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<p><b>Field of Specialization and Research interest:</b> Soil Fertility and Chemistry</p>	
<p><b>Educational Qualification:</b> Ph. D Agriculture (Soil Science)</p>	
<p><b>Employment Record along with Professional Experience (in years)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assistant Scientist (Soil Science) in CSK HPKV Palampur (09 years) (RSS, Leo (Kinnaur 1998 – 2001, Deptt of Soil Science 2001 – 2007)</li> <li>Scientist (Soil Science) in CSK HPKV Palampur (06 years) (2007-2013)</li> <li>Principal Scientist (Soil Science) in CSK HPKV Palampur (over 7 years) (2013 to till date)</li> </ol>	
<p>Research Projects Handled</p>	<p>As PI (4) As Co-PI (09)</p>
<p><b>Research Publications:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Total publications published in Journals =71</b></li> <li><b>Best 5 publications in last 5 years</b></li> </ul> <p>Meena, Hari Mohan and Sharma, R P 2016. Long-term effect of fertilizers and amendments on different fractions of organic matter in an acid alfisol. <i>Communications in Soil Science and Plant Analysis</i>.47(11): 1430-1440. DOI: 10.1080/0013624.2016.1178766 (NAAS rating: 6.39)</p> <p>Rajneesh, Sharma RP, Sankhyan NK and Kumar Rameshwar. 2017. Long-term effect of fertilizers and amendments on depth-wise distribution of available NPK, micronutrient cations, productivity, and NPK uptake by maize-wheat system in an acid Alfisol of north western Himalayas. <i>Communications in Soil Science and Plant Analysis</i>. 48(18): 2193–2209. (NAAS rating: 6.39)</p> <p>Rajneesh, Sharma RP, Sankhyan NK, Kumar Rameshwar and Sepehya Swapana. 2018. Effect of a four-decade long application of fertilizers, farmyard manure and lime on forms of soil acidity and their relationship with yield of wheat and maize in an acid Alfisol. <i>Journal of Plant Nutrition</i>. 41(11): 1444–1455. (NAAS rating: 6.62)</p> <p>Shweta Shambhavi, Rakesh Kumar Padbhushan Rajeev, Verma Gayatri, Sharma Surya Prakash, Sharma Sanjay K, Sharma Raj Paul. 2019. Dynamics of zinc under long- term application of chemical fertilizers and amendments by maize- wheat cropping sequence in Typic Hapludalfs. <i>Soil Use and Management</i> DOI: 10.1111/sum.12566(NAAS rating: 7.34)</p> <p>Dhiman Diksha, Sharma Rajpaul, Sankhyan Narender Kumar, Sepehya Swapana, Sharma Sanjay K. and Rameshwar Kumar. 2019. Effect of regular application of fertilizers, manure and lime on soil health and productivity of wheat in an acid Alfisol. <i>Journal of Plant Nutrition</i> 42 (19): 2507–2521. (NAAS rating: 6.57)</p>	
<p><b>Books published</b></p>	<p>3</p>
<p><b>Book chapters</b></p>	<p>7</p>
<p><b>Manuals</b></p>	<p>3</p>
<p><b>Conference/ Seminar/ Symposium papers</b></p>	<p>27</p>
<p><b>Extension activity including Popular articles/ Pamphlets/ Leaflets</b></p>	<p>28</p>
<p><b>Students Guided</b></p>	<p>PG =9 + 2 students (Continuing) Ph. D = one student (Continuing)</p>
<p><b>Awards/ Fellowships:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Received the Best Paper Award for the Paper presented in 4th International Group Meeting on Wheat Productivity Enhancement through Climate Smart Practices held at CSK HPKV Palampur, HP India on February 14 -16, 2019.</li> <li>Received the Second-Best Poster Award for the paper presented in National Seminar on Indian Agriculture: Present situation, challenges, remedies and road map held at CSK HPKV Palampur on 04-05 August, 2012.</li> <li>Received Certificate of Appreciation from Dean PG Studies for preparing power point presentation of study material of Course No. SOILS 513.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>International exposure/ Visits abroad</b></p>	<p>Nil</p>
<p><b>Miscellaneous achievements/ activities:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Successfully handling All India Coordinated Research Project on Long –term Fertilizer Experiments as PI since 2010.</li> <li>Prepared District level Soil Fertility Maps.</li> <li>Investigated the long-term effect of balanced use of fertilizers on soil health (physical, chemical and biological environment of soil) and weed flora. Disseminated the findings of AICRP on LTFE among the farmers through Demonstrations and Training camps.</li> <li>Incharge of Vermiculture Unit of the Department of Soil Science. Standardized and popularized the technology of Vermicomposting in the state through supplying earth worm culture and literature on Vermicomposting.</li> <li>Serving as Member Secretary of Board of Studies of COA</li> <li>Served as Scientist Incharge of Research Sub Station Leo Distt Kinnaur HP (1999 - 2001)</li> <li>Coordinator for Coaching of the students of Soil Science for preparation of ICAR JRF, SRF, NET and ARS Exams</li> </ul>	