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- **UGC – NET Qualified**
- **Experience: 15 years**
- M Sc Food Science & Nutrition, Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning, Anantapur, 1995
- PG Diploma in Hotel Management & Tourism, AP Productivity Council, Hyderabad, 2002
- Diploma in Creative Writing, Writers Bureau, London, 2014
- EdX course in The Body Matters, McGill University, 2015
- MA English, Osmania University, Hyderabad, 2017
- **Life member** of the Indian Dietetic Association (IDA)
- **Life member** of the Home Science Association of India
- **Jury member** Muse India Translation Awards 2023, Young Writers' Awards 2024, Muse India Translation Awards 2025
- **Author** of two books – Melodic Melange (Tales in Verse), 2018; When Jaya met Jaggu and other stories, 2022
- Translated two Telugu books for Children (Silver Peacock Feather, 2024; The Story of a Tiger Cub, 2025)
- Forthcoming books – Birdhouse, Pardah, translated children's book in Hindi (Sahitya Akademi, Delhi)
- Editor of Muse India, literary e-journal, 2018 – till date
- Advisor of Science Shore e-magazine, 2020 – till date
- Edited books – Nurturing Bonds: A Holistic Guide to Breastfeeding Bliss, Nourishing Bonds: Comprehensive Guide to Weaning; Climate and Sustainability: Glacial crisis and waste management.
- Edited **Foods: Myths vs Facts** – a book by III-year FST students, Alumni and Faculty of Food Science & Technology, which is compiled from data taken from 300 plus research papers.
- Research Publications: 12+ research papers in UGC Care journals, Scopus, Web of Sciences and peer reviewed journals
- Book chapters: 5
- Research project: Working on Minor Research Project titled **Evaluation of Iron rich food supplementation on Hemoglobin levels in adolescent girls.**
- International and National Conferences attended: 5
- Presented a Lecture on **Poshan Pakwada**, an Awareness Programme conducted for Anganwadi Teachers on the '**Importance of Millets in Daily diets**', ICDS Project, Vijayawada, 25th Mar 2023.
- Delivered a guest lecture on the topic '**Childhood Obesity: Who is responsible?**' on National Science Day, St. Ann's College for Women, Mehdipatnam, Hyderabad and Science Shore, 28th Feb 2023

- Delivered a guest lecture on the topic ‘**Science: Innovation & Ingenuity**’ on National Education Day, Mahendra Arts and Science College, Nammakal, TN & Science Shore, 11th Nov 2022
- Organized a Street Play ‘Importance of Millets’ by students celebrating the International Year of the Millet – 2023, on the occasion of **Poshan Maah, Nutrition Month 2023**.
- Guided students to start a YouTube Channel, **Food Doctor** on the eve of International Millet Year - 2023, by students. The channel imparts knowledge about the nutritious and tasty millet dishes and how to incorporate them into our daily diet.
- Reviewed and certified a project titled, ‘**The First Spatula**’ a book for first cooks by Dhriti Sri Gutta for submission to International Baccalaureate Organization for completion of her course in school, 2023
- Received a **commendation certificate and memento** for acting as **Tech Lead** in the National Virtual Poster Designing Competition and initiating maximum participation from the department of FST, SDMSMK and winning prizes, Nov 2022.
- On the eve of ‘World Food Day’, 16th Oct 2022 organized a Webinar on the topic “**Nutraceuticals - Recent Research and Development & Advanced Food Technology – “Innovation and Intellectual Property Rights –** Dr. Geeta Bala, Senior Researcher Fellow, Madras Veterinary College and Dr. Sasi Prabha, Women Scientist, DST, Anna University.
- Reviewer for Journal of Food Science & Technology, CFTRI, **AFSTI (Association of Food Scientists and Technologists of India), Springer Journal**
- Participated in 5 day-FDP – ‘**Space Food Systems: Challenges & Opportunities**’ in May 2025 organized by Manav Rachna International Institute of Research and Studies, Haryana.
- Participated in FDP – ‘**Innovation & Entrepreneurship**’ in May 2025 organized by IIC, Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur.
- Participated in Webinar on ‘**Functional Starches for Improving Food Products**’, PFNDAI (Protein Food and Nutrition Development Association of India) & Roquette.
- Participated in a Webinar on **Hepatitis: Act Now on World Hepatitis Day**, USFN (Universal Society of Food & Nutrition).
- Convenor – Innovation and Incubation Cell (IIC)
- One of the delegates attending the World’s largest literary festival, **Festival of Letters 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026**, with 1100 writers, academicians, scholars and others, organized by **Sahitya Akademi, Ministry of Culture, New Delhi**.
- Participated in the **International Literature Festival 2023 – Unmesha (Festival of Expression) organized by Sahitya Akademi, Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India at Bhopal, Aug 2023**.

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