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International voice in Early Childhood Development, Disability Inclusion & Child Rights

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Profile snapshot

- Nearly 40 years translating research into policy and practice—shaping India’s ECCE frameworks, building frontline capacity and strengthening child-focused systems.
- Works seamlessly across academia, government and grassroots to ensure Every Child Every Ability thrives.

Core domains

- Early Childhood Development & Education
- Childhood Disability & Inclusion
- Child Rights & Protection

Signature impact

- Disability Screening Schedule (DSS)—embedded in India’s Navchetna & Adharshila curricula; empowers 1.4 million Anganwadi workers to spot disabilities early.
- DIA (Detection–Inclusion–Ability) module screened 100,000+ people in Delhi’s slums and informed community action.
- National & International: Member of MWCD expert committee to finalize national ECCE curricula Navchetna & Adharshila; authored UNICEF global brief on parenting for children with disabilities.
- Founder, EveryChild EveryAbility Institute—Training-Research-Innovation in ECCE, disability, Child protection & parenting.
- Founder, Manzil Welfare Society—30,000+ children and youth reached through education and empowerment programmes.

Leadership & service

- Professor (retired), Dept. of Human Development & Childhood Studies, University of Delhi.
- Served on curriculum and research boards of MS Univ Vadodra, Banasthali Vidya Peeth, Ambedkar University, NCERT, NIPCCD, Udayan Care, Muktangan Trust and others; guided 9 Ph.D.s; examined doctoral theses nationwide (TISS, JNU, Chennai Univ etc).

- Delivered 100+ national trainings for ICDS, UNICEF, Pratham, Rocket Learning, Mobile Creches and state ECCE missions.
- Member 50+ expert groups for various ministries, international bodies and academic institutions

Awards & honours

- World Bank South Asia Development Marketplace Winner—action-research improving birth outcomes among low-income mothers.
- Delhi Univ. Gold Medal

Selected publications

- Systems Approach to Early Childhood Development: Bridging Theory, Policy & Practice (Springer Nature, 2025 – forthcoming)
- UNICEF Technical Brief: Parenting Support for Children with Developmental Delays & Disabilities (2024)
- Child Rights in India: Challenges and Social Action (Springer, 2015)
- 3 Guidebooks on Disability (2012)

How I can help

- Advisory & consulting on ECCE, inclusion, child-rights and CSR strategies.
- Keynote speaking & panels at academic, government and global platforms.
- Capacity-building workshops and research collaborations for universities, NGOs and state systems.