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**Research Area:** Atmospheric Science, Boundary Layer Physics, Clouds, Radiative forcing of Clouds, Remote Sensing of Atmosphere, Indian monsoon and Lunar studies.

### Academic Qualification

| Degree     | Year | Details                                                                                                            |
|------------|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| • Ph.D.    | 2002 | Stratosphere-Troposphere interactions associated with dynamical processes in the atmosphere, CUSAT, Cochin, India. |
| • M. Tech. | 1995 | Atmospheric Sciences, Cochin University of Science & Technology, Cochin, India.                                    |
| • M. Sc.   | 1992 | Physics, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, India                                                          |

### Professional Background

| Designation          | Duration            | Institution                                          |
|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| • Scientist          | Apr 2021 Onwards    | Space Physics Laboratory, VSSC, ISRO, Trivandrum     |
| • Scientist          | Mar 2001 - Mar 2021 | Space Applications Centre, ISRO, Ahmedabad           |
| • Visiting Scientist | Apr 2006 - Mar 2007 | Laboratoire de Meteorologie Dynamique, Paris, France |
| • Research Scholar   | 1997 - 2001         | Cochin University of Science & Technology, Cochin    |

### Awards/Honors/Recognitions/Aclamations

- CSIR Research Fellowship - 1993
- ISRO Team Excellence Award - 2011 (Megha-Tropiques Satellite Data Product Generation & Application)

### Major additional responsibilities

- Chairman – Inter-ISRO centre weather expert team for rocket launches from SHAR
- Team Leader – Megha-Tropiques Satellite – TOA Flux Retrieval from ScaRaB & Quality Evaluation
- Focal Person – Conceptualized & set-up of ISRO’s Capacity building & Outreach initiative ‘SMART’

### Membership in professional bodies

- Life Member – Indian Meteorological Society
- Life Member – Indian Society of Geomatics
- Life Member – Indian Society of Remote Sensing
- Secretary – Indian Meteorological Society (Ahmedabad Chapter) – 2009-2011

## Organization of Conferences/Symposia/workshop

- Convener – Workshop on Satellite Meteorology: 50-year Journey, Ahmedabad (2010)

## Research Guidance

- Supervised the Doctoral works of Ms. Jinya John and Ms. Pooja Rana, ISRO JRFs (Department of Physics, Gujarat University, Ahmedabad)
- M. Sc/M. Tech projects supervised - 18 (including SMART, CSSTE-AP SATMET Programmes)

## Specific Scientific/Technical/Outreach contributions

- Development and Operationalization of ScaRaB/Megha-Tropiques TOA Flux Retrieval Algorithm and monitoring the data quality.
- More than 1200 participants were trained as part of SMART outreach programme of ISRO on Advanced Topics of Satellite Meteorology and Oceanography.

## Publications

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- surface atmospheric wind convergence on precipitation over Indian summer monsoon region: A statistical analysis, *Academia Journal of Environmental Science*, DOI: 10.15413/ajes.2018.0148.
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### अनुसंधान क्षेत्र

वायुमंडलीय विज्ञान, सीमा परत भौतिकी, बादलों, बादलों का विकिरण बल, वातावरण का रिमोट सेंसिंग और भारतीय मानसून.

### शैक्षणिक योग्यता

डिग्री वर्ष विवरण

· पी एचडी २००२ थीसिस शीर्षक: वायुमंडल में गतिशील प्रक्रियाओं से जुड़े समताप मंडल-क्षोभमंडल बातचीत, कोचीन विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी विश्वविद्यालय, कोचीन, भारत।

· एम टेक १९९४ वायुमंडलीय विज्ञान, कोचीन विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी विश्वविद्यालय, कोचीन, भारत।

· एम एससी १९९२ भौतिकी, भारतीदासन विश्वविद्यालय, तिरुचिरापल्ली, भारत

### प्रोफेशनल बैकग्राउंड

| पद                   | समयांतराल                | संस्थान                                             |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| · वैज्ञानिक          | अप्रैल २०२१- वर्तमान     | अंतरिक्ष भौतिकी प्रयोगशाला, वीएसएससी, इसरो, भारत    |
| · वैज्ञानिक          | मार्च २००१- मार्च २०२१   | अंतरिक्ष उपयोग केंद्र, इसरो, अहमदाबाद, भारत         |
| · विजिटिंग वैज्ञानिक | अप्रैल २००६ - मार्च २००७ | लेबोरेटोइरे डी मेटियोरोलॉजी डायनेमिक, पेरिस, फ्रांस |
| · रिसर्च स्कॉलर      | १९९७ - २००१              | कोचीन विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी विश्वविद्यालय, कोचीन  |
| · रिसर्च स्कॉलर      | १९९५ - १९९६              | भारतीय उष्णदेशीय मौसम विज्ञान संस्थान, पुणे         |

### पुरस्कार/सम्मान/स्वीकरण/अभिनंदन

· सीएसआईआर रिसर्च फेलोशिप, १९९३  
· इसरो टीम उत्कृष्टता पुरस्कार - २०११ (मेघा-ट्रॉपिक्स डेटा उत्पाद निर्माण और अनुप्रयोग)

### प्रमुख अतिरिक्त जिम्मेदारियां

· टीम लीडर - मेघा-ट्रॉपिक्स मिशन - स्कैराब से टीओए फ्लक्स पुनर्प्राप्ति और गुणवत्ता मूल्यांकन  
· फोकल पर्सन - स्मार्ट क्षमता निर्माण और आउटरीच पहल की संकल्पना और स्थापना  
· अध्यक्ष - भारतीय मिशनों के लिए अंतर-इसरो केंद्र मौसम विशेषज्ञ टीम

### प्रोफेशनल बोडिज़ में अध्येतावृत्ति

· आजीवन सदस्य - भारतीय मौसम विज्ञान सोसायटी  
· आजीवन सदस्य - इंडियन सोसाइटी ऑफ जियोमैटिक्स

### सम्मेलनों/संगोष्ठियों/कार्यशालाओं का आयोजन

· संयोजक - सैटेलाइट मौसम विज्ञान पर स्वर्ण जयंती कार्यशाला, अहमदाबाद (२०१०)

### अनुसंधान मार्गदर्शन

· सुश्री जिन्या जॉन और सुश्री पूजा राणा, सैक जेआरएफ के डॉक्टरेट कार्यों का पर्यवेक्षण किया (गुजरात विश्वविद्यालय, अहमदाबाद).

एम एससी/एम टेक परियोजनाओं पर्यवेक्षित - 18 (स्मार्ट, सीएसएसटीई-एपी सैटमेट कार्यक्रमों सहित)

### विशिष्ट वैज्ञानिक/तकनीकी योगदान

· ScaRaB / Megha-Tropiques TOA फ्लक्स रिट्रीवल अलोगोरिथम का संचालन और डेटा गुणवत्ता की निगरानी। यह ScaRaB सेंसर के जीवन काल के दौरान अच्छी गुणवत्ता वाला फ्लक्स डेटा प्रदान करता है।

· स्मार्ट कार्यक्रम के तहत 1200 से अधिक छात्रों को उपग्रह मौसम विज्ञान और समुद्र विज्ञान के उन्नत विषयों पर प्रशिक्षित किया गया।

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