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A dynamic and visionary agricultural scientist with over 33 years of research experience, including 25 years exclusively on potato. Specializing in Integrated Pest Management (IPM), crop protection, and sustainable agriculture. Proven success in leading multidisciplinary teams, establishing strategic partnerships with national and international institutions, and spearheading a continuous resource mobilization drive. My extensive research and leadership experience, particularly on potato and other diversified crops at University & ICAR CPRI, Mentored and guided M.Sc. students, Associated with the production, supply, and revenue generation of potato breeder seed, PI of externally funded & consultancy projects, PI of ICAR & University 13 research Projects, Developed IPM package for potato, rice, pulses, Granted a patent for a "Suction-based potato tuber moth trap for storage environments" (Patent Serial No. 200395, 28.06.2025), Associated with human resource development to increase farmer income through 8 Frontline Demonstrations (FLDs), Organized 41 farmers' days/kisan melas and participated in 56 live programs on All India Radio and Doordarshan, Served as Organizing Secretary and Convener for the National symposium on "Harnessing potato innovations, diversity for food and nutritional security" (2025), Organized National Potato Day and Rashtriya Alu Mahotsav-2024, Organized 111 training programs (as Coordinator/Associate) for farmers and other officials, Served as Course Coordinator for a 21-day ICAR-sponsored winter school on "Advancement in potato production technology and its future prospects," Over 100 research papers in NAAS-rated National & International journals, with more than 70 as the first author, 3 books, with 2 as the first author, 8 book chapters, 4 review articles and 34 popular articles, Many awards of best papers presentation & publication in journals & attended National and international training programmes.