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Qualifications:

Ph.D.(Soil Science and Agriculture Chemistry)

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Research area/ Specialization:

- Land treatment of industrial and municipal wastewater using High Rate Transpiration System (HRTS)
- Reclamation and rejuvenation of metal contaminated soil
- Phytoremediation/Bioremediation of degraded lands/ mine spoil dump using Integrated Biotechnological Approach
- Environmental biotechnology: Process development regarding bioremediation of wastes generated by various Industries.
- Phyto-distillation of wastewater

Major project handled:

1.	Metrology in Science & Technology “MIST” : Preparation of reference materials of Cr & Pb in soil matrix
2.	Engineering of Disaster Mitigation and Health Monitoring for Safe & Smart Built Environment (EDMISSIBLE)” : Bio-engineering - A phytoremediation option for the mitigation of landslide and slope stability problems in the hilly regions
3.	Integrating Bio-Treated Wastewater with Enhanced Water Use Efficiency to Support the Green Economy in EU and India (WATER4CROPS)
4.	Land treatment and disposal of effluent from Mahindra Vehicle Manufactures Ltd (MVML), using high rate transpiration rate system.
5.	Long Term Impact Assessment Study for High Rate Transpiration System (HRTS) at M/S Orient Paper Mills, Amlai, Shahdol, Madhya Pradesh.
6.	Ecological Restoration of Palaspani : Manganese Mine Spoils at M/s. Krishana Ping Alloys Ltd., Sausar, Madhya Pradesh.
7.	Feasibility Studies for Decontamination of abandoned Lagoons using phytoremediation approach at M/s. Jubilant Life Sciences Ltd., Pune, Maharashtra.



Publication:

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- 11) Thawale, P. R., R. Karthik, et al. (2011). "Pulp and paper mill wastewater: can it solve the irrigation water scarcity problem." Tech. J. Eng. App. Sci **1**(1): 1-9.
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- 13) Juwarkar, A. A., A. O. Varghese, Thawale P.R et al. (2011). "Carbon sequestration potential in aboveground biomass of natural reserve forest of Central India." International journal of agriculture: Research and Review **1**(2): 80-86.
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Patents:

- Phyto-distillation of colored waste water to recover pure water. Juwarkar, A. A., Thawale, P. R, S.K. Singh, T. Chakraborti & Satish Wate. Filed in India, on 22 June 2015.
- Phyto-hydraulic system for treatment of wastewater. Thawale, Prashant Ramchandra, Raghunathan, Karthik, Purohit, Hemant Jyothiswarup. Filed in on Dated 25-Jul-2017 Ref. No. 0166NF2017

Achievements/Awards/honors:

- Received Diamond Jubilee Commemoration Medal in M.Sc., 1988-89
- Received Foundation Day Award, 1993 for conspicuous technical support for R&D excellence of the Institute during 1992-93
- Received Gold medal for best poster presentation on advanced technique of extraction of aromatic and essential oils at agrotech exhibition 2005-2006