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Profile

Social development professional specializing in education and gender. Currently working as an independent consultant on research assignments; looking for a full-time position in social development sector. Excellent research and documentation, communication, teamwork, and fund-raising skills. Possess varied work experience in multi-cultural settings.

Education

MSc in Evidence Based Social Intervention, <i>University of Oxford</i>	2010 - 11
Post Graduate Diploma in Human Rights Law (Distance Education), <i>National Law School of India University</i>	2009 - 10
MA in Social Work, Department of Social Work, <i>University of Delhi</i>	2008 - 10
BSc (Honors) in Human Development, Lady Irwin College, <i>University of Delhi</i>	2005 - 08

Professional Experience

Advisor (International Relations): Work A Cause	Sep 2016 - Present
Conceptualizing projects for initiatives with causal linkages to education and sustainable livelihoods	
Advisor: GMR Group (CSR) - Hyderabad	Dec 2015 - Oct 2016
Review of the mentorship program run by GMR Varalakshmi Foundation in private schools	
International Consultant: Aflatoun, Plan UK and Credit Suisse	Mar - Dec 2015
Conducted a realist (systematic) review titled 'Economic Empowerment of Adolescent Girls through Financial Education'	
International Consultant: Development and Training Services (DTS) - New Delhi	Jul 2015
Coordinator for the Clean Energy Ministerial Evaluation in India by the US Department of State	
International Consultant: Aflatoun - Mumbai	Dec 2014 - Feb 2015
Project Evaluation of <i>Aflatot</i> Module (Social and Financial Education for 3-8year old children)	
Communication Consultant: Colorothon	Sep 2014 – Jun 2017
Communication strategy development, event coordination, fundraising and content writing for colorothon.com	
Communication Expert: (GIZ) Gmbh and the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy – New Delhi	Mar - Sep 2014
Editor for a magazine in off-grid renewable energy sector with a focus on gender issues	
Co-researcher: Department of Education, University of Oxford	Sep 2013 - Mar 2014
Led a research project titled 'Flexible Thinking v/s Singular Conceptualization of Relations in Proportion Problems for Children'	
Project Officer: The Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) - New Delhi	Oct 2011 - Aug 2013
Renewable Energy Supply in Rural Areas (RESRA)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Worked on operational/implementation and monitoring plan of the RESRA projectConceptualized and conducted workshops on capacity building of tribal women as the Gender Expert for RESRADeveloped photo-essays and other communication material for the IGEN (Indo-German Energy) Program	
Intern: United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) - New Delhi	Jun - July 2010
Prepared country briefs and program acceleration funds proposal for India, Nepal and Sri Lanka on the HIV situation	

Intern: World Bank - New Delhi **Jul - Aug 2009**

Developed a dissemination plan for 'Environmental Health and Safety Guidelines for Small and Medium Enterprises'

Intern: United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) - New Delhi **May - Jun 2009**

Conducted a literature review on cane and bamboo project in North East India

Community Involvement

Founder: artySORTS **Sep 2013 - Present**

An initiative that professes 'Live Your Art' and works towards bringing consciousness of art in everyday life through immersive art experiences (artysorts.com)

Social Work trainee: Action India **Jul 2008 - May 2009**

Prepared a brief report on the efficiency of Integrated Child Development Services offered in two migrant communities of Delhi with a focus on adolescent girls

Social Work trainee: Prerana **Jul 2008 - May 2009**

Conducted life skills education sessions through group work practice with adolescent girls in a migrant community of Delhi and devised a campaign on 'Girl Child Education' followed by a pilot program

Intern: Salaam Baalak Trust **Oct 2008 - Mar 2009**

Developed a training module for peer educators on 'Gender Empowerment and Equality' targeting young children (5-10 years)

Intern: Joint Women's Program **May - Jul 2007**

Prepared a report titled 'Investment Made by Parents on their Children's Health, Education and Recreation among Different Economic Classes in Delhi'

Intern: Nirantar **May - Jun 2006**

Documented on gender related issues and wrote research-based articles for their monthly magazine

Trainings/Certification

Pursuing an online course from Amnesty International on Human Rights: The Rights of Refugees **2017**

Completed an online course on 'Sexing the Canvas- Art and Gender' from Coursera **2016**

Conducted sensitization sessions on 'Gender and Religion' for group tours with Operation Groundswell, Canada **2016**

Intensive Course on Research Methodology in Social Sciences, Council for Social Development **2014**

Cleared the National Eligibility Test (NET) for Women's Studies: qualified to teach at the University Level **2014**

Certificate Course in Gender and Society, University of Delhi **2009**

Certificate Course on Family Therapy from the Indian Association for Family Therapy **2009**

Languages

English (IELTS 8.0)

French (DELF A2)

Punjabi (Mother Tongue)

Hindi (Native)

Publications

Cherian.R and Singh.J.(2014). Rendering Cross-cultural Transformation using Art for Peace Education: A Study of Windows Project in Delhi. *Discovery*, 14(35), 7-15

Cherian.R and Singh.J.(2014). Expression of Gender in Urban Spaces through Street Art: A Study of Cosmopolitan Delhi, India. *Humanities and Social Sciences Review*.

Cherian.R and Singh.J.(2014). Researching Culture of a Classroom: The Importance of Ethnomethodology. *International Journal of Social Work, India*, (11-17)