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Ongoing Research Projects

- All India Coordinated Research Project (Fruits) funded by ICAR for long term (since 2018 onward) as Co-PI
- Consultant's service for Preparation of Package of Practices (CS04 package) for Himachal Pradesh Subtropical Horticulture, Irrigation and Value Addition (HPSHIVA) Project of Department of Horticulture, HP and funded by ADB for 60.0 lahks from 2021-2023 as Co-PI
- Survey, ex-situ selection, introduction and on farm demonstration of wild, underutilized fruit and vegetables for crop diversification under changing climate in Himachal Pradesh as Co-PI

Important Research Publications

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- Banyal, Ajay Kumar, Guleria, Tarun, Banyal, Sanjeev Kumar, Thakur, Asha and Pathania, Sunita. 2022. Standardization of Wedge Grafting Technique in Guava (Psidium guajava L.) under Subtropical Conditions of Himachal Pradesh. International Journal of Bio-resource and Stress Management 2022; 13(3), 252-260. (NAAS Rating: 5.11)
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 Improving Seed Germination and Seedling Growth of Guava under Protected Conditions by Pre-Sowing Chemical and Hormonal Seed Treatments. *Biological Forum An International Journal* 14(1): 151-157. (NAAS Rating: 5.11)

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