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He is well known for various research articles in Hybrid Rice for Indian farmers, Hybrid Rice for Tomorrow's Food Security, agricultural diversification in favour of non-traditional and high nutrient value food crops and Genetically Modified food crops. He is also a frequent presenter at various national and international conferences.

Janaiah was born in agriculturist family on 2 May 1964 to Aldas Janamma and Aldas Saidulu Goud in Mamidala village of Thipparthi Mandal in Nalgonda district of Andhra Pradesh in India.

He did his BSc (agriculture) in 1987 and MSc (agricultural economics) in 1989 from Acharya N. G. Ranga Agricultural University, PhD (agricultural economics) in 1995 from Banaras Hindu University

Career and Assignments

- He joined as a scientist (agricultural economics) at Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) in 1991 until 2005.
- He was as a project scientist and post doctoral fellow at the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), Los Banos, The Philippines between 1999 and 2002.
- Visiting Fellow at Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research (IGIDR) between 2002 and 2004.
- Visiting Professor at the Vietnam Agricultural Science Institute (VASI) to deliver Lectures on "The Irrigation & Technology Impacts on Rural Livelihood in Vietnam" in 2004.
- International Team Leader for the World Bank-Asian Development Bank Joint Project "Assessing the Poverty Impacts of Public Expenditures in Irrigation in Vietnam" between 2002 and 2004
- Member of Experts Group on Green Revolution Initiative in Africa, The United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia between 2003 and 2005.
- Convenor of South Asia Regional Conference (SARC) of International Association of Agricultural Economists from 2005.^[4]

Awards

- Best Scientist Award in 2002 from International Rice Research Institute in 2002 for outstanding contributions in the field of Rice Policy Analysis across Asia.