

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Profile:

1. Dr. Suryakant Gunjal, M. Sc. (Agriculture) Ph.D. (Micro-biology / Biotechnology) Director, Centre for Internal Quality Assurance & Former Director, School of Agricultural Sciences, Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik & former Visiting Scientist & Distance Education Specialist, ICRISAT, Hyderabad. Born on 01.06.1959 in farmers family in Pune district of India, Started his career as I.C.A.R. Senior Research Fellow in Microbiology / Bio-technology at Mahatma Phule Agricultural University, Rahuri in 1981 & took up a fast track career path & became Founder Director to the School of Agricultural Sciences, YCMOU, Nashik in 1992. He is an Expert in Agricultural Sciences, Horticultural Sciences, Open & Distance Education & Institutional Assessment, Evaluation & Accreditation.
2. During the last 40 years, He has served in various capacities in Mahatma Phule Agricultural University, Rahuri, Maharashtra State Department of Agriculture, Pune, International Crops Research Institutes for Semi Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), Hyderabad and Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik in the capacity of Senior Research Fellow, Subject Matter Specialist, Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Senior Scientist, Project Director, Planning Officer, Registrar, Founder Director, School of Agricultural Sciences, YCMOU, Nashik, Founder Open & Distance Education Specialist, ICRISAT, Hyderabad & Founder Director, Centre for Internal quality Assurance (CIQA), YCMOU, Nashik.
3. He is a Multi-media distance education specialist who established more than 300 Self Help Groups of farmers for imparting informal training. He has extensively travelled in South Asia, South East Asia & Oceania to promote distance education in Agriculture. He has developed more than 15 academic programs in Agricultural Sciences including program in Organic Agriculture with Partner universities in Thailand & Philippines. He served as COL Visiting Fellow / Professor to University of Putra, Malaysia, University of Mauritius, Charles Stuart University, Australia, Open Polytechnic of New Zealand, Sukothai Thammatirath Open University, Thailand & Open University of Philippines for Promotion of ODL in Agriculture.
4. He is Recognized Research Guide for M. Sc. & Ph. D. Programs in Microbiology in Mahatma Phule Agricultural University, Rahuri, in Environment Sciences in Bharati Vidyapeeth Deemed University, Pune & in Agricultural Extension in YCMOU, Nashik. He has guided 3 M.Sc. & 6 Ph.D. Research Scholars, Published 3 Books, 16 Booklets, 12 Research Papers & Edited 35 Text books in Open & Distance Education. Delivered more than 100 All India Radio & Television Programs, Attended more than 20 National and International Seminars & Conferences.
5. He Designed and Developed Partnership Model of Distance Education in Agriculture reaching out to 3,36,000 Distance Learners in 30 years in India. He is instrumental in planting more than 3,00,000 Fruits & Forest Trees in his lifetime in Maharashtra & received Vasundhara Award for Bio-diversity Conservation in 2011.

Education:

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph. D.)	University: Mahatma Phule Agricultural University, Rahuri. Discipline: Microbiology / Bio-technology Year of Passing: 1990 Research Topic: Bio-fertilizer Technology in Agriculture.
Master of Science in Agriculture (M. Sc. (Agriculture))	University: Mahatma Phule Agricultural University, Rahuri. Discipline: Microbiology / Bio-technology Year of Passing: 1983 Research Topic: Bio-fertilizer Technology in Agriculture.
Bachelor of Science in Agriculture (B.Sc. (Agriculture))	University: Mahatma Phule Agricultural University, Rahuri. Year of Passing: 1981 Elective Courses: Bio-fertilizers, Bio-pesticides & Mushroom.

Work Experience:

Position held	Name of the Organization or	Duration			Responsibilities Performed
		From	To	Years	
Director (CIQA)	YCMOU, Nashik	2019	2021	2	NAAC Accreditation
Professor & Director(SAS)	YCMOU, Nashik	2000	2019	19	Research & Teaching
ODL Specialist (on lien)	ICRISAT, Hyderabad	2006	2009	3	Research & Development
Associate Professor	YCMOU, Nashik	1992	2000	8	Research & Teaching
Assistant Professor	YCMOU, Nashik	1990	1992	2	Research & Teaching
Subject Matter Specialist	Department of Agriculture	1983	1990	7	Agricultural Extension
Senior Research Fellow	MPAU, Rahuri	1981	1983	2	Research in Bio-fertilizers

International Assignments:

Country Visited	Duration		Purpose of Visit
	From	To	
Canada	2012	15 Days	Training in R-LOT at COL Vancouver
Thailand, Philippines & Sri Lanka	2007	1 Month	Visiting Scientist / Professor
New Zealand & Australia	2003	2 Months	Visiting Fellow / Professor
Malaysia, Singapore & Mauritius	2001	2 Month	Visiting Fellow / Professor

Fellowship / Awards:

Sr. No.	Name of the Fellowship / Awards	Granting / Awarding Institution	Year
1	Junior Research Fellowship	ICAR New Delhi	1981
2	Senior Research Fellowship	ICAR New Delhi	1983
3	Best Video Film Award on Insect Morphology & Anatomy.	University Grants Commission, New Delhi	1994
4	ISTCRAD Fellowship	ISCRAD, Trivandrum	2000
5	Best Community Teacher Award	Public Library Association, Nashik.	2000
6	Visiting Fellowship to University Putra, Malaysia, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore & University of Mauritius, Port Blair	Commonwealth of Learning, Vancouver, Canada	2001
7	Visiting Fellowship to Charles Stuart University, Wagga Wagga, Australia & Open Polytechnic of New Zealand, Wellington.	Commonwealth of Learning, Vancouver, Canada	2003

8	Vasundhara Award for Biodiversity Conservation.	Kirloskar Foundation, Pune	2011
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Publications:

Sr. No.	Research Paper / Books / Chapter in Book / Policy Documents etc	Name of the Journal / Publisher	Year of Publication
	Books		
1	Indigenous Technology in Agriculture	YCMOU, Nashik	1999
2	City Farming in South India	IWMI, Colombo, Sri Lanka	2009
3	Horticulture Nursery Management	ICAR, New Delhi	2012
	Research Papers		
1	Photosynthesis and Nitrogen Fixation in Relation to yield in Groundnut.	Southern Regional Conference on Microbial Inoculants, held at College of Agriculture, Pune. PP-10-11	1990
2	Combined Nitrogen in Split Doses with Rhizobium Bio-fertilizers Inoculation in Groundnut.	Southern Regional Conference on Microbial Inoculants, held at College of Agriculture, Pune. PP-11-12	1990
3	Mycorrhizal Control of Wilt in Casuarina	Agro-forestry Today, Nairobi, Kenya Vol.4(2), PP-14-15 (ISSN-1013-9591)	1992
4	Distance Education for Agro Export Community.	Kisan World. PP-42-45.	1995
5	Problems & Prospects of Grape Exports.	Agricultural Extension Review. Vol. 11(1), PP-8-10 (ISSN-0971-5827)	1999
6	Scale to measure Media Utilization in Adoption of Viticulture.	Agricultural Extension Review. Vol. 11(1), PP-10-12 (ISSN-0971-5827)	1999
4	Grape Cultivation through Earthworm Farming.	National Seminar on Organic Farming at College of Agriculture, Pune. PP-48-50	2000
5	Constraints Faced and Suggestions made to Improve Training Programs & Activities of the Krishi Vigyan Kendra in Maharashtra.	Indian Farming Vol. 49(12), PP-34-35 (ISSN-0019-4786)	2000
6	Suggestions made by Beneficiaries to Improve Krishi Vigyan Kendras in Maharashtra.	Agricultural Extension Review. Vol. 12(4), PP-24-26 (ISSN-0971-5827)	2000
7	An Analytical Study of Utilization Perception of Farm Magazines in Maharashtra.	Journal of Maharashtra Agricultural Universities, Vol.30 (3), PP-322-324. (ISSN-0378-2395)	2005
8	Global Distance Education for Sustainable Agriculture Development.	International Conference on Sustainable Agri-Food System at UAS, Bangalore.	2007
9	Use of Information Technology in Horticulture and Landscaping	Floriculture Today, Vol-12, PP-52-57.	2007
10	Constraints and Suggestions of Chickpea Growers in Adoption of its Production Technology.	Agriculture Updates, Vol. 4(3-4), PP-411-413 (ISSN-0973-1520)	2009
11	Adoption Behaviour of Farmers in Chick Pea Production Technology.	Agriculture Updates, Vol. 5(3-4), PP-352-355 (ISSN-0973-1520)	2010
12	Innovations in ODL in Agriculture: Using the practices of RLO and Semantic Web Technology.	6 th. PAN Commonwealth Conference held at Cochin, Kerala.	2010

	Booklets, Bulletin & Pamphlets	Name of the Publisher	
1	Vermi-Compost Production Technology	Krishi Vigyan Kendra, YCMOU, Nashik.	1995
2	Krishi Prayog Pariwar (Self Help Groups)	Krishi Vigyan Kendra, YCMOU, Nashik.	1995
3	Mushroom Production Technology	Krishi Vigyan Kendra, YCMOU, Nashik.	1996
4	Mango Production Technology	Krishi Vigyan Kendra, YCMOU, Nashik.	1996
5	Mukta Krishi Wani: Prayog Parivar Patrika	Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik.	1998
6	Nutrition Kitchen Garden	Krishi Vigyan Kendra, YCMOU, Nashik.	1998
7	Guava Production Technology	Krishi Vigyan Kendra, YCMOU, Nashik.	1998
8	Sapota Production Technology	Krishi Vigyan Kendra, YCMOU, Nashik.	1998
9	Asparagus Production Technology	Krishi Vigyan Kendra, YCMOU, Nashik.	1999
10	Rose Production Technology	Krishi Vigyan Kendra, YCMOU, Nashik.	1999
11	KVK: Access To Success	Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik.	2000
12	Coffee Production Technology	Krishi Vigyan Kendra, YCMOU, Nashik.	2000
13	Cashew nut Production Technology	Krishi Vigyan Kendra, YCMOU, Nashik.	2000
14	Poly-Tunnel Technology for Vegetable Seedling	Krishi Vigyan Kendra, YCMOU, Nashik.	2000
15	Agro-biotechnology & Indian Agriculture Development	Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik.	2001
16	Manual for Agriculture Education Centre Management: Evaluation & Accreditation.	Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik.	2010, 2012, 2014 2017
	Content Editor for ODL Text Book	Publisher: YCMOU, Nashik	Year
1	AGR-101: Principles and Practices of Gardening.	ISBN No: 81-7171-773-X	2001
2	AGR-102: Fruits, Vegetables and Flowers Cultivation.	ISBN No: 81-7171-774-8	2001
3	AGR-103: Nursery Management.	ISBN No: 81-7171-777-2	2001
4	AGR-104 :Landscape Gardening	ISBN No: 81-7171-779-9	2001
5	AGR-201: Principles & Practices of Soil Sciences	ISBN No: 81-7171-781-0	2001
6	AGR-202: Principles & Practices of Plant Sciences	ISBN No: 81-7171-783-7	2001
7	AGR-203: Principles & Practices of Plant Protection	ISBN No: 81-7171-785-3	2002
8	AGR-204: Principles & Practices of Crop Production	ISBN No: 81-7171-787-X	2001
9	AGR-205 : Principles and Practices of Fruit Production	ISBN No: 81-7171-789-6	2001
10	AGR-206 : Commercial Fruit Production Part-I	ISBN No: 81-7171-791-8	2001
11	AGR-207 : Commercial Fruit Production Part-II	ISBN No: 81-7171-793-4	2001
12	AGR-208 : Post Harvest Technology of Fruits	ISBN No: 81-7171-795-0	2001
13	AGR-209 : Principles and Practices of Vegetable Production	ISBN No: 81-7171-797-7	2001
14	AGR-210 : Commercial Vegetable Production Part-I	ISBN No: 81-7171-799-3	2001

15	AGR-211 : Commercial Vegetable Production Part-II	ISBN No: 81-7171-801-9	2001
16	AGR-212 : Post Harvest Technology of Vegetables	ISBN No: 81-7171-803-5	2001
17	AGR-213 : Principles and Practices of Floriculture	ISBN No: 81-7171-805-1	2001
18	AGR-214 : Commercial Flower Production Part-I	ISBN No: 81-7171-807-8	2001
19	AGR-215 : Commercial Flower Production Part-II	ISBN No: 81-7171-809-4	2001
20	AGR-216 : Post Harvest Technology of Flowers	ISBN No: 81-7171-811-6	2002
21	AGR-217 : Principles & Practices of Agri-business Management	ISBN No: 81-7171-813-2	2001
22	AGR-218 : Agri-business Management Part: I	ISBN No: 81-7171-815-9	2001
23	AGR-219 : Agri-business Management Part: II	ISBN No: 81-7171-817-5	2002
24	AGR-220 : Agriculture Allied Enterprises	ISBN No: 81-7171-819-1	2002
25	AGR-225 : Principles & Practices of Horticulture	ISBN No: 978-81-8055-353-0	2010
26	AGR-226 : Fruits, Vegetables & Flowers Production	ISBN No: 978-81-8055-355-4	2010
27	AGR-227 : Horticulture Nursery Management	ISBN No: 978-81-8055-357-8	2010
28	AGR-228 : Landscape Gardening	ISBN No: 978-81-8055-359-2	2010
29	AGR-401 : Principles and Practices in Distance Education	ISBN No: 81-8055-040-0	2003
30	AGR-402 : Research Methods and Statistical Analysis	ISBN No: 81-8055-042-7	2003
31	AGR-403 : Agricultural Extension & Farm Journalism	ISBN No: 81-8055-044-3	2003
32	AGR-404 : Agricultural Communication & Mass Media	ISBN No: 81-8055-046-X	2003
33	AGR-503: Agricultural Development & Multimedia Communication	ISBN No: 81-8055-048-6	2003
34	AGR-504 : Agricultural Information Technology	ISBN No: 81-8055-050-8	2003
35	AGR-506: Scaling Techniques in Agricultural Sciences	ISBN No: 81-8055-153-9	2004

Membership of Professional Body / Statutory Body (Internal & External):

Sr. No.	Membership of Professional Body / Statutory Body	Name of Statutory Body / Institution	Period From	Period To
1	Member , Planning Board	IGNOU, New Delhi	2017	2020
2	Member , School Board SOVET	IGNOU, New Delhi	2017	2020
3	Member , PGR Program (Agricultural Extension) Development Committee	IGNOU, New Delhi	2010	2012
4	Member , Program Advisory Board	NIOS, New Delhi	2010	2013
5	Chairman , KVK Scientific Advisory Committee	YCMOU, Nashik	1996	2004
6	Chairman , Program Fees Restructuring Committee	YCMOU, Nashik	2011	2012
7	Chairman , Institutional Evaluation & Accreditation Committee	YCMOU, Nashik	2000	2010

8	Member, Planning Board	YCMOU, Nashik	2004	2007
9	Member, Board of Management	YCMOU, Nashik	1998	2001
10	Member, Statute & Ordinance Committee	YCMOU, Nashik	2009	2012
11	Chairman, Staff Selection & Promotion Committee	YCMOU, Nashik	2012	2014
12	Member, Purchase & Investment Committee	YCMOU, Nashik	2000	2019
13	Member, Academic Council	YCMOU, Nashik	1992	2019
14	Chairman, School Council in Agricultural Sciences	YCMOU, Nashik	1992	2019
15	Member, Training Program Advisory Committee	YASHADA, Pune	2005	2008
16	Life Member, ISCA	Indian Science Congress Association.	1990	Till date
17	Technical Advisor, ROMIF-INDIA	Residue free & Organic Mission of India Federation, Pune	2018	Till date
18	Organic Agriculture Assessor	IFOAM Bonn, Germany	2018	Till date
19	NAAC Assessor	NAAC Bengaluru	2020	Till date

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