

PROFILE OF THE PRINCIPAL

Dr. Savita Pundlikrao Dhoke

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Personal Profile

Miss. Savita Pundlikrao Dhoke is an accomplished agricultural educationist, researcher and academician specializing in **Agricultural Extension Education**. She has academic and research experience in the areas of farm women, health and nutrition, indigenous technical knowledge, agricultural extension, farmers' income enhancement and rural development.

She has been actively involved in teaching, research, academic activities, seminars, conferences, publications and extension-oriented programmes in agriculture.

Educational Qualifications

Degree / Qualification	University / Institution	Year	Specialization / Score
Ph.D. (Agri.)	Vasantrao Naik Marathwada Krishi Vidyapeeth, Parbhani	Passed	Agricultural Extension
M.Sc. (Agri.)	Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola	2013	Agricultural Extension – 8.2/10
B.Sc. (Agri.)	Dr. M.W.C.A., Yavatmal	2011	7.09/10
UGC-NET	University Grants Commission, New Delhi	2014	57.46%
MS-CIT	MSBTE, Mumbai	2011	98%

Research Work

M.Sc. Research:

“Knowledge and Adoption of Health and Nutritional Practices by Farm Women.”

Ph.D. Research:

“Utility Perception of Indigenous Technology Knowledge by Farmers in Disadvantaged Districts of Marathwada Region.”

Academic and Extension Experience

She has participated in and contributed to various academic and field-oriented agricultural programmes, including **Rural Agricultural Work Experience (RAWE)**, biofertilizer-related practical work, preparation of agricultural presentations and practical demonstrations. Her academic interests focus particularly on agricultural extension, indigenous knowledge, women in agriculture, nutrition, rural development and technology adoption.

Research Publications

She has published research papers in national and international journals on subjects including:

- Knowledge and adoption of health and nutritional practices by farm women.
- Constraints faced by beneficiaries and non-beneficiaries of KVKs.
- Profile of KVK beneficiaries and non-beneficiaries.
- Agricultural extension and farmers' income.
- Entrepreneurship and agripreneurship in agriculture.
- Soil-test-based fertilizer recommendations.

Books and Book Chapters

She has contributed to books and scholarly publications in the fields of agricultural extension, agricultural development and indigenous technical knowledge.

Published Book:

Knowledge and Adoption of Health and Nutrition Practices by Farm Women – Lambert Academic Publishing, 2019.

Book Chapters:

- *Entrepreneurial Behaviour of Floriculturists in Akola District of Maharashtra State*
- *Indigenous Traditional Knowledge in Agriculture*

Seminars and Conferences

She has participated in national and international seminars, conferences and symposia and has presented research papers and posters on agricultural extension, agrarian issues, farmers' income, pluralistic extension and agricultural entrepreneurship.

Awards and Achievements

- **Promising Research Scholar Award – 2018**
- Active participation in national and international academic conferences.
- Research publications in reputed journals.
- Contributions to books and scholarly chapters in agricultural sciences.

Training and Online Programmes

She has successfully participated in various online courses, training programmes, quizzes and awareness programmes, including:

- Six-week online agMOOCs course.
- Online COVID-19 Social Awareness Programme.
- COVIDONOMICS online quiz.
- One-week online training programme on **Recent Trends in Academic Writing**.

Professional Memberships

She has held life memberships in professional and scientific societies, including:

- Life Sciences Society, Hyderabad.
- Society for Advancement of Human and Nature.
- Professional journals and scientific societies related to life sciences and agricultural research.

Areas of Interest

Her major areas of academic and professional interest include:

Agricultural Extension Education | Indigenous Technical Knowledge | Women in Agriculture | Rural Development | Farmer Behaviour | Agricultural Entrepreneurship | KVK Activities | Technology Adoption | Health and Nutrition | Sustainable Agricultural Development

Present Position

Miss. Savita Pundlikrao Dhoke is serving as the **Principal of College of Agriculture, Konghara**, affiliated to **Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola**. As Principal, she is committed to strengthening agricultural education, practical learning, student development, research, extension activities and overall academic excellence of the institution.