

**BIO-DATA OF SHRI K.V. RAO, DY. SUPERINTENDING ARCHAEOLOGIST (Rtd)**  
**ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA**

1. Name : K.VENKATESHWARA RAO
2. Date of Birth : 17.06.1942
3. Educational Qualification : i. M.A (History & Archaeology), Osmania University, Hyderabad 1965.  
ii. Post Graduate Diploma in Archaeology from 1971-72 session of School of Archaeology, New Delhi.
4. Experience : Joined the Archaeological Survey of India as Exploration Assistant in Hyderabad Circle on 10-12-1965 and has worked since then in various posts indifferent circles and Museums.
5. Experience Museums : As Assistant Superintending Archaeologist, I served in the Museums at Lothal (1978), Dist: Ahmedabad, Velha Goa (1978-79), Amaravati (1979-80), Dist: Guntur (A.P), Chandragiri, Dist: Chittoor(A.P.), (1988) Bijapur, Badami, Aihole (1989-90) in Karnataka and improved the display of exhibits in these museums.  
  
As Dy. Superintending Archaeologist with Headquarters at Velha Goa (1992-96) controlled the Museums at Velha Goa, Lothal, Bijapur, Badami, Hampi and Aihole, Held the additional charge of Badami, Bijapur and Aihole Museums in Gujarath, Goa, Andhra Pradesh and Karntaka States and gained rich experience in the Museums.
6. Experience inExcavation : Participated in the excavation conducted at Purana Qila(1971-72), New Delhi, Amaravati(1973), A.P, Kanaganahalli (1998), Koppal(1999) and Mirjan(2000) in Karnataka , Independantly conducted excavation at Chandravalli, Dist: Chitradurga (1978) in Karnataka.
7. Countries Visited : 1. Deputed to England by Government of India to undergo short – term course in Museum during 1985 in London.  
2. Invited by Government of Portugal on a study tour of Museums/Monuments at Lisbon, Coimbra, Porto and other places during 1995

8. Deputations : Deputed to Government of Goa, Dama & Diu as Exploration Officer in Goa Archives, Panaji during 1975 and explored new sites in Goa.
9. Articles published : Published the following Research papers
1. Pre-historic Karnataka
  2. Archaeology of Kolar District
  3. Pre-historic Goa.
  4. Architecture of fort Augada – A fresh study.
  5. Defence architecture in Goa.
  6. Life scenes of Buddha as depicted in Nagarjuna Konda Museum.
  7. A rare Stupa slab from Nagarjuna Konda Museum
  8. Museums in Karnataka.
  9. Portuguese influence on Indian Monuments during 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> centuries AD.
  10. Conservation and preservation of old Goa museum and its antiquities.
  11. Vyalas from Ramappa temple Palampet Dist Waranagal. A.P
  12. Urbanisation of Old Goa during 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> Centuries AD.
  13. Stupa-Slabs from Amareswara Temple, Amaravati.
  14. Lajja Gowri Cult in Northern Karnataka
  15. Epigraphs from Buddhist Stupa at Kanaganahalli, Dist.Gulbarga.
  16. Buddhism in Laksha Dweep islands
  17. Place names mentioned in the inscriptions in Upper Krishna Valley.
  18. Buddhist Vestiges in Laksha Dweep islands.
  19. Relic caskets from Buddhist Stupas in Andhra Desa.
  20. Lakshadweep – Its historical background
  21. Contribution of Vijayapuri to Buddhism.
  22. My association with Dr. Venkateshaiah.
  23. Veerashiava cult in Telangana.
10. Held Postions : I have worked as Dy. Superintending Archaeologist from 19-12-1996 in Dharwad Circle of Archaeological Survey of India in the scale of pay of Rs.8000-275-13500 with pay@ Rs. 12675/- and retired in Hyderabad circle on 30.06.2002 with total emoluments of Rs.21827/-pm
11. Seminars attended : Attended both International and National seminars in and outside India and presented papers on different topics. Delivered Endowment Lecture on Prof. V.S. Wakankar, Vikram university, Ujjain.

12. Published Books : 1. Revised the guide book on Old-Goa, published by Archaeological Survey of India, New Delhi.  
2. Translated the Kannada book in Telugu for JSS Mahavidyapita, Mysuru
13. Administrative Experience : Worked as Head of Office, Drawing and Disbursing Officer(DDO) and Cheque Drawing DDO in Museums and Circles from 1978 on wards and fully equipped with Rules & Regulations and Accounts. I have gained enough administrative experience while serving Archaeological Survey of India in different capacities.
14. Present Position : 1. Worked as Archaeological Consultant for the Union Territory of Lakshadweep for setting up the Golden Jubilee Museum at Agatti.  
2. Worked as a Technical Consultant for Government of Karnataka from 24.11.2003 to 30.06.2006 and established a Museum for Upper Krishna Project at Bagalkot in Karnataka state.  
3. Worked as Special Officer in the Dept. of Archaeology and Museums Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh  
4. Setup archaeological Galleries in Manjusha Museum at Dharmasthala, Karnataka during 2018  
5. Presently working as Special Officer in JSS Museum, Suttur, Mysore Dist From 17.02.2019 till date
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