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EDUCATION

Dr. Pathak obtained BSc (Ag) from Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi; and MSc and PhD in Soil Science and Agricultural Chemistry from Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI), New Delhi. His research areas include soil science, climate change and environmental pollution.

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Dr. Pathak joined as Director of ICAR-National Rice Research Institute (NRRI), Cuttack, Odisha on August 1, 2016. Earlier he served as Principal Scientist, Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI), New Delhi (2009-16); Professor, Discipline of Environmental Sciences, IARI (2013-16); Co-Facilitator, Rice-Wheat Consortium, International Rice Research Institute (IRRI)-India, New Delhi (2006-09); Humboldt Fellow, Institute of Meteorology and Climate Research, Germany (2004-06); Senior Scientist, IARI (2001-04), Scientist (Sr. Scale), IARI (1999-2001); Scientist, IARI (1997-99); Visiting Scientist, University of Essex, UK (1996-97) and Scientist, IARI (1992-97). He worked as a visiting scientist in University of Essex, United Kingdom; IRRI, Philippines; CSIRO Land and Water, Australia and Institute of Meteorology and Climate Research, Germany. He was engaged in teaching and guiding MSc and PhD students since 1993 at IARI, New Delhi.

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

Dr. Pathak is a Fellow of Indian National Science Academy; National Academy of Sciences, India; National Academy of Agricultural Sciences and West Bengal Academy of Science and Technology. He is the recipient of the Alexander von Humboldt Fellowship of Germany; Silver Jubilee Commemoration Medal of INSA; Golden Jubilee Commemoration Young Scientist Award of the Indian Society of Soil Science; BOYSCAST Fellowship of Department of Science and Technology (DST); Young Scientist Award, Dr. BC Deb Memorial Award, Prof. SK Mukherjee Commemoration Award and Platinum Jubilee Award Lecture by Indian Science Congress Association (ISCA) and Recognition Award of NAAS. He served as the President of Agriculture and Forestry Sciences Section of ISCA. He was the Lead Author of the Inter-Governmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) 5th Assessment Report. He is also the Lead Author of IPCC for updating GHG inventory. Dr. Pathak was the Coordinator for United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), Dept. of Research and Education (DARE), Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India and received IRRI, Philippines Outstanding Administrative Support Award.

PUBLICATIONS

Dr. Pathak has published more than 170 research papers of which 105 papers are in journals with more than 6.0 NAAS score, 30 review papers, 25 popular articles, 13 books, 15 technical bulletins and 75 book chapters. He has h-index of 52, i10-index of 129 with about 10,300 citations in international literature.