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#### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D Jawaharlal Nehru University, India, 1993. **Thesis :** *Some Aspects of the Private Sector in Medical Care and its Inter-relationship with the Public Sector- A Study of Hyderabad and Secunderabad.* 

M.Phil Jawaharlal Nehru University, 1986.

**Thesis :** Factors Influencing Variations in Health Services- A Study of Selected Districts in Andhra Pradesh.

M.A. Social Work (Medical and Psychiatric Social Work), University of Kerala, 1981.

## **CURRENT & PAST POSITIONS**

Professor, Centre of Social Medicine and Community Health, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi since July 2007.

Project Director, Transnational Actors and Commercialisation of Health Care, ICSSR Sponsored Research Project (2013-2015)

Adjunct Fellow, Institute of Chinese Studies, since 2012.

Associate Professor, Centre for Social Medicine and Community Health, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. Since 1999.

Associate Professor, Social Services Area and Adjunct faculty, Hinduja Institute of Hospital Management, Administrative Staff College of India, Hyderabad. 1998-99

Assistant Professor, Centre for Social Medicine and Community Health, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. 1994-98.

Programme Officer, Public Policy Division, Voluntary Health Association of India, New Delhi. 1992-94.

Programme Officer, Andhra Pradesh Handicapped Persons Welfare Corporation, Hyderabad. In-charge of the child welfare programmes. 1983-84.

Lecturer, Princess Esin Women's Educational Centre, Nizam Trust, Hyderabad. 1982-83.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### Books

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### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Member, Scientific Advisory Committee, National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

Member, Committee for Medical Ethics, Medical Council of India, New Delhi.

Co-Chairperson and member of Task Force group on Public Private Partnerships in the National Rural Health Mission, Ministry of Health.

Member, Research Overview Committee Public Report on Health funded by IDRC.

Member, Academic Advisory Council, Public Health Foundation of India, New Delhi

Chairperson, Focus Group and Syllabus Committee on 'Health and Physical Education' National Curriculum Framework for Schools, National Council for Education Research and Training, New Delhi

Member, National Resource Group for the Mahila Samakhya Programme, Min. of Human Resource Development

South Asia Editor for the Journal - Global Social Policy published by Sage

Member of the Standing Committee for the Programme for Discrimination and Social Exclusion, Jawaharlal Nehru University

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Member of Technical Advisory Group for Lymphatic Filariasis, WHO, Geneva

Member of Health Advisory Group for the Rajiv Gandhi Foundation, New Delhi

Member, Special Committee of the Centre for Law and Governance, JNU, New Delhi

Member, Committee to set up the Gender Sensitisation and Committee against Sexual Harassment, Jawaharlal Nehru University.