

Curriculum Vitae



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PROFILE ATA GLANCE

- A dynamic Educationist with more than 30 years of cross functional experience in management & leadership of national level educational institutes, private education ventures and handling academics as well as research assignments nationally.
- Core competence in handling the entire gamut of overall administration of leading Educational Institutes including strategic institutional development; modern educational style & system implementation; performance assessment of various institutes; funds mobilization; quality enhancement initiatives, open and distance learning education system development and undertaking development programs.
- Extensive experience in handling teaching assignments and distinction of being a recognized guide for PhD and postgraduate international students.
- Thinker, Philosopher and Guide as well as a competent Trainer on various aspects of Education, Tertiary Education, Religion, Vedanta, Management and Quality.

- Distinction of being listed in the ‘International Who’s Who of the Outstanding Scholars’ and receiving the ‘Rashtriya Nirman Award’ and ‘National Goldstar Award’ from the International Business Council, New Delhi for the year 2001.
- International Education System know how of India, ASEAN, Middle East, EU and Australia. Deep understating of on going international tertiary education trends / developments in developed as well as developing countries.
- Have published 20 books; co-authored 20+ books, 25+ research papers and 5 research reports
- **Areas of core competency :**

<i>HR &</i>	<i>Education</i>	<i>Quality Assurance in</i>
<i>Administration</i>	<i>Consultancy</i>	<i>Education</i>
<i>Resource Expert</i>	<i>Fund Mobilization</i>	<i>Research</i>

EXPERIENCE

Administration / Institutional Leadership

- Successfully leading education initiatives as Director - Education of Adani Foundation, CSR arm of US\$ 40 Billion Adani Group.
- Successfully handling the entire administrative functions as the Professor - Director of University Grants Commission (UGC) - Academic Staff College, Saurashtra University, Rajkot.
- Distinction of being the Honorary Consultant to more than 20 Educational Institutes of India and beyond; played a pivotal role in overall development of the institutes, through implementing modern educational thoughts & systems.
- Handled the additional responsibilities of the Controller of Examination, Saurashtra University, Rajkot.
- Recognized peer team coordinator of UGC’s National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), Bangalore and assessed more than 75 Educational Institutes all over India. (India’s international standard tertiary education accreditation system)
- Successfully developed and presented detailed project report to MHRD, Govt. of India & Netherlands Government and procure Indian Rs. 40 Crores grant, for Kutchchh District Primary Education as the District Coordinator.

- Successfully developed and implemented 60 + ‘Orientation Programme’ and 150 + ‘Refresher Courses’ for new as well as seasoned educational professionals.

Organization of Workshops & Training Programs

- Have successfully co-ordinated Special Quality Enhancement Programme for 450 High School teachers from the schools of Earthquake affected districts of Gujarat under Primer Ministers’ National Relief Fund.
- Played a key role in execution of Teachers’ Training Programme for Secondary, Higher Secondary and Higher Education faculties for various NGOs and GOs, for enhancing the quality of classroom teaching, non-formal education, population education and sex education.
- Successfully conducted more than 50 training programmes as a ‘HR Trainer’ for various international NGOs like Aga Khan Foundation, UNFPA to name a few. Honored ‘National Counselor’ of the foundation for Aga Khan Foundation.

Research

- Successfully executed several research projects and some of the major projects handled are :
 - ‘A Comparative Study of Attitude towards Sex Education of High School Teachers And College Teachers’ sponsored by UGC Minor Research Project: 1996-1998. Academic achievements of left brain and right brain B.Ed. students of Saurashtra University’, sponsored by UGC Minor Research Project: 1998-2000.
 - ‘Special Adolescent Reproductive Health Project’ at Rajkot, sponsored by International Planned Parenthood Federation: 1999-2000.
 - ‘Enhancing Sexual and Reproductive Health of Youth’, sponsored by IPPF as Project Coordinator and Chief Researcher.
 - ‘Socio-Economic Survey of 1510 families’ sponsored by Shri M.D. Mehta Education Trust, Dhrol, Dist: Jamnagar. Acted as Principal Investigator.
- Recognized as guide for Ph.D. Research Scholar
 - Ph.D. at Saurashtra University, Rajkot (-08 scholars have been awarded the degree)
 - Ph.D. at Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University, Ahmedabad (-03 awarded 04 undertaking)
 - Guiding 5 international scholars from across ASEAN for their Doctoral Research.

Teaching

- Rich experience in handling academic assignments at graduate, post graduate and Doctorate Levels.
- Expertise in adapting non-formal methods of teaching.
- Played a key role in setting up the syllabus and writing /selecting text books as the Subject expert of Gujarat State Text Book Board, Gandhinagar.
- Internationally acclaimed innovative trainer (and trainer administrator) for teachers' / academic administrators' training.

WORK HISTORY

Director – Education	Adani Foundation	2013		till date
Professor – Director	UGC Academic Staff College, Rajkot	2000	to	2013
Associate Professor UGC	Academic Staff College, Rajkot	1998	to	2000
Assistant Professor UGC	Academic Staff College, Rajkot	1995	to	1998
Project Officer	Saurashtra University, Rajkot	1992	to	1995
Lecturer	M.D.S. B.Ed. College, Junagadh	1989	to	1992
Assistant Teacher	Saurashtra High School, Rajkot	1980	to	1989
Laboratory Coordinator	St. Mary's School, Rajkot	1979	to	1980

After taking early retirement from UGC Professorship, rendering services as Director-Education, Adani Foundation at Ahmedabad and mentoring all educational initiatives of Adani Foundation. Adani Foundation is a CSR arm of Adani Group.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT ASSIGNMENTS

- Controller of Examination, Saurashtra University, Rajkot from Dec. 01 to July 03.
- Honorary Consultant to more than 10 leading educational institutes of Gujarat.
- District Coordinator of District Primary Education Programme(DPEP) of Kutch District;

EDUCATIONAL & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- *Doctor of Philosophy (Education)*; Saurashtra University in 1988
(First and only Doctoral Research in the field of Sex Education in South East Asia)
- *Master of Education (First Grade)*; Saurashtra University in 1983
- *Bachelor of Education (First Grade)*; Saurashtra University in 1978
- *Bachelor of Science (First Grade)*; Saurashtra University in 1975

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

- Distinction of being listed in the 'International Who's Who of the Outstanding Scholars.'
- Honor of being selected for 'Rashtriya Nirman Award' and 'National Goldstar Award' for 2001 by International Business Council, New Delhi.
- Awarded the Inter University, Shri Hari on Ashram Prerit Bhaikaka Best Research Paper Award by S.P. University, Vallabh Vidyanagar.

PUBLICATIONS

- Authored 20 books; co-authored 20 books and have published 25 +research papers and 5research reports
- Have also contributed articles on contemporary educational issues
- a Column writer for popular periodicals and dailies of India like Phulchhab and Divya Bhaskar.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Founder Member, Delhi Public School Rajkot.
- Member, Managing Committee, M.D.Mehta Education Trust, Dhrol, Dist : Jamnagar
- Senior Fellow, National Centre For Quality Management, Mumbai
- Member Secretary, Academic Advisory Committee, UGC ASC, Saurashtra University, Rajkot
- Member, Academic Advisory Committee, UGC ASC, Gujarat University., Ahmedabad
- Member, Academic Advisory Committee, UGC ASC, University of Mumbai, Mumbai
- Member, Selection Committee, SNTD Women's University, Mumbai
- Member, Ahmedabad Management Association, Ahmedabad
- Member Secretary, National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), Bangalore

