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EMPLOYMENT

- 2009 - **Secretary, National Foundation for Communal Harmony**, Ministry of Home Affairs:
Promoting peace, communal harmony and national integration
- 2008-09 **Joint Adviser (Voluntary Action)**, Planning Commission, Government of India:
Handling policy issues relating to the voluntary sector at the national level
- 2004-08 **Special Officer to the Minister of State for Planning:**
Advising MOS in all technical matters relating to Planning Commission and
in evaluating various flagship development programs
- 2000-08 **Deputy Adviser (Voluntary Action)**, Planning Commission
- 1997-99 **Deputy Adviser (Env't & Forests Division)**, Planning Commission
- 1996 **Deputy Adviser (Project Appraisal & Mgt Division)**, Planning Commission
- 1992-96 **Senior Research Officer (Voluntary Action)**, Planning Commission
- 1990-92 **Senior Research Officer (Social Development)**, Planning Commission
- 1981-90 **Assistant Director/Research Officer**, Ministry of Welfare

EDUCATION

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- 1996-97 **University of Wales, Wales, Swansea, United Kingdom**
M. Sc. (Economics, Social Development, Planning & Management)
Passed written papers at Commendation Level
Dissertation: State and Non-Profit Sector in India: Reluctant Partners or
Willing Collaborators?
- 1975-80 **University of Delhi, New Delhi, India**
Ph.D., Department of Anthropology
Thesis: Micro-evolutionary Dynamics of Ahmadiyyas of Kashmir Valley
- 1973-75 **University of Delhi, New Delhi, India**
M. Sc. (Anthropology), First Division
- 1970-73 **University of Delhi, New Delhi, India**
B. Sc. (Hons) Anthropology, First Division

ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATION

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- 2003 **Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, United States**
Senior Philanthropy Fellow, Center for Civil Society Studies
- 2003 **Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, United States**
Certificate Program in NPO Management
- 1989-90 **University of Arizona, Tucson, United States**
Post-Doctoral Research Focus: Federal Policy for Native Americans

SCHOLARSHIP (SELECT)

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- 2008 **Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), Canada**
To attend an International Forum on Civil Society and Aid Effectiveness
- 2007 **United Nations, New York, United States**
To attend an 'Expert Meet on Volunteering & Inclusive Development'
- 2007 **Israeli Centre for Third Sector Research, Beer-Sheva, Israel**

- 2005 For attending a Meeting on Policy Initiatives for the Third Sector
University of Tsingua, Beijing, China
- 2003 For attending the Conference of JHU Philanthropy Fellows at Beijing
Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, United States
Senior Philanthropy Scholarship at Center for Civil Society Studies
- 2002 **University of Cape Town, South Africa**
For participating in the Fifth Conference of ISTR
- 1996 **University of Linkoping, Sweden**
Scholarship of the Environment Policy and Society (EPOS)
- 1986 **University of Arizona, Tucson, United States**
National Scholarship, Government of India for Post-Doctoral Research

WORKSHOPS & CONFERENCES (SELECT)

- 2008 **GuideStar International, London, UK**, Assembly on Engaging Citizens in Policy and Social Action
- 2008 **Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT) & Business & Community Foundation**, New Delhi ‘CSR Management Development Program’
- 2006 **UNDP, RBI & Planning Commission** sponsored Workshop on Human Development and State Finances at RBI-CAB, Pune
- 2004 **Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Kolkata**, International conference on Business-Social Partnership beyond Philanthropy
- 2001 **Osaka International House Foundation**, Osaka, Keynote Speaker on Public-Private and NGO Partnerships
- 1998 **The World Bank**, New Delhi, Resource Person, World Bank Consultations on Indigenous Peoples
- 1998 **Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Ahmedabad**, Workshop on Policy Dialogue on Access to Biodiversity & Benefit Sharing
- 1997 **University of Wales, UK**, Research Methods & Strategic Management
- 1990 **University of Arizona, United States**, Computer Applications
- 1981 **Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Calcutta**, Statistical Methods Workshop
- 1981 **Ministry of Home Affairs, ISTD, New Delhi**
Training of Trainers in Tribal Development Administration

MEMBERSHIP (SELECT)

- Member-Secretary, **Steering Committee on Voluntary Sector** for the X (2002-07) and XI Five-Year Plan (2007-12) set up by Planning Commission
- Life Member, **Indian Science Congress Association (ISCA)** since 1995
- Life Member, **Ethnographic & Folk-Culture Society (EFCS)** since 1995
- Life Member, **Indian Anthropological Association (IAA)** since 1976

PUBLICATIONS

More than 25 papers published in various National / International Journals and about 30 presented at different National and International Conferences