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Current Research Projects	 National Mission on Himalayan Studies (NMHS): - Characterization of Kidney Bean (Rajmash) Rhizosphere Microbiome from Higher Altitude of Indian Central Himalaya. Network Project on Application of Microorganisms in Agriculture & Allied Sectors (AMAAS): Developing PGPR consortia for enhanced micronutrient (iron and zinc) uptake and yield of finger millet (Eleusine coracana) in hilly areas.
Area of Interest	Psychrotolerant/Psychrophilic PGPRs, Biological Nitrogen fixation, Biocontrol/ Biopesticide, Biofuels
Publications (in numbers)	Research Papers: 43 Papers in proceedings: 02 Books: 03 Book Chapters: 10 Popular Articles: 14 Technical Bulletins: -Nil-
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