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Mission of the Soil Conservation Society of India

To gain recognition as a credible think-tank, to provide overviews of the scientific community on policy issues of agriculture, to encourage expertise and promote excellence relating to agricultural sciences, making it a powerful instrument for the growth of national economy through a vibrant farm sector.

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to ensure and ascertain the sustainable and optimal use of inherited land resources as generation equity, through their proper conservation, development and management for the welfare and continued of life on the planet



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We live on this Earth as guests of the green plants which convert sunlight into food and of the farm women and men who toil in sun and rain to cultivate them

– J.S. Bali



Care for Land Care for Water Care for Forests And the Grasses Mix Industry with Agriculture Get Productivity with Profits Within Bio-Industrial Watersheds

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Background

Soil Conservation Society of India was born at Hazaribagh, Bihar (now in Jharkhand) in December 1951, at the National Symposium on Soil Conservation organized by the multidisciplinary Department of Soil Conservation created by the Damodar Valley Corporation, on the pattern of the TVA—Tennessee Valley Authority (of USA). It was registered at Patna, Bihar vide No. 14, 1952-53 under the Societies Registration Act of 1860.

The Society is indebted to the founder members who were present at the 1951 Symposium. We are grateful to them for their farsightedness. Some of them are still active and dedicated to the profession. A notable name among them is of Prof. J.S. Bali, who at 84 years plus, is still working for the Society and our profession with dedication and zeal of a high order. On his return from Malaysia in 1983, he revived the Society, which had gone dormant for about six years after the death of Shri K.S.V. Raman, ICS, the first President and the Editor. Prof. Bali had been President of the Society for two terms and is now a Patron, more accurately, a *working Patron and Advisor*.

Another outstanding name is that of late Dr. M.L. Dewan, who was the first Secretary of the Society. He was a live wire, ever humming with activity. He was devoted to the Himalayas. His interests ranged from the Soil to the Soul. He attracted a large number of volunteers who were affectionately called the Dewan Brigade. Passing away of Dr. Madan Lal Dewan on October 4, 2011, it is a great loss to the profession of soil and water conservation.

Objectives

The objectives of the Society are to promote:

- (a) Survey of natural resources of the country viz. climate, land, water, plants, animals and human resources, in a systematic manner, in units of appropriate watersheds, using, among other conventional methods, the modem techniques of remote sensing, computerized information base for preventing and control of land degradation and development of protection and production programmes in the upstream as well as downstream zones of the watersheds.
- (b) Knowledge of sound soil and water conservation and management practices in order to prevent land degradation and enhance procudtivity levels; manage rainwater and runoff to provide a strong foundation for sustainable production systems from the land.
- (c) To bring processing industry upstream in a system of Bioindustrial Watershed Management, in order to make farming profitable for the farmers.
- (d) An integrated approach by the people and the Government on these problems with consequential coordination in direction and execution of all matters relating to soil and water conservation and management. This coordination will be of special significance in regard to legislative and executive policy of the Central and State Governments affecting the management of agriculture, forestry, irrigation, animal husbandry, land management, rural development, environmental protection, and other resource uses and conservation programmes.
- (e) The benefits of sound soil and water conservation practices in the effective control of soil erosion, sediment discharge and floods and increase of life of the storage reservoirs in all irrigation and water resource development projects with special reference to integrated development schemes of river valleys encompassing watershed management in the upper vallies and proper water management in the lower valleys.

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SWAMINATHAN, MONKOMBY SAMBASIVAN

Born in Kumbakonam, India on 7th August, 1925 Professor M S Swaminathan has been acclaimed by TIME magazine as one of the twenty most influential Asians of the 20th century and one of the only three from India, the other two being Mahatma Gandhi and Rabindranath Tagore. He has been described by the United Nations Environment Programme as "the Father of Economic Ecology" and by Javier Perez de Cuellar, Secretary General of the United Nations, as "a living legend who will go into the annals of history as a world scientist of rare distinction". He was Chairman of the UN Science Advisory Committee set up in 1980 to take follow-up action on the Vienna Plan of Action. He has also served as Independent Chairman of the FAO Council, President of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources and of the Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs. He served as Chairman of the National Commission on Farmers during 2004-06 and is currently a nominated Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha). He is also Chairman of the High Level Panel of Experts on Food and Nutrition, constituted by UN Committee on World Food Security.

A plant geneticist by training, Professor Swaminathan's contributions to the agricultural renaissance of India have led to his being widely referred to as the scientific leader of the green revolution movement. His advocacy of sustainable agriculture leading to an ever-green revolution makes him an acknowledged world leader in the field of sustainable food security. The International Association of Women and Development conferred on him the first international award for significant contributions to promoting the knowledge, skill, and technological empowerment of women in agriculture and for his pioneering role in mainstreaming gender considerations in agriculture and rural development. Professor Swaminathan was awarded the Ramon Magsaysay Award for Community Leadership in 1971, the Albert Einstein World Science Award in 1986, and the first World Food Prize in 1987.

Professor Swaminathan is a Fellow of many of the leading scientific academies of India and the world, including the Royal Society of London and the U S National Academy of Sciences. He has received 66 honorary doctorate degrees from universities around the world. He currently holds the UNESCO Chair in Ecotechnology at the M S Swaminathan Research Foundation in Chennai (Madras), India.

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SINGH, ANIL KUMAR

Born in Kanpur, India on 29 April, 1952. Educated at Sr. Joseph's Academy, Dehra Dun, 1960-67; University of Lucknow, Lucknow, 1968-70; Indian Agricultural Research Institute, 1970-76; University of Hohenheim, Hohenheim, Germany, 1982-83; University of Arizona, Tucson, 1992; IRRI, 1993-95; Ph.D. 1977; Diploma in On Farm Water Management, 1992. Presently working as Deputy Director General (NRM), ICAR.

Scientist S-1, 1976-82; Scientist S-2/Senior Scientist, 1982-89 Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi; Principal Scientist & Incharge Soil Physics Unit, Indian Institute of Soil Science, Bhopal 1989-90, Principal Scientist, 1990-99; Project Director, Water Technology Centre, IARI, New Delhi; acting Director 2005-06 IARI, New Delhi.

Awarded : National Science Talent Search Scholarship, 1967 to 1976; German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Fellowship, 1983-83; Post Doctoral Fellowship, International Rice Research Institute, 1993-95; President, Agriculture and Forestry Science, 91st Session of the Indian Society of Soil science; President, Delhi Chapter of the Indian Society of Soil Science, 2001-02 to 2004-05; Secretary Indian Society of Water Management since 1999; 11th D.P. Motiramani Memorial Lecture, 2004; IARI Best Teacher Award, 2005; Soil Conservation Society of India Gold Medal, 2006; 33rd Dr.V.D. Tamhane Memorial Lecture, 2006.

Fellow: Indian Society of Soil Science, Indian Water Resources Society; Bhoovigyan Vikas Foundation; Foundation for Earth Sciences Development.

Research Areas : Soil-Water Nutrient-Plant-Atmosphere interactions, crop growth simulation, irrigation water management, integrated watershed management.

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PANDEY, CHINTA MANI

Shri C.M. Pandey was born on 15.07.1957 in a farmer's family of Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh. After completion of his Bachelor's of Science (Agricultural Engineering) from Allahabad Agricultural Engineering Naini, Allahabad. Mr. Pandey did his Master's of Engineering with specialization in Soil & Water Conservation Engineering from College of Technology and Agricultural Engineering (CT&AE), University of Udaipur.

Shri Pandey worked on various capacities in Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), Rajendra Agricultural University and also held the post of Assistant Commissioner to the Linguistic Minorities of India -which is a Constitutional post in past.

Shri Pandey who is recipient of 'Gold Medal Award, 2007' from Soil Conservation Society of India for outstanding work in area of Natural Resource Management, Soil & Water Conservation and Watershed Management was holding the post of Additional Commissioner (Natural Resource Management), NRM Division, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India from September, 2008 onwards and had been subsequently promoted on the same post in the pay scale of Rs.37400-67000 (PB-4)+GP of Rs. 8700 from May, 2012. Presently Shri Pandey is supervising Centrally Sponsored Programme of Soil & Water Conservation, Reclamation and Development of Alkali and Acid Soil besides, coordinating matters relating to National Mission sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) at National Level.

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BHATTACHARYA, ASHIM KUMAR

Born in Nabadwip, India on 17 January 1994. Educated at Nandalal Institution, Chirkunda, 1955-56; Manbhum Victoria Institution, Purulia, 1957-60; Maharaja Manindra Chandra Nandy College, Kolkata, 1960-62; G.B. Pant University of Agriculture & Technology, 1962-66; Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur, 1966-68; McGill University, Canada, 1974-77.

Emeritus Scientist, Water Technology Centre, IARI, New Delhi 2006 to date.

Professor, Gujarat Agricultural University, Navsari, 1980-82; Project Coordinator, AICRP (Drainage), WTC, IARI, 1982-2002; Project coordinator, AICRP (Wells and Pumps), 1983-92; Actg. ADG (Emgg.) ICAR, 1996-97; Principal Scientist, WTC, IARI, 1986-2006

Awarded: ISAE Shankar Memorial Award, 1989-90; IARI Best Teacher Award, 1999; SCSI Gold Medal, 2005.

Fellow: Indian Society of Agricultural Engineers.

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KARALE, R. L.

Dr. R. L. Karale is a Gold Medalist agricultural graduate of Nagpur University with M. Sc. in API and Remote Sensing from ITC, Netherlands; and Assoc. IARI and Ph. D. in Pedology from the PG School, IARI, New Delhi. He received training in Land Use Planning at Brisbane University, Australia, and in remote sensing applications and digital image processing at LARS, Purdue University, West Lafayette, USA and ARSC of the University of Arizona, Tuscon, USA., respectively.

Dr. Karale has nearly 3 decades of experience, under the Department of Agriculture, Government of India in various capacities including Chief of the All India Soil and Land Use Survey Organization (AISLUS). For brief periods he worked under the then Indian Photo-interpretation Institute (now IIRS) Dehradun as Professor in Soils Division and in SOSLR, Baghdad, Iraq as Soil Specialist. He subsequently headed the Regional Remote Sensing Service Centre (Dept. of Space) at Nagpur till 1992. After retirement on superannuation, he joined IN-RIMT as Director (Applications).

Dr. Karale, in early years of his career was primarily involved in soil mapping, classification, interpretation, development of soil survey techniques, land use planning and allied activities. He developed innovative land evaluation criteria for ravine reclamation suitability, rehabilitation suitability, plantation suitability and forest soil management. His contribution in the development of a methodology for prioritization of watersheds is well documented.

In later part of his career, he worked mainly on Remote Sensing applications. He was particularly responsible for operationalising aerial photo-interpretation and introducing remote sensing in soil survey activities of the AISLUS. He was nominated as the National Director of the UN assisted FAO Project on Remote Sensing for Land Development, AISLUS under the Union Ministry of Agriculture. Here, he conceptualized and developed remote sensing application projects related to varied aspects of soil mapping, soil degradation and land development of viable methodologies for Land Use / Land Cover mapping in digital mode and Sustainable Developmental Planning. Under the IN-RIMT, he primarily shares the responsibility of developmental projects involving remote sensing and GIS applications. Most of the projects relate to natural resources management, sustainable developmental planning, watershed development, infrastructure development, urban planning and development of GIS with particular focus on land, soil, agriculture, and infrastructure.

He served on Executive Committees of many Professional Societies, including Indian Society of Soil Science, Indian Society of Soil Survey and Land Use Planning, Soil Conservation Society of India, and Indian Society of Photo-interpretation and Photogrammetry. He was Chairman of the Working Group on Remote Sensing of the International Society of Soil Science (1988-92). He is a Fellow of Maharashtra Academy of Sciences. He worked on several exploratory and ad hoc scientific, technical, and management committees of the Govt. of India. He authored more than 110 scientific/ research papers, 90 technical reports and 3 booklets, besides editing a book entitled, 'Natural Resources Management- a New Perspective', published under ISRO.

He traveled widely in India and abroad in connection with professional activities. Overseas, he visited USA, Spain, UK, Netherlands, Australia, Italy, Thailand and Nepal.

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BALI, JASWANT SINGH

Born 18th December, 1923 in a farmer's family of village Gharota (near Pathankot) in Punjab; a bright student, obtained degrees of Bachelor of Science from Lahore, Bachelor of Science (Agricultural Engineering) from Allahabad (winning Gold Medal), and post-graduate courses in the Soil Conservation Service of USA.

Extensively reclaimed gullied waste lands in the poverty stricken rural country side of Bihar in Damodar Valley Corporation in the 1950s for rehabilitation of the oustees from dams, building ponds and conservation structures. Held with distinction positions of chief of all the institutions and establishments of soil and water conservation of Government of India. He was Head of Soil Conservation Research & Training Centre Dehradun, Professor at Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur, Head of Soil & Water Conservation Division of Ministry of Agriculture, and United Nations Consultant in Bulgaria, West Indies, Rome and Malaysia.

He introduced the concept of watershed management in the national programmes of conservation and management of natural resources, and created the expanded version of the All India Soil and Land Use Survey. It was he who conceived the idea and successfully led the campaign to create the Central Department of Land Resources. Emphasizing ecology and economics, he highlighted the problem of profitlessness of Indian farming, and introduced (in his pioneering book) the far-reaching concept of Bioindustrial Watershed Management, which combined processing industries and sound marketing with resource protection and bio-production, in order to eradicate rural poverty. Prof. M. S. Swaminathan has these words to say (in the Preface to Prof, Bali's book on the subject):

" I hope soon every watershed in our country will become a Bioindustrial Watershed, in order to ensure work and income security to the rural families. We owe Prof. Bali a deep debt of gratitude for his labour of love." Also these words in preface to another book: "Prof. Bali, through his Bioindustrial Watershed Movement, has carved for himself footprints on the sands of time"

He has three technical books and over 150 papers to his credit. Quoting Prof. Swaminathan again: "Prof. J. S. Bali is a creative thinker and writer. Because of his love of nature and commitment to the conservation and sustainable use of natural resources, Prof. Bali has also become a poet." He Has produced three books of English poetry also.

He has been given the highest awards of the Soil Conservation Society of India, Indian Society of Agricultural Engineers and the World Association of Soil and Water Conservation(in their World Conference held in China).

Prof. Bali has remained active in the work of the Soil Conservation Society of India for the last 62 years. He also successfully launched the Society into the consultancy programme.

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Born in 1933, obtained .Sc. (Agri.) and Ph.D. from West Bengal

Advance training in the areas of Soil and Water Conservation, Remote Sensing and Agricultural Management.

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Specialized in Land Resource Inventory, Reclamation & Development of Problem Soils, Soil conservation Research etc Prepared draft Land Use Policy for Kerala, Perspective plan for Kerala and Land Degradation reports.

Leadership award from SCSI (1996) Fellow of Institution of Chemist, Member of SCSI, Life Member of Many National & International Scientific & Development organization including Royal Society of Chemistry (Landon) & Society for International Development Italy. National Fellow award, SCSI.

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RAJPUT, TBS

Born on January 1st, 1952 at Siau, Bijnor, Uttar Pradesh, obtained Bachelor of Technology degree in Agricultural Engineering from GBPUAT Pantnagar, Master of Technology degree in Soil and Water Conservation Engineering from IIT Kharagpur and Doctorate degree from IARI, New Delhi. Joined as Scientist S-1 at Water Technology Centre, IARI New Delhi in 1976 through first batch of Agricultural Research Service. Since then he has been working at Water Technology Centre in different capacities.

Dr T. B. S. Rajput has contributed significantly in the field of agricultural water management in general and pressurized irrigation systems in particular. His major contributions include development of canal operation policies, canal water distribution policies for achieving different levels of equity, development of procedures for optimal layout of fields and watercourses and design of low meters. Contributions of Dr. Rajput in the field of pressurized irrigation include development of design criteria for drip system, fertigation, hydraulics and dynamics of nutrient movement under different types of drip systems. He has received several awards including the Prestigious Rafi Ahmed Kidwai Award for his outstanding research contributions in the field of Natural Resource Management. Besides a large number of research articles, he has authored six books, eight technical bulletins and five computer software. He has guided thirteen Doctoral and five Master's thesis in Soil and Water Conservation Engineering. He has also conducted a large number of training programmes for State Government officials and farmers for popularizing water saving technologies including, those developed by him and has earned for himself the recognition as Best Teacher by IARI and ICAR.

Life Member of SCSI and Fellow of ISAE, IWRS and Institution of Engineers (I).

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Born on 27th September 1941, educated at J&K University, B.Sc. (Agri.) 1965; at Ranchi University, M.Sc. (Agricultural Chemistry) 1968; at CSK HPKV Palampur, Ph.D. (Soil Science and Water Management) 1980; and Post Graduate Diploma in Ecology and Environment from Indian Institute of Ecology and Environment, New Delhi.

Started as Assistant Extension Scientist (Soil Science) in PAU; Assistant Scientist/Assistant Microbiologist and Associate Professor under CSK HPKV, Palampur; and Deputy Director Extension Education; Chief Scientist and Head; Chief Scientist (KVK); and Associate Dean under SKUAST Kashmir and SKUAST, Jammu.

Besides teaching soil science, environment and ecology, has guided many students of M.Sc. (Agricultural Chemistry). Has participated in much professional trainings and organized a large number of training programmes in the areas of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry as well as Home Science under Krishi Vigyan Kendra.

Recipient of US \$ 50 for his best articles among the participants for USDA and SAARC Journals. Awarded by the Central Mahajan Sabha, Jammu and Jammu and Kashmir Women Welfare Society for significant contribution in Agriculture Research during 1997 and 1998 and Transfer of Technology during 2001, respectively. He was chosen and conferred with an honorary appointment to the Research Board of Advisor by American Biographical Institute (ABI) USA in 1999. Awarded by SCSI in 2006 for outstanding contribution in the area of Teaching, Research and Extension. Awarded by Bharat Vikas Parishad during 2009. Selected and bestowed upon with "Gold Medal Plaque" by the ABI, USA during 2010 for his best work done in Extension, Research and Teaching in Agricultural Chemistry and Soil Science.

Life member of 13 various societies like Indian Society of Soil Science, Clay Minerals Society of India, Indian Society of Soil Survey and Landuse Planning, Soil and Water Conservation, Indian Society of Tree Science, Association of Rice Research Workers, Indian Society of Environment and Ecology, Society of Environment and People, Indian Farmers Digest, Agrobios Newsletter, Down to Earth, Agriculture Today and Ayurveda for Holistic Health.

Has 150 peered review publications – research papers, review papers and book chapters in various journals of repute. Earned a number of extension and developmental articles in Indian Farmers Digest, Farmers Parliament, Farmers Forum, Agrobios Newsletter, Gram Vikas Jyoti, Environment and People, Bhawan's Journal, Down to Earth, Agriculture Today, Ayurveda. Contributed a number of articles in newspapers relating to agriculture and environment. Authored four books entitled "Problems of Soil and Forest Resources of North West Himalayas (1991)", "Environmental Degradation of J&K Himalayas and Their Control (2005)", "Environmental Pollution: Hazards and Control (2006)", "Glimpses of North West Himalayas (2009)" and "Integrated Nutrient Management (INM) in a Sustainable Rice-Wheat Cropping System (2009)" as co-author.

Acted as referee of Himachal Journal of Research, Indian Society of Soil Science, Journal of Clay Research. Remained paper setter for ARS for two consecutive terms in 2001 and 2005, paper setter for KAS in Agriculture. He is the Vice President of J&K Paryavaran Sanstha (Environment) Jammu and member of J&K Pollution Control Board.

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SINGH, JAI KARAN

Born on February 02, 1950, did his B. Engg. from Allahabad University, 1972; M. Tech. (1974) and Ph. D (1979) in Soil & Water Conservation Engineering from IIT, Kharagpur; and Post Doctorate from Technical University, Braunschweig, Germany under German Academic Exchange Programme (DAAD), 1981-82.

Worked as Assistant. Executive Engineer, Central Ground Water Board, Govt. of India, 1977-79; Associate Professor at RAU/BAU Ranchi, 1979-84 and at G.B. Pant Univ. of Agric. & Tech., Pantnagar, 1984-89; Professor, Soil and Water Engg. at Pantnagar, 1989-2010; Head of Deptt. at Ranchi (1977-79) as well as GBPUA&T, Pantnagar (>10 yrs: 1996-99, 2001-06, 2007-10); Dean Student Welfare, 1999-2001; Dean Post Graduate Studies, 2006-10. Also worked as Visiting Scientist on Hydrological modeling, Technical University, Braunschweig, Germany, 1994-95.

Awarded: Institution Prize (twice: 1980-81 & 2002-03) and Certificate of Merit (1980-81) of The Institution of Engineers (India) for Best Publications; Commendation Medal, Indian Society of Agricultural Engineers (1997); Gold Medal, Soil Conservation Society of India (2004-05); Outstanding Teacher Award, GB Pant Univ of Agric & Tech, Pantnagar, 2003-04.

Fellow: Indian Society of Agricultural Engineers, 2001; Soil Conservation Society of India, 2008; The Institution of Engineers (India), 2008.

Research Areas: Soil & water conservation, watershed management, hydrology, prioritization of watersheds, optimum land use models, runoffs & sediment yield models for hills and plains, water management, soil and water conservation structures – design and installation / construction.

Life member: Indian Society of Agricultural Engineers; Indian Association of Hydrologists; Soil Conservation Society of India; Indian Association of Soil & Water Conservationists; International Society for Noni Science.

Dr. Singh is a widely travelled person and has visited many countries in connection with education, research and participation in Working group meets, International Conferences, Seminars and Workshops.

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BAGDA, VIJAY KUMAR

Born in Jaipur, India on 15th July, 1935. Graduation in Agricultural Engineering in 1957 from Allahabad Agricultural Institute, Allahabad. Joined Agricultural Department, Government of Rajasthan as Research Assistant, Soil Conservation on 6th Sept, 1957 and retired as Director of Agricultural on 31st July, 1993.

Important Trainings

- 1) ON year higher training in Land and Water use during 1970. This training was sponsored by the FAO of the United Nations.
- 2) Designing projects for Agricultural Development at the Indian Institute of Management, Ahaemdabad for 2 months in 1985.
- 3) One month TOT training management (PRA approach) organized by MANAGE Hyderabad.

After retirement working with different NGO's i.e.

- 1) Indian Institute of Rural Management from 1994-2008.
- 2) WAPCO's Delhi for 7 month.
- 3) CARE INDIA for 6 month.
- 4) N.K. Buildcon for Parwan Watershed Project 1 year.
- 5) Now working with Jaipur National university





DADHWAL, KULDIP SINGH

Born on 15th September, 1950 in village Saloh Beri of district Una, Himachal Pradesh, obtained B.Sc.(Ag.) and M.Sc.(Ag.) degrees from HP University, Shimla in the years 1973 and 1976, respectively and Ph.D. in Agricultural Chemistry and Soil Science from Agra University in 1988. He also had Post-Doc/specialized training in Root and root system studies in Agroforestry from Misissippii State University, MS, USA in 1991. Presently, he is Head of the Division, Soil Science and Agronomy at Central Soil and Water Conservation Research and Training Institute (ICAR), Dehradun.

Dr. Dadhwal has significantly contributed in the field of agriculture/environmental sciences. He is actively engaged in initiating, planning, conducting, guiding and supervising multidisciplinary research in the field of Resource Conservation and Watershed Management. He has brilliant academic career with two Gold Medals and more than 34 years of experience especially in the area of rehabilitation of degraded minespoils, soil fertility management, agroforestry and watershed management. He has characterized and eco-restored degraded minespoils, evaluated agroforestry species with soil working techniques and fertility management which helps in enhancing biomass yields, reducing runoff and soil loss, improving soil and water quality parameters and stabilizing degraded areas. He also studied tree-root interaction and its management in bouldery marginal lands under agroforestry systems for enhanced yields of cereals, oilseed and fodder crops under rainfed conditions. He has been instrumental in developing land use plans based on land capability for the degraded lands of Bundelkhand region and assessing, monitoring and mapping of erosion hazards for conservation planning in Uttarakhand Himalayas.

Dr. Dadhwal has received many prestigious awards. To site a few are : Lal Bahadur Shastri Memorial Gold Medal, HP University Gold Medal, SAIC Prize of SAARC countries; Dr. K.G. Tejwani Award; Environmental Conservation Excellency Gold Medal; Environmentalist of the year-2006 Gold Medal; IASWC Fellowship; Prof. E.P.Odum Gold Medal; ISAF Gold Medal; R.C. Chabba Samarak 'Himachal Shri award'; Bharat Excellence Award and Gold Medal; Intellectual honour 'Uttarakhand Ratan' and prestigious Fellowship Award of Indian Society of Soil Science. He has also been honoured by various National and International Societies/Academies as Honorary Member, Fellow and Honorary Fellow. Dr. Dadhwal has held various positions in professional societies/academies in the past and presently he is Vice-President of Indian Association of Soil and Water Conservationists, Vice-President of National Environmental Science Academy and the Editor of the prestigious journal of the Indian Society of Soil Science.

Dr. Dadhwal acquired trainings in India and abroad, rendered consultancy in watershed management development plans, conducted and presented INDO-US workshop, successfully organized various symposia/workshops/group meetings, presented papers in national and international conferences, guided Ph.D. students, imparted trainings and handled more than 34 projects (Institutional and externally funded) as PI and CoPI of ICAR, UNDP, Ministry of Textile (Jute Section), MoWR, State Govts., Planning Commission etc. He is a member of several international, national and state level committees and have more than 300 publications in refereed journals of national and international repute including books, bulletins, manuals, book chapters, reports, review papers etc. to his credit.

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His work on potassium was very frequently referred at International Potash Research Institute, Gurgoan, India. The work on Zinc was acclaimed for state Honour of Usha Zende Micronutrient Award. He has suggested the modification in AWC limit for black soil (Vertisoils) as 1 to 10 bar suction instead of 0.33 to 15 bar suction. The leadership and credit go to him in preparing Land Resource. Atlas of a few Important district of Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, and Andra Pradesh. Besides, 5 books, over 100 research papers, and 18 Soil resource Map of India (1:1 mpscale) indicating 1643 of major great soil groups was published and released for National use, at the hands of Dr.M.S.Swaminathan.

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8.	Employment Record & Specialized area	 (a) Research Officer, State Planning Commission, U.P. (b) Assistant Commissioner, Rural Development Deptt. (c) Joint Director, State Land Use Board, U.P. (d) Additional Director, State Land Use Board, Planning Department, Govt. of U.P. 	
9.	Member of Professional/ Societies Technical	Vice President, Soil Conservation Society of India, New Delhi.	
10.	Awards	 (a) Leadership Award 1994 by S.C.S.I, New Delhi (b) Gold Medal Award 2000 by S.C.S.I, New Delhi (c) Citation in 2003 by C.L.U.M. & Govt. of A.P., Hyderabad (d) Sumer Memorial Award 2006 by S.C.S.I, New Delhi (e) National Fellow Award 2008 by S.C.S.I, New Delhi 	
11.	Remarks	Associated with national resource conservation management and development for almost 20 years. Organized many national conferences on related issues. Have attended and presented papers in many seminars and work-shops in the country.	



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Born on 02 February 1961, graduated (B.Sc. Ag. Engg. & Technology) from Orissa University of Agriculture & Technology, Bhubaneswar (1983); Master Degree from Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok, Thailand in Agricultural Land & Water Development Programme with Swiss Government fellowship (1989).

Obtained advance trainings/studies on Hydrological Monitoring and Watershed Management at Suderberg University, Germany; Dryland Agriculture Technology from Central Research Institute for Dryland Agriculture, Hyderabad; Remote Sensing Application in Watershed Management from Indian Institute of Remote Sensing, Dehradun.

Worked as Scientist in OUAT, Bhubaneswar (about 6 years); Worked as Assistant Commissioner in the Soil & Water Conservation Division (now Natural Resource Management), Deptt of Agri. & Coop, Union Ministry of Agriculture, GOI (about 7 Years); Worked as Deputy Commissioner in the Natural Resource Management and Rainfed Farming Systems Divisions, Deptt of Agri. & Coop, Union Ministry of Agriculture, GOI (about 9 Years); Working as Additional Commissioner in the Rainfed Farming System Division, Deptt of Agri. & Coop since February,2012.

Major Fields of Specialization are Soil and Water Conservation, Water & Watershed Management, Land Development & Reclamation, Soil Survey & Land Use Planning, Rainfed Agriculture, Integrated Farming System, Impact Evaluation, Information Technology Application in Watershed Management, Remote Sensing Application, Management of Natural Resources in Hills and Plains, Agro-Forestry & Pasture Development, Common Property Resources, livelihood support system, project formulation etc.

Has published more than 25 Technical Papers in Leading Journals and edited 5 technical books / guidelines and has more than 28 years of Technical & Administrative Experience.

Leadership Award (2005) from SCSI, New Delhi

Gold Medal Award (2009) from SCSI, New Delhi

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Undergone advance trainings/studies on Horticulture and Drainage network from Israel and Egypt sponsored under U.P sodic land reclamation project with Word Bank assistance, Lucknow. Also attended training courses on Rural Development, Self help group formation, Watershed Development, Horticulture and sodic land reclamation offered at CSSR, Karnal, Manage Hyderabad, National Institute of Rural Development, Hyderabad and National Bureau Survey and Land Use planning, Nagpur etc. during 1995 to 2002.

24 years experience in Administration, Research and Extension, I have worked in different capacities as Project Manager U.P. Bhoom Sudhar Nigam, at Manipur, Farrukhabad and Etah, Uttar Pradesh under UP Sodic land reclamation project with World Bank assistance of years and District Manager, UP State Agro Industrial Project Corporation Ltd, Lucknow of and Programme Coordinator/ Associate Director (extension) at Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Baghra Muzaffarnagar, Uttar Pradesh under Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel University of Agriculture and Technology, Modipuram, Meerut. The nature of activities were on Natural Resources Management, promotion of Horticulture (fruits, vegetables and floriculture) and diversification of agriculture. Also activity associated with ATMA & NHM at district level programmes.

Major field of specialization include Soil and Water Conservation, Watershed Development and Management, Land Reclamation, conservation Agriculture Soil Survey & Land Use Planning, Integrated Farming System, Information Technology Application in agriculture, application of Remote Sensing in agriculture, Natural Resources Management in Hills and Plains, and Horticulture Development with floriculture.

Published more than 25 research Papers in various Journals, over 122 Popular Articles and 4 technical and Awards and Medals.

- i) Fellow of Hind Agri-horticulture Society (FHAS) Muzaffar Nagar in (2006) Society
- ii) Major R.S.Yadav SRDA Award 2008 Society for Recent Development in Agriculture, Meerut
- iii) Leadership Award (2008) from SCSI, New Delhi
- iv) Gold Medal Award (2009) from SCSI, New Delhi
- v) Best Paper Presentation in Field of Floriculture (2011) Society of Ornamental, New Delhi.
- vi) Young Scientist Award (2009) HI-Tech horticulture Society, Meerut.

Membership of professional societies.

a) Life Members of SCSI New Delhi (b) Horticulture Society, (c) Society of ornamental (d) HI – TECH horticulture society (e) Recent Development Society of Hindi Agri and Horticulture Society etc.

Appreciation were received from Managing Director U.P. Bhoomi Sudhar Nigam, Agriculture Production Commissioner UP, District Magistrate and Additional Commissioner, Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India etc.

Elected as Counsellor of Soil Conservation Society of India Society, Executive Counsellor Asian Journal of Horticulture, Editor of Horticulture Journal, HI-TECH horticulture Society and Joint Secretary in International Journal of Agriculture Science.

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Born on 27th October, 1943, Ph.D. Soil science (Soil & Water Conservation). He has worked with CS & WCR & TI Dehradun at Chandigarh Centre (16 yrs.), Director Regional Research Station for Kandi area PAU Ludhiana (10 yrs.) and team Leader of a technical support group of Watershed Development Project in HP and Haryana (5 yrs.). Has research experience of more than 3 decades covering. Natural Resources Management, Soil and Water Conservation/ Participatory Watershed Management in Rainfed Agro-Ecosystem, Refinement of Soil and Waters Conservation and management Techniques, Biological and Socio-economic Resource Bank, Agroforestry, Hydrological Responses, Farming Systems etc.

Dr. Grewal has been associated in planning implementation, monitoring and impact evaluation, capacity building of USAID, Ford Foundation, World Bank, European Commission and JBIC founded Watershed Development projects and organized more than 100 courses for various categories of staff. Now serving through a Chandigarh based professional NGO namely Society for Promotion and Conservation of Environment (SPACE) as President.

Has 60 reviewed research papers, 2 books, 10 books of chapters. 35 Seminar papers, 25 technical papers, 8 technical bulletin and 20 technical project reports.

Co-receipient of ICAR award for Team Research (1991)-93) and Co receipient of KG tejwani award for 1998-99, role of honour by IASWC (2004), Leadership Award by SCSI (2006).

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- B. Life Time achievement Award
- C. National fellow
- D. Gold Medal
- E. Leadership Award
- F. Student Incentive Award
- G. SCSI Book Award

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- C. Sponsored Awards

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(1) Bhu Ratna

(2008), Prof. G. Madhavan Nair and Shri T.K.A. Nair (2009)

(2) Life Time Achievement

Dr. S. Subramaniyan (2008)

(3) National Fellow

Shri C. Patro (1998), Dr. G.B. Singh (1998), Dr. D.C. Das (1998), Shri R.N. Kaul (1998), Dr. J.S.P Yadav (2006), Dr. Suraj Bhan (2006), Shri Shamsher Singh (2006), Dr. C.J. Thampi (2008), Dr. Anand Swarup (2008), Dr. V.S. Dinkar (2008), Dr. J.K. Singh (2008) and Mrs. Mridula Singh (2008), Dr. P.L. Gautam and Dr. P.G. Chengappa (2009), Dr. S.V. Ngachan and Dr. K.K. Satapathy (2010)

(4) Gold Medal Award

Dr. Punayamoy Sen (1990), Shri N.S.S. Reddy (1990), Prof. S.N. Kaul (1990), Shri V.S. Madan (1990), Shri R.N. Gupta (1990), Shri H.T. Khemchandani (1990), Dr. N.D. Rege (1990), Shri Anmol Singh (1990), Dr. K.G. Tejwani(1990), Shri C. Patro (1990), Shri Y.P. Bali (1990), Dr.I.P.Abrol (1991), Dr. A.M. Michael (1991), Dr. S.Subramaniyan (1991), Dr. Gurmel Singh (1991), Dr. M.L. Dewan (1992), Dr. K.S. Puri (1992), Dr. D.R. Bhumla (1992), Prof. C.R. Shanmugham (1992), Shri D.C. Das (1992), Dr. T.K. Sarkar (1992), Prof. J.S. Bali (1993), Dr. N.S. Randhawa (1993), Shri A.K. Mukerji (1993), Shri J.S. Gill (1993), Shri R.K. Mukherjee (1993), Shri T.K.A. Nair (1994), Shri Triloki Nath Dhar(1994), Dr. D.P. Rao (1994), Dr. P.K.S. Chauhan (1994), Shri H.S. Mathur (1994), Dr. G.M. Bharad (1996), Dr. S.T. Gaikwad 91996), Shri D.K. Mitta I(1996), Shri P.K.Besnett (1996), Shri K.D. Dewan (1996), Shri M. Jyothi (1998), Shri Harihar Mishra (1998), Shri R. Thansanga (1998), Dr. V.S. Dinkar (2000), Dr. M. Velayutham (2000), Dr. S.N. Das (2000), Dr.G.S. Kaushal (2000), Dr.L.Venkataratnam (2000), Mrs. Mridula Singh (2000), Shri Shamsher Singh (2000), Shri Vijay Kumar(2000), (space for 2003 and 2005 gold medalists), Dr. A.K. Singh (2006), Dr. R.L. Karale (2006), Shri O.S. Sushindiren (2006), Dr. D.K. Paul (2006), Dr. C.P. Reddy (2006), Dr. P.K. Mishra (2008), Shri C.M. Pandey (2008), Dr. K. Ramaswamy (2008), Dr. A. K. Maji (2008), Dr. K.C. Momin(2008) and Dr. K.B. Singh (2008), Shri B. Rath, Shri G. Prakash, Dr. R. Subramanian, Dr. Satya Prakash and Shri K.C. Aich (2009), Dr. Sanjay Arora, Mr. Alexander Syiem, Mr. Rockliff Rap Bor Roy Thabah and Dr. O.P. Singh (2010)

(5) Leadership Award

Dr. R.K. Sivanappan (1992), Prof. K.R.Swaminathan (1992), Dr. S.M. Virmani (1992), Prof. R.L. Karale (1992), Shri J.S. Gill (1992), Dr. V.W. Ambekar(1992), Shri T.K. Mukerjee(1992), Shri M.S. Nair (1992), Shri V. Kirekha (1992), Shri R.N. Sharma (1993), Dr. S.Chinnamani(1993), Dr. R.K.S. Chauhan(1993), Dr. Suraj Bhan (1993), Shri N. Govindan (1993), Shri D.C. Sud (1993), Dr. D. Chandrasekaran (1993), Shri Kamal Mishra(1993), Dr.G.S. Kaushal (1993), Dr. S.D. Khepar (1993), Shri Y.P. Sood (1993), Shri P.H. Vohra (1993), Dr. H.S. Sur (1993), Dr. N.G. Godse (1993), Shri J.M. Sharma (1993), Shri R.Thansanga(1993), Shri M.S. Bains(1994), Dr. C.J. Thampi(1994), Shri J.Y. Patil(1994), Dr. L. Venkatarantnam(1994), Shri Vijay Kumar (1994), Shri S.P. Singh (1994), Shri



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Dr. Suraj Bhan (2006)

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