *Triticum aestivum* L.IoE, BHU, Varanasi (2021-2024) INR-10.00 + 6.0 Lakh

### **Additional information:**

#### **International Mentorship**

1. Mr. Angelo Mark P Walag, Philipinnes has worked six months (Feb 5, 2020-July 10, 2020) under AIRTF (ASEAN-India Research & Training Fellowship) by FICCI and DST, New Delhi.

## 10 best publications:

1. Singh DK, Sharma VK, Kumar J, Mishra A, Arti Singh, Puja Kumari, Verma SK, Kharwar RN (2018). Mycosynthesis of bactericidal silver and polymorphic gold nanoparticles: physicochemical variation effects and mechanism. **Nanomedicine** 13(2): 191-207 (IF-5.5)
2. Singh BN, Singh BR, Gupta VK, Kharwar RN, Pecoraro L (2018). Coating with microbial hydrophobins: A novel approach to develop smart drug nanoparticles. **Trends in Biotechnology** 36(11):1103-1106 (IF-17)
3. Singh DK, Sharma VK, Kumar J, Mishra A, Verma SK, Sieber TN, Kharwar RN (2017). Diversity of endophytic mycobiota of tropical tree *Tectonagrandis* Linn.f.: Spatiotemporal and tissue type effects. **Scientific Reports** 7: 3745 (IF-4.379)
4. Sharma VK, Kumar J, Singh DK, Mishra A, Verma SK, Gond SK, Kumar A, Singh N, Kharwar RN (2017) Induction of cryptic and bioactive metabolites through natural dietary components in an endophytic fungus *Colletotrichum gloeosporioides*. **Frontiers in Microbiology** 8: 1126 (IF-5.2)
5. Kumar J, Sharma VK, Singh DK, Mishra A, Gond SK, Verma SK, Kumar A, Kharwar RN (2016). Epigenetic activation of antibacterial property of an endophytic *Streptomyces coelicolor* strain AZRA 37 and identification of the induced protein using MALDI TOF MS/MS. **Plos One** 11(2): e0147876 (10.1371/journal.pone.0147876) (IF-3.24)
6. Mishra A, Gond SK, Kumar A, Sharma VK, Verma SK, and Kharwar RN and Sieber TN (2012). Season and tissue type affect fungal endophyte communities of the Indian medicinal plant *Tinospora cordifolia* more strongly than geographic location and their antimicrobial potential. **Microbial Ecology** 64: 388-398 (IF-3.6)
7. Kharwar RN, Mishra A, Gond SK, Stierle A and Stierle D (2011). Anticancer compounds derived from fungal endophytes: their importance and future challenges. **Natural Product Reports** 28: 1208-1228 (IF-11.9)
8. Verma VC, Kharwar RN and Gange AC (2010). Biosynthesis of antimicrobial silver nanoparticles by the endophytic fungus *Aspergillus clavatus*. **Nanomedicine** 5 (1): 33-40 (IF-5.307)
9. Kharwar RN, Verma VC, Gond SK, Kumar A and Strobel G. (2009). Javanicin, an antibacterial naphthaquinone from an endophytic fungus of Neem- *Chloridium* sp. **Current Microbiology** 58, 233-238 (IF-2.188)
10. Verma VC, Gond SK, Mishra A, Kumar A, Kharwar RN and Gange AC (2009). Endophytic actinomycetes from *Azadirachta indica* A. Juss.: Isolation, diversity and anti-microbial activity. **Microbial Ecology** 57, 749-756 (IF-4.552)

## Full List of Publications:

### A. Research Articles in Journals of Repute

1. Kharwar RN\*, Singh PN and Singh RK (1996). New species of *Mycovellosiella* species associated with foliar spots in Nepal. *Mycological Research* 100, 689-692

2. Singh PN, Kharwar RN and Rao HSG (1997). Additions to hyphomycete genus *Pseudocercospora*. *Indian Phytopathology* 50, 7-15.
3. Meenu, Kharwar RN and Bhartiya HD (1998). Some new forms of genus *Corynespora* from kathmandu valley, Nepal. *Indian Phytopathology* 51, 146-151.
4. Kharwar RN\* and Narayan S (1999). Some novel species of genus *Mycovellosiella* from forest flora of Nepal and India. *Journal of Living World* 7, 10-20.
5. Narayan S, Kharwar RN, Singh RK and Bhartiya HD (1997). Some New *Cercospora* sensu stricto causing leaf spots on vegetable plants from Indian sub-continent. *Kavaka* 25, 87-92. (Late addition)
6. Narayan S, Kharwar RN\* and Singh RK (2001). Some novel taxa of hyphomycete genus *Cercospora* causing foliar spots in India. *Indian Phytopathology*. 54, 351-357.
7. Narayan S, Kharwar RN\*, Singh RK and Rao HSG (2001). Four New taxa of genus *Cercospora* causing foliar spots on Horticultural and Medicinal Plants from India. *J.I.B.S.* 80, 213-217.
8. Narayan S, Kharwar RN\* and Singh RK (2001). Some additions to *Cercospora* from Indian Subcontinent. *Kavaka* 28&29, 59-72.
9. Kharwar, RN\*, Singh R. K. (2003). Two new species of *Mycovellosiella*. *Indian Phytopathology* 56, 50-53.
10. Kharwar RN\* and Singh RK (2004). Additions to the hyphomycete genus *Veronaeas* phytoparasitic species. *Microbiological Research* 159, 103-111.
11. Kumar A, Kumar Anuj and Kharwar RN\* (2006). Two new phytoparasitic hyphomycetes from Varanasi, India. *Indian Phytopathology* 59, 85-90.
12. Verma VC, and Kharwar RN (2006). Efficacy of neem leaf extract against its own fungal endophytes *Curvularia lunata*. *Journal of Agricultural Technology* 2, 329-335.
13. Kumar V, Kumar A and Kharwar RN\* (2007). Antagonistic potential of fluorescent *Pseudomonads* and control of charcoal rot of chickpea caused by *Macrophomina phaseolina*. *Journal of Environmental Biology* 28, 15-20.
14. Verma VC, Gond SK, Kumar A, Kharwar RN\* and Strobel G (2007). The Endophytic Mycoflora of bark, leaf and stem Tissues of *Azadirachta indica* A. Juss (Neem) from Varanasi (India). *Microbial Ecology* 54, 119-125. 0095-3628
15. Kumar V, Kumar A, Verma VC, Gond SK and Kharwar RN\* (2007). Induction of Defense enzymes in *Pseudomonas fluorescens* treated chickpea roots against *Macrophomina phaseolina*. *Indian Phytopathology* 60, 289-295.
16. Gond SK, Verma VC, Kumar A and Kharwar RN\* (2007). Study of endophytic fungal community from different parts of *Aegle marmelos* Correa (Rutaceae) from Varanasi (India). *World Journal of Microbiology and Biotechnology* 23, 1371-1375.
17. Verma VC, Gond SK, Misra A, Kumar A and Kharwar RN\* (2008). Selection of Natural Strains of Fungal Endophytes from *Azadirachta indica* A. Juss, with Anti-Microbial Activity Against Dermatophytes. *Current Bioactive Compounds* 4, 36-40.

18. Kharwar RN\*, Verma VC, Strobel G and Ezra D (2008). Endophytic Fungal Complexes of *Catharanthus roseus* (L.) G. Don. *Current Science* 95, 228-233.
19. Kumar A, Verma VC, Gond SK, Kumar V and Kharwar RN\* (2009). Biocontrol potential of *Cladosporium* sp. (MCPL-461), against obnoxious weed *Parthenium hysterophorus* L. *Journal of Environmental Biology* 30, 307-312.
20. Verma VC, Gond SK, Mishra A, Kumar A, Kharwar RN\* and Gange AC (2009). Endophytic Actinomycetes from *Azadirachta indica* A. Juss.: Isolation, Diversity and Anti-microbial Activity. *Microbial Ecology* 57, 749-756.
21. Kharwar RN\*, Verma VC, Gond SK, Kumar A and Strobel G. (2009). Javanicin, an Antibacterial Naphthaquinone from an Endophytic fungus of Neem- *Chloridium* sp. *Current Microbiology* 58, 233-238.
22. Verma VC, Kharwar RN\* and Gange AC (2010). Biosynthesis of antimicrobial silver nanoparticles by the endophytic fungus *Aspergillus clavatus*. *Nanomedicine* 5 (1): 33-40.
23. Kharwar RN\*, Gond SK, Verma VC, Kumar A and Mishra A (2010). A comparative study of endophytic and epiphytic fungal association with leaf of Eucalyptus citriodora Hook, and their antimicrobial activity *World Journal of Microbiology and Biotechnology* 26, 1941-1948.
24. Prakash B, Shukla R, Singh P, Mishra PK, Dubey NK and Kharwar RN (2011). Efficacy of chemically characterized *Ocimum gratissimum* L. essential oil as an antioxidant and a safe plant based antimicrobial against fungal and aflatoxin B1contamination of spices. *Food Research International* 44, 385-390.
25. Verma VC, Kharwar RN\*, Singh SK, R Solanki and Prakash S (2011). Biofabrication of anisotropic gold nanotriangles using extract of as dual functional reductant and stabilizer. *Nanoscale Research Letters* 6:16 (6:261).
26. Chand R, Shroff S, Kushwaha C, Kharwar RN\* and Singh AK (2011). Infection biology and aeciospores of *Uromyces viciae-fabae* under humid conditions. *Indian Phytopathology* 64, 235-239.
27. Verma VC, Gond SK, Kumar A, Kharwar RN\*et al. (2011).Endophytic fungal flora of roots and fruits of an Indian neem plant *Azadirachta indica* A. Juss., and impact of culture media on their isolation. *Indian Journal of Microbiology* 51(4):469-476.
28. Kharwar RN\*, Verma SK, Mishra A, Gond SK, Sharma VK, Kumar J, Singh DK and Afreen T (2011). Assessment of diversity, distribution and antibacterial activity of endophytic fungi isolated from a medicinal plant *Adenocalymma alliaceum* Miers. *Symbiosis* 55: 39-46
29. Gond SK, Verma VC, Mishra A, Kumar A, and Kharwar RN\* (2012). Antibacterial activity of endophytic fungi isolated from *Nyctanthes arborescens* L. *Mycoscience* 53: 113-121.
30. Verma VC, Singh SK and Kharwar RN\* (2012). Histological Investigation of Fungal Endophytes in Healthy Tissues of *Azadirachta indica* A. Juss. *Kassetsart Journal of Natural Science* 46:229-237.
31. Mishra A, Gond SK, Kumar A, Sharma VK, Verma SK, and Kharwar RN\* and Sieber TN (2012). Season and tissue type affect fungal endophyte communities of the Indian

medicinal plant *Tinospora cordifolia* more strongly than geographic location and their antimicrobial potential. *Microbial Ecology* 64: 388-398.

32. Kharwar RN\*, Kumar A, Bhat DJ and Nakashima C (2012). *Asperisporium pongamae-pinnatae* a new filiculous fungus from India. *Vegetos* 25:334-337.
33. Kharwar RN\*, Maurya AL, Verma VC, Kumar A, Gond SK and Mishra A (2012). Diversity and antimicrobial activity of endophytic fungal community isolated from medicinal plant *Cinnamomum camphora*. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, India* (Section-B) 82:557-565.
34. Singh A and Kharwar RN\* (2012). Additions to hyphomycete genus *Jusmidium* species from Indian sub-continent. *Indian J Mycology and Plant Pathology* 42: 417-422.
35. Srivastava A, Singh P, Kumar R, Verma SK and Kharwar RN (2013). Indole-based polymer and its silver nanocomposite as advanced antibacterial agents: synthetic path, kinetics of polymerization and applications. *Polymer International* 62: 210-218.
36. Kumar A, Gond SK, Mishra A, Sharma VK and Kharwar RN\* (2013). Role of different variables on site-specific isolation and distribution patterns of soil mycoflora from Varanasi. *Vegetos* 26:88-95.
37. Gond SK, Mishra A, Sharma VK, Verma SK and Kharwar RN\* (2013). Isolation and characterization of antibacterial naphthlene derivative from *Phoma herbarum* an endophytic fungus of *Aegle marmelos*. *Current Science* 105: 167-169.
38. Verma SK, Mishra A, Sharma VK, Gond SK, Kumar A and Kharwar RN\* (2014). Impact of environmental variables on the isolation, diversity and antimicrobial activity of endophytic fungal communities from *Madhuka indica* Gmel. At different location of India. *Annals of Microbiology* 64:721-734.
39. Gangwar M, Dogra S, Gupta UP and Kharwar RN (2014). Diversity and biopotential of Actinomycetes from three medicinal plants in India. *African Journal of Microbiology Research* 8(2): 184-191.
40. Kushwaha SK, Dani RK, Bharty MK, Chaudhary UK, Sharma VK, Kharwar RN and Singh NK (2014). Studies on N-picolinoyl-N'-benzothioylhydrazide and its Zn(II) complex: Synthesis, structure, antibacterial activity, thermal analysis and DFT calculation. *Journal of Molecular Structure* 1063:60-69.
41. Goutam J, Sharma VK, Verma SK, Singh DK, Kumar J, Mishra A, Kumar A, Kharwar RN\* (2014). Optimization of culture conditions for enhanced production of bioactive metabolites from *Emericella quadrilineata* an endophyte of *Pteris pellucida* with its antimicrobial and antioxidant activity. *J App & Pure Microbiol* 8: 2059-2073.
42. Dani RK, Bhartya MK, Kushawaha SK, Prakash O, Sharma VK, Kharwar RN, Singh RK and Singh NK (2014). Synthesis, spectral and structural characterization of trinuclear and mononuclear Zn(II) complexes of N'-benzoyl hydrazine carboperthioate and 5-phenyl-1,3,4-oxadiazole-2-thione: An approach to DFT calculation, antibacterial and thermal studies. *Polyhedron* 81:261-272.
43. Singh A, Kharwar RN, Singh, R and Kumar S (2014). A new species of *Zasmidium* (Mycosphaerellaceae) from India. *Sydowia* 66: 0309-0312.

44. Bharty MK, Dani RK, Kushwaha SK, Singh NK, Kharwar RN and Butcher RJ (2015). Mn(II), Ni(II), Cu(II), Zn(II), Cd(II), Hg(II) and Co(II) complexes of 1-phenyl-1H-tetrazole-5-thiol: Synthesis, spectral, structural characterization and thermal studies. *Polyhedron* 88:208-221.
45. BhartyMK, Dani RK, Kushawaha SK, OmPrakash, Singh RK, Sharma VK, Kharwar RN, Singh NK (2015). Synthesis, spectral characterization, thermal behavior, antibacterial activity and DFT calculation on N'-[bis(methylsulfanyl) methylene]-2-hydroxybenzohydrazide and N'-(4-methoxy benzoyl)-hydrazinecarbodithioic acid ethyl ester *Spectrochimica Acta Part A: Molecular and Biomolecular Spectroscopy* 145: 98-109 1386-1425
46. Srivastava PK, Singh M, Gupta M, Singh N, Kharwar RN, Tripathi RD, Nautiyal CS (2015) Mapping of arsenic pollution with reference to paddy cultivation in the middle Indo-Gangetic Plains. *Environ Monit Assess* 187(4): 187-198. doi: 10.1007/s10661-015-4418-5 0167-6369
47. Kharwar RN\*, Dubey SK, Pandey J and Rai LC (2015) Plant Science Research. *Current Science* 109: 14-15. 0011-3891
48. Kharwar RN\*, Singh A, Singh, R and Kumar S (2015). Two new species of *Zasmidium* (Mycosphaerellaceae) from Nepal. *Mycotaxon* 130: 241-246. 0093-4666
49. Singh M, Srivastava PK, Verma PC, Kharwar RN, Singh N, Tripathi RD (2015). Soil fungi for mycoremediation of arsenic pollution in agriculture soils. *Journal of Applied Microbiology* 119: 1278-1290, doi: 10.1111/jam.12948 1364-5072
50. Gond SK, Bergen MS, Torres MS, White JF Jr, Kharwar RN (2015). Effect of bacterial endophyte on expression of defence genes in Indian popcorn against *Fusarium moniliforme*. *Symbiosis* 66: 133-140, DOI 10.1007/s13199-015-0348-9 2582-9009
51. Kumar A, Gond SK, Mishra A, Sharma VK, Verma SK, Singh DK, Kumar J and Kharwar RN\* (2015). Salicylic acid and its role in systemic resistance induced by *Pseudomonas fluorescence* to early blight disease of tomato. *Vegetos* 28(3): 12-19. 2229-4473.
52. Patel JS, Sarma BK, Singh HB, Upadhyay RS, Kharwar RN and Ahmad M (2016). *Pseudomonas fluorescens* and *Trichoderma asperellum* enhance expression of Ga subunits of the pea heterotrimeric G-protein during *Erysiphe pisi* infection. *Frontiers in Plant Science* 6 online doi: 10.3389/fpls.2015.01206 1664-462X
53. Kumar J, Sharma VK, Singh DK, Mishra A, Gond SK, Verma SK, Kumar A, Kharwar RN\* (2016). Epigenetic activation of antibacterial property of an endophytic *Streptomyces coelicolor* strain AZRA 37 and identification of the induced protein using MALDI TOF MS/MS. *PlosOne* 11(2): e0147876 (10.1371/journal.pone.0147876) 1932-6203
54. Patel JS, Upadhyay RS, Singh HB, Kharwar RN, Ahmad M and Sarma BK (2016). A simple and efficient protocol for isolation of RNA from different tissues of chickpea and pea. *Int. J Agri. Environ and Biotechnol* 9(1): 39-43 (10.5958/2230-732X.2016.00006.1) 2456-1878
55. Goutam J, Kharwar RN, Tiwari VK, Mishra A, Singh S (2016). Isolation and Identification of Antibacterial Compounds Isolated from Endophytic Fungus *Emericella qaudrilineata*. *Nat Prod Chem Res* 4: 205. doi:10.4172/2329-6836.1000205 2329-6836



56. Goutam J, Singh S, Kharwar RN, Ramarai VK (2016). *In vitro* potential of endophytic fungus *Aspergillus terreus* (Jas-2) associated with *Achyranthus aspera* and study on its culture conditions. *Biology and Medicine* 8:7 09748369
57. Verma SK, Gond SK, Mishra A, Sharma VK, Kharwar RN (2016) Biofabrication of antibacterial and antioxidant silver nanoparticles (AgNPs) by an endophytic fungus *Pestalotia* sp., isolated from *Madhuca longifolia* var. *Latifolia*. *J Nanomat. Mol. Nanotechnol.* 5:4 <http://dx.doi.org/10.4172/2324-8777.1000189> 2324-8777
58. Bharty, M. K., Paswan, S., Dani, R. K., Singh, N. K., Sharma, V. K., Kharwar, R. N., Butcher, R. J. (2017) Polymeric Cd(II), trinuclear and mononuclear Ni(II) complexes of 5-methyl-4-phenyl-1,2,4-triazole-3-thione: Synthesis, structural characterization, thermal behaviour, fluorescence properties and antibacterial activity. *J Mol. Structure* 1130: 181-193 (DOI: 10.1016/j.molstruc.2016.10.030) 0022-2860
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60. Verma, S. K., Kingsley, K., Irizarry, I., Bergen, M., Kharwar, R. N., White, J. F. (2017) Seed vectored endophytic bacteria modulate development of rice seedlings. *J Appl. Microbiol.* 122: 1680-1691 doi: 10.1111/jam.13463 1365-2672
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### **Conference and Symposia:**

Attended/delivered Invited Talk/Chaired/Co-chaired sessions/Advisory Board Member- **>70**

Members in different committees of BHU, Varanasi

### **Paper Presented/ attended Seminars/Symposia (National/International):**

**More than 30**

### **Papers Presented/ attended at Seminars/Symposia:**

1. National Symposium on "Biodiversity and plant disease management" during Jan 18-19, 1994 at Gorakhpur.
2. National Symposium on "Plant pathogens and current trends in plant disease management" during Feb 28-29, 1996 at Gorakhpur.
3. International Conference on "Frontiers in Fungal Biotechnology and Plant- Pathogen Relations" on Some novel additions to hyphomycete genus *Veronaea* during Jan. 16-18, 1999 at Hyderabad.
4. National Symposium on "Biotechnology of Plant Protection" during Feb. 25-27, 2000 at Varanasi.
5. Delivered lecture on 'Some novel phytoparasitic hyphomycete fungi isolated from medicinal plants from India' International Conference on "Frontiers of Fungal Diversity and Diseases in South-East Asia" during Feb. 9-11, 2001 at Gorakhpur.
6. Delivered a lecture on 'Some new phytoparasitic forms of hyphomycete genus *Stenella* associated with foliar spots from India' during "7<sup>th</sup> Asian International Mycological Congress" from Sept. 17-20, 2001 at Karaj, Tehran (Iran).
7. National Seminar on "Frontiers of Fungal Diversity in Indian Sub-Continent during Aug. 24-25, 2002 at Gorakhpur.
8. Presented poster on 'Two new forms of hyphomycete genus *Mycovellosiella* causing foliar spots from India 'National Symposium on "Prospecting of Fungal Diversity and Emerging Technologies" during Feb 06-07, 2003 at Pune.
9. Presented paper on 'Some novel taxa of hyphomycete genus *Corenespora* associated with foliar spots' during National Seminar on "Plant Diseases of National Importance with Special Reference to Guava Wilt and Mango Malformation" from April 4-5, 2003 at Lucknow.
10. National Seminar on 'Impact of human population on natural resources' 16-18 October, 2003, BHU, Varanasi.
11. Delivered a lecture on 'Induced resistance and control of charcoal rot in chickpea by plant growth promoting rhizobacteria'during International Symposium on Microbial Diversity: Opportunities, Challenges & Relevance In New Millennium, November 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> 2004, Jabalpur.
12. Participated and contributed with POSTER PRESENTATION in National Seminar on "Issues in Plant Sciences" in centre of advanced study in Botany, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi during March 9<sup>th</sup>& 10<sup>th</sup> 2004.
13. Presented poster on 'Role of salicylic acid in systemic resistance induced by *Pseudomonas fluorescens* to control charcoal rot of chickpea caused by *Macrophomina*

- phaseolina* National Seminar on "Crop Surveillance: Disease Forecasting and Management" in Division of Plant Pathology, IARI New Delhi during Feb 19-21, 2004.
14. International Symposium on "Integrated Management of Fungal Diseases (IMF): Technology Development and Application" in Dept. of Botany, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi-221005 (U.P) during February 24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>, 2005
  15. Delivered one lecture as a key-note speaker on 'Fungal Endophytes: A Hidden Repertoire of Bioactive natural compounds' at Gorakhpur, July 29-30, 2006
  16. Delivered a lead lecture on 'Fungal Endophytes: A new dimension for mycodiversity and treasure of bioactive natural products' at Gorakhpur, December 18-19, 2006.
  17. Delivered lead lecture on 'Fungal endophytes: Morphological and chemical diversity' at Allahabad Agricultural Institute, Naini, Allahabad, Nov, 17-18, 2008. (Traditional/Indigenous practices for pest management of major crops).
  18. Presented poster at FEMS-09 at Gothenburg, Sweden, during June 28 to July 2, 2009 in International Conference.
  19. Convened the lecture of Prof James P Stack, (USA) in a plenary session with Chairman Dr SK Sharma (Director, NBPGR), at IARI, New Delhi during 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on "Plant Pathology in Globalized Era" during November 10-13, 2009.
  20. Attended International Symposium on Phycological Research, at BHU, Varanasi during 25-27 Feb, 2010.
  21. Delivered the lecture at Academic Staff College, BHU, Varanasi on 01-11-2010 on topic 'impact of Endophytes on Environment' for 1<sup>st</sup> Refresher course in Environmental Science and Technology.
  22. Delivered lead lecture in dept of Mycology and Plant Pathology (Inst Ag Sc.) at BHU in the national conference held during 26-27 October, 2010.
  23. Delivered invited lecture on –Fungal endophytes---- At Saraswati Vidya Mandir PG College, Gorakhpur during 21-22 January, 2011 in National seminar.
  24. Delivered an invited Lecture on 'Endophytic Fungi: A novel and untapped mycomine for production of bioactive compounds and biosynthesis of metal nanoparticles' during national conference from 8-9 Feb, 2011 at Dept of Botany, Chennai.
  25. National Symposium on "Emerging Trends in Plant Sciences" from March 3-4, 2011 at BHU, Varanasi.
  26. Delivered an invited Lecture on 'Fungal Endophytes and their various usages' at Rajiv Gandhi University Itanagar (Arunachal Pradesh) on 13-4-2011.
  27. Participated in conference of Hindi Vijnan Lekhan held during 16-17 Feb, 2011 at BHU, Varanasi.
  28. Delivered invited lecture on "Sourcing the fungal endophytes: A beneficial transaction of biodiversity, plant protection and bioactive natural products" during International conference at Bhopal from 1-3 July, 2011.
  29. National Conference on "Mycodiversity with its Sustainable Exploration and Biotechnological Application" from 6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> February 2012, Amravati
  30. International Conference on Mycology and Plant Pathology: Biotechnological Approaches from February 27-29, 2012, BHU, Varanasi
  31. Delivered lecture as resource person in winter school organized at IIVR, Varanasi on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2012
  32. Delivered lecture as resource person in Brainstorming Session on Role of Root Endophytes in Agriculture Productivity at National Academy of Agricultural Sciences (NAAS Committee room No.1) New Delhi on July 05, 2013.
  33. Delivered Invited Lecture During 10<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Plant Pathology at Beijing, China from August 25-30, 2013.
  34. Delivered Inaugural Lecture in National Seminar at Narsinghpur during September 27-28, 2013.

35. Delivered lecture as resource person in winter school organized at IIVR, Varanasi on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2013.
36. Delivered lecture as resource person in Refresher Course organized at DDU, Gorakhpur University, Gorakhpur on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2014.
37. Delivered Invited Lecture on Diversity assessment and bioprospecting of endophytic fungal complex isolated from *Madhuca longifolia* at different locations of Uttar Pradesh, India' During National Conference on Fungal Diversity and Biotechnology for Food and Chemicals (FDBFC), At Annamalai University from Feb 27-28, 2014.
38. Chaired a session (Session IX -Marine Mycology/Mycopathology) During National Conference on Fungal Diversity and Biotechnology for Food and Chemicals (FDBFC), At Annamalai University from Feb 27-28, 2014.
39. Delivered Two Lectures as resource person at Academic Staff College (Dept of Botany), DDU, Gorakhpur University, Gorakhpur on Sept 23, 2014.
40. Delivered Plenary Lecture During National Conference on Mycological Research Emerging Trends, Applications and Prospects At Punjabi University, Patiala from Feb 23-24, 2015.
41. Delivered Invited Lecture During Asian Mycological Congress at Goa, from Oct 07-10, 2015. (S3-O-17)
42. Chaired a session During Asian Mycological Congress at Goa, from Oct 07-10, 2015 (S3 Non-pathogenic association of fungi with plants).
43. Delivered Dr. V. Agnihothru Memorial Lecture Award on November 16, 2016 during National Conference on Fungal Biotechnology (NCFB-2016) held at Birla Institute of Scientific Research, Jaipur-302001
44. Chaired a Session during National Conference on Fungal Biotechnology (NCFB-2016) during 16-18 November, 2016 held at Birla Institute of Scientific Research, Jaipur-302001.
45. Delivered an Invited Lecture on 'Fungal Endophytes: Better players of biodiversity, host protection, antimicrobial production and nanotechnology' during National Conference on 'Fungi from diverse habitat and their biotechnological applications' during December 2-3, 2016 at Satish Pradhan Dnyansadhana PG College, Thane, Mumbai
46. Chaired a session during International Conference on 'The green planet: past, present and future' during December 21-23, 2016 at University of Calcutta, Kolkata.
47. Delivered an Invited Lecture on 'Sourcing the fungal endophytes: A beneficial transaction of biodiversity, bioactive natural compounds and myconanotechnology' during International Conference on 'The green planet: past, present and future' during December 21-23, 2016 at University of Calcutta, Kolkata
48. Delivered an Invited Lecture on 'Fungal endophytes: A natural and alternative resource for biodiversity, biologically active compounds and myconanotechnology' during National Symposium on Natural Resource Management 2017 (NSNM-2017) during March 15-16 2017 at Vidyasagar University, Midnapore, West Bengal
49. Delivered an Invited Lecture on "Sourcing the fungal endophytes: A beneficial transaction of biodiversity, bioactive natural compounds and myconanotechnology during two-day national conference at Gorakhpur during 2-3 Feb 2018
50. Delivered an Invited Lecture on "Fungal endophytes: A cryptic biodiversity and alternative source of functional metabolites for human and plant health during two-day national conference on Prospects and Retrospects of Life Sciences in India, at Uda Pratap Autonomous PG College, Varanasi from 25-26, Feb 2018.
51. Delivered an Invited Lecture on "Fungal Endophytes: A hidden treasure trove of structural and functional diversity" during two-day national conference on Perspective in Natural and Applied Sciences (PNAS) at Dehradun from 9-10 March, 2018.

52. Delivered a Lecture as resource person at UGC Human Resource Centre (Interdisciplinary), BHU, Varanasi on Feb 15, 2018.
53. Invited Lecture delivered on "Fungal Endophytes: A treasure trove of biodiversity, host security, antimicrobial and myconanotechnology" during International conference at Bangkok from 21-25 Nov, 2018.
54. Co-Chaired a session during National Conference on Current Trends and Future Prospects in Plant Science Research 'CTPSR-2019' during Feb 01-3, 2019 at Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
55. Co-Chaired a session during 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of IPS & National Symposium on 'Recent Challenges and Opportunities in Sustainable Plant Health Management During Feb 26-28, 2019 at Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.
56. Participated in a Workshop on 'Intellectual Property Rights' organized by Intellectual Property Rights Cell, Banaras Hindu University on March 18, 2019.
57. Delivered the invited lecture on "Sourcing the fungal endophytes: A beneficial transaction of biodiversity, bioactive natural compounds and mycomediated synthesis of metal nanoparticles (NPs)" during national conference at Gulbarga University, Kalaburgi, from 29-30 March, 2019.
58. Chaired a session during National Conference on 'New horizons in biological sciences for human welfare' during March 29-30, 2019 at Gulabarga University, Kalaburgi.
59. Delivered lecture as resource person on "Food security and environmental variables" in Faculty Induction Training at Ishwar Sharan PG College, Allahabad on 25 May, 2019.
60. Delivered the invited lecture on 'Fungal Endophytes: Treasure trove of biodiversity, host protection, antimicrobial production and myconanotechnology' during national symposium on Endophytes and Their Applications in Agriculture at UAS, GKVK, Bangalore from 24-26 September, 2019.
61. Delivered the Lead Lecture on "Fungal endophytes: An alternative resource for cryptic biodiversity, bioactive compounds and nanotechnology" during International Conference at Sikar, Rajasthan from -04-5 October, 2019.
62. Delivered the Lead Lecture on "Fungal endophytes: A hidden treasure trove of structural and functional diversity" during VII-Rajasthan Science Congress at Udaipur, Rajasthan from -14-16 October, 2019.
63. Delivered the Lead Lecture on "Fungal Endophytes: An untapped resource for cryptic biodiversity and bioactive compounds" during national conference and 46<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of MSI at Pondicherry University, Puducherry, from -07-9 Nov, 2019.
64. Delivered the Lead Lecture on "Fungal epiphytes to endophytes: A cryptic and potential resource for biodiversity, bioremediation and bioactive compounds" during 7<sup>th</sup> International conference at IARI, New Delhi, from -16-20 January, 2020.
65. Delivered the lecture as Chief Speaker on 'Fungal endophytes: Structural and functional diversity' through webinar lecture series organized by MSI, Mumbai Unit, on June 24, 2020.
66. Delivered lecture as Chief Speaker on Environmental variables and food security through webinar lecture series organized by DDU, Gorakhpur University, Gorakhpur, on July 11, 2020.
67. Delivered lecture as Keynote Speaker on Fungal Biotechnology; Recent trend and Future Prospects in the International virtual conference organized by Bannari Institute of Technology, Sathiamurthi, Erode, Tamilnadu during 11-12 December, 2020.
68. Delivered lecture as resource person on "Food Security and Environment" at The University of Rajasthan, Jaipur, in winter school on Quantitative Biology organized by HRDC on 07-01-2021.
69. Delivered lecture as Chief Speaker on "Unseen Microbial Flora as Friends of Plants and Humans" at Dr. RML Avadh University, Ayodhya on 25-2-2021.

70. Delivered lecture as guest of honor on "Nature and Science" at Faridul Haq Memorial at PG College, Talimabad on 28-2-2021.
71. Delivered lecture as resource person on "Different dimensions of microbial endophytes" at The University of Burdwan in refresher course on Trends in Life Sciences Industry organized by HRDC on 01-10-2021.
72. Delivered Ist Prof. PC Jain Memorial Award Lecture on "Fungal endophytes: A hidden treasure trove of structural and functional diversity" during 47<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of Mycological Society of India and National conference on 'Biodiversity and Biotechnology of Fungi' at Patiala during Feb 22-24, 2021 through Zoom.
73. Delivered lecture as resource person on "Fungal Endophyte: A cryptic world of biodiversity, symbiosis, host protection, antimicrobial source and nanotechnology" in a 6-day workshop of Microbes for sustainable and Resilient Future at dept. of Botany, DU on 07-12-2021.
74. Delivered lecture as a resource person on the topic 'Fungi and their role in human welfare' in a 03-day lecture series at dept. of Botany, UP PG College, Varanasi on 05-1-2022.
75. Delivered lecture as resource person on 'Sourcing the fungal endophytes: A beneficial transaction of biodiversity, bioactive natural compounds, and myconanotechnology' in a Refresher Course organized by dept. of Botany, University of Jammu on 22-01-2022 (10.30 AM-12.00 Noon).
76. Delivered 18<sup>th</sup> Sir E. J. Butler Memorial Award Lecture on "An exploration of unseen fungal world and analysis of their functional attributes in crop and human health" during online meet of Indian Mycological Society, Kolkata on 22-1-2022 (4.00-5.00 PM).
77. Addressed the Students at Annual Day of Jangi PG College, Asbaranpur, Jaunpur on 19-2-2022 as a "Guest of Honor".
78. Co-Chaired a technical session VI during 48<sup>th</sup> annual meeting and National conference (Virtual) on 'Mycology and mankind: Marching ahead in new era' at ICAR Research Complex for NEH region, Umiam from March 8-10, 2022.
79. Delivered lecture as resource person on 'Investigation of endophytic fungal communities and analysis of their functional facets in plant and human health' in STUTI program of DST-FIST organized by dept. of Microbiology, Dr. RMLA University, Ayodhya on 09-06-2022.
80. Delivered lecture as resource person on 'Impact of Environmental Factors on Food Security' in a Refresher Course organized by HRDC, BHU, Varanasi on 17-6-2022.
81. Delivered lecture as resource person on 'An auditing of treasure trove of cryptic fungal world and perusal of their utilitarian traits in plant and human health' during 3-day national workshop on hands on training on biofertilizers and biopesticide technique organized by dept. of Botany, ECC (Allahabad) Prayagraj on 01-07-2022.
82. Delivered lecture as resource person on 'Potential of fungal endophytes and their usages' during refresher course organized by HRDC, Bangalore University, Bangaluru, on 05-07-2022.
83. Delivered lecture as resource person on 'Utilizing the potential of endophytes in agriculture and society health' in a training program at NBAIM, Mau on 02-08-2022
84. Delivered lecture as resource person on 'An auditing the treasure trove of cryptic fungal world and perusal of their utilitarian traits in plant and human health' during refresher course organized by HRDC, University of Madras, Chennai, on 10-10-2022.
85. Delivered lecture as resource person on 'Fungal endophytes in crop health' in a training program at NBAIM (11-123-18-1-23), Mau on 17-01-2023.
86. Delivered lecture as resource person on 'Environmental Determinants and Food Security' during refresher course organized by HRDC, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, on 07-02-2023.

87. Delivered lecture as resource person on 'Unseen Microbial World, their exploration and utilization as friends for society' under the aegis of Botanical Society, Dept. of Botany, University of Mysore, on 24-05-2023.
88. Delivered lecture as resource person on 'Unseen microbial world: their importance in agriculture and humans' health" during refresher course organized by HRDC, NEHU, Shillong, on 15-09-2023.
89. Delivered lecture as resource person on Delivered lecture as resource person on "Do microbial endophytes help plants to improve their health including the medicinal values?" during the BAMS Induction Program of Faculty of Ayurveda, BHU, on 21-11-2023.
90. Delivered lecture as resource person on "Do Fungal endophytes help plants to improve their health including the medicinal values?" during the Refresher Course of organized by HRDC, Madurai Kamraj University, Madurai, on 07-12-2023.
91. Delivered Lead lecture on "Do Fungal endophytes help in promoting the Plant and Humans' Health? during the International conference on 'Biodiversity, Biotechnology and Bioprospects of Fungi for Agricultural, Industrial and Environmental Sustainability' on 08-3-2024 at Dept of Botany, University of Madras, Chennai.
92. Chaired a technical session during 50<sup>th</sup> annual meeting and International conference on 'Biodiversity, Biotechnology and Bioprospects of Fungi for Agricultural, Industrial and Environmental Sustainability' at Dept of Botany, University of Madras, Chennai from March 6-8, 2024.
93. Delivered the **Inaugural** Lecture on 'Exploitation of fungal endophytes for biodiversity, bioactive natural compounds and protection to plants against stress' during one day National Seminar 'Recent Advances in Fungal Diversity and Agro-Biotechnology' at Mahatma Fule Arts, Commerce & Sitaramji Chaudhary Science Mahavidyalaya, Warud, Amravati on 20<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2024.
94. Delivered Planery Lecture on 'Unseen microbial flora that contribute to fungal diversity, biologically active molecules and plant health promotion' during one day National Seminar 'Recent Trends in Plant and Microbial Sciences' at Sri Mathuradas Mohota College of Science, Nagpur on 21<sup>st</sup> Sept, 2024.
95. Delivered the Inaugural Talk on 'Mushroom Cultivation' during one day workshop organized by Govt City College Hyderabad on 01-10-2024 (Online).
96. Delivered a lecture as Resource Person during the Induction Programme of Ayurveda on "Fungal endophytes contributes in promoting the phyto-constituents of medicinal plants" on 21-11-2024, in IMS, BHU, Varanasi.
97. Delivered the Presidential Lecture on 'A Research Journey from Epiphytic to Endophytic Fungi: Insights into Ecology, Diversity, and Biotechnological Potential' during 03 days National conference on 'Fungal Frontiers: Biodiversity, Biomolecules and Bioengineering Applications for Sustainable Perspectives' at Dept of Botany, JNV University, Jodhpur during November 27-29, 2024.
98. **Chaired** a technical session during 51<sup>th</sup> annual meeting and national conference on 'Fungal Frontiers: Biodiversity, Biomolecules and Bioengineering Applications for Sustainable Perspectives' at Dept of Botany, JNV University, Jodhpur during November 27-29, 2024.
99. Delivered a **Keynote** Lecture on 'Fungal endophytes: A cryptic mycoflora for biodiversity, bioactive natural compounds and plant protection' during 03 days National conference on 'Advances and Perspectives in Cryptogam Research' jointly organized by Indian Lichenological Society and CSIR-NBRI, Lucknow during December 09-11, 2024.
100. Delivered a lecture as **Chief Speaker** during Janjatiya Gaurav Divas celebrated by Banaras Hindu University on 25-11-2024, at Swatantrata Bhavan, BHU, Varanasi.



### Members of various committees:

1. Warden, Broacha Hostel (1998-2004), BHU.
2. Member, University examination squad, BHU.
3. Member Departmental Research Committee (1997-1999).
4. Member Board of Studies (1998-2001), Faculty of Science, BHU.
5. Member, Karya Samiti (Chhatravriti), Faculty of Science, BHU.
6. Member, Departmental Promotion Committee, Fac. of Science, BHU.
7. Member, Admission verification Committee (UG and PG) since 1998, Faculty of Science, BHU.
8. Treasurer, National Symposium on 'Biotechnology of Plant Protection' during Feb 25-27, 2000, at BHU, Varanasi.
9. Additional Superintendent (2001-2003), Faculty of Science, BHU.
10. Organizing Secretary, National Seminar on 'Impact of Increasing Human Population on Natural Resources' from 16-18 Oct, 2003 at BHU.
11. Member, University Admission Coordination Committee (UACC), BHU.
12. Member, Ragging Prevention Committee, Faculty of Science, BHU since 2005. To 2014
13. Member, Disciplinary Committee, Faculty of Science, BHU (2010-----).
14. Member, Maintenance of Quality in Hostel Mess Committee, Faculty of Science, BHU(2010).
15. Member, Pt Madan Mohan Malviya Jee 150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary Commemoration lecture organizing Committee, Faculty of Science, BHU (2010).
16. Member, **Wild life Board**, U. P. **Lucknow** (2010-2012).
17. Member, Prominent Citizen Committee, BHU (2010).
18. **Warden, CityDelegacies**, BHU (01-07-2010-30-06-2013; July 1, 2015- 30 June 2018; December 1, 2018- 14Dec 2021).
19. Member, '**Anti Ragging Squad**' BHU (2011-12--)
20. **Member National Advisory Committee:** National Symposium on "Biotechnology in Plant Disease Management for Sustainable Crop Protection" September 17-18 2008, Pune.
21. **Member**, Scientific Advisory Committee: International Conference on Perspective in Phyllosphere Biology 15-17 Feb -2012 Amity University, Noida. ([www.amity.edu/aib/conference](http://www.amity.edu/aib/conference))
22. **Member National Advisory Committee:** National Conference on "Current Trends Medicinal Aromatic Plants and Plant Products" 17-18 March, 2012, Hyderabad.
23. Member: **Proctorial Board**, BHU Varanasi- (2013-14)
24. Deputy Chief Proctor, BHU (2014-2014)
25. **Organizing Secretary:** International Conference on Mycology and Plant Pathology: Biotechnological Approaches ([www.icmpb2012bhu.com](http://www.icmpb2012bhu.com)) from February 27-29, 2012, BHU, Varanasi.
26. **Advisory Committee Member:** National Seminar on 'Contribution of Life Sciences in Human Welfare' 27<sup>th</sup>-28 September, 2013 at Govt PG College, Narsinghpur (MP)
27. Member: **Executive Council**, VBS Purvanchal University, Jaunpur (2013-2017)
28. Member: **Executive Council**, Dr. RMLU, Faizabad (2015-2018)
29. Member: Vidyalay Management Committee, KV, BHU, Varanasi (20014-17)
30. Member: Building Committee. VBS Purvanchal University, Jaunpur
31. **Vice-President:** Mycological Society of India (2014-15)
32. **Convener:** Emerging Trends and Challenges in Plant Science Research, Dept of Botany, BHU, Varanasi Feb19-20, 2015

33. **Advisory Committee Member:** National Conference on "Challenges and Opportunity in Mycological Research" 08-09 January, 2016 at Botany, University of Madras, Chennai.
34. **Convener:** Emerging Trends in Fungal Biology and Plant Protection 'ETFP-2016', Dept of Botany, BHU, Varanasi Feb16-18, 2016
35. **Advisory Committee Member:** National Conference on "Microbiology in 21<sup>st</sup> Century-NSM21C-2016" 29-2-16 to 01-3-2016 in Department of Microbiology, Vidyasagar University, Midnapore, West Bengal-721102
36. **Member,** Complaints Committee, BHU, Varanasi- (2016--)
37. **Member,** Inter-Faculty Youth Festival 'SPANDAN', BHU, 2017
38. **Member,** Board of Studies, Botany, VBS Purvanchal University (2017-2019)
39. **Member Advisory Committee:** National Symposium on "Natural Resource Management (NSNMM-2017), March 15-16, 2017 at Vidyasagar University, Midnapore, West Bengal
40. **Member Advisory Committee:** National Symposium on "Natural Resource Management (NSNMM-2017), Feb 2-3, 2018 at Saraswati Vidya Mandir, Gorakhpur
41. **Member Advisory Committee:** on "4<sup>th</sup> National Conference on Plant Growth Promoting Bacteria (PGPR) for Sustainability of Agriculture and Environment, 11-12 May, 2018. Dept of Biotechnology, Mizoram University, Mizoram.
42. **Member Advisory Committee:** International Symposium on Fungal Biology: Advances, Application and Conservation. November 19-21, 2018. Agharkar Research Institute, Pune
43. **Member Advisory Committee:** National Seminar on Recent Trends in Microbial Technology. Feb. 8-9, 2018. Govt College of Arts, Science and Management, Goa
44. **Member, Advisory Committee:** Guest House Complex, BHU, Varanasi (2019---)
45. **Member Advisory Committee:** New Horizon in Biological Sciences for Human welfare" 29th -30th March -2019 at Gulbarga University, Gulbarga.
46. **Member Advisory Committee:** National conference on 'Recent Advances in Diversity, Biology and Biotechnology of Fungi' 07th -09th November -2019 at Pondicherry.
47. **Member Advisory Committee:** National conference on 'Phytochemicals and Microbial Compounds- Role in Agriculture and Human Welfare' 03-04 October-2019 at Bangalore.
48. **Member:** Annual Report Committee, Institute of Science, BHU, Varanasi (2019---)
49. **Coordinator:** Undergraduate Admission Coordination Committee (UACC), Institute of Science, BHU, Varanasi (2019-2023----
50. **Member:** Evaluation Committee of MJ Narsimhan Medal for Best Research Paper Award (2022), Indian Phytopathological Society, New Delhi
51. **Member;** Ph. D. Ordinance Review Committee, BHU, Varanasi-2022 (11-8-22)
52. **Member Advisory Committee:** National conference on 'Plants and Microbes: Progress, Potential and Future' (PMPPF-2023) 30th September -2023 at DDU Gorakhpur University, Gorakhpur.
53. **Member Advisory Committee:** International Conference on "Biodiversity, Biotechnology and Bioprospects of Fungi for Agricultural, Industrial and Environment Sustainability" (BBBFAIES-2023) & 50<sup>th</sup> MSI Annual Meet from 14-16 Dec 2023.
54. **Member,** Award Screening Committee (2023-24), Indian Phytopathological Society, New Delhi

55. **Member**, Award Screening Committee (2024-25), Indian Phytopathological Society, New Delhi
56. **Member Advisory Committee**: National Conference on Advances and Perspectives in Cryptogam Research' during 09-11 December, 2024 at CSIR-National Botanical Research Institute, Lucknow

### **Conever/Coconvener/Org.Secretary**

1. **Org. Secretary**: National Seminar on 'Impact of human population on natural resources' 16-18 October, 2003, BHU, Varanasi.
2. **Org. Secretary**: International Conference on Mycology and Plant Pathology: Biotechnological Approaches (www.icmpb2012bhu.com) from February 27-29, 2012, BHU, Varanasi
3. **Convener**: Emerging Trends and Challenges in Plant Science Research, Dept of Botany, BHU, Varanasi Feb19-20, 2015
4. **Convener**: Emerging Trends in Fungal Biology and Plant Protection 'ETFP-2016', Dept of Botany, BHU, Varanasi Feb16-18, 2016
5. **Co-Convener**, National Conference on Current Trends and Future Prospects in Plant Science Research 'CTPSR-2019' during Feb 01-3, 2019 at Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
6. **Convener**, National Seminar on Recent Advances in Fungal Diversity, Plant Microbes Interaction and Disease Management (RFPIDM-2020) during Feb 28-29, 2020.
7. **Convener**, International Conference on Fungal Biology and Plant-Microbe Interactions (ICFBPMI-2024) during Feb 16-18, 2024.



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