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Dr.A.John De Britto obtained his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science Degree in Botany from St.Joseph's College (Autonomous), Trichy. He completed his M.Phil., Degree from the same college. Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.,) was awarded by Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai. He also obtained Master of Psychology Degree from Annamalai University, Chidambaram and PGDCA from Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli.

He has completed 30 years of teaching and he has 25 years of research experience in **St.Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai** in the field of Molecular Biology, Phytochemistry, and Environmental Science. He has taught Foundation Courses (Personality Development, Value Education and Social Awareness) for 30 years. He has completed **14 Major Projects** and **7 Minor projects** funded by **TNSCST, UGC, DST, CSIR, ICMR, MOEF, PWD, Tamil Nadu and ICSSR** which include both scientific and socially relevant projects. He has published **six books** on Environmental Science, Biostatistics, Bioinformatics and Personality Development. He also published **217** research articles in National and International Journals. Under his able guidance, **27** research scholars have been awarded **Ph.D., Degree** and **24** scholars have been awarded **M.Phil., Degree**.

He has participated in various International Exchange Programmes, Seminars and Conferences and presented papers in countries like Japan (1992, 2000), China (1997, 2005), United Kingdom (1995), USA (1999,2009,2014, 2016) Finland (2003), Thailand (2003), Australia (2007, 2011), Czech Republic (2005), Jordan (2012), Portugal (2005), Austria (2005) and Denmark (2016).

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He held many positions such as **NSS Programme Officer**, **NSS Programme Coordinator** of Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli, Dean of Science, Dean of Research, Member in Academic Council, Board of Studies, Governing Body, IQAC, NAAC, CPE etc., He is a motivational speaker and trainer and he has trained students and staff of various schools, colleges and other institutions.