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Professor and Head, Department of Swasthavritta and Yoga and Dean, Planning and Development at Institute of Teaching and Research in Ayurveda (ITRA), (Institute of National Importance), Ministry of Ayush, Government of India, Jamnagar is also a Chairman of the Drugless Spiritual Healing Center and Health Counseling Center of the Department. He is a member of the Governing Body, Standing Finance Committee and Scientific Advisory Committee of Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga, Ministry of Ayush, New Delhi, is a Chairman – Assessment Committee of Yoga Certification Board (YCB), Ministry of Ayush, Govt. of India. He is a Member – Steering Committee of Naturopathy Registration Board, Ministry of Ayush, Govt. of India. He is Executive Committee Member of Gujarat Yogasana Sports Association (GYSA).

He has rendered his services as the first **Deputy Director** (**UG**) of Institute for Teaching and Research in Ayurveda (**ITRA**), **Principal** of Shri Gulabkunverba Ayurved Mahavidyalaya and **Director** and **Principal** of Maharshi Patanjali Institute for Yoga Naturopathy Education and Research of the Gujarat Ayurved University, **Project Director**, Department of Projects-GAU and **Programme Director** of Advanced Center for Yoga Education and Research at GAU, Jamnagar, and was a member of the **Assessment Committee** of **YCB** and **Academic Committee** for Yoga and Naturopathy under the NBPYN, **Ministry of Ayush**, Government of India. He was a member and convener **of Board of Studies** at GAU Jamnagar and various other universities of India in the subjects of Swasthavritta and Yoga. He has been a **Jury** member at the **National Yoga Olympiad** for School Children under Ministry of Human Resource Development GoI and National/International **Jury** for **#mylifemyyoga** video blogging contest. He is an adjudicator of **Ph. D.** theses to various universities.

Being a subject expert for Swasthavritta, Yoga, Nisargopachara, Music and Music Therapy, he is in the Advisory committee of many leading Institutions like Institute of Salutogenesis and Complimentary Medicine (ISCM). Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth, Puducherry, Leelavati Nature Cure and Yoga Research Centre, Jamnagar, SAMUTKARSH Academy for Yoga, Music and Holistic Living, Ahmedabad, to name a few.

He has **20** publications under his authorship/co-authorship which include E-learning modules, booklets and monographs. Some are in the process. He has more than **40** authored/co- authored papers and have guided approx. **60** applied and clinical research dissertations in Yoga and

Naturopathy. He has participated in more than **200** Seminars/Conferences/Symposia etc. on International/National/Regional platforms in various capacities. He has delivered more than **475** lectures as a key note/ guest/ invited speaker.

He is a **Referee and Reviewer** in AYU International – a peer reviewed and listed magazine published by IPGT & RA, GAU, Jamnagar and has been Review Editor for Yoga Mimansa – Kaivalyadhama, Lonavla. He was Chief Editor of 'Yogavrutta' magazine of ACYER, GAU.

He has visited **Nepal** to deliver Invited Lecture in 1<sup>st</sup> Ayurved Conference and Health Expo at Kathmandu in Nov.2023, **Rio De Janeiro** – **Brazil** on invitation from the Ministry of Health, Brazil for delivering guest lectures at the International Conference CONGREPICS 2018, **Lisbon** – **Portugal** on invitation from the Portuguese Yoga Federation for promotion of music and Yoga at World Yoga Day 2013 and some places of **United Kingdom** for promotion of Indian Music and Arts through Indo-British Cultural Exchange in 1988.

He is a **Life Member** of **Indian Yoga Association** (IYA), Academy for Ayurveda Development And Research (**AADAR**), Indian Musicological Society (**IMS**), Halar Vaidya Sabha etc. organizations working towards the preservation and promotion of Indian Sciences, Arts and Culture.