CURRICULUM VITAE

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Currently: Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences

Professor at the Department of Social Work [UGC Centre of Advanced Study], Jamia Millia Islamia since 2006. Full-time teaching, research, extension, and educational leadership experience of more than 33 years in higher education.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:

ACADEMIC, RESEARCH & FIELD PRACTICE:

1. Fulbright Scholar - in - Residence on 'Internationalising Social Work Education' at George Mason University and North Virginia Community College, Virginia, Washington, USA, 2015.
2. Project Director, UNICEF supported C4D/ SBCC "Project on Advocacy and Networking for Health among Under Served for Polio Eradication" in Western Uttar Pradesh, India.
3. Principal Investigator of an Indo-Canadian collaborative research project on 'Care Reforms', with University of Calgary, Canada, supported by Shastri Indo Canadian Institute, India
4. India Director, Network of Child Rights Professionals on "Theorising Child Participation: Learning Across Disciplines", supported by University of Edinburg and Leverhulme Trust, UK.
5. Participant, International Visitors Leadership Programme organized by US Department of State on 'Challenging Extremism, 2006

ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATION:

1. Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, 2026
2. Chairperson, Mental Health and Wellness Cell, 2025
3. Dean, Students' Welfare, 2006-2010
4. Director, State Resource Centre for Literacy
5. Founder-Director of the Centre for Early Childhood Development & Research, supported by Save the Children, 2010-2022
6. Nodal Officer, Development of Practice Venue for Commonwealth Games, 2010
7. Head, Department of Social Work, 2010-2013
8. Chairperson, Drafting of the curriculum structure for NEP FYUP (undergraduate) and M A Social Work programmes.

KEY SKILLS & INTEREST AREAS: International Social Work, Cross Cultural Research, Conflicts and Emergencies, Educational Leadership and Administration, Child Rights and Early Childhood, Women's Empowerment, Child Protection, Public Health, SBCC, Minority Studies.

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS [OUTSIDE THE UNIVERSITY]:

1. Fulbright Scholar - in - Residence on 'Internationalising Social Work Education' at George Mason University and North Virginia Community College, Virginia, Washington, USA, 2015.
2. On deputation: Fellow, Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration [LBSNAA], Mussoorie, focusing on micro-planning and capacity building for decentralized educational planning for District Primary Education Programme [DPEP] during 1999-2000. During this period designed and implemented the Decentralised District Educational Planning Module for State and District level functionaries of the District Primary Education Programme. Also, conducted trainings and evaluations for various government bodies.
3. On deputation: Project Implementation Expert, Central Project Support Unit, SWA-SHAKTI Project (*a women's empowerment Project)*, assisted by the World Bank and International Fund for Agricultural Development (I.F.A.D), implemented by the Department of Women and Child Development, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, 2000-2002. The Project established around 17,647 self-help groups of women (covering over 2.5 lakh women agriculturalists and agricultural labourers) in 57 districts across the various states. These self-help groups acted as vehicles for increasing women's ability to control their own affairs, augmenting their self-confidence and self-reliance, improving their managerial and skill base, and more importantly in realising the importance of collective action.
4. Honorary: Project Director, UNICEF supported "Project on Advocacy and Networking for Health among Under Served" in Western Uttar Pradesh from 2003-2013. This was a field action project to create enabling conditions for polio eradication in western Uttar Pradesh province of India. This Project aimed to create an enabling environment for interventions in the area of preventive health, routine immunization, girl child education and child rights among the underserved sections of the population, through sensitization and networking among the institutions and influencers of the underserved. The Project led to increased acceptance of the OPV among the underserved leading to a Polio free India.
5. Honorary: India Director, Network of Child Rights Professionals on "Theorising Child Participation: Learning Across Disciplines", a network of professionals across India, South Africa, Brazil and UK, supported by University of Edinburg and Leverhulme Trust, UK during 2009-2011.
6. Directed the 'International Research Workshop on Child Focused Social Science Research', in collaboration with Faculty of Social Work, University of Calgary and Academics Without Borders, November 2023.

7. Directed the International Summer School on 'Cross cultural Dialogues for Social Transformation: Enhancing Social Work Research and Teaching Methods' in collaboration with Faculty of Social Work, University of Calgary and Academics Without Borders, 2021

RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS:

RESEARCH PROJECTS [20]:

1. Recipient of Shastri Institutional Collaborative Research Grant (SICRG) awarded by the Shastri Indo Canadian Institute, 2019-2021 to conduct research on "Care Reforms in India: Operationalising the 'Best Interest of the Child' in the Child Protection Decision Making System" along with University of Calgary, Canada.
2. Coordinated the International Summer School on 'Cross Cultural Dialogues for Social Transformation: Enhancing Social Work Research and Teaching Methods' in collaboration with Faculty of Social Work, University of Calgary and Academics Without Borders, 2021
3. National Human Rights Commission Research Project 'Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on the Right to Education of Children of Migrant Workers in Delhi', 2021.
4. Assessment of Alternative Care in India, UNICEF, 2019
6. An Evaluation of the Mother Tongue- Based Early Learning and Parents plus (MTELP+) Program for Bernard van Leer Foundation.
8. "Third party evaluation of Quality improvement of ECE Services in Anganwadi Centres in Dwarka, Gujarat" for Aga Khan Foundation, 2019.
9. "Research Study on Early Childhood Education in Five Indian States", Save the Children, 2019.
10. The Uttarakhand Disaster and Lives of Young Children & Pregnant & Lactating Mothers: An Exploratory Study of Impact, Coping and Interventions, ICSSR, 2017.
11. Evaluating Efficiency of Intervention with Mothers through Changes in parenting practices, community attitudes towards children and children's health and nutrition indicators in Selected Districts in Odisha, Hands to Heart International, USA, 2015.
12. Mapping Early Childhood Development Service Provision in selected Districts of Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu, India, CECDR JMI,2015.
13. Mapping ECD Services within 5 Kms Radius of Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, CECDR JMI, 2015.
14. Development and Pilot Testing of the Revised Curriculum for the ICDS Programme in Haryana, Rajasthan and Delhi, MoWCD, GOI through NIPCCD, 2014.
15. Policy Research Study on "Facilities available for Primary and Upper Primary Education in Muslim Predominant Districts" for Department of Elementary Education and Literacy, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, 2014
16. Community Level Research on Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices of Ansari and Alvi Communities among Muslims in Three High-Risk Blocks of Moradabad, U.P. for UNICEF, Lucknow, India, 2006
17. "Situational Analysis of Madrasas in Bharatpur, Rajasthan" for Society for All Round Development (SARD) supported by the Aga Khan Foundation (AKF), 2005
18. "Impact Assessment Study of Rural Development Programmes in district Gonda, U.P" for the Ministry of Rural Areas and Employment, a report.

19. "Institutional Assessment Study of Support Voluntary Organisations for Watershed Conservation and Development Programme of CAPART", a report.
20. "Madrasahs and Informal Centres of Religious Education among Muslims in Delhi" for the Aga Khan Foundation - a rapid appraisal report.

Ph Ds AWARDED UNDER MY SUPERVISION [18]:

1. 'A Diagnostic Study of Nutrition, Health and Wellbeing Among the Elderly Population', Iqra Fatima, submitted in January 2026
2. 'Impact on Food Security in Slum Population during COVID-19 Lockdowns: A study of Surendranagar city in Gujarat'. Shabnam, submitted in November 2025
3. 'Operationalising Best Interest of the Child: A Study of Decision Making in Child Protection Mechanism', Shamikh Arsh, January 2025
4. 'Journalism for Social Good: Sustaining Quality Journalism through Crowdfunding', Darshana Choudhury, January 2025
5. 'Role of Panchayati Raj Institutions in Promoting Child Care Services: A Study of Lucknow & Bahraich Districts of Uttar Pradesh', Shahadat Hussain, April 2023
6. 'An Assessment of Food Safety and Hygiene under Integrated Child Development Services Centres (ICDS) in Delhi,' Priyanka Sharma, February 2023
7. 'Muslim Women Entrepreneurs in Delhi: Dynamics and Prospects', Eisha Chaudhury, December 2021
8. 'Social Media Construction of Indian Muslims', Vineet K Jha Utpal, September 2020
9. 'Psychosocial Implications of Counter Insurgent Laws on Youth: A Case Study of Jammu and Kashmir Public Safety Act', Mohd Aabid, 2020
10. 'Effectiveness of Social Enterprises: A Comparative Study of Livelihood Programmes', Rakesh S, 2019
11. 'Implications of Armed Conflict on Children in Kashmir, Shumila Nazeer', 2017
12. 'MGNREGA and Participatory Governance', Mrityunjay Kumar, 2016
13. 'Sustainable Livelihoods Perspective and MGNREGA: An Assessment in District Mewat, Haryana', Bindiya Narang, 2015
14. 'Impact of Displacement on Indigenous People: A Case Study of the Oraon Tribe of Rourkela', Esha Ghosh, 2014
15. 'Engendering the Workplace: A study of Gender Discrimination and Sexual Harassment in Civil Society Organisations', Martha Farrell, 2013
16. 'Dynamics of Community Participation: Its Impact with Special Reference to Education of Scheduled Caste Parents Under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan', Namrata Jaitly, 2013
17. 'Impact of Access to Credit on Quality of Life of the Poor', Sarim Razdan Rehman, 2012
18. 'Social Impact of Social Security in the Lives of Marine Fisherfolk: A Comparative Study in Tamil Nadu & Kerala', Maria Dason, 2010
19. 'Communicating for Social Development: The Case of Television – An Exploration', Saima Saeed, 2010
20. 'Towards Understanding the Process of Development: A Case Study on Eco-Income Generation Approach', Adusumalli Malathi, 2009

POST-DOCTORAL SUPERVISION [2]:

1. Dr Ameesha Oberoi, ICSSR Post-Doctoral Fellowship
2. Dr Bindiya Narang, ICSSR Post-Doctoral Fellowship

INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARS SUPERVISION [2]:

1. Fulbright-Nehru Student Research Fellow Ms Elizabeth Curtis, Williams College, 2017, Community Solutions: Building Sustainable Reproductive Health Programs in Rural India
2. Fulbright-Nehru Student Research Fellow, Ms Heidi Cope, UNCC, 2016, Sexual Health and Arranged Marriage

PUBLICATIONS

JOURNAL EDITOR

1. Guest Editor of Special Issue of Indian Journal of Social Work on 'Social Work in Emergencies: Learning from the COVID-19 Pandemic'. Vol 82, Issue 2, April 2021

BOOKS [9]:

1. Sharma, P & Meenai, Z et al, (2023): Food Safety and Hygiene Training Manual for Supervisors, Food Handlers & Workers of Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Kitchens, AkiNik Publications, ISBN 978-93-5570-952-3
2. Social Work in Emergencies, Learning from the COVID-19 Pandemic, (co-ed), 2021, Bloomsbury, ISBN: 978-93-54355-42-4
3. Executive Editor, Early Childhood Development Knowledge Series (2015): Family and Community Participation in Early Childhood Development, New Delhi, Global Books Organisation, ISBN: 978-93-80570-96-9
4. Executive Editor, Early Childhood Development Knowledge Series (2015): Early Learning Perspectives to Early Childhood Education, New Delhi, Global Books Organisation, ISBN:978-93-80570-97-6
5. Executive Editor, Early Childhood Development Knowledge Series (2015): Care for Young Children: Health, Nutrition and Protection, New Delhi, Global Books Organisation, ISBN: 978-93-80570-98-3
6. Executive Editor, Early Childhood Development Knowledge Series (2015): Children in Difficult Circumstances, New Delhi, Global Books Organisation, ISBN: 978-93-80570-99-0
7. Editor, Repositioning Professional Social Work Education and Practice (2013) New Delhi, Bloomsbury, ISBN: 978-83-82951-24-7
8. Participatory Community Work (2007) New Delhi, Concept Publications
9. Empowering Rural Women; An Approach to Empowering Women through Credit-based Self-help Groups (2003) New Delhi, Aakar Books

RESEARCH ARTICLES IN JOURNALS [19]:

1. Arsh S & Meenai, Z (2024): Information for Decision Making in Child Protection: A Study of Decision Making in Delhi, International Journal for Multidisciplinary Research, Volume 6, Issue 4, July-August 2024, E-ISSN: 2582-2160

2. Chaudhury D & Meenai Z (2022): Regional Media and Crisis Communication: A Study of Media Coverage of Covid-19 Pandemic in Assam, Mass Media, October. 11, 127, Media Studies Group
3. Sharma M L, Rajesh A, Meenai Z & Menon G (2022): Development and Validation of Anganwadi (pre-school) Assessment Scale, Journal of Educational Planning and Administration, NUEPA, Vol 36, No 3, July 2022.
4. Meenai Z (2021): Eliciting Community Participation Using Social and Behavioural Change Tools, TISS, Mumbai, Indian Journal of Social Work, Vol 82, No. 2, April
5. Naaz S & Meenai Z (2019): Alternative Care in India: Issues and Prospects, Rajagiri Journal of Social Development, Vol 11, No 1, June
6. Choudhry E & Meenai Z (2019): Muslim Women Entrepreneurs in Delhi, Social Action, Vol 69, No 02, April-June, 0037-7627
7. Narang B & Meenai, Z. (2018): Reproductive Health Concerns of Rural Meo-Muslim Women from Haryana. Jharkhand Journal of Development & Management Studies, XISS, Vol 16, No 2, 0973-8444
8. Bhat A and Meenai Z (2018): Impact of Daily Life Stressors on Mental Health in Armed Conflict: A Case Study of Curfew and Restrictions in Kashmir, Indian Journal of Health and Wellbeing, Vol 9 no 3, pp 445-450, IAHRW, 229-5356
9. Meenai Z (2017): The Uttarakhand Disaster 2013 and its Psychological Impact on the Life of Young Children, International Journal of Food and Nutritional Sciences, Vol 06, No 04, 161-168, 2320 7876
10. Meenai Z & Utpal V J (2017): Indian Muslims in Social Media Discourse: An Analysis based on Corpus Assisted Discourse Studies (CADS), Mass Media, Vol 6, No 71, Media Studies Group, 2277-7369
11. Meenai Z (2016): Emergencies and Early Childhood Development, International Journal of Early Childhood Special Education (INT-JECSE), Vol 8, Issue 02, 221-232, 1308-5581
12. Meenai Z & Rakesh S (2016): Meaning of Skill Development in India: Estimating the Challenges and Opportunities, Social Action, Vol 66, pp 327-338, 0037-7627
13. Meenai Z & Narang B (2016): Incorporating Sustainable Livelihoods Perspective in Social Work Education and Practice, Rajagiri Journal of Social Development, 6 (2), 125-138, 0973-3086
14. Meenai Z & Narang B (2015): Livelihood Concerns and Opportunities for MGNREGA: Participatory Analysis in Selected Villages of Mewat (Haryana), MP Journal of Social Sciences, Vol 20, No 2, December, 0973-855X
15. Meenai Z & Aleem S (2012): Participação infantil na Índia: práticas e desafios (in Portuguese) in Participação Infantil e Juvenil: Perspectivas Internacionais, published by Centro Internacional de Estudos e Pesquisas sobre a Infância, Rio De Jeneiro, Brazil
16. Meenai Z (2010): Madrasa Education in India: An Introduction', International Journal of Early Childhood Special Education, Vol 2, Issue 3, pp 254-262, 1308-5581
17. Meenai Z (2010): "Women's Empowerment and Micro-credit: Emerging Spaces for Social Work Practice", TISS, Mumbai, Indian Journal of Social Work, 0019-5634

CHAPTERS IN BOOKS [9]

1. Naaz, S, Arsh, S & Meenai Z (2023): Forced De-institutionalisation of Children during COVID-19 in Reddy & Rashid (eds) Child Protection and Rights in India, Anthrope Books

2. Meenai Z (2021): Community Response during Pandemic: Hate and Humanity in the Times of COVID-19 in Social Work in Emergencies, Learning from the COVID-19 Pandemic, 2021, Bloomsbury
3. Sen R S & Meenai Z (2019): Fathers Involvement with Young Children in Rural Orissa, in Sriram R (ed) Fathering in India, Springer
4. Meenai Z, Narang B & Laxmi (2016): Psychological Impact of the Uttarakhand Disaster 2013 on Young Children: An Overview in Vashishtha P (ed), Children in Difficult Circumstances, Global Books Organisation
5. Meenai, Z Sen, RS, & Firdos S (2015): Quality Enhancement of Preschool Education Component of ICDS through Implementation of Restructured Curriculum in Three States in Azmat S, Early Learning Perspectives to Early Childhood Education, New Delhi, Global Books Organisation, ISBN:978-93-80570-97-6, pp191-202
6. Naaz, S & Meenai Z (2015); Mapping and Appraising ECCE Institutions in Jamia Nagar in Azmat S, Early Learning Perspectives to Early Childhood Education, New Delhi, Global Books Organisation, ISBN:978-93-80570-97-6, pp 213-224.
7. Meenai Z (2013), "The Rights Agenda and Social Work in India" In Meenai Z, Repositioning Professional Social Work Education & Practice, Bloomsburry
8. "Women's Empowerment Through Micro-Credit" in Gandhi A (ed) (2006): Women's Work, Health and Empowerment, New Delhi, Aakar Books
9. "Health Behaviour Change and Adaptation through Communication" in Singh, Yadava and Sharma (ed) (2005): Health Psychology, New Delhi, Global Vision

UNPUBLISHED POLICY RESEARCH STUDIES [20]:

1. 'Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on the Right to Education of Children of Migrant Workers in Delhi', 2023, National Human Rights Commission, India,
2. An Evaluation of the Mother Tongue- Based Early Learning and Parents plus (MTELP+) Program for the Bernard van Leer Foundation, 2021
3. "Third Party Evaluation of Quality Improvement of ECE Services in Anganwadi Centres in Dwarka, Gujarat," Aga Khan Foundation, 2019.
4. "Research Study on Early Childhood Education in Five Indian States", Save the Children, 2019.
5. Research study "The Uttarakhand Disaster and the Lives of Young Children and Pregnant & Lactating Mothers; an Exploratory Study of Impact, Coping & Interventions" supported by Indian Council for Social Science Research, 2016
6. Research Study "Mapping of Early Childhood Development Services in Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu". 2015
7. Research Study "Mapping of Early Childhood Development Services in Jamia Neighbourhood", 2015
8. Policy Research Study on "Facilities available for Primary and Upper Primary Education in Muslim Predominant Districts" for Department of Elementary Education and Literacy, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, 2014
9. "Evaluating Efficiency of Intervention with Mothers through Changes in parenting practices, community attitudes towards children and children's health and nutrition indicators in Selected Districts in Odisha" for the Fetzer Institute, HHI, USA, 2014
10. Development and Pilot Testing of the Revised Curriculum for the ICDS Programme in Haryana, Rajasthan and Delhi for Ministry of Women and Child Development, GoI, 2013

11. Community Level Research on Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices of Ansari and Alvi Communities among Muslims in Three High-Risk Blocks of Moradabad, U.P. for UNICEF, Lucknow, India, 2006
12. "Situational Analysis of Madrasas in Bharatpur, Rajasthan" for Society for All Round Development (SARD) supported by the Aga Khan Foundation (AKF), 2005
13. "Management Information System" CPSU- Swa-Shakti Project
14. "Baseline Survey – A Field Workers Handbook" CPSU- Swa-Shakti Project
15. "Concurrent Monitoring and Evaluation, Round –3, three vols"; CPSU- Swa-Shakti Project
16. "Concurrent Monitoring and Evaluation, Rounds 1 & 2"; CPSU- Swa-Shakti Project
17. "MIS in the Swa-Shakti Project" paper presented at the Asia Pacific Micro-Credit Summit.
18. "Impact Assessment Study of Rural Development Programmes in district Gonda, U.P" for the Ministry of Rural Areas and Employment, a report.
19. "Institutional Assessment Study of Support Voluntary Organisations for Watershed Conservation and Development Programme of CAPART", a report.
20. "Madrasahs and Informal Centres of Religious Education among Muslims in Delhi" for the Aga Khan Foundation - a rapid appraisal report.

PUBLIC SPEAKING / WORKSHOPS / SEMINARS / PUBLIC LECTURES/ CONSULTATIONS

1. Organised the 'Sensitisation Workshop on Mental Health Issues' 3rd November 2025.
2. Delivered a plenary lecture on 'The Idea of Swadeshi and Self-Reliant India' at the National Seminar on 'The Relevance of Mahatma Gandhi's Thoughts in Social Development' at the Agrasen College, Raipur, October 2025.
3. Delivered a lecture on 'Social Work Futures' at the Deptt of Social Work, University of Delhi, August 2025
4. Delivered a lecture on 'Administration-Teacher Interface' for administrative staff organized by the MMTTC, Jamia Millia Islamia on 15th May, 2025
5. Delivered a lecture on 'Managing Diversity in a Classroom' during NEP Orientation Programme organized by the MMTTC, University of Kashmir, May 2025
6. Panelist on 'Emerging Landscape of University Mental Health in India: Newer Understanding and Newer Hope' at the National Conference on Psychology in a Globalised World, February 2025.
7. Delivered a plenary on 'Social Work and the SDG 16' at the Third International Scientific Conference, Department of Social Work, Sultan Qaboos University, Muscat, Oman, December 2024.
8. Keynote address on 'Revisiting Rural Development', at the National Seminar on Rural Development in India: Issues and Challenges organized by the University of Kashmir, 13 November 2024.
9. Invited Lecture on 'Sustainable Practices in Community Volunteerism and Community Engagement' Short Term Course on Community Engagement in Higher Education, AMU, 2024.
10. Delivered the M S Gore Memorial Oration on 'New Vistas in Social Work: Navigating the Changing Landscape in Education, Research and Practice' at the Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Professional Social Work, Mysuru, 16 May 2024
11. Invited Lecture on 'Emerging Issues and Challenges in Professional Social Work', Short Term Course on Social Work Methods, AMU, 2024

12. Plenary Speaker on 'Trajectories in Fieldwork Education since 1936: Some Reflections' at the National Conference on Fieldwork in Social Work Education, at the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, 26 April 2024.
13. Invited speaker on 'Social Entrepreneurship among Minorities' at the 4th National Convention of the Association of Muslim Professionals, Jaipur, February 2024.
14. Plenary Speaker on 'Accessibility of Justice to Weaker Sections' at National Seminar organized by Dept of Social Work, Kashi Vidyapeeth, Varanasi, December 2023
15. Plenary Speaker on 'Deconstructing De-colonisation of Social Work in India' at the XI Indian Social Work Congress, MANUU, Hyderabad, November 2023
16. Speaker on 'Early Childhood Development' at 13th All India Educational Conference, Aurangabad, 14 October 2023
17. Special Lecture on the 'G 20 & Sustainable Development Goals' as part of the 18th G 20 Summit at the Delhi Skill & Entrepreneurial University, Delhi on 19.1.2023.
18. Speaker on 'Best Interest of the Child in the Child Protection System' at the Faculty of Social Work, University of Calgary, Canada, November 2022
19. Speaker at RISE World Summit 2022 on Evidence on Child Rights-Data, Research and Policy", February 2022
20. Speaker at International Urdu Social Science Congress, MANUU on "Post Covid Scenario and Social Work: Challenges and Prospects", February 2022
21. Speaker at HRDC MANUU on 'Challenges of the Post Covid Pandemic World, Covid-19 as a Disruption', September 2021
22. Panelist in "Caring for Children: Responding to Vulnerability", Ambedkar University, 30 July 2021.
23. Discussant in the International Webinar on "Post Pandemic Social Work: Regional Perspectives" 17 March 2021
24. Key speaker in the National Consultative Webinar on the draft National Council of Social Work Education and Practice Bill, 2020, November 2020
25. Key speaker in the National Webinar on "Impact of COVID-19 on Marginalised Children and the Way Forward", August 2020
26. Keynote address in National Conference on Poverty Alleviation: Policies, Programmes and Achievements, (February 27-28, 2020), Dept of Social Work, University of Lucknow.
27. Expert Lecture on 'Children in Emergencies' at the Conference on Issues and Challenges in Ensuring Happy Childhood: A Special Focus on Jammu and Kashmir, Department of Social Work, UoK and Save the Children, June 11 & 12, 2019
28. Resource Person on Social and Behavioural Change Communication, Primary Education, Disadvantaged Groups, Gender, Public Health, Child Protection, Social Work Education etc for UNICEF, Planning Commission, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Ministry of Human Resource Development, University of Kashmir and Central University of Jammu, UGC HRDCs.
29. Speaker on 'Educational Status of Muslim Children in India: Challenges Ahead' at the National Seminar on Right to Education: Issues and Challenges from Rights Participatory Perspective, School of Social Sciences, National Institute of Advanced Studies. IISc Campus. Bangalore, April 10, 2018
30. Key Speaker 'Theorising Social Work in Contemporary India' at Made in India: The Social Work Journey, IGNOU, 23 February 2018
31. Facilitated the development & integration of child protection curriculum at Central University of Jammu, March 2018

32. Plenary Key Speaker at 3rd Critical Edge Alliance International Conference on "Higher Education for the 21st Century: Innovations in University Society Partnerships", 23 September 2017 at TISS Mumbai
33. Facilitated the development & integration of child protection curriculum at University of Kashmir, 2017
34. Panelist in a Panel Discussion on Child Rights at Faculty of Family and Community Studies, M S U Baroda, 7 March 2017.
35. Lecture on Social Impact of Climate Change, UGC HRD Academy, JMI, 3 March 2017.
36. Organised International Symposium on 'Family Strengthening: Deconstructing Alternative Practices in the Current Legislative Framework', February 21, 2017
37. Lecture on Public Health as a Concern for Social Work Profession at Department of Social Work, MANUU, 3 February 2017.
38. Lecture on Child Protection: Social Construction of Childhood in India, Centre for Child Protection, Sardar Patel University of Police, Security and Criminal Justice, Jaipur, 21 January 2017
39. Panelist on 'Role of Stakeholders' in International Convention on Early Childhood Education organised by DPS International, Nov, 2017
40. Delivered lecture at IGNOU on Early Childhood Development and Research- new areas of social work research, August 2017
41. Presidential Address at International Conference on Peace Education, School of Education, GGS I P University, April 2017
42. Panelist on Panel discussion on 'Role of media– Polio eradication and current MR vaccine as a case study'. National Urdu Media Meet, April 10, 2017, UNICEF
43. Member, Advisory Committee Research Project on "Strengthening quality of learning in public primary schools through Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE), Save the Children, 2017
44. Development of Standard Operating Procedures for Alternative Care, including Foster Care and other Family Based Care Systems. 2017
45. Panelist at Panel Discussion in the National Conference on "Factors of Poor Learning: Challenges, Opportunities and Practices for Learning Improvement in Socially Diverse Elementary Schools of India, PACS, IIC, 3 September 2016
46. Conducted a Global Collaborative Classroom with students of George Mason University and Jamia Millia Islamia, 2016.
47. Panelist, Public Private Partnership in Countering Online Radicalization and Extremism, Vivekananda International Foundation, 2015
48. Taught a cross-listed course on 'Health and Human Rights' at the School of Health and Human Sciences, George Mason University, Virginia, USA, 2015
49. Workshop on 'Community Work in India' for Graduate students of George Mason University, Virginia, USA, Spring 2015
50. Workshop on 'Child Rights in India' for Graduate students of George Mason University, Virginia, USA, Spring 2015
51. Workshop on 'Participatory Evaluation' for Graduate students of George Mason University, Virginia, USA, Spring 2015
52. Lecture on 'Stress in India' for undergraduate students of North Virginia Community College, Virginia, USA, Spring 2015
53. 'India's experience with the Polio Eradication Programme', Lyceum Public Lecture, at the North Virginia Community College, Virginia, USA, Spring 2015

54. Workshop on 'Social Determinants of Health Seeking Behaviour' for graduating nursing students, attended by students and faculty of North Virginia Community College, Virginia, USA, Spring 2015
55. Lecture on Cultural determinants of health for students of cultural geography attended by students and faculty of North Virginia Community College, Virginia, USA, Spring 2015
56. Workshop on Polio Eradication and Behaviour Change Communication- Implications for teaching of public health in community colleges at the Seminar on Teaching of Public Health, North Virginia Community College, Virginia, USA, Spring 2015
57. Special Lecture on Self Help Groups as Vehicles for Women's Empowerment at the International Perspectives on Social Justice and Human Rights event organised by the Dept of Social Work, George Mason University, Virginia, USA, Spring 2015
58. Organised Second International Conference on Trans-Disciplinary Approaches to Early Childhood Development, 2014.
59. Delivered lecture on "India's Experience with Public Health Programmes: A Case Study of the Polio Eradication Programme in Uttar Pradesh' at the International Workshop on 'Access to Health Care Services-Health Disparities' at the University of Applied Sciences, Erfurt, Germany, 2013
60. Organised the National Workshop on Subject Framework & Knowledge Management in Social Work, 2013
61. Organised the First International Conference on Early Childhood Development: Small Steps to a Bright Future, 2012
62. Organised the National Seminar on Marginalized Sections and Inclusive Development: Issues, Challenges and Social Work Perspective, 2012
63. Organised the Consultation Workshop for Preparing Conceptual Framework for Identification of Destitute and Most Vulnerable Sections of Muslim Population in Delhi for the Delhi Waqf Board, 2012
64. Organised the All-India Conference on the Profession of Social Work at the Cross Roads, 2011.
65. Attended International Seminar on "Theorising Child Participation: Learning Across Disciplines", at Rio de Jeneiro, Brazil, 2010 and presented a paper on the Indian Conception of Childhood, Issues and Challenges in Child Participation
66. Delivered lecture on the 'Indian System of Micro Credit' at the University of Applied Sciences, Erfurt, Germany, 2009
67. Attended International Seminar on "Theorising Child Participation: Learning Across Disciplines", at Cape Town, South Africa, 2009.
68. Directed two South Asian Seminars on "Child Rights and Academia" & "Natural Disasters and Conflicts- Their Implications in Realising Child Rights".
69. Directed Seminar on "Child Participation in India: modes and models", 2009

GOVERNMENT POLICY RELATED ASSIGNMENTS:

Govt of India, 2022	Member, Regional Advisory Committee, National Board for Workers Education and Development, Ministry of Labour.
Govt of Delhi, 2020	Member, State Planning Group for National Education Policy, 2020 Implementation Plan
Govt of India, 2019	Member, NOC Committee for Inter Country Adoption, Central

	Adoption Resource Authority, Ministry of Women and Child Development
Govt of India, 2012	Member, National Resource Group for *Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan* (National Campaign for Primary Education), Ministry of Human Resources Development
Govt of India, 2011	Chairman, Task Group on Elementary Education among Muslim Children, XII Five Year Plan Working Group
Govt of India, 2011	Member, Sub Group on Elementary Education, XII Five Year Plan Working Group
Govt of India, 2011	Chairman, Sub- Group on Beggary, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
Govt of India, 2011	Member, Working Group on Social Welfare for the Formulation of XII Five Year Plan (2012-17), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
Govt of India	Member, Appraisal Missions for the District Primary Education Programme to the states of Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka and Haryana & *Joint Supervision & Review Mission* to the Joint GOI-UN system support for Community Based Primary Education Programme –*Janshala,* to Madhya Pradesh.
Govt of India, 2011	Special Invitee, UGC Committee to Review the Existing Schemes towards Enhancing the Participation Rate of Minorities in Higher Education.
Govt of India, Planning Commission, 2011	Member, Subject Framework for Knowledge Management in Social Work

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

1. Member of the University Court, GGS Indraprastha University, Delhi. 2021
2. Expert for various selection committees at several universities like the Central Universities of Jammu, Kerala and Tamil Nadu, University of Kashmir, Lucknow University etc.
3. Ph D and M Phil examiner for several universities like University of Delhi, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, NUEPA, Lucknow University, University of Kashmir, etc
4. Board Member, Dept of Social Work, Kalinga University, 2025
5. Board Member, Dept of Social Work, MANUU, 2016
6. Board Member, Dept of Sociology and Social Work, AMU, 2014, 2020,
7. Member, Faculty Committee, Kurukshetra University, 2014
8. Board Member, Dept of Social Work, Pondicherry University, 2013
9. Board Member, Dept of Social Work, University of Kashmir, 2013, 2017
10. Board Member, Dept of Social Work, Kurukshetra University, 2013
11. Convenor, North Zone Network of Schools of Social Work, 2011

12. Member, National Network of Schools of Social Work, 2011
13. Board Member, School of Social Work, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, 2010

INNOVATIVE COURSES DEVELOPED & TRANSACTED

1. Course on Socio-Behavioural Change Communication for graduate students, Jamia Millia Islamia, 2023
2. Course on Challenging Extremism in collaboration with Facebook and Observer Research Foundation, CBCS- MA, 2016
3. Flipped classroom with photovoice for students of George Mason University and Jamia Millia Islamia, 2016
4. Course on Human Rights and Public Health for George Mason University, graduate students, 2015
5. Integration of Child Rights in M A Social Work course at University of Kashmir and Central University of Jammu
6. Led the development of a Full Masters Course on Early Childhood Development, Jamia Millia Islamia, 2010
7. Led and directed the PG Diploma in Child Rights
8. Led and directed the PG Diploma in NGO Management

CORPORATE LIFE OF THE UNIVERSITY

RECENT CONTRIBUTIONS:

1. Chairperson, Mental Health and Wellness Cell, 2025
2. Drafted the Mental Health and Wellness Policy of the University, 2025
3. Prepared action points and action plan for Mental Health in the University based on recommendations of the Supreme Court, 2025
4. Coordinated the visit of the Supreme Court Task Force on Mental Health and liaising for the provision of information and data on a regular basis, including preparing answers to parliament questions, attending virtual conferences, etc, 2025
5. Developed and submitted proposal (Rupees Five Crore Seventy-Eight Lakhs) to the UGC for financing of Mental Health Initiatives in the University, 2025
6. Facilitated the MoU between JMI and Psychiatric Hospitals for emergency medical support to students, 2025
7. Facilitated the MoU between JMI and SPYM, for providing Mental Health support to Jamia students, 2025
8. Organised Sensitisation Workshop on Mental Health in the Taleemi Mela, 2025
9. Member, Apex Committee on NEP, contributed to the discussions on the seamless implementation of the FYUP and the MA programme
10. Member, Sub group on Capacity Building in NEP: Developed Student Handbook for UG Courses under NEP and its integration with the PG courses, 2025
11. Member, Committee for streamlining Ph. D Ordinances: Critically reviewed and framed a fresh set of PhD Ordinances for the University that have been implemented from this session, 2025

12. Member, Committee for streamlining Admissions Ordinances: Critically reviewed the existing Ordinances around admissions, reservations etc and developed fresh Ordinances for admissions, 2025
13. Coordinated the launch of the Research Bus of Springer Nature in collaboration with ICSSR, 2025
14. Facilitated the MoU for an academic publishing channel of Springer Nature Journal, 'Curious' with Faculty of Engineering and Technology, 2025
15. Member, Committee constituted for framing General Rules regarding service matters related to Jamia Schools Teachers: Examining the existing Jamia rules against those of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan and developing a fresh set of rules and regulations, 2025
16. Member, Fund Raising Committee for the Taleemi Mela: Advised and coordinated the various sources of funds for the organization of the Taleemi Mela, 2025
17. Facilitated the organization of the Panel Discussion cum workshop and S R Mohsini Memorial Lecture on National Education Policy during the Taleemi Mela, 2025
18. Administered the Oath on National Unity Day, 31 October to faculty and students, 2025
19. Addressed faculty and students of Faculty of Dentistry on Mental Health Issues among Students, 2025
20. Confidential assignments with the Departmental Inquiry and Disciplinary Proceedings Section, the Establishment (Teaching) Section, etc Registrar's Office, 2025
21. Nominee of the Vice Chancellor on Local Selection Committees and Screening Committees, 2025

DETAILS OF EARLIER CORPORATE CONTRIBUTION:

1. Head of the Department of Social Work, [UGC Centre of Advanced Study] Jamia Millia Islamia from 2010-2013. As Head of the Department, I initiated several important measures to improve the quality of education in the Department.
    a. Initiated and streamlined the UGC Scheme of Centre of Advanced Studies in the Department by introducing annual work plan and establishing functional units for research and capacity building in the Department.
    b. Facilitated the transition of two M A Courses from the Annual mode to the Semester system.
    c. Transitioned B A (H) Social Work from Annual mode to the Semester system with an intensive revision of the curriculum.
    d. Led the revision of the M A Social Work Curriculum.
    e. Introduced new pedagogical practices in the Department including skill laboratories, programme media, behavioural and personality enrichment laboratories etc.
    f. Institutionalised the skill laboratory training within the M A curriculum.
    g. Established the Behavioural and Personality Enrichment Laboratory and Data Processing and Analysis Laboratory with modern equipment for skill training of the students.
    h. Led the development of the North-Zone Network of Social Work Educational Institutions.

i. Led the development of the All-India Network of Social Work Educational Institutions culminating in the development of the Indian Association of Social Work Education.
j. Led the development of the National Curricular Framework for Social Work Education with the erstwhile Planning Commission.
k. Served on several committees of the University Grants Commission and Indian Council for Social Science Research.
l. Member of the UGC Committee to examine the working of the CMJ University, Meghalaya, 2013.

2. Dean, Students Welfare, Jamia Millia Islamia from 2006-2010. As Dean, Students Welfare initiated several student friendly interventions. Some of them included:
    a. Simplifying the university admission policy.
    b. Unifying the prospectus, developing a common admission form with inbuilt fee and hologram,
    c. Development of student activity clubs,
    d. Reforming the residence admission policy with objective indicators
    e. Development of procedures for the UGC non-NET Fellowship.
    f. Development of girls' common rooms in various locations on the campus
    g. Development of a girls only canteen
    h. Development of Castro Garden Café and canteen kiosks across the campus
    i. Development of amenities and student facility centres near student residences
    j. Handling all types of student grievances
    k. Defused several potential agitations by mediating with the students
    l. Initiating several new scholarships for students
    m. Ensuring student participation in various sports and cultural competitions
    n. Mediation between students and university administration
    o. Mediation between Teachers Association and university administration
    p. Creation of a facilitating environment at the university, etc.
    q. Coordinating the organization of the Taleemi Mela for four years

3. Nodal Officer, Development of Practice Venue for Commonwealth Games, 2006-2010. As Nodal Officer, CG 2010, I initiated the process of getting the university to be a practice venue for two games. The venue was the first one to get ready with savings and was inaugurated by the Chief Minister of Delhi and the Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India much ahead of the deadline.

    a. Engaged M/S RITES as the Project Management Consultant for the project.
    b. Supervised the drawing of the plan as per the university and the venue briefs provided by Organising Committee, CG.
    c. Represented the university in the various stakeholders' meetings held by the Cabinet Secretariat, Organising Committee, CG.Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports etc;

d. Supervised the construction and completion of the venue.
e. Coordinated with various agencies like DDA, BSES, Govt of Delhi, Expenditure Finance Committee, Cabinet Secretariat, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Ministry of Home Affairs, Delhi Police, ECIL, CAG, Shunglu Committee, etc to get the venue ready in time.
f. Upgraded the hostels for the use of various officials visiting Delhi for CG 2010.
g. Represented the university in various fora like the Arbitration Board, appearance before the Law Secretary etc in the Arbitration Case.
h. Liaised with the Shunglu Committee for Performance Review, the CAG for the complete audit of the project.
i. Replying to numerous RTIs and Parliamentary Questions, etc
j. Created a legacy infrastructure for the university.

4. Honorary Director, Centre for Early Childhood Development and Research, from 2010-2022. The CECDR was established in Jamia Millia Islamia by Save the Children (Bal Raksha Bharat) as a unique public-public collaboration in 2010. Post the signing of the MoU, I have been responsible for setting up of the CECDR by developing its structure, rules & regulations, Ordinances, thrust areas and strategic planning. I have recruited and supervised teaching and programme staff to run a Ph D and M A in Early Childhood Programme alongwith field programmes at the Centre.

   I led the establishment of the National Resource Centre on Alternative Care through which alternative care for children in need of care and protection in Delhi has been piloted. The National Resource Centre also developed training modules, Standard Operating Procedures and trained all child protection staff in Delhi on Alternative Care.

   Organised atleast four international conferences and several national and local level events on early childhood development. Also led the response to the National Education Policy from ECD perspective that led to the integration of ECD in the NEP.

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP& UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION

1. Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Jamia Millia Islamia, 2026
2. Chairperson, University Students' Mental Health and Wellness Committee, Jamia Millia Islamia, 2025
3. Chairperson, Development of Masters Programme under the National Education Policy, Department of Social Work
4. Chairperson, Development of FYUP Programme under the National Education Policy, Department of Social Work
5. Member, Committee for Developing Ordinances related to Admissions.
6. Member, University Apex Committee on the National Education Policy, Jamia Millia Islamia, 2025
7. Member, Sub group on Capacity Building, National Education Policy, 2025

8. Member, Committee to Review the Ph.D Ordinances, 2025.
9. Chief Coordinator, University Centenary Celebrations, 2019.
10. Honorary Director, Centre for Early Childhood Development and Research, 2010-2022
11. Head of the Department of Social Work, Jamia Millia Islamia, 2010-2013
12. Dean, Students Welfare, Jamia Millia Islamia, 2006-2010
13. Honorary Director, National Resource Centre on Alternative Care, CECDR.
14. Chairperson, Board of Studies, Dept of Social Work, Jamia Millia Islamia
15. Chairperson, Committee of Studies, Centre for Early Childhood Development and Research, Jamia Millia Islamia
16. Member, Peer Review Team for two cycles of NAAC accreditation
17. Coordinator, Research & Resource Unit on Social Work with Minorities at the Department of Social Work, Jamia Millia Islamia
18. Nodal Officer, Development of Practice Venue for Commonwealth Games, 2008-2010
19. Coordinator, 'P2P: Challenging Extremism Global University Initiative' in collaboration with Facebook and the U.S. Department of State, 2016
20. Director, State Resource Centre for Literacy, Jamia Millia Islamia from 2006-2009
21. Director, Women's Development Centre, Jamia Millia Islamia from 2007-2009
22. Member, University Establishment Committee to examine establishment issues in the university including teaching employee grievances.
23. Chairperson, University Canteen Committee
24. Chairperson, University Games and Sports Committee
25. Member, Institutional Ethics Committee for Research
26. Developed and directed a course on Child Rights for working professionals.
27. Developed and directed a course on Management of NGOs.
28. Led the restructuring & strengthening of the M A Social Work and B A (H) Social Work course from annual to semester mode, 2010
29. Actively led the revamping of the curriculum of M A Social Work and bifurcation of the course into two specializations, viz, Social Development & Social Welfare in 1994
30. Introduced new pedagogical practices in the Department including skill laboratories, programme media, behavioural and personality enrichment laboratories etc.
31. Organised several international and national seminars, conferences and workshops.
32. Introduced NCC Naval Wing in the University and served as the first commissioned NCC Officer (Naval Wing).

C O N S U L T A N C I E S

- Consultant to develop the Policy Brief on 'Making Education Future Proof: Towards Learning for Work and Life in the 21st Century' for Save the Children, 2023
- Consultant 'Rapid Assessment of Alternative Care in India' for UNICEF India Office, 2018
- Technical Expert, Government of Jharkhand's Tejaswini Project on Life Skills Education Curriculum, 2018
- National Consultant to UNICEF India Office for Polio Communication Review, 2008
- External Evaluator of the Educational Programme of the Damodar Valley Projects, Ed-CIL, 2008
- External Evaluator of the Gender and Development Project of the Northern Region Forum of 15 North Indian Dioceses (UKSVK), 2004

- Served as expert evaluator for research projects in social sciences for the Indian Council of Social Science Research and University Grants Commission

MEMBERSHIP / ACTIVITIES IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

1. President, Indian Association of Social Work Education, since 2013
2. Member, Editorial Board, Social Development Issues, a refereed journal of the International Consortium for Social Development (ICSD), 2018
3. Member, Editorial Board, Perspectives in Social Work, Nirmala Niketan, Mumbai
4. Member, International Federation of Social Workers, USA, 2018
5. Member, International Association of Schools of Social Work, USA, 2015
6. Member, International Society for Third Sector Research, USA, 2015
7. Convenor, North Zone Network of Schools of Social Work, 2011
8. Member, National Network of Schools of Social Work, 2011

PROFESSIONAL HONOURS, AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

1. Recipient of Shastri Institutional Collaborative Research Grant (SICRG) awarded by the Shastri Indo Canadian Institute, 2019-2021
2. Fulbright Scholar - in - Residence on 'Internationalising Social Work Education' at George Mason University and North Virginia Community College, Virginia, Washington, USA, 2015.
3. Admitted to Life Membership of the Phi Alpha Honour Society-Chi in May 2015 by National Council of Phi Alpha Honour Society, USA
4. University Grants Commission Senior Research Fellowship, 1990-1991
5. University Grants Commission Junior Research Fellowship, 1988-1990
6. Merit Scholarship for obtaining first position in the B A examination, 1985-1987

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

1. Project Director of the UNICEF supported "*Project on Advocacy and Networking for Health among Under Served*" in Western Uttar Pradesh. *[This Project aimed to create an enabling environment for interventions in the area of preventive health, routine immunization, girl child education and child rights among the underserved sections of the population, through sensitization and networking among the institutions and influencers of the underserved.* (*2003 – 2013)]*
2. Engaged in developing a network of traditional Islamic educational institutions for the positioning of various social issues related to the Muslims in India and use this network for the advocacy and promotion of behavior change among Muslims in India.
3. Directed the *Markaz-e-Niswan*, the Women's Development Centre of the University. The Centre conducted programmes for women belonging to the disadvantaged sections, wherein they are provided with vocational training, health check-ups and life skills.
4. Engaged in building capacity of local NGOs in project formulation, including use of Logframe, Results Based Management, fund raising and general management of NGOs.

INFORMATION, EDUCATION & COMMUNICATION MATERIAL

1. Radio Programme Series on Child Protection from Jamia Community Radio
2. *"Sehatmand Log, Sehatmand Mu'aashra, Roshan Mustaqbil*" –IEC material in Urdu and Hindi produced for the mobilization of faith leaders for polio eradication.
3. Various IEC materials (handbills, pamphlets, banners etc) with appeals from religious leaders in Urdu and Hindi on various occasions, advocating preventive health and the eradication of polio.

FILMS AND PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT SPOTS

1. Produced and Directed film entitled "Reaching the Under Served" a documentation for the UNICEF.
2. Produced and Directed Public Service Announcements of Religious Leaders Advocating Polio Eradication and Preventive Health.
3. Produced and Directed film entitled "Poverty: Concept and Measurement" for the UGC Country Wide Classroom.

SPECIAL TRAININGS

- 'National Education Policy 2020 Orientation & Sensitization Programme' under Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Programme (MM-TTP), February 2024
- 'Gender in Programme and Project Monitoring and Evaluation' conducted by the World Bank Institute and the Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Network of the World Bank, 2002
- ENRAP Workshop on 'Knowledge Management' organized by the International Development Research Centre, ENRAP, Singapore, 2001
- Course on 'Design of Training' at the HCM RIPA, developed by Thames Valley University, UK and DOPT, Govt of India

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC EXPOSURE: Visited the following countries for academic pursuits, Canada, United States of America, United Kingdom, Turkey, Brazil, Singapore, South Africa, Germany, Japan, South Korea, Oman, Bangladesh and Saudi Arabia. Besides also visited France, Switzerland, Italy, Uzbekistan, Morocco, UAE, Russia, Malaysia, Czech Republic, Austria, Hungary, etc. I am also regularly hosting the India Studies Programme students' group from University of Calgary, each year.