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**Personal Profile**

\*A poet, writer and translator with an intense desire to excel in creative writing, seeks work in a company which will utilise the skills developed over a long period with perseverance.

\*I am also a doctor (Paediatrician) who bade adieu to medical practice long ago, due to irresistible passion for literature.

\*Honesty, discipline and competence are what make me perhaps. \*Focusing on target all the time is my cardinal feature.

**Education**

**1997 – 1999:** Post Graduation course in Paediatrics: Warangal, India

**1972 – 1979:** Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (M.B.B.S.): Gandhi Medical College, Hyderabad

**1970 – 1972:** Pre University Course: Hyderabad, India

**1958 – 1969:** 1st to 11th standards schooling. Elgandal, Karimnagar Dist, Telangana state, India. Obtained Higher Secondary Certificate

**Work Experience**

**Medical Field:** Worked in Medical & Health Department of own state from 1989 – 2012. Retired as a State Officer. Won many awards and medals for standing first in District, State. Prior to that, worked in Nigerian Govt. Hospitals from 1980 to 1986.

**Literary Field:** I am a renowned poet, writer and translator in the field of Telugu literature. The veracity of my statement can be confirmed with the help of Google search. For this, my penname (Elanaaga) has to be typed in the search box. Some of my book titles can also be viewed on the website, kingie.com. I penned over a score of books in Telugu and English; published 16 so far. A few more are in the pipeline. Ten of the published books were written originally in Telugu, while 6 are translations. Latin American stories, African stories and Somerset Maugham’s stories are among my renderings. A booklet titled *Bhasha Savyathaku Batalu Veddam* (Let us Pave Way to Linguistic Propriety) written by me in Telugu, is serving as a ready source of reference to many a literary and academic person in the Telugu land. I also wrote prosodic poetry and experimental poetry. While 4 of my books are translations from English to Telugu, 2 are conversions from Telugu to English. I won 12 state level awards in poetry writing, story writing and so on.

Besides this, hundreds of my poems, stories, essays, book reviews, songs, crosswords and renderings were published / carried in umpteen print / internet magazines and anthologies in the last 45 years. Some websites for reference are: episteme.net.in, museindia.com, vaakili.com, saarangabooks.com etc. The current issues (September, 2017) of Episteme (episteme.net.in) and Muse India (museindia.com) have carried my translations.

Currently, I am in the editorial boards of two Telugu internet magazines.

Of late, central Sahitya Akademi (The supreme literary institution of India) has assigned me the work of rendering a famous English book (Ghalib – The man, The Times) into Telugu and I completed it. It will be published in a few months’ time.

**Hobbies and Interests**

Listening to classical music on radio, daily

Solving cryptic crossword puzzles of high standard everyday

**References**

Available on request