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About Me

As an academic over 40 years, I have taught courses; Animal Diversity, Animal Physiology, Entomology, Scientific writing etc. I have conducted research on Diversity and Taxonomy of important insect groups, Biology and Biological control of insect pests, and supervised M.Sc. MPhil and PhD. Degree students, now holding key academic and research positions locally and aboard.

I was the Editor of the Ceylon Journal of Biological Sciences and the Editor of PGIS Congress -2016. I established the Invertebrate Systematic and Diversity Facility (ISDF) in the department, where expert identified insect specimens are held and linked to a website. I initiated the annual PGIS publication 'PGIS Research Highlights' and was the Editor of its inaugural issue in 2016.

I am on the annual research Evaluation panel of the Coconut Research Institute, of the Dept. of Agriculture and the Tea Research Institute and have the opportunity to liaise with Entomologists of the country

Higher Education Qualifications

PhD

University of Adelaide - Australia
(1980)

BSc

University of Ceylon, Colombo - Sri Lanka
(1972)

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Awards, Scholarships, Memberships & Fellowships

- Life Member Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Science (SLAAS)
- Fellow of the Institute of Biology, Sri Lanka (IBIOSL)
- Fellow of the National Academy of Science, Sri Lanka (NASSL)
- Fellow of the Royal Entomological Society, U.K.
- Presidential Award for Research 2003
- Presidential Award for Research 2004
- National Science Foundation Merit Award for Scientific Excellence 2006
- Presidential Awards 2010
- NRC Merit Award for Scientific Publications 2012

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Positions Held

- Head / Dept. of Zoology
- Professor of Applied Zoology
- Emeritus Professor

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My Teachings

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Research Interests (Research Fields/ Projects)

Research Fields: Entomology

Taxonomy of insect groups/ Biological control of insect pests/Biology of insect pests/ Insect pollinators

Ongoing Research and Projects

None-currently

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Key Publications

MAB Handbook and Occasional paper series, National Science Foundation, Sri Lanka - (2005)

An updated checklist of bees of Sri Lanka with new records.

Biodiversity and Conservation - (2004)

Biodiversity associated with an irrigated rice agro-ecosystem in Sri Lanka.

Conferences

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My Publications

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