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Apart from his teaching and managerial responsibilities, he has been active in research and innovative works. He has been associated with many international conferences/publications including IEEE as program committee, keynote speaker, scientific committee and reviewer. In 2020 alone, he has been involved for resourcing 12 international trainings/workshops, 6 webinars, reviewer in 9 different international conference, 7 keynote presentation in international conference and published two chapters in different books. His area of interests includes power engineering and energy system with major focuses on Renewable Energy. He is also the recipients of International Golden Award as "Dynamic Academician Award 2020 2.0", Eudoxia Research Centre in 2020, "251 Global Fabulous Education Leaders awards" from world education congress in 2019 and "Bronze Medal" for his dedication services from the Royal Government of Bhutan in 2017.

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