### **Brief Curriculum-Vitae**

Name : Prof. Ashu Rani

**Designation**: Vice-Chancellor

**University / Institution**: Dr.Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Agra.

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**Experience/ Positions held** 

**Academic Qualification**: Ph.D. (1991 – Financial Assistance from

Indo-US Sub-Commission), CSIR

(J.R.F.,S.R.F.).

• Professor (since 2008).

• Director (Research).

• Dean – Post Graduate Studies, Science, Student

Welfare.

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• Head - Department of Pure and Applied

Chemistry.

• Member Academic Council, Board of Management, Board of Inspection for Affiliated

Government and Private Colleges, Central

Purchase Committee, Board of Governors -

RUSA Project, Sports Board.

Convener – Academic and Administrative Audit,
 Inter Departmental Finance Committee,
 Selections and Career Advancements

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Committees, Grievances Committee, Unfair

Means Committee.

• Nodal Officer/Convener – Internal Complaint Committee, I.P.R. Cell, Central Library Coordination, U.G.C. Cell, Women Cell, Board

of Studies (Chemistry), Course on Curriculum

(CoC).

- NAAC Assessor for National Level Accreditation of Institutions.
- Scientist In-charge (Physical Chemistry Section)
  Indian Chemical Society.
- Nominee Hon'ble Governor of Rajasthan in different committees.

## Responsibilities (National and International Level)

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- Member Rajasthan State Level Quality Assurance Cell, Research Board - Technical Universities (Rajasthan & U.P.), Academic and Administrative Bodies at different Universities, Faculty Selection Board at different Universities, Moderation Committees at RPSC.
- UGC e-pathshala Expert of Atmospheric Chemistry.

#### **International Visits**

## **Visiting Researcher / Professor –**

- National Institute of Standard and Testing, Gaithersburg, U.S.A. (Atmospheric Chemistry).
- Institute of Anorganische Chemie Universiat, Witten/Herdecke Stockumer Germany (atmospheric Chemistry).
- Swedish Meteorological and Hydrological Institute (SMHI) Sweden (Hydrological Modelling and Climate Adaptation).
- Centre for Climate Science an Policy Research (CSPR), Linkoping University, Sweden (Climate Change and Adaptation Policy in Indian Sub-Continent).
- Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE) Helsinki, Finland (Sustainable Urbanization Programme for Hyper Local Urban Air Quality Sensors (IoT)).
- Department of Thematic Studies Linkoping University, Sweden (Societal Impact of Climate Change and Vulnerability Assessment).
- KTH Royal Institute of Technology in Stockholm (Societal Impact of Climate Change and Vulnerability Assessment).

- World Water Weak (2013), Stockholm, Swedan (Represented Indian Scientist Team).
- Research Visit at Italy, France, Denmark, Russia (Climate Change Issues).
- Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA), Mussoorie (Scientist Representative at 'Scientist and Administration Interface Program').

# **Academic Achievements – Patents/Publications/Projects**

#### **Indian Granted Patents:**

- Green catalytic process for aspirin synthesis using fly ash as heterogeneous solid acid catalyst.
- Greener catalytic route for the synthesis of  $\alpha$ - $\alpha$ ' dibenzylidinecyclohexanone by condensation of benzaldehyde and cyclohexanone.
- Fly ash supported bimetallic catalyst (Ni-Co): An efficient and recyclable solid acid catalyst for esterification reaction.
- Microwave irradiated phenyl benzylation using perlite based tungstophosphoric acid catalyst and a process for the preparation thereof.
- A novel solid base catalyst for microwave assisted knoevenagel condensation of benzaldehyde with malononitrile.
- A novel process for converting industrial waste fly ash into value added ferromagnetic material.
- A method of synthesis of novel hybrid filler from fly ash waste polymer for polymeric applications.

#### **Publications:**

- ➤ No. of Research Papers Published in International Journals: 137
- ➤ No. of Research Papers Published in National Journals : 19
- ➤ Books Authored: 03

- ➤ Books edited/chapter: 06
- ➤ Popular Articles: 03
- ➤ Training Modules: 02
- > Papers International presented in Conference/Seminar/Workshop: 29
- > Papers **National** presented in Conference/Seminar/Workshop: 214
- ➤ Invited Talks: 97
- ➤ Government of Sweden (SIDA)
- ➤ Board of Research in Nuclear Sciences (BRNS DAE), Mumbai.
- > DST, New Delhi.

## **Research Projects (Total 3.75 Crore**)

Research Guided

- > DST, Government of Rajasthan, Jaipur.
- Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India.
  - > UGC, New Delhi.
  - ➤ UGC CRO Bhopal.
  - ➤ Indo Swedish Joint Research Project.
  - ❖ Ph.D. 29 (Awarded), 07 (Working).
  - **❖** M.Phil. − 16 (Awarded).
  - **❖** M.Sc. − 316.

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- 60<sup>th</sup> **❖** Professor A.S.R. Birth Anjaneyulu Commemoration Award – ICS, Kolkata.
- **❖** Convention Award Indian Chemical Society.
- ❖ Scientist-In-Charge Physical Chemistry Section, Indian Chemical Society.
- ❖ Affiliate Membership IUPAC.
- ❖ Life Membership Institute of Chemists; Indian Soil Science Society, Indian Chemical Society.

## **Important MoUs Formulated for Academic Collaborations**

**Awards and Recognitions** 

❖ Environmental Sciences through increased and active cooperation - University of Kota and Centre for Climate Science and Policy Research, Linkoping University, Sweden.

- ❖ Knowledge Exchange, Lab Technology Transfer and R&D for Fly Ash Utilization – Department of Pure & Applied Chemistry, University of Kota and DSCL Kota Testing and Consultancy for Environmental and Safety Audit – Chemical Testing and Research Laboratory (CTRL), Kota and Department of Pure & Applied Chemistry, University of Kota.
- ❖ Fly ash used as an active recyclable catalyst support for the synthesis of inflammatory drugs Department of Pure & Applied Chemistry, University of Kota and NRDC, New Delhi.
- ❖ Research Consultancy to Small Scale Industries and University Students Training – Department of Pure & Applied Chemistry, University of Kota and Small Scale Industries, Kota.
- Linkoping University, Sweden.
- > SYKE, Finland.
- Swedish Meteorological and Hydrological Institute, Sweden.
- ➤ University Sains Malaysis, Penang, Malaysia.
- ➤ National Centre of Science & Technology Evaluation, Ministry of Education and Science, Republic of Kazakhstan.
- Centro A.G.U.A., Universidad Mayor de San Simon, Cochabamba, Bolivia.

## **Collaboration / Supports**

- ➤ SMEC Bangladesh Ltd, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- ➤ Research Division of Technoscience Studies, Blekinge Institute of Technology, Karlshamn, Sweden.
- ➤ Indian Institute of Soil Sciences, Bhopal.
- ➤ IIT (ISM), Dhanbad.
- > IUC, Indore.
- ➤ BARC, Mumbai.
- ➤ Defense Research & Development Laboratory (DRDL), DRDO, Hyderabad.
- > CSMCRI, Bhavnagar, Gujrat.

- ➤ SICART, Vallabh Vidyanagar, Anand, Gujrat.
- > CSIR-IMMT, Bhubnshawar.
- C-FARM, New Delhi.
- ➤ National Research Development Centre (NRDC), New Delhi.
- > TIFAC, New Delhi.
- ➤ Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR), New Delhi.
- ➤ IIT, Madras.
- > NCL, Pune.
- ➤ Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai.
- ➤ Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science, Kolkata.
- > C.V.Patel Research Centre, Vile Parle, Mumbai.
- ➤ UGC-DAE Consortium for Scientific Research, Indore.
- ➤ Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar, Gujrat.
- ➤ SAIF< Panjab University, Chandigarh.
- ➤ NEERI, Nagpur.
- > TERI, New Delhi.
- > GITAM University, Visakhapatnam.

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