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Academic Qualifications:

- M.A Education (2009), YCMOU, Nasik
- Ph.D. Special Education (LD) (1998), S.N.D.T. Women's University, Mumbai.
- B.Ed Kanpur University (1988)
- M.A. Psychology, Allahabad University (1983)
- specialization in Clinical Psychology.
- B.A. Allahabad University (1981).

Work Experience:

- Officiating on the post of Director since April 2008.
- Reader (Associate Professor) in the Center of Special Education, SNDT Women's University, Mumbai, since 1998.
- Supervisor, (a UGC nomenclature but lecturer's scale) in Center of Special Education, SNDT Women's University, Mumbai.1989-1998.
- Clinical Psychologist at 'Insight' J.B Nagar, Andheri (E), Mumbai. 1988 – 89.
- Clinical Psychologist, at All Bengal Women's' Home, Elliot Road, Calcutta.1985-1988

Subjects of teaching:

- Special Education
- Educational Psychology & Human Development
- Research Methods & Statistics
- Learning Disability
- Intellectual Disability
- Curriculum Development

Areas of Research Interest:

- Learning Disability
- Psychometric testing
- Development of tests
- Curriculum development
- Measurement & Evaluation
- Teacher education

- Human resource Development
- Inclusive Education

Publications:

- National Journals
- Chapters in Books
- Resource and awareness Books

Recognised Guide for Ph.D. at:

SNDT Women's University

Awards:

- Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholarship to Australia. 2010

Membership of Professional /Academic Bodies:

- Chairperson, Ad-hoc Board of Studies in Special Education (2011-13), SNDT Women's University, Mumbai
- Member Academic Council (2011-13), SNDT Women's University, Mumbai.
- Member Research and Recognition Committee for Special Education (2011-13), SNDT Women's University, Mumbai.
- Member Academic Council (2005-2011), SNDT Women's University, Mumbai.
- Member Ad-hoc board of Centre of Special Education, SNDT Women's University, Mumbai (since 1998 till date).
- Member Curriculum Committee, Mumbai University, Mumbai (2008-2013).
- Member, RCI Expert Panel for inspection of training institutes.
- Member Curriculum Committee of Spastic Society of India Mumbai 2007.
- Core member-"Campus Diversity Initiative Workshop" sponsored by Ford Foundation, Delhi. July 2000
- Rehabilitation Council of India.
- Psychological Corporation .U.K
- Mumbai Psychological Association.

International Participation:

- Member of Indo- Australian Research Dialogue held at Tata Institute of Social Sciences 2009.
- India Representative for NICO- Northern Ireland Health and Social Services, a component of the UK National Health Service as psychologist for their international recruitment and technical assistance activities since 2005.
- Coordinator for SSD (Scholastic Examination Board), UK. for Jamnabai Narsee School since 2006
- Visited Sri Lanka Open University as resource person to lecture on identification and assessment of children with special needs and develop curriculum for special education training program in March 2006.

National Participation:

- Honorary Member of the advisory board of 'Samwad Shala' Lonavala – a school for hearing and mentally retarded children, 2008
- Co-Chairperson for the symposia "International Peoples Movements for Protection of Rights of Children" at XXXI Indian Social Science Congress held at SNDT Women's University Mumbai. 2007

- Honorary Consultant to NRB (a ball bearing manufacturing company) in assessing the children of their factory workers, adapting the curriculum and training balwadi teachers since 2007.
- Teacher Trainer at PRERANA, an NGO working for children of prostitutes at Kamathipura and Falkland Road, Mumbai. (2005-06).
- Teacher trainer at 'Dilasa' Helpers of the Disabled, Kamshet -2001-2004

Professional Training:

- ' Mind mapping and learning Styles' organized by Maharashtra Dyslexia Association, conducted by Breakthrough.2011
- 'Capacity building in women managers in higher education' organized by SNDT Women's University for UGC 2007
- 'Mapping Emotional Quotient of teaching faculty for academic leadership' organized by PV polytechnic college, SNDT Women's University Mumbai 2006
- Training in conducting 'OPQ 32" conducted by SHL India.2005
- Refresher course in Special Education, titled "Fostering Inclusion: Innovative Strategies and Practices" Centre of Special Education, SNDT Women's University, Mumbai2005.
- Basic Course in 'Instructional Systems Designs' conducted by Department of Educational Technology, SNDT Women's University. Mumbai. 2003
- Level 1 Training in 'Feuerstein's Instrumental Enrichment Program' conducted by Maharashtra Dyslexia Association, Mumbai, India.
- Short course in Flash 1V conducted by the Department of Educational Technology, SNDT. Women's University, Mumbai.
- Certificate course in learning disability and counseling (short term) – conducted by Indian Dyslexia Association.
- 'Capacity building training programme in visual impairment' conducted by National Association for the Blind.
- Training programme on Psychological assessment and teaching in dyslexia - Maharashtra Dyslexia Association, Mumbai, India.
- Training program on augmentative communication - Makaton India and Makaton Vocabulary project, UK
- Refresher course in education, titled "computer application in teacher education" PVDT College of education, SNDT Women's University, ' Churchgate Mumbai.
- Refresher course in education - 'Excellence in Education' conducted by Bombay University, for Academic Staff College, University of Mumbai.
- Bridge course in mental retardation - Rehabilitation Council of India at SNDT Women's University, Mumbai
- Theatre workshop - Ekjute theatre group, Mumbai.
- Seminar on "Qualitative Research in Educational Research" organized by Mumbai University.

Papers Published:

- Constructivism-Major Strands and Implications for Learning, Teaching and Teacher Preparation published in RPDT Open University Journal.2011
- Motivational deficit Among Learning Disabled: Effect of Intervention published in journal of Education & Pedagogy, vol 2, number 2, 2010.
- "Learning disability: challenges in assessment and diagnosis."- featured in the Book, "PERSPECTIVES ON LEARNING DISABILITIES IN INDIA:CURRENT PRACTICES AND PROSPECTS" published by Sage Publications, New Delhi 2008

- "A Fast Track approach for circumstantially challenged children" Paper presented at Indian Social science congress 2007.
- "Cognitive Process differences among Learning disabled and Non-Learning disabled Children' published in Perspectives in Education, Vol. 22, No.1, 2006
- "Motivational Characteristics of Children with Learning Disability" published in Perspectives in Education, Volume 19 Number 2, and April 2003.
- 'Cognitive and motivational differences among early and late detected Learning disabled Children', National Journal of Education, vol VII, No 2, 2002.
- "Motivational Characteristics of Learning disabled and non Learning disabled children," communicated in Perspectives in Education, 2002
- "Learning Disability: A Search for Predictor variable" published in Indian Journal of Educational Research, Journal of Education and Applied Sciences , Vol 04, no1, 2001
- "Cognitive and Motivational aspects of the Learning Disabled and the effect of intervention." Published by Innovative Research Associations 'Trends and Thoughts in education vol. XV11 'Child Development'- July 2001
- "Cognitive aspects of the Learning Disabled and the effect of intervention." Published in Indian Journal of Educational Research. Vol. 20, No.2, July- December 2001.
- "Identification and Assessment of Functional abilities and Differential Diagnosis", SECP 04. Madhya Pradesh Bhoj (Open) University, Bhopal 2001
- "Educational Implications of Disabilities and Programme planning. In Introduction to Disabilities", SECP 04. Madhya Pradesh Bhoj (Open) University, Bhopal 2001

Papers Awaiting Publication:

- Effect of remediation on Memory Deficit among Learning Disabled Children-accepted for Journal of Rehabilitation Council of India. New Delhi.
- Attention Deficit among Learning Disabled: Effect of Intervention. Sent to Ravindra Bharti University Journal.
- Remediation of perceptual Deficit among Learning Disabled: Effect of Intervention paper sent to Journal of National council of Education Research and Training Journal, New Delhi.

Course Materials Developed:

- Preparing self learning material for 3 month foundation course in learning Disability for Indira Gandhi National Open University and Rehabilitation council of India , New Delhi, 2011.
- Prepared M.Ed in Learning Disability course material for Indira Gandhi National Open University and Rehabilitation council of India , New Delhi, 2010.
- Prepared self learning material on' curriculum Adaptation for Learning Disabled children', School of education, for Indira Gandhi National Open University and Rehabilitation council of India , New Delhi, 2010
- Prepared course material in Learning Disability for National Institute of Open Schooling, 2004.

- Developed B.Ed. Special Education self instructional Material "Introduction to disabilities" for Madhya Pradesh Bhoj (Open) University and Rehabilitation Council of India. Bhopal.
- Developed 'Awareness Booklets "on Disabilities for Center of Special Education, S.N.D.T Women's University, Mumbai, India.
- Developed of tools for L.D. children in the areas of Maths and language conducted by RIE. & N.C.E.R.T. Bhopal under the project DPEP Education for all organized by SNDT Women's University.
- Developed "teacher attitude and effectiveness scale" currently being used by the Center of Special Education, SNDT Women's university Mumbai for enrolling Bed teacher trainees.
- Developed adjustment inventory for 4th and 5th standard normal school children.
- Translated Madras Development Programming Systems (MDPS) in Marathi and Hindi for Bombay Community Public trust (B.C.P.T.). Mumbai.
- Developed curriculum for two municipal special schools in Hindi and English funded by Bombay community public trust (B.C.P.T.) Mumbai.

RESEARCHES GUIDED:

Doctoral Researches:

- "Response to Intervention (RTI) and its Effect on the learning and Social Behaviour of Children in mainstreamed schools: A Study"-Gargi P Sinha(current)2008

Postgraduate Researches (dissertation):

- To Study the effectiveness of curriculum adaptation in geography for students with LD-Sonali Savant Dr Preeti Verma (current)
- Sensitization training and its effect on social interaction-Astha Bhalla & Dr Preeti Verma(Current)
- Effect of Touch Maths instruction programme on acquisition of Maths Skills in children with Learning Difficulties-Gopa Jhaveri & Dr Preeti Verma (current)
- Standardization of Competence Based Assessment Tool to identify children 'At Risk' For Mathematical Disabilities in First Grade.-Minaz Ajani and Preeti Verma (2009)
- Effects of Support Groups on Anxiety of Parents of Children with Down Syndrome-Rekha Kartha 2008.
- "Competence based Assessment Tool to Identify Children 'AT RISK' for Mathematical Disabilities in First Grade.-M.Geethamani and Preeti Verma 2007.
- "Development of an orientation module on inclusive education for B.Ed general education student teachers".Greselda Ferro and Preeti Verma, 2006.
- "The effect of metacognitive strategy training on independent living skills of adolescents with mild mental retardation". Leena Ved and Preeti Verma 2005
- "Development of intervention Program for Siblings of children with Disabilities". Nidhi Grover and Preeti Verma, 2004
- Social Competence among Children with Dyslexia and Nonverbal Learning Disabilities –a comparative study" Yasmin Baker and Preeti Verma, 2004
- "A study of personality profile of L. D. and Non L.D students as a correlate of socio economic status Shivali Gupta and Preeti Verma 2002.
- "A study on inclusive education for general school teachers" Lajja zaveri and Preeti Verma, 2001.
- "A study of Professional competence among special education teachers as a correlate of personality characteristics" Samantha Dandapani and Preeti Verma, 2000.
- "Development of training programmed in self management of frustration tolerance amongst high & low achievers" Hiral Mankad and Preeti Verma, 1999.

- "A cognitive Approach to Remediation of spellings errors in Hindi" Lipika Bhattacharya and Preeti Verma, 1999.
- "Self Esteem as a function of Attribution in social situation among Learning Disabled & non-disabled students" Piya Bose and Preeti Verma, 1999.
- "Nature and Remediation of memory deficit among learning Disabled children, 1998.
- Co-guided postgraduate dissertation -"Development of a low cost assessment kit for reading readiness at pre-primary level. Sonali Thorat, Smriti Swarup and Preeti Verma 1997.

PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN:

- "Preventing school dropouts in regular classroom municipal schools' funded by Bombay community public trust, Mumbai. Smriti Swarup and Preeti Verma .2005
- "Education and Management of Mentally impaired Children in two municipal schools of santacruz and Ville Parle" funded by Bombay community public trust, Mumbai. Smriti Swarup and Preeti Verma 2000.
- "Identification and assessment of Learning Difficulties among Polio and cerebral palsy children" at school for the crippled, (SEC) Sai Baba Seva Dham Kamshet District Pune.2000
- "Education and Management of children with special needs" at Dilasa a unit run by an NGO at Sholapur, housed at SAI Baba Seva Dham, Kamshet, District Pune.2000
- "Curriculum development and strategy planning" for CBR Workers at Karaon, district Allahabad on Identification and Assessment of Disabilities.1999

Paper Presentation/ Workshops / Conferences/Seminars:

- Attended International conference on Reading development and practices, organized by Maharashtra Dyslexia Association 2011
- Attended workshop on learning styles and mind mapping conducted by Breakthrough in association with MDA.2011
- Organized & Attended seminar on Providing collaborative school based services for children with multiple disabilities, 2011
- Resource person at seminar on ' skill enhancement in teachers to meet the needs of dyslexic children' at Sheth PT Mahila college of Art & home Science, organized by Project READ, Surat Pediatric association, Charitable trust.2011
- Panelist at Media Mantra 2011 on 'Disability & Media challenges organized by Dept of Extension Education, SNDT in collaboration with Brotherhood.2011
- Attended national meet of rehabilitation experts at Chandigarh, organized by RCI.2011
- Delivered series of lectures on ' Prevalence, types and management of disabilities & Inclusion' at NIHH.2011
- Attend expert committee meeting on 'Developing vocational courses for children with disabilities' at NIOS Delhi, in collaboration with YCMOU, Nasik.2011
- Attended expert committee meeting for B.Ed spl edu, (4 years) integrated programme.2011
- Delivered lectures at RCI sponsored refresher course on 'Research Methods" organized by Centre of Special Education.2011
- Delivered lecture 'cognitive Processes & developmental delays' at Jamna Bai Narsee school for their 'TEAM" teachers. 2010
- Delivered lecture 'Identification of LD' at Jamna Bai Narsee School for their 'TEAM" teachers. 2010
- Delivered lecture 'ADHD/ADD, MR &VI' at Jamna Bai Narsee school for their 'TEAM" teachers. 2010
- Delivered lecture 'Classroom strategies in management of children with special needs' at Jamna Bai Narsee School for their 'TEAM" teachers. 2010

- Developed curriculum for short term training programme in Learning disability for School for education, Navrachna University, Baroda.2010
- Delivered lectures at RCI sponsored CRE program 'Issues in Ld: assessment & diagnosis' organizes by Centre of Special education.2010
- Delivered lecture at St Mary's convent , Allahabad , on ' enhancing the potential of children with LD.2010
- Delivered a series of lectures at Bhabha atomic research centre schools on educational psychology, learning disability and its management.2010
- Advisor to Principal Scientific Officer, Govt of West Bengal, department of Scientific and Technology on their project' development of a diagnostic tool for clinical assessment of specific learning disability & Prevalence of SLD in Bengali, Hindi, & English medium primary school going children in west Bengal'2010.
- Attended expert committee meeting to review B.Ed (special education) curricula organized by RCI Delhi 2010
- Delivered lecture at Gujarat Research Society's Early Childhood Care and Education Programme Learning Disabilities and Management2010.
- Presented paper on 'Making Inclusion-a reality' at National Conference on 'Inclusion', at H. J. College of Education, Mumbai.2010
- Chaired a session on Inclusion at H. J. College of Education, Mumbai.2010
- Delivered lecture at Department of Early Childhood Education, SNDT on Learning Disabilities'.2010
- Attended Expert Committee meeting to 'Develop Course Material in M.Ed. Learning Disability Distance Mode' at Vishakhapatnam organized by RCI.2010.
- Delivered lecture at NIHH On 'Gifted Children /Exception Children & Learning Disabilities'.2010
- Delivered lecture for Sheth P. T. Mahila College of Arts & Home Science, Surat at centre of special Education, SNDT Juhu Mumbai on identification and assessment of learning disability.2009
- Resource person at UGC Sponsored National seminar at SPN Doshi Women's college on " Inclusive education" 2009
- Delivered lecture at Sheth P. T. Mahila College of Arts & Home Science, Surat on ' Remedial Approaches".2009
- Delivered lecture at Sheth P. T. Mahila College of Arts & Home Science, on ' Psychological and Cognitive Processes.' .2009
- Workshop on ' Learning Disabilities, ADHD ' for IGNOU Distance mode B.Ed and M.Ed students at Seva Sadan 's College of Education, Ulhasnagar.2009
- Workshop on ' Learning Disability: Strategies, Implications and adaptations' for B.Ed students of AYJNIHH,Mumbai, 2009
- Lectured at national society for clean cities-India, on " Early Intervention"2009
- Attended expert committee meeting for developing special education program for masters in child development at IGNOU 2009
- Attended Expert Committee meeting to review B.Ed.(Spl.Edu.),M.Ed.(Spl.Edu.) curricula organized by RCI, New Delhi.2009
- Lectured at K. K. College of Education on 'Inclusive Education'. 2009
- Lectured at K. K. College of Education on 'Understanding special education". 2009
- - Delivered lecture at Early Childhood Care & Education Programme, Gujarat Research Society on ADHD and Curriculum adaptation2009.
- Resource person for state level seminar on 'Learning Disability-An Interdisciplinary Approach' at SNDT College of Arts and SCB College of Commerce & Science for Women.2008
- Conducted Workshop 'Disabilities and Its Management' at Samwad Shala' Lonavala. 2008

- Conducted Workshop on 'Identification and Assessment of Learning Disabilities' organized by Lakshya Centre for Learning Disabilities, at Chandigarh, 2008
- Conducted Workshop on 'Learning Disabilities' organized by Lakshya Centre for Learning Disabilities, at Delhi, 2008
- Resource person in formulating the curriculum for the paper in 'Inclusive Education,' for M.Ed & B.Ed courses, Mumbai University 2008.
- Workshop on ' Learning Disabilities: modifications and adaptations' for B.Ed and M.Ed students, Seva Sadan 's College of Education, Ulhasnagar. 2008
- Workshop on 'Learning Disability: Classroom Implications 'for M.Ed students, AYJNIHH, Mumbai, 2008.
- Resource person in revising the curriculum for the paper in 'Inclusive Education,' for M.Ed course, AYJNIHH, Mumbai University 2008.
- Conducted workshop on 'Intensive coaching for SET Examination in Education' at Seva Sadan College of Education, Ulhasnagar. 2008.
- Presented paper 'A fast track approach for circumstantially challenged children' presented at XXXI Indian Social Science Congress at SNDT Women's University, Mumbai. 2007
- Resource person for orientation course for Mobile teachers of SSA at Ali Yavur Jung National Institute for the hearing Handicapped, Mumbai 2007
- Conducted workshop on ' Learning styles and strategies' for parents , Organized by Jamnabai Narsee School, Juhu, Mumbai. 2007
- Conducted tests on students of Educational technology, SNDT Women's University, Juhu, Mumbai for 'Personality and Job competence mapping' .2007
- Conducted workshop ' handling emotions ' for Teachers, for organized by Prerna. 2006
- Conducted tests on students of Educational technology, SNDT Women's University, Juhu, Mumbai for 'Personality and Job competence mapping' .2006
- Conducted workshop on ' Learning Disabilities: Identification and Assessment' for parents , Organized by Jamnabai Narsee School, Juhu, Mumbai. 2006