

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Name** : R.V.S.SUNDARAM
- Date of Birth** : 21-04-1948
- Place of birth** : Nellore, Andhra Pradesh, India
- Address** : 498, Chitrabhanu Road, Mysuru, India, 570023
- Education** : 1962, S.S.L.C., R.S.R.M.High School, Nellore
1967, B.Sc., Zoology, University of Madras
1969, M.A., Telugu, University of Madras
1974, M.A., Kannada, Karnatak University
1986, M.A., Sanskrit, University of Mysore
1973, Ph.D., University of Mysore, 'Folksongs in Telugu and Kannada'
1987, D.Litt., South Indian Studies, University of Mysore
- Specialization** : Folklore, Classical literature and Comparative Literature
- Languages known** : Telugu, Kannada, English, Sanskrit, Tamil and Hindi
- Academic Positions held:** 1991-93, Dean, School of Literature, Rajahmundry Campus, Telugu University
2005-07, Director, Prasārāṅga (Publication Directorate) University of Mysore, Mysore
2007-08, Professor and Director, Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies, University of Mysore, Mysore
2013, Chair, Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) and a Visiting Professor, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, U.S.A.
- Other positions** : 1986, Visiting Fellow at *Dhvanyaloka*, a literary criterion centre, Mysore
2000, Visiting Professor at Satya Sai University, Puttaparthi, A.P.
2004, Visiting Fellow at Telugu University, School of Literature
2005-11, Member, Executive Council, Dravidian University, Kuppam
2011-18, Visiting Professor, South Asia Studies, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, U.S.A.
2014, Visiting Professor, Karnataka Folklore University

- Teaching experience** : 1969 -73, Degree Classes, M.F.G.College, Chintamani, Karnataka
1973-2008, M.A. Classes, University of Mysore (More than 34 years of teaching M.A. Classes in South Indian Studies, Folklore, Telugu and Kannada
1990-93, First Professor of Folklore in Andhra Pradesh, Telugu University
2003-14, Head, Kannada Language Program, American Institute of Indian Studies, Mysore Centre
Total experience 39 years + 10 years after retirement
- Published Books** More than 100 books and monographs published in Telugu, Kannada and English (these include Poetry, Criticism, Folklore, Translation, Novel, Linguistics, Life-sketch, Drama, Editing and Text-Books)
- These books are published by reputed publishers like Central Sahitya Akademi, Andhra Pradesh Sahitya Akademi, University of Mysore, Telugu University, Kannada University, National Book Trust, Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Visalandhra Book House, Centre of Excellence for Studies in Classical Telugu, Centre of Excellence for Studies in Classical Kannada, Jawaharlal Nehru University and Manohar Books
- Edited Text-Books for the Government of Karnataka
- Edited 20 issues of Janapadam, a bulletin of Folklore, 20 issues of Chaitanya Kavita, a Poetry journal in Telugu.
- Edited 12 issues of Anikethana, the official journal of Karnataka Sahitya Akademi. Edited Prabuddha Karnataka, the literary journal of the University of Mysore and Samsodhana, a research journal
- Papers and Articles** : About 200 Papers and Articles published in Telugu, Kannada and English in reputed journals and News papers like Prabudha Karnataka, Locana, Moosi, Vangmayi, Prajavani, Vijaya Karnataka, Andhra Jyothi, Bharati,Varta, Andhra Bhoomi and many Felicitations Volumes
- Summer Schools etc.** : 1984, Faculty member, Summer School of Folklore, Refresher Courses, Osmania University, Hyderabad
1986, Summer School of Folklore, Bharatiar University, Coimbatore
1991, Co-Coordinator, Telugu Refresher Course, Telugu University,
1996, Co-Coordinator, Kannada training course for I.A.S., I.P.S., and I.F.S. Officers
1997,2001, Co-Coordinator, Kannada Refresher Courses, University of Mysore

- 1998, Co-Coordinator, National Seminar on Folklore Studies in India**
- Faculty member, As Instructor of Refresher Courses in Telugu, Kannada, English, Sanskrit, Folklore, Fine Arts and Malayalam at the University of Mysore, S.V. University, Telugu University, Osmania University, Kuvemp University, Kannada University, Calicut University, Bangalore University, Dravidian University, Madurai-Kamaraj University**
- Visits abroad :** 1982, U.S.A. on invitation to World Folk Epic Conference, University of Wisconsin
1983, U.S.A. on deputation to North America Telugu Conference, Washington
2011-18, U.S.A. every year (six semesters at the University of Pennsylvania)
- Guidance :** 21 Ph.D. and 14 M.Phil. scholars in Telugu, Kannada, Folklore and South Indian Studies (University of Mysore, Telugu University and Kannada University)
- Projects :** Completed a research project on Folklore of Nellore District in 1979 under the scheme of U.G.C. assistance to University teachers
Completed a project on South Indian Folk Arts as a fellow of Dhvanyaloka, a reputed literary criteria center at Mysore
Completed a major project entitled 'Documentation and Analysis of Traditional Foods in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka' funded by University Grants Commission
- Awards :** 1968-69, A.P. Sahitya Akademi Award for a book on Native Poetry in Telugu literature and published in 1970
1983, Award for book written in a language other than mother-tongue, Union Ministry of Education
1990, Award by the Ministry of Human Resources Development.
1990, First Prize, Short Story Writing Competition, Gulbarga University
2000, Palkuriki Somanatha Award
2006, Bhasha Bharati award for Translation, Central Institute of Indian Languages, Ministry of HRD
- Seminar Papers** About 200 papers presented in State level, National level and International Seminars and Conferences. Invited by several Universities and Institutions in Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and other places to present papers and to Chair sessions.

Invited by reputed Institutions and Universities like Central Sahitya Akademi, Karnataka Sahitya Akademi, University Wisconsin, USA, Folklore Institute, Indiana University, USA, Alabama University etc.

Memberships : **Member, Academic Senate, Telugu University**
Chairman, Board of Studies in South Indian Studies, University of Mysore, **Chairman, Board of Studies in Telugu, University of Mysore**
Member, Board of Studies in Folklore, Board of Studies in Linguistics, University of Mysore
Member, Board of Studies in Telugu, Bangalore University, Board of Studies in Folklore, Dravidian University, Board of Studies in Comparative Studies, Madurai-Kamaraj University
Member, Board of Studies in Folk Arts, Telugu University, Board of Studies in Telugu, S.K. University, Gulbarga University
Member, Board of Studies, Dravidic Studies, Kannada University
Member, Academic Council, University of Mysore.
Member of the Jury, Central Sahitya Akademi Awards, Karnataka Sahitya Akademi Awards
Member, Executive Council, Dravidian University
Executive Editor, Encyclopaedia of South Indian Folklore (in Telugu and Kannada)

Other Activities **Examiner for M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D. and D.Litt. for several Universities in the country and abroad**
Adjudicated about 250 D.Litt., Ph.D. and M.Phil. Theses for University of Mysore, University of Madras, University of Hyderabad, Bangalore University, Osmania University, Gulbarga University, Kakateeya University, Nagarjuna University, Padmavati University, S.K. University, Banaras Hindu University, S.V. University, Andhra University, Kannada University Emory University, U.S.A. etc.
Served for UGC, UPSC, Central Sahitya Akademi, National Book Trust, Bharateeya Jnana Peeth, Birla Foundation, Vatsalya award Committee as an expert
Debater and Competitor during student days
'B' certificate in N.C.C.
President of Cultural Organizations like Desi Trust and Folk Culture Trust, Mysore
Folk Artist, Magician, Actor, Directed more than 100 street plays
Directed 13 episodes of TV serial for Chandana on Musical Tradition of Karnataka
Prepared a serial of 10 episodes in Telugu, Kannada and English on Literary harmony for Educational Multimedia Research Centre of Mysore University
Conducted Seminars and Conferences like Seminar on Nativism, Workshop on Research, Workshop on Native Medicine, National Conference on Folklore Research, Seminar on Traditional Foods.

PUBLISHED BOOKS AND MONOGRAPHS
Selected

POETRY

1. *Ādhunika Vēmana śatakamu*, Telugu verse, 1969 ē
2. *Digambara kavīte*, tr. from Telugu to Kannada, 1971
3. *Piṭṭu rāgagaḷa dozen*, from Telugu to Kannada, 1976
4. *Gorillā*, tr. from Telugu to Kannada, 1980
5. *Nidrāpuṣpaṃ*, 1985
6. *Sundara prabhava*, 1987
7. *Nadi-Nagaraṃ*, 1996
8. *ALL ALONE IN THE SKY*, 2002
9. *Caṇḍāla svargārōhaṇam*, tr. from Kannada to Telugu, 2004

NOVEL – SHORT STORY

1. *Samskāraṃ*, tr. from Kannada to Telugu, 1974
2. *Ākāśa ganga*, tr. from Kannada to Telugu, 1975
3. *Sangavijaya*, tr. from Telugu to Kannada, 1986
4. *Bhāvana*, tourist novel in Telugu, 1993
5. *Vidyārthi*, novel in Telugu, 1995
6. *Cidambara rahasyaṃ*, tr. from Kannada to Telugu, 1996
7. *Sāvira heḍegaḷu*, tr. from Telugu to Kannada and published in Nūtana, 2000
8. *Birugāḷi*, tr. from Telugu to Kannada, 2000

CRITICISM AND RESEARCH

1. *Telugu sāhityamulō dēśi kavīta*, 1970
2. *Kannaḍa sāhitya caritra*, History of Kannada Literature, 1977
3. *Telugu bhāṣe mattu sāhitya*, Telugu Language and Literature in Kannada, 1981
4. *Pariśōdhana paddhatulu*, 1990, 2009
5. *Digambara kavigaḷu* in Kannada, 2002
6. *Dēśi-dēśīyate-dēśīvāda* in Kannada, 2003
7. *Dakṣiṇabhāratīya sāhitya* in Kannada, 2005
8. *Granthapariśkaraṇaśāstraṃ* in Telugu, 2011
9. *Śāstrasāhitya* in Kannada
10. *Samśōdhaneya tattva mattu vidhāna*, 2013

FOLKLORE

1. *Ālicippalu-Āṇimutyālu*, Telugu folk songs, 1974
2. *Jānapada sāhitya svarūpaṃ*, 1976, 1993
3. *Jānapada sāhityada mūla tattvagaḷu*, principles of Folk Literature in Kannada, 1976
4. *Telugu-Kannaḍa jānapada gēyālu*, Ph.D. thesis, 1979
5. *Jānapada sāhityaṃ*, 1982
6. *Āndhrula jānapada vijñānam*, D.Litt. thesis in Telugu, 1983, 1993, 2004, 2014
7. *Karnāṭakāndhra yakṣagāna samīkṣe*, Comparative study in Kannada, 1985
8. *Bhāṣa-jānapadaṃ*, ed. essays on Language and Folklore, 1986
9. *Āndhrapradēṣ jānapada*, tr. from English to Kannada, 1987
10. *Jānapada sāhitya saurabham*, a text-book of Telugu Folk Literature, ed. with others, 2002
11. *Folk intelligence and other essays*, 2008

12. *Dakṣiṇabhāratīya jānapada kōśa*, Encyclopaedia in Kannada, 2011
13. *Dakṣiṇabhāratīya jānapada vijñāna kōśam*, Encyclopaedia in Telugu, 2011
14. *Dakṣiṇabhāratīya dēśī kṛṣivijñāna kōśa*, Encyclopaedia in Kannada, 2015
15. *Dēśī āhārapaddhati*, 2015

LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS

1. *Telugu-Kannada svayamōdhini*, Reader for learning Kannada, 1977
2. *Bhāṣe mattu bhāṣāvijñāna*, on Language and Linguistics in Kannada, 1978
3. *ḍhvani vijñāna*, on Phonetics, 1979

LIFE-SKETCH

1. *Pathabhi Seetharamaiah*, in Kannada, 1980
2. *K.Ramakoteswara Rao*, in Kannada, 1980
3. *Panje Mangesha Rao*, tr. from English to Telugu, 1981
4. *Pāḷkurike Sōmanātha*, in Kannada, 1983
5. *C.R.Reddy*, tr. from English to Kannada, 1986
6. *Vēmana*, in Kannada, 1991

CLASSICAL & OTHER WORKS

1. *Nannaya bhāratam*, Nannaya Bharata in prose, 1993
2. *Racanāsvādanam*, a book on 25 years of writing by the author, 1994
3. *Mahābhāratada nīti kathegaḷu*, fables from Mahabharata, 1995
4. *Kṛīḍābhīrāma*, tr. from Telugu to Kannada, 2000
5. *Kāṭamarājana kathe*, based on Telugu Folk Epic, 2000
6. *Anīla āṛādhana*, long poem in Kannada composed along with others, 2002

EDITED WORKS

1. *Anantarāgam*, Felicitation volume of Rallapalli Anantakrishna Sarma, 1977
2. *Rāḷḷapalli pūṭhikalū*, Prefaces of Rallapalli, 1978
3. *Paṭhabhi pañcāṅgam*, Puns of Pathabhi, 1980
4. Telugu Text Books
5. 21 issues of a Folklore journal, *Jānapadam*
6. 20 issues of a Poetry journal, *Caitanya kavita*
7. 12 issues of *Anikētana*, the journal of Karnataka Sahitya Akademi
8. *Prabuddha karnāṭaka*, literary journal of the University of Mysore