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Employment Record	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indian Administrative Services, 2017 – Till Date <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commissioner of Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department, Government of Kerala, July 2021 onwards State Mission Director, National Ayush Mission, Kerala, July 2021 District Collector & District Magistrate - Kasaragod District, August, 2018 to July, 2021 Registrar of Co-operative Societies, October, 2017 to August, 2018 Chief Executive Officer, Additional Skill Acquisition Programme (ASAP), Department of Higher Education, October 2017 – April 2018 Secretary, Institute of Land and Disaster Management [ILDLM], Kerala State Land Revenue Department, July 2016 – October 2017 Deputy Collector, Kerala State Land Revenue Department, October 2015 - July 2016 [<i>Also held additional charge of Additional District Magistrate</i>] Associate Fellow, Institute of Management in Government [IMG], June 2014 – October 2015 Deputy Collector, Kerala State Land Revenue Department, August 2006 - June 2014 [<i>Was also the Special Officer for Kerala State Land Bank & Nodal Officer for State IT Cell (Revenue)</i>] Assistant Professor (Agronomy), Kerala Agricultural University, April 2000 – November 2006 Agricultural Field Officer, Corporation Bank, February 1998 - March 2000 Technical Officer, Kerala Horticultural Development Programme (KHDP), October 1997 – January 1998 	
A Snapshot of Relevant Work Experience		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As an Officer of the Indian Administrative Services (IAS) during October 2017 till date, Dr Sajith's achievements are summarized below:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepared an e-book 'A prelude to Kerala Land Revenue Manual' which is a first-of-its-kind book on land reforms since the formation of the State of Kerala in 1956 		

- Won the Government of India's **National Award [Gold] on E-Governance 2019-20** for his project, '*We Deserve: Right Assistance to the Right Person at the Right Time*' which helped differently-abled people obtain a UDID (Unique Disability ID) linked disability card to avail government schemes
 - Received the 2nd '**National Water Award**' in 2021 instituted jointly by the Government of India and the Government of Israel in 2021
 - Received '**Best e-Governed District Award**' as District Collector of Kasargod in 2018
 - Was shortlisted for the prestigious '**Prime Minister's Award in Public Service Delivery and grievance redressal**' in 2020
 - Organized a 'Pattaya Mela' in 2020 and **more than 2000 landless people were provided titles of land**
 - Facilitated the **land acquisition pertaining to the widening of NH 66**, thereby making Kasargod the first district to complete the processes and having 83.64% of required land in the possession of Government.
 - Was specially recognized and commended for his spearheading of Kasargod's successful management and containment of the COVID19 pandemic when Kasargod was the worst-hit District in terms of positive cases and had shortage of health facilities and health personnel
 - Initiated the **Digital Land Settlement Survey** at Ballal village in Vellarikund taluk of Kasargod district in 2019 to facilitate seamless land transactions without any official hurdles.
 - Ensured that **Kasargod was declared the first district in the country to achieve 100% insurance to all the farmers** in the district
 - Conducted more than 100 **sand raids** and facilitated disposal of 263 cases and collection of an amount of Rs. 27,90,000 as fines.
 - Conceptualized and implemented the 'Bamboo Capital of Kerala' project which **integrated MGNREGS with various other development schemes of other Departments like Agriculture, Forestry, and Local Self Government** to plant bamboo seedlings to rejuvenate the dead laterite tracts through biological conservation of soil and water.
 - **Evicted illegal occupants on 37 acres of land** in Kasargod and development of those areas for tourism
 - Conceptualized and implemented the Unnathi project for skill building and training of localites in Kasargod for qualifying for government jobs
 - Conceptualized and implemented the Thadayana [Check Dam] festival to construct 6000 small check dams such that small water streams could be rejuvenated and water supply could be ensured even in peak summer season. For the first time in the history of Kasargod District, government-aided water supply was not required due to self-sufficiency brought about by the project
 - Implementation of a 1000-Day Programme of the Government, with the inauguration of 72 projects on a single day of the programme. No other districts could claim such a credit.
- During his tenure as **Secretary of the Institute of Land and Disaster Management [ILDMD] under the Kerala State Land Revenue Department** during 2016 – 17, Dr Sajith handled the administration of the ILDM, and also delivered classes on **good governance, land governance and government service delivery**.
 - During his tenure as **Deputy Collector of the Kerala State Land Revenue Department**, October during 2015 – 16, he ensured successful conduct of elections, revenue recovery and disaster management initiatives. He also held an additional charge of Additional District Magistrate for a period of 3 months.
 - As Associate Fellow of the Institute of Management in Government [IMG], he delivered classes and sessions on **good governance, land governance and government service delivery**
 - As **Deputy Collector of the Kerala State Land Revenue Department** during 2006-14, during which he also held an additional responsibility as the Special Officer for Kerala State Land Bank & Nodal Officer for State IT Cell (Revenue)], his major achievements were as follows:-
 - Won the **Certificate Of Merit from the Chief Minister of Kerala in 2013** for his exemplary

- contributions towards implementing the e-District project in Kerala
 - Won the **1st Chief Minister's Innovation Award in 2011 for the project Kerala State Land Bank.**
 - Successfully **evicted encroachments in Government land and resumed lands to the tune of 900 acres** [which includes 708 acres in Ponmudi which is a hill station with significant land encroachments] in 2008
 - Was posted as the **first Special Officer for the innovative Kerala State Land Bank Programme** in 2008
 - Was posted as **first Nodal officer of the State IT Cell (Revenue)** in 2008 to co-ordinate all the computerization programmes of Department of Revenue
 - Developed **content and design of the websites of Kerala State Land Bank (www.kslb.gov.in), Commissionerate of Land Revenue (www.clrkerala.gov.in) www.zerolandless.kerala.gov.in and www.ildm.kerala.gov.in** during 2008-2012
 - Visited countries like U.K., Australia, Srilanka, Maldives, South Korea and Nepal as part of training and exposure visits.
- As Assistant Professor (Agronomy) in the Kerala Agricultural University during 2000 – 06, he was involved in teaching, research and extension activities. He was extensively involved in assisting local bodies in developmental activities. His major achievements are:-
 - Was awarded Student fellowship from Karnataka State Council for Science and Technology (KSCST) for Ph.D. research
 - Was the Principal Investigator for “*Janakeeya Susthira Nelkrishi Vikasana Paddhathi*” a comprehensive rice improvement model programme formulated for the Trivandrum District Panchayath worth Rs.6.15 lakhs implemented successfully at Kollayil grama panchayath.
 - Was the honorary **HRD Co-ordinator of Indian Agricultural Association (IAA)** which is a national-level professional body of agricultural graduates
 - Was a **member of the Academic Committee** of the *Grameena Padana Kendram* attached to the Nirmal Award winning Karakulam grama panchayath
 - Was **UN Consultant for Maldives and Lakshadweep** on raised bed cultivation in a UNIDO project during 2006
 - As Agricultural Field Officer of Corporation Bank during 1998 – 2000, he was involved in the assessment of feasibility of loan proposals and recovery of overdue loans. He assessed the technical and economic feasibility of more than 200 loan proposals to the tune of over INR 3 crores at Kushalnagar branch in Karnataka and won Asset Club Membership award for the excellence in recovery of written-off loans in the year 2000.
 - As Technical Officer of the Kerala Horticultural Development Programme (KHDP) during 1997 – 98, he conducted and coordinated several training and capacity building programmes for Master Trainers and farmers.

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Professional Trainings Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Induction Training for IAS officers, LBSNAA, Mussorie & South Korea, 2018 • Winter school on anaerobic microorganisms Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, 2000 • Training on Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Disasters, National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM) 2009 • Chief Information Officer, NISG, Hyderabad & Australia, 2012 • Executive course on coffee cultivation, Coffee Research Station (CRS), Balehonnur, 1999
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