

### **Biosketch- Dr. Sumit Sahni**

I am working as an Assistant Professor in Department of Environmental Studies, School of Open Learning, Campus of Open Learning since 2023. I have published more than 20 research and review articles in international and national journals of repute and citation more than 70. After more than 15 years in Research and Academics, now I am juggling with Academics, Research, and Administrative responsibilities.

#### **At SOL (2023- present)**

My work profile at SOL includes but not limited to development of various Environmental Science courses for undergraduate and post-graduate students in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode, development of course material, editing and reviewing of the course material. I also serve as the President of Institutions' Innovation Council at SOL where we are creating the environment for the budding innovators and entrepreneurs to start their Start-Up Journey. So far, one start-Up '**10 Arms**' has been spin off from our Council. I am also working as the Nodal Officer of Skill Enhancement Courses Committee (SECC), University of Delhi.

#### **At ANDC (2015-2023)**

Before joining School of Open Learning, I was working as Assistant Professor in Department of Botany in Acharya Narendra Dev College, University of Delhi where apart from teaching and related work I was the founding Coordinator of **Mushroom Research and Skill Development Centre (MRSDC)** to conduct advance level R&D on high Medicinal value Mushrooms. At ANDC, I was a part of the Core Committee for establishment of **Virtual Labs@ANDC**, where virtual labs were developed in four major domains i.e. Physical Sciences, Computer Sciences, Chemical Sciences and Biological Sciences. For more than 3 years I also worked as Nodal Coordinator of **Virtual Labs, IIT DELHI** centre at ANDC.

#### **At MRPC**

I worked as a Scientist in DSIR recognized research organisation '**Mustard Research and Promotion Consortium (MRPC)**' where my work profile was to conduct R &D, developing policies, conduct training programs for Industry and farmers and working as a bridge between the agriculture Industry, academia, government agencies and farmers.