01. Name: Dr, D. Rajasugunasekar

02. **Educational Qualification**; M.Sc.,PhD (Botany)

03. **Designation**: Scientist-F

04. Core Specialization: Tree Breeding

05. Research Interest: Tree breeding, Community Forestry and Extension Research



• Externally Aided Projects

- As PI Development of descriptors and DUS testing guidelines for *Ailanthus excelsa* Roxb. and establishment of Gene Bank. Funded by PPVFRA, Ministry of Agriculture, Govt of India. 18.00 lakhs. Completion report is being prepared.
- As Co-PI, of the DBT funded "Identification and Tagging of QTLs/Candidate genes for wood property and adventitious rooting traits in Eucalyptus and establishment of phenomics facility for water stress tolerance studies.
- Co. PI of the EAP project "Quantifying genetic variation of Teak provenances in Tamilnadu and seed source matching for TCPL program for better adaptation" submitted to Tamilnadu Forest department.

Research projects

- As PI Clonal evaluation and establishing seed orchards for increasing productivity in *Ailanthus excelsa*.
- As Co-PI New NFRP project *Industrees* for industries: deployment, demonstration & release of *e.tereticornis x e.grandis* selections to farmers as a veneer and pulp tree crop.
- As Co-PI of *Ailanthus excelsa* **for alternate protein:** as a potential of fodder in terms of nutritive value and qualitative assessment of other secondary compounds- Completed.
- As Co-PI of the NFRP project "Selection and Screening of *Acacia nilotica* germplasm bank for production of highest yield in Tamilnadu



07. Publication

Books/ Brochures /proceedings: 5

Chapters in Books: 8

Research papers: 30

National 25 (in seminars/ symposiums/ workshops)

International 6

Reviews

Popular articles 2

08. Consultancies rendered

• Ministry of Textiles Govt. of India Study on Alternative Eco friendly wood varieties for Handicrafts and futuristic wood availability in Kerala and Adjoining areas, 2000.

09. Trainings

Sl.No	Training Field	Duration of the	Place of the Training
		Training	
1.	Economic valuation of	5 days	I.I.F.M
	environmental and Natural	18.6.2001-	Bhopal
	resource accounting	22.6.2001	
2.	Ecology and Forest	3 months	University of Florida
	Ecosystems	30.7.2001-	U.S.A
		26.10.2001	
3.	Programme on Advanced	5 weeks	ASCI(Administrative Staff
	Techno Management" for	18.1.2016 –	College of India) Hyderabad
	Scientists	19.02.2016	
	Scientists		
4.	Programme on Climate	One week	ICFRE, Dehradun.
	Change and Carbon	19.2 2018 –	
	Mitigation	23.02.2018	
5	DST funded National	Two weeks	Central soil and water
		02.12.2019 –	conservation (CSWC) Ooty,
	training programme on	13.12.2019.	Tamilnadu
	"Advances in Integrated	13.12.2017.	
	Watershed Management for		
	Rural Livelihood"		

6	Training on "Environment	01.03.2020 -	Anil Agarwal Environment
	Impact Assessment" Under	08.03.2020,	Training Institute (AAETI)
	ICFRE HRD plan		Alwar, Rajasthan

10. Foreign visits

3 Months at University of Florida, USA Ecology and Forest ecosystem.

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