

Dr. K. P. Patel,
Principal and Dean

Brief Resume

Dr K P Patel is working as Principal and Dean, B.A. College of Agriculture at AAU, Anand since February, 2012. He has served the University in various capacities after completion of M. Sc. in Soil Science from PAU, Ludhiana in 1981 and Ph.D. in SS&AC from IARI, New Delhi in 1992 .



Being Dean of faculty of Agriculture, He look after the academic, research and extension activities of different Agriculture and Horticulture Colleges / Polytechnics at Anand, Vaso, Vadodara and Jabugam. His specialized field is Soil Fertility and He has a vast experience in Micronutrient Research in the AICRP scheme of Micronutrients, Secondary Nutrients and Pollutant Elements in Soils and Plants during 1994 to 2012. During the past one and half decades, large number of technologies for increasing crop production have been generated in the project and recommended to the farmers, besides basic researches of practical utility.

During the tenure of about three decades of his service, He has published 65 research papers in National and International journals of repute besides more than 28 popular articles, 10 bulletin / books / book chapters and several scientific talks as well as 32 recommendations of farmers' use on micronutrients usage. His research articles published in J Indian Fert. were adjudged as best papers in 2011 and 2012 by FAI, New Delhi as well. He has also jointly authored (with Dr. G.L. Maliwal) a book on "Heavy Metals in Soils and Water" published by Agrotech, Udaipur. He has handled 21 other agency projects besides Government projects from Dept of Environment, Agriculture & Co-operation Govt. of India / Gujarat as well as NATP and NAIP projects of ICAR-World Bank. He was also selected for training on "Advances in Analytical Techniques for Heavy Metals Analysis" at EPA in Chicago, USA in 2003. He has guided 12 students for their M.Sc. and Ph.D. programmes in the discipline of SS&AC. He has also served the Indian Society of Soils Science as member on Editorial Board and Councillor for two years.

He has also earned several awards and recognitions to his credit which includes Sardar Patel Agricultural Research Award-2000 for Sulphur Management in Gujarat soils, Ch. Devilal Award-2001 for Best AICRP as collaborating centre by Govt. of India, TSI-FAI-IFA best presentation Award-2003 for Sulphur in Balanced Fertilisation by FAI, New Delhi, FAI Golden Jubilee Award-2007 for outstanding contribution in Micronutrient research, Hari Om Ashram Award-2008 for Wastewater Use in Agriculture, Sr. Scientist Award-2011 by IMT, Pune for outstanding micronutrient research for the benefit of Indian farmers and IZA-FAI Award-2011 for Zinc promotional activities by International Zinc Association, Belgium and Fertiliser Association of India, New Delhi. Dr. S. N. Ranade Memorial Life Time Achievement Award was presented for the excellence in micronutrient research by IMT Technologies, Pune in March, 2014.