

PROFILE OF SCIENTIST/RESEARCH WORKER

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Qualification: Ph.D. (Botany); Texas A&M University

Area(s) of Specialization: Systematics of Asteraceae & Poaceae; Floristics (India & USA); Plant Nomenclature

Occupation/Designation: Sr. Nomenclatural Registrar

Major Activities: Analyzing plant nomenclature for the international community; Reviewing US and Indian floristic works; Plant diversity & Conservation; Contributions to international projects on bio-informatics

Awards/Recognitions:

2012: Green Carpet Award as a member of Organismic & Evolutionary Biology Dept. Green Team, Harvard University

2010: The American Society of Plant Taxonomists' (ASPT) “**Distinguished Service Award**” given at the ASPT banquet on 3rd August 2010, during the annual Botanical Society of America conference held in Providence, Rhode Island, 31 July--4 August 2010.

1994: “**The Donovan Stewart Correll Memorial Award**” given for the year 1994 by the Native Plant Society of Texas for

excellence in scientific writing in the field of native flora of Texas. The book "*Checklist of the Vascular Plants of Texas*" (published in 1990) was chosen for this award.

Recognition

- 1) **Honorary Membership** in East Himalayan Society for Spermatophyte Taxonomy (EHSST)
- 2) Nomenclature Editor, **Harvard Papers in Botany**
- 3) Nomenclature Editor, **Flora of North America**
- 4) Collaborator, **Index Nominum Genericorum (Plantarum)**
- 5) Member, **Committee for the Vascular Plants, International Association for Plant Taxonomy**
- 6) Associate Editor, **journal Rhodora**
- 7) Nomenclature Consultant, **journal Novon**
- 8) Associate Nomenclature Editor, **Taxon, International Journal of Plant Taxonomy, Phylogeny and Evolution**
- 9) Member, Editorial Committee, **journal Rheedia: official journal of Indian Association for Angiosperm Taxonomy**
- 10) Member, Editorial Committee, **Korean journal of plant taxonomy**
- 11) Member, Editorial Advisory Committee, **journal PLEIONE**
- 12) Faculty, **Adult Education Program, Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University**
- 13) Nomenclatural Consultant and Data Contributor to **USDA-GRIN database**
- 14) Nomenclature Editor, **Manual of Vascular Flora of India (Ashoka Trust, India)**
- 15) Ex Vice-President, **New England Botanical Club, Inc.** (Apr 2007-Mar 2009)
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