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Educational Qualifications

M.Sc., B.L.I.Sc., Ph.D., Post Doc (Netherlands)

Areas of specialization

Periphyton enhancement in aquaculture, breeding of Peninsular carps, alternate protein sources for fish.

Current areas of research

1. Live food enhancement strategies in culture systems through periphyton and nutrient management.
2. Broodstock development and seed production of cultivable Peninsular carps.
3. On-farm growth evaluation of peninsular carps.
4. Nutritional studies with peninsular carps.

Awards & Recognitions

- Research Associateship from Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Government of India, New Delhi.
- Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India, New Delhi (3 years) under Fast Track Scheme for Young Scientists.

Reviewer for journals - Indian Journal of Fisheries, Fishery Technology, Cogent Food and Agriculture, Indian Journal of Animal Nutrition, Journal of Environmental Biology, Journal of Microscopy and Ultrastructure, Insights in Aquaculture and Biotechnology, Aquaculture Research, Aquaculture Nutrition, Asian Fisheries Science, Turkish Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences, Journal of the World Aquaculture Society, Cientia Rural, Asian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Research, Journal of Applied Aquaculture, Journal of Experimental Zoology Part A: Ecological Genetics and Physiology

Highlights of Research Contribution (Upto 5 bullet points)

- Utilisation of periphyton technology for seed rearing and culture of the carps.
- Use of alternate feed ingredients like spirulina, azolla, silkworm pupae, green bottle fly larvae in the diets for carps.
- Induced breeding of pond raised endangered Deccan mahseer, *Tor khudree*
- Use of hormonal and non-hormonal growth promoters in the diets for seed rearing and culture of carps.

Publications

Research papers in peer reviewed journals – 66

Book chapters – 2

Popular articles - 10

Research papers

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