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**Career Summary
(1989 ----- 2015)**

- Worked as **principal** at Rajalakshmi Vidyashram Matriculation School in Chennai for **4 years**.
- **8 years** experience in book publishing (writing, editing and commissioning).
- **13 years** of teaching experience in M Ct M Chidambaram Chettyar Matriculation Hr Sec School, Alwarpet and Kendriya Vidyalaya, Joshimath.
- **Doctorate in environment education** and Masters Degree in Zoology.
- **Author** of **5** series of science textbooks for primary classes and a series of general books.
- Developed 1 series of educational **science CDs** for primary classes (**CBSE**)-**2010**

Professional Experience

Principal of a school

- Providing able leadership to my staff and guidance to my students
- Plan effective strategies to attract more and more parents to admit their children in our institution.
- Encourage the all-round development of the student to make him/her a worthy citizen of the society.
- Have a healthy and pleasant interaction with parents to address their various problems.
- Regularly conducted workshops and training programs for my staff to improve their teaching and make them more confident and competent.
- Encouraged our students and staff to participate in several cultural and sports competitions.

Freelance educational consultant

- Conducted workshops on career management in M Ct M Mat Hr Sec School, Chennai
- Was on the teacher panel for Rajalakshmi College of Education during commissioning
- Was a judge for the science exhibition conducted for the BEd students of Rajalakshmi College of Education
- Was a judge for the Science exhibition of High school and Hr Sec students at Guru Shree Shanthi Jain Sr Sec School and Bala Vidya Mandir School.

Book publishing

- In the past 5 years, have published 38 children's books for the general market and 150 textbooks for classes 0-9(both **TN matric board and CBSE**).

Seminars/Workshops attended

- Art & Craft workshop conducted by Camlin Kokuyo at Chennai
- Workshops for principals conducted by Xseed at Chennai
- Workshops for principals conducted by EZVidya at Chennai
- Workshop on teaching of English language in classrooms by KARADI path at Chennai
- Workshop on Early primary learning conducted by the State Education Dept at Chennai
- Workshop on value education conducted by IMCT at Chennai
- Guided the school and participated in the Hindu fair events conducted in Chennai for the past 3 years.

Research experience

- Studied the effectiveness of Nature clubs in spreading environment awareness among children.

1998-2000

Teaching experience (9 yrs in TN matric school and 4 yrs in Kendriya Vidyalaya-CBSE as PGT)

- Worked as **post-graduate teacher**, handling classes 9-12.
- Been **Head of Science** dept.
- Worked as officiating **Principal** in **KV** several times.
- Been **House Master** for Inter-house cultural.
- Been in charge of **school quiz and GK competitions**.
- Been in charge of **Eco-club and Nature-club**.

**2000- 2003
and 1989-
1998**

Education

- **Ph. D** - Madras University **2003**
- Underwent training in **Technical Writing** conducted by Simon Fraser university, Canada **2002**
- Cleared **NET & SLET** **2001**
- **M Ed** – Annamalai University **1993**
- **M Sc** – Utkal University **1986**

Book authored and CDs developed Have developed 1 series of educational **science CDs** for primary classes (**CBSE**)-**2010** ---Learning Links Pub House Pvt Ltd
Earth Links – EVS books 1-5-(**CBSE**)---Learning Links Pub House Pvt Ltd(**2009**)---**BKs 1 & 2 approved by Govt for Samacheer Kalvi syllabus**
Evergreen Fairy tales for Children series ----- A series of 18 fairy tales books --- Apple books (**2006**)
Explore and Learn series ----- Science textbooks 1-8 ----- Malaysian govt dept.(**2005**)
ironmental Science series -----TN Matric Science books 1-5 ---- Sura Books (**2003**)
Science for Pleasure series ----- **CBSE** Science books 1-5 ---- B I Publications (**1996**)
Textbook of Science book 5 (ICSE) ----- Kalyani Publications (**1991**)

Language competency **To read** ---- English, Hindi, Tamil
To write ----English, Hindi
To speak --- English, Tamil, Hindi, Malayalam, Oriya, Bengali