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Publications	a) Research papers : 10 b) Books : 2 c) Book chapters : 2 d) Popular articles: 5 e) Abstracts: 3		
Representative Research Papers	1. <b>Thondaiman Velayutham</b> , K. Rajamani, N. Shoba, A. John Joel and N. Senthil. 2013. Variability studies and identification of high yielding plus trees of cocoa ( <i>Theobroma cacao</i> L.) in Tamil Nadu. <b>African J. Agri. Res.</b> , <b>8(26)</b> : 3444-3453. 2. <b>Velayutham Thondaiman</b> , K. Rajamani, N. Senthil, N. Shoba and A. John Joel. Genetic diversity in cocoa ( <i>Theobroma cacao</i> L.) plus trees in Tamil Nadu by simple sequence repeat (SSR) markers. <b>African J. Biotech.</b> , <b>12(30)</b> : 4747-4753. 3. <b>Thondaiman, V.</b> and K. Rajamani. 2014. Correlation and path coefficient analysis of yield components in cocoa ( <i>Theobroma cacao</i> L.). <i>Journal of Plantation Crops</i> , 42(3): 27-32.		

	<p>4. Smitha, G. R. and <b>V. Thondaiman</b>. 2016. Reproductive biology and breeding system of <i>Saraca asoca</i> (Roxb.) De Wilde: a vulnerable medicinal plant. <b>Springer Plus (2016) 5:2025</b>. DOI 10.1186/s40064-016-3709-9.</p> <p>5. <b>Thondaiman V</b>, Nagaraja Reddy R, Chinapolaiah A and Manivel P. 2018. Studies on variability, correlation and path coefficient of <i>Asalio</i> (<i>Lepidium sativum</i> L.). <i>Journal of Pharmacognosy and Phytochemistry</i> ; 7(1): 1154-1157.</p> <p>6. G.R. Smitha, , B.B. Basak, <b>V. Thondaiman</b> and Ajoy Saha. 2019. Nutrient management through organics, bio-fertilizers and crop residues improves growth, yield and quality of sacred basil (<i>Ocimum sanctum</i> Linn). <i>Industrial Crop and Products</i>, 128: 599-606.</p>
Awards	<p><b>Dr. K. Balaraman Award</b> for the <b>Best Ph.D. thesis in Horticulture and Gold Medal</b> by Tamil Nadu Agricultural University</p>