

**GSDP PARTICIPANT PROFILE**

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Profile (Knowledge and talent –strength)  I am always enthusiastic towards reasoning and exploring subjects that have been very less described. I am also concerned about the social benefit and ecological aspects of everything I come across. This has always helped me to be critical and to improve my scientific temper. I am interested in understanding the diversity of life on earth for which I am continuously improving my skills in taxonomy and observation. I am able to identify trees based on their attributes and I am good at identifying insects belonging to the taxa, Lepidoptera and Coleoptera. I am good at making things simpler so that science can be conveyed in the language of laymen rather than making it complex.		

Learning (Career) from the Course –

Valuation of Ecosystem Goods and Services (organised jointly by ENVIS Centres at IISc and EMPRI, Bangalore)

The course has helped me to better understand the various services provided by ecosystem both direct and indirect in terms of value. This would be more useful especially when it comes to awareness on nature conservation. Many a times, convincing politicians and corporate people have been very difficult and controversial as to why we should conserve natural resources over development. Representing resources and the services we get from nature in terms of value would solve this problem and to encourage sustainable development. The course has also helped me greatly to systematically document animals as well as plants so that almost all their relevant features are included. This would assist me to further understand their taxonomical aspects. GIS mapping of areas and resource location is a very new field of exploration. I am able to understand its significance and it is now helping me to document and map my region by which I can contribute in the Biodiversity Register of my Panchayat.

Upgraded Profile and your possible role in the future

As a beginner in taxonomy, the training on valuation of Ecosystem goods and services would help me to better organize the output of my studies and documentation of natural resources. And also, it would be more social and far reaching to represent the ecosystem in terms of value so that there would be more concern about its conservation. This will help me to raise voice in subjects of “ecosystem modification projects”, both in Panchayat level and State level. The GIS mapping is now helping me to map my Village boundaries and also to include the natural resources like trees and animals in it. In this way, I can also be a part of decision making in my locality. I have learnt to be punctual and discipline, and also to act systematically. The course has helped me to address social problems scientifically and also find solutions that are sustainable as well as beneficial to both humans and ecosystem.