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Education

- Ph.D., Indian Institute of Technology, New Delhi, (India)- 2004
- M. Tech.(FMP.) Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur- 1990
- B.Sc. (Ag. Engg. & Tech.), Orissa University of Agriculture and Technology, Bhubaneswar- 1988

Experience

Working in OUAT Bhubaneswar since 1990 in different capacities in teaching, research and extension

Externally Funded Projects/ schemes

- a) Development of Laboratory Facility for Bio diesel Production and Testing Centre, (PI) , DST, Gov. of India (completed)
- b) Development of solar hybrid dryer for Kendu leaves drying, (PI)(Science and Technology Dept.,Gov. of Orissa and OREDA (completed)
- c) Production of Karanja-Biodiesel and its bi-products for Agricultural Application (PI) from DST, Gov. of India (completed)
- d) Use of non Edible oil as engine fuel in SVO mode (PI) Science and Technology Dept ,Gov. of Orissa and OREDA (completed)
- e) Installation, Commissioning & Demonstration of Integrated Biodiesel Plant in the State of Orissa Co-PI) DST, Gov. of India and collaboration with IIT Delhi (completed)
- f) Performance Evaluation of Integrated Biodiesel (Co-PI), DST, Gov. of India and collaboration with IIT Delhi (completed)

Courses taught

- Farm Power and Machinery (B.Sc. Ag.)
- Renewable Energy (B. Tech.)
- System Engineering (B. Tech.)
- Renewable energy Technology (B. Tech.)
- Machine Drawing and Computer Graphics (B.Tech)
- Testing and Evaluation of Tractors and Farm Equipments (M.Tech & PhD)

Students guided

Guided two students for Ph.D. in BPUT and Utkal University, 3 students for M. Tech and 15 students for B.Tech

Significant research contributions

- Design and Development of biodiesel plant
- Installation of a 150lts capacity of Integrated Biodiesel plant.
- Biodiesel production from Madhuca Indica , Pongamia Pinattae. Simarauba Glauca Callophyllum Inophyllum
- Development of a heat exchanger for exhaust gas of engine for heating the SVO
- Life cycle analysis of biodiesel
- Production of biogas from different non edible oil cake
- Production of biogas from kitchen waste and Scrubbing of biogas
- Development of a solar hybrid dryer

Present research interests

- · Green, Clean campus and Energy Audit
- Bio-alcohol from different biomass
- Pico solar PV application in Agriculture

Honours and Awards

- Best Research Scientist for the year 2009-10 of Odisha University of Agriculture and Technology
- Abel Wolman Memorial Award-2012 by Institute of Engineers ,Odisha State Centre
- Gauri Shankar Sahu Memorial Award-2012 by Institute of Engineers, Odisha State Centre
- Sadananda Memorial Award-2012 by Institute of Engineers, Odisha State Centre

Peer recognition

- Referee of many national/ international Journals on Agricultural Engineering and Renewable Energy
- Expert member in the application of different Renewable Energy appliances in different sectors .
- Consultant and resource person to different Govt. and non-Government organizations on application of Clean energy
- Member of several state and national level committees working on farm power and machinery & Renewable Energy

Publications

Co-authored 3 books with ISBN numbers, 2 books/ course manuals (without ISBN), 50 research papers in peer reviewed journals and more than 10popular technical articles.

Selected publications

 A.K.Pradhan, M.K.Mohanty & S.K.Kar The Tecno Economic & Environmental Assessments of Grid-connected Photovoltaic Systems in Bhubaneswar, India, International Journal of Environmental Ecological and Mining Engineering, Vol.8,No.4,2114,248-254.

- N.H.S.Ray, P.R. Swain , M.K.Mohanty, An Investigation on Performance Characteristics of C.I. Engine Using Biogas and Diesel in Duel Fuel Mode, International Journal of Science , Engineering and Technology Research, Vol.3,No.6,2114,1716-1723.
- Nabnit Panigrahi, **M. K. Mohanty**, S. K. Acharya, S. R Mishra, R. C. Mohanty, Experimental Investigation of Karanja Oil as a Fuel for Diesel Engine-Using Shell and Tube Heat, International Journal of Chemical, Materials Science and Engineering Vol.8,No.1,2114,91-98.
- Nabnit Panigrahi , Sruti R Mishra , Mahendra K Mohanty , Ramesh C Mohanty Performance Evaluation of CI Engine using Biodiesel from High FFA Polanga oil, Procedia Engineering ,2013.
- S.R. Mishra, M.K. Mohanty, S.P. Das and A.K. Pattanaik Optimization of base catalyzed transesterification of Simaroubaglauca oil for biodiesel production, International Journal of Sustainable Energy, 2013
- N Panigrahi & M.K. Mohanty, EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATION ON THE PERFORMANCE OF NOME FUELLED C.I ENGINES, International Review of Mechanical Engineering (I.RE.M.E.),2012,6:7,1586-1592.
- N.Panigrahi, M.K.Mohanty, & A.K.Pradhan Non-Edible Karanja Biodiesel- A Sustainable Fuel for C.I. Engine, International Journal of Engineering Research and Applications (IJERA),2012, 2:6,853-860
- M.K. Mohanty, S.R. Mishra, N. Panigrahi Biodiesel Production from Various Tree-Borne Oils, Journal of Biofuel, 3(1), 2012
- Mishra Sruti Ranjan, Mohanty Mahendra Kumar and Pattanaik Ajay Kumar Preparation of Biodiesel from Crude oil of Simarouba glauca using CaO as a Solid Base Catalyst, Research Journal of Recent Sciences, 1(9), 2012

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