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After 37 years of teaching Microbiology, retired as the Head, Department of Microbiology, MES Abasaheb Garware College in September 2017. Presently the Mentor to the IQAC Cluster India, a group of academic activists involved in promotion of improving the quality culture in Higher Education Institutions in the country.

Awarded the **Gunavant Shikshak Puraskar** by the Maharashtra Education Society (the Parent Body of Abasaheb Garware College) for his academic efforts in College Development.

Contribution to Quality Initiatives for NAAC Accreditation

- Founder member of the ***IQAC Cluster India***.
- IQAC Coordinator of Abasaheb Garware College for 14 years (2002 to 2016).
- Resource Person and Program Designer for *Train the Trainer* Workshops conducted in collaboration with **RUSA Maharashtra**.
 - 4 Workshops in November-December 2018 at Mumbai and Pune.
 - Kishinchand Chellaram College, Churchgate, Mumbai.
 - Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala College of Arts Science and Commerce, Ghatkopar, Mumbai.
 - Fergusson College, Pune.
 - Symbiosis College of Arts and Commerce, Pune.
- Resource Person at the Seminars / Webinars and Workshops conducted under the aegis of **IQAC Cluster India (2018 – 2020)**
 - 12 NAAC Accreditation awareness programs (Seminars / Webinars)
 - **PARAMARSH Counseling Lecture Sessions** at 3 Colleges in Mumbai, Karad and Baramati, Maharashtra; Hansraj College in New Delhi and the Modern College of Commerce and Computer Studies, Pune.

- Resource Person at the Seminars / Webinars and Workshops conducted under the aegis of **RUSA Maharashtra (May – June 2020)**.
 - Resource Person in 10 of these webinars conducted over all regions of Maharashtra with the intervention of the regional Joint Directors of Higher Education.
 - The areas of my talks were “*NAAC Accreditation Process under the Guidelines effective from January 2020*” and “*Documentation as required in the NAAC Accreditation Process*”
- Mentoring individual Colleges in their NAAC Assessment and Accreditation efforts (2018 – 2020)
 - Counseling 15 Colleges (Affiliated, Constituent and Autonomous) across Maharashtra for NAAC Accreditation areas of Academic and Administrative Audits, Documentation and Identifying priority areas for action.
 - Preparing action plans (GANTT).
 - External Expert to guide College IQACs of 3 colleges in Maharashtra.
- Contribution in designing *AQAR Work Manuals* for NAAC Accreditation Processes.

Research Profile

- Several research papers and presentations at National and International Conferences
- Major research project: DBT Public-Private-Partnership (Outlay of 4.1 crore rupees).
- Two Post-Doctoral assignments (Canada, 1999 and Mauritius, 2004).
 - In April-June 1999, visited the University of Regina in Canada and worked there. Helped the research group there on microbiological aspects of fungal biosorption.
 - In Jan-April 2004, visited the University of Mauritius under the aegis of the UGC-TEC (Mauritius) Fellowship. Worked on the use of biosorption methods for removal of colour from textile-dyehouse effluents.
- Ph.D. Research Guide of the Savitribai Phule Pune University (upto 2017).

Consultancy

- Successfully handled industry-related projects especially related to trouble-shooting.
 - Garware Nylons (Pune),
 - Garware Bestretch (Wai, Satara District),
 - SKF (India), Pune,
 - Bajaj Auto (Pune)
 - Mahindra Hinoday – Magnetic Products Division (Pune).

Positions held in College

- Head, Department of Microbiology.
- Member of the Local Managing Committee of the College.
- Co-ordinator of the College Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC).
- Co-ordinator of Steering Committee for NAAC Accreditation & Reaccreditation.
- Member of other Committees in the College (Research, General Admissions, Timetable, Ph.D. admissions and others).

Education

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| 1989 | Ph.D. in Microbiology (University of Pune). | Thesis entitled “Microbial Interactions with Manganese Minerals”. |
| 1980 | M.Sc. in Microbiology (University of Pune). | Thesis entitled “Microbial Beneficiation Studies on Manganese”. |
| 1976 | B.Sc. in Microbiology (University of Pune). | Microbiology as the principal subject with Zoology and Chemistry as subsidiary subjects. |
